

GRACE H. YOON, PHD

ACADEMIC

Postdoctoral researcher **Feb 2026 – Present**

Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Prevention Institute, University of Zurich (Zurich, Switzerland)

Supervisor: Dr. Andrea Farnham, Group Leader, Mobility and Planetary Health, University of Zurich

Scientific collaborator **Mar – Sept 2026**

Department of Psychology, University of Zurich (Zurich, Switzerland)

Supervisor: Dr. Jennifer Belus, Assistant Professor, Prevention and Mental Health, University of Zurich

Dr. Sc. Med (PhD), Public Health/ Epidemiology **Oct 2022 – Sept 2025**

University Hospital Basel, University of Basel (Basel, Switzerland)

Thesis: "Implementing a Behavioral Health Program in Lesotho: Problem Conceptualization, Attitudes and Preferences, and Resource Considerations" (Defended and Passed on 5 September 2025)

Supervisor: Dr. Jennifer Belus, Group Leader, Global Mental Health

Visiting Fellow **Sept 2024 – Feb 2025**

Erasmus University School of Economics (Rotterdam, the Netherlands)

Independent Project: Uncertainty attitudes toward a new medical treatment in Lesotho

Host: Dr. Chen Li, Behavioral Economics Group, Applied Economics Unit

MSc, Health Services and Systems Research **July 2018 – May 2020**

Boston University School of Public Health (Boston, MA, USA)

Thesis: "Health System Strengthening Using Problem Solving for Better Health in Lesotho"

Field work: Lesotho-Boston Health Alliance, resided 4 months in Lesotho

Supervisor: Dr. Brian Jack, Professor, Department of Family Medicine, Boston Medical Center

NON-ACADEMIC

Policy and Data Analytics – Consultant, Data Analyst **Jan 2021 – Sept 2022**

AVAC: Global Advocacy for HIV Prevention (Remote; based in New York, NY, USA)

Determination of Needs – Intern, Policy Analyst **Jan 2020 – Apr 2022**

Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Boston, MA, USA)

Independent Research Consultant **Jan – Aug 2022**

UK NHS Sussex, United States PREPA, University of Virginia (Remote)

TEACHING

Co-instructor for Health Care and Management – Mental Health **Apr 2025**

Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Allschwil, Switzerland)

Co-instructor for Climate Change and Mental Health **Mar 2025**

Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Allschwil, Switzerland)

Teaching Assistant for Introduction to STATA **Mar 2024**

University of Basel, Medical Faculty (Basel, Switzerland)

Teaching Assistant for Implementation Science **Jan 2020**

Boston University School of Public Health (Boston, MA, USA)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

<https://orcid.org/0000-0002-3849-1947>

PRESENTATIONS*

	<i>Most recent five speaking engagements*</i>
June 2026	Digital Society Initiative: Cultural Adaptations for Digital Health Interventions
April 2026	SwissPrEPared Annual Scientific Meeting, University of Zurich
September 2025	(Facilitator) Economics of Health Interventions – Beyond the Costs, SwissTPH
August 2025	International Congress of Behavioral Medicine
September 2024	European Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Conference

SERVICE

Peer Reviewer	Mar 2024 – Current
<i>Patient Education and Counseling, Social Science & Medicine – Mental Health, Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved, PLOS One, Discover Mental Health</i>	
COVID-19 Contact Tracer	Apr – Aug 2020
<i>Belmont/ Lexington/ Cambridge Department of Public Health (Cambridge, MA, USA)</i>	
Crisis Counselor	2018-2020
<i>Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (Boston, MA, USA)</i>	
Shelter Volunteer	2016-2019
<i>Asian Taskforce Against Domestic Violence (Boston, MA, USA)</i>	