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Hirokazu Yoshikawa is a developmental psychologist who studies public policies and programs related to early childhood development (ECD) in low- and middle-income countries as well as in the United States. He conducts research in the United States and in low- and middle-income countries, and has produced more than 200 peer-reviewed publications. His most recent books include *Immigrants Raising Citizens: Undocumented Parents and Their Young Children* and *From Cradle to Kindergarten: A New Plan to Combat Inequality*.

Yoshikawa has conducted impact evaluations of ECD programs in Chile, Boston, Tulsa, and elsewhere, and currently advises the Peruvian and Colombian Ministries of Education on their national monitoring and evaluation systems concerning the quality and child outcomes of their ECD policies. He also has been advising the Inter-American Development Bank on ECD program and policy research since 2010.

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Yoshikawa serves on the Boards of Trustees of the Russell Sage Foundation and the Foundation for Child Development. He has also served on the U.S. Board on Education Sciences (the board of the Institute for Education Sciences) and the U.S. Advisory Committee on Head Start Research and Evaluation for the Clinton and Obama administrations. In 2014 he was elected to the National Academy of Education. He obtained his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from New York University.

