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Education:

Post Doc. 1991-1993, Child Clinical, Children's Health Council (affiliated with Stanford University), Palo Alto, CA.
Ph.D. 1991, Human Development/School Psychology (APA Approved), University of California, Berkeley, CA.
M.A. 1989, Human Development/Educational Psychology, University of California, Berkeley, CA.
M.S.W. 1985, Social Work (Child and Family Concentration), University of Southern California, CA.
M.A. 1985, Jewish Communal Service, Hebrew Union College, CA.
B.A. 1983, Psychology, California State University, Northridge, CA.

Honors and Awards:

2014 Leadership and Creativity Award, USC School of Social Work
2014 Pete Taylor Higher Education/ School District Partnership Award, Military Child Educational Coalition
2014 California Social Welfare Archives Distinguished Research Award
2014 American Educational Research Association National Outstanding Book of the Year Award Committee, Chair
2013 American Educational Research Association Award, Advisor for Dissertation of the Year, Division E
2012 American Educational Research Association National Bullying Task Force Co-chair
2012 American Educational Research Association Presidential Symposium Organizer Chair
2012 Military Child Education California Public Living in the New Normal (LINN) Public Engagement Co-chair
2012 American Educational Research Association National Book of the Year Award Committee Chair designate
2012 Appointed to the National Scientific Advisory Board for Military Child Educational Coalition
2012 American Educational Research Association Fellow
2012 Co-Author/ NASW Task Force Member on National Standards for School Social Work
2011 Promise Award for Integration of Research, Theory and Practice, American Educational Research Association, Conflict Resolution and Cooperative Learning SIG
2011 Society for Social Work Research, Excellence in Research Award
2010 Honorary Doctorate: Hebrew Union College
2010 Distinguished Research Award, American Educational Research Association, Division E--Human Development
2007 Distinguished Faculty Member Award from the USC LGBT-Q Student Government Caucus
2007 Outstanding Book of the Year Award, American Educational Research Association
2006 William James Book Award, Finalist, American Psychological Association
2006 Sterling Distinguished Faculty Research Award, USC Social Work.
2006 Distinguished Research Award, American Educational Research Association, Division E--Human Development
2001-2004 William T. Grant Foundation, Major Grant Award
2000 Palmer O. Johnson Award, American Education Research Association, Best Research Article
2000 Research Findings Cited on U.S. Senate Floor and entered into the Congressional Record
1999 Pattishall Award, School of Education (faculty research award), University of Michigan
1997 University of Michigan, Distinguished Faculty Recognition Award for National Academy of Education Fellowship
1997 University of Michigan, Distinguished Faculty Recognition Award for Fulbright Fellowship
1997-1999 National Academy of Education/Spencer Fellowship
1997-1998 Fulbright Senior Scholar Fellowship to Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel, (10-month grant)
1995-1998 National Institute of Mental Health, Instrument Development for Poverty and Violence Research Project
1992 Employee of the year 1992, The Children's Health Council (affiliated with Stanford University), Palo Alto, CA.
1991 University of California, Berkeley, Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award
1990 H.F. Guggenheim Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
1985 Speaker at Social Work Graduation, University of Southern California
1983-1985 Academic Merit Scholarship from Hebrew Union College/ University of Southern California
1983 Graduated Magna Cum Laude, California State University, Northridge
1982 Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology
1980-1981 Academic Merit Scholarship from Tel Aviv University
1979-1983 Dean's Honor Roll (CSUN) for every semester during undergraduate education

Employment and Clinical Training:

2015-present Stein-Wood Endowed Professor in School Behavioral Health, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
2008-2015 Thor Endowed Professor in Urban Social Development, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
2005-2008 Professor of Social Work and Education, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
2002-2004 Associate Professor of Social Work and Education, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.
2000-2002 Associate Professor of Social Work and Education, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

1993-2000	Assistant Professor of Social Work and Education, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
1997-1999	Spencer/National Academy of Education Fellowship, Hebrew University of Jerusalem 97/98 and University of Michigan 98/99. Topic: Children's moral understanding of poverty and violence.
1997-1998	Visiting Professor and Fulbright Senior Scholar Fellow, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel. Topic: Culture and School Violence.
1991-1993	Senior Clinical Team Leader, child clinical and family therapy post-doctorate training, The Children's Health Council (affiliated with Stanford University Packard Children's Hospital), Day Treatment Program, Palo Alto, CA.

Research Projects as PI or Co-PI (1993-present)*

- Children's Moral Reasoning About Family and Peer Violence. PI (Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation)
- Violent Emotionally Disturbed, Behaviorally Disordered Children and their Parents' Reasoning About Family and Peer Violence. PI (University of Michigan—NIMH Social Work Center Grant)
- Children, Teachers, and Parents Reasoning About Poverty and Violence. PI (University of Michigan-NIMH Social Work Center Grant)
- Arab and Jewish Israeli Children's Reasoning About Family and School Violence Within Cultural Contexts. PI (Fulbright Senior Scholar Fellowship).
- Mapping School Violence with Students, Teachers, and Principals. PI (Spencer Foundation)
- National School Violence Survey: Social Workers. PI (National Association of Social Workers and University of Michigan)
- U.S.A and Israel Cross-Cultural School Violence Study. Co-PI (National Academy of Education/ Spencer Foundation)
- School Violence in Israel: A National Random Sample & Monitoring System (four waves 1998, 1999, 2002, 2005). Co-PI (Israeli Ministry of Education Competitive National Grants)
- Linking National, School District, and Site Level Data on School Violence: Site "Self-Monitoring" as an Evaluation Tool. (Hertzelia, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Haifa). Co-PI (University of Southern California—Larson Foundation Fund)
- Theoretically Atypical Schools and School Violence: A Cross-Cultural Study of Successful School Organization in High Violence Communities.. PI (William T. Grant Foundation)
- Rapid Assessment of Post Trauma and Academic Outcomes in Northern Israel. Co-PI (Jewish Federation of New Jersey and Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- Integrating Anti-Violence Social Science Knowledge in Youth T.V. Programming in Israel. Co-PI (Hebrew University, Haruv Foundation)
- Mapping School and Neighborhood Violence in L.A. High Schools and Neighborhoods. PI (USC Rossier School of Education and Hamovitch Larson Fund).
- The Meitzav, Linking Academic and School Violence Indicators: Developing an Annual Census of all Israeli Schools. Co-PI (Israeli Ministry of Education)
- Building Capacity in Military Connected Schools. Researching schools educating large proportions of students whose parents are military personnel. The effects of parental military deployment on the school social culture and academics of students from military families. PI (Department of Defense Education Activity, 2010-2014). Note: \$7.6 million dollar research partnership grant to USC and consortium. Administered by USC.
- Monitoring School Violence in Chile. Co-PI (Chilean Government).
- Welcoming Practices that Address the Transition Needs of Military-Connected Students. PI (Department of Defense Education Activity, 2013-2017). Note: \$5 million dollar research partnership grant to USC and consortium. Administered by USC.
- Expanding the Partners At Learning (PAL) in Military Connected Public Schools. Co-PI with UCSD (Department of Education). Grant in progress.
- Monitoring School Violence in France. Co-PI Unfunded study. Grants Pending (European Union).
- Implementing FOCUS in Military Connected Public Schools. Co-PI with UCLA medical school. Grants pending (IES Department of Education).

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Publications: Books / Association Reports

1. American Educational Research Association. (2013). Prevention of bullying in schools, colleges, and universities: Research report and recommendations. Washington, DC: American Educational Research Association. (Astor, R.A., Co-Chair with Espelage D.)
2. Astor, R. A., Jacobson, L., Benbenishty, R., Atuel, H., Gilreath, T., Wong, M., De Pedro, K. M., Esqueda, M. C., & Estrada, J. N. (2012). A school administrator's guide to creating supportive schools for military students. New York: Columbia University, Teachers College Press.
3. Astor, R. A., Jacobson, L., Benbenishty, R., Atuel, H., Gilreath, T., Wong, M., De Pedro, K. M., Esqueda, M. C., & Estrada, J. N. (2012). A teacher's guide to supporting military students in the classroom. New York: Columbia University, Teachers College Press.
4. Astor, R. A., Jacobson, L., Benbenishty, R., Cederbaum, J., Atuel, H., Gilreath, T., Wong, M., De Pedro, K. M., Esqueda, M. C., & Estrada, J. N. (2012). A military parent's guide to supporting their children in School. New York: Columbia University, Teachers College Press.
5. Astor, R. A., Jacobson, L., Benbenishty, R., Pineda, D., Atuel, H., Gilreath, T., Wong, M., De Pedro, K. M., Esqueda, M. C., & Estrada, J. N. (2012). A pupil personnel guide to creating supportive schools for military students. New York: Columbia University, Teachers College Press.

6. Benbenishty, R. & Astor, R.A. (2005). *School Violence in Context: Culture, Neighborhood, Family, School, and Gender*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Winner of the 2007 American Educational Research Association's Outstanding Book Award and finalist-- for the 2006 American Psychological Association's William James Award

7. Astor, R.A., Benbenishty, R., & Jackson, L. (in progress for 2016) Mapping and monitoring school safety in schools and school districts: An evidence based guide.

Publications: Peer Reviewed Articles and Scholarly Commentary

8. Sullivan, K.S., Capp, G., Gilreath, T., Benbenishty, R., Roziner, I., & Astor, R. A., (in press). Substance abuse and other adverse outcomes for military-connected youth in California: Results from a large-scale normative population survey. *JAMA Pediatrics*.
9. Berkowitz, R., Glickman, H., Benbenishty, R., Ben-Artzi, E., Raz, T., Lipshtadt, N., & Astor, R. A. (in press). Compensating, mediating, and moderating effects of school climate on academic achievement gaps in Israel. *Teacher's College Record*.
10. Sullivan, K.S., Benbenishty, R., Astor, R. A., Capp, G., Gilreath, T., & Rice, E. (2015). The impact of maternal and paternal deployment on depressive symptoms and wellbeing among military-connected youth. *Military Behavioral Health*. DOI: 10.1080/21635781.2015.1038402
11. Garcia, E., De Pedro, K., Astor, R.A., Lester, P., & Benbenishty, R. (2015). FOCUS school-based skill-building groups: Training and Implementation. *Journal of Social Work Education*. 51, DOI: 10.1080/10437797.2015.1001292
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28. Cederbaum, J.A., Gilreath, T.D., Benbenishty, R., Astor, R.A., & Pineda, D., De Pedro, K.T., Esqueda, M.C., & Atuel, H.R. (2013). Wellbeing and suicidal ideation of public middle/high school students by military-connectedness. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. DOI: 10.1016/j.jadohealth.2013.09.006
29. Estrada, J.N., Gilreath, T.D., Astor, R. A., & Benbenishty, R. (2013). Gang membership, school violence, and the mediating effects of risk and protective behaviors in California high schools: *Journal of School Violence*. doi:10.1080/15388220.2013.846860
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Winner of the 2010 AERA Excellence in Counseling Research Award, Division E. Winner of the Society for Social Work Research Excellence in Research Award—both are only given to one article a year considered the best of that year in any journal.
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Selected Scholarly Presentations

- Multiple White House presentations on military children 2010-2014. Jill Biden visited our project at USC as well.
- Keynote to SAMSHA 14 State conference on supporting military children in schools using monitoring data 2014.
- Department of Defense Educational Activity, Agency wide DoD lecture on the role of school in supporting military children.
- Research Testimony to the National Academies --Institute of Medicine (IOM), July 2011. Committee on substance use within the military and their families—report to congress. Presented first normative data on 21,000 K-12 military students surrounding substance use data
- Keynote on a USA national and state monitoring system, June 2011. USA Department of Education Conference, Washington DC.
- Keynote on a national monitoring system for France, May 2011 and 2012. National Joint Conference with French Minister of Education, Heads of National Education Unions, and French Parliament Members, Sorbonne (University of Paris) French Ministry of Education.
- Keynote on a national monitoring system for Chile, May 2012. National Joint Conference with Chilean Minister of Education representatives, Heads of City Education Unions, and five Chilean Universities

- Keynote on a USA S3 state monitoring systems, April 2011. Attended by 47 State Departments of Education Heads. USA Department of Education S3 Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Testified to the California State Senate, May 2007. Committee on Education. School Violence: International Research, Successful Programs, and State Policy
- Testified to the Israeli Parliament (Knesset) Subcommittee on Education, June 1998. School Violence: Research, Programs, and National Policy. Ongoing ministerial updates every year since.
- Speaker at Graduation, U.C. Berkeley, May 1991.

Selected Professional Organizations

- American Education Research Association
- American Psychological Association
- Council on Social Work Education
- National Association of School Psychologists
- National Association of Social Workers
- Society for Research on Child Development
- Society for Social Work Research

Professional Licenses

- State of Michigan: Licensed Psychologist
- State of Michigan: Certified Social Worker
- State of California: Pupil Personnel Services Credential: School Psychology Credential

Sample of Media Coverage of Research Findings

- All Major Israeli News Papers, Radio, TV News including the Voice of Israel
- Ann Arbor News
- Al Jazeera
- Associated Press. Articles to many major papers across the U.S.A
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