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Curriculum Vitae

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## POSITIONS

Robert Wood Johnson health and Society Scholars 2007-present  
University of California, San Francisco & University of California,  
Berkeley

## EDUCATION

Sc.D., Social Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA 2003-2007  
Dissertation: "Social and Biological Influences on Cognitive Performance"  
M.S., Social Epidemiology, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA 2001-2003  
B.S., Behavioral Neuroscience, Trinity College, Hartford, CT 1994-1998

## PUBLICATIONS

**LeWinn KZ**, Stroud LR, Molnar BE, Ware JH, Koenen KC, Buka SL. Elevated maternal cortisol levels during pregnancy are associated with reduced childhood IQ. *International Journal of Epidemiology*. Accepted March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009

Martin LT, Kubzansky LD, **LeWinn KZ**, Buka SL. Childhood intellectual performance and risk of Generalized Anxiety Disorders. *International Journal of Epidemiology*. 2007; 36(4):769-75

Stroud LR, Solomon C, Shenassa E, Niaura R, Papandonatos G, Lipsitt L, **LeWinn KZ**, Buka SL. Long-term stability of maternal prenatal steroid hormones from the National Collaborative Perinatal Project: Still valid after all these years. *Psychoneuroendocrinology*, 2007; 32:140-150

Thomson CA, **LeWinn KZ**, Alberts DS, Martinez MA. Nutrition and diet in the development of gastrointestinal cancer. *Current Oncology Reports*, 2003;5(3)192-202

Turner S, **LeWinn KZ**, Browne A. Girls violence: New trends and clinical implications for Emergency Department physicians. American College of Emergency Physicians Newsletter, January 2002

Fisher HV, Thompson C, **LeWinn KZ**. The Mediterranean Heart Diet: How it works and how to reap the health benefits. Fisher Books: Tucson, AZ, 2001-2006

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**LeWinn KZ**, Stroud LR, Molnar BE, Ware J, Koenen K, Buka SL. Exposure to high levels of cortisol and child IQ. Society for Epidemiological Research. Chicago, IL, June 2008

Molnar BE, **LeWinn KZ**, Buka SL. Development of substance use disorders in urban adolescents previously diagnosed with psychiatric disorders. American Public Health Association, Washington DC, November 2004

Thomson CA, Alberts DS, **LeWinn KZ**, Bogert CL: Measurement of 8OHdG as a biomarker of oxidative damage in healthy women previously treated for breast cancer. American Institute for Cancer Research, Washington DC, Sept 2000.

## **FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS**

Robert Wood Johnson, Health and Society Scholars Program 2007-2010  
Postdoctoral Fellow

Achievement Gap Initiative Fellowship Recipient, Harvard School of Public Health 2006-2007

Maternal and Child Health Tuition Support Recipient, Harvard School of Public Health 2004-2006

Phi Beta Kappa, Trinity College, Hartford, CT 1998

## **TEACHING**

SHH 278: Society, Human Development, and Public Health; Teaching Assistant Spring 2005

SHH 212: Physiology and Social Determinants of Health, Teaching Assistant Winter, 2004

EH 205: Human Physiology; Teaching Assistant Fall 2004

ID 236: Social Epidemiology; Teaching Assistant Spring 2004

ID 283: Social and Environmental Risk for Psychiatric Disorders;  
Teaching Assistant

Fall 2003

**CONSULTING AND RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

Young Epidemiology Scholars Judge, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

2004-present

Consulting Epidemiologist, Child Trends, Washington D.C.

2005-2007

Consulting Epidemiologist, the John Merck Fund

2004-2005

**ADDITIONAL**

Manuscript Reviewer: Social Science in Medicine

2007-present

Member, Society for Epidemiological Research

2007-present

Member, American Public Health Association

2006-present

Member, Society for Research in Child Development

2008-present