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Rebecca London oversees JGC's research projects, facilitating the production of high quality research in a rich learning environment. She works closely with graduate students and staff to forward the JGC's research agenda through studies of JGC programs and other projects that inform the fields of youth development and community youth development. Throughout her career, Dr. London's research has bridged academia and policy, focusing on the policies and programs intended to serve low-income or disadvantaged families and youth. Using both qualitative and quantitative methods, Dr. London has conducted research on topics such as: the digital divide for youth, the effects of welfare reform on participating families and youth, college attendance among low-income mothers, children's living arrangements, and health insurance for low-wage workers. Prior to coming to JGC, she was an Associate Research Professor and Lecturer at the University of California Santa Cruz's Center for Justice, Tolerance, and Community and a Principal Analyst at Berkeley Policy Associates. Dr. London holds a Ph.D. in Human Development and Social Policy from Northwestern University's School of Education and Social Policy, an M.A. in Economics, also from Northwestern, and a B.A. in Economics from the University of Michigan.