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EDUCATION

University of Colorado, Boulder 2018 – present

- M.A., Sociology, in progress
- PhD, Sociology, in progress

University of Vermont 2010-2014

- B.A., Sociology, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Cumulative GPA: 3.85; Major GPA: 3.95

La Universidad de Belgrano, Buenos Aires Fall 2013

- Spanish-conducted courses in Sociology and Latin American History

AREAS OF INTEREST

Sexuality, Gender, the Family, Qualitative Methods

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Austin April 2017 – Present
Research Associate at the Child and Family Research Partnership
Austin, TX. Create written and visual quantitative and qualitative data summaries for memos to clients. Code qualitative data for reports. Create, distribute, and track electronic and paper surveys. Take notes during interviews and focus groups. Specific focus on projects geared towards child welfare, adolescent sexual education, and adolescent reproductive health.

Vinamr Marketing Research June – Sept. 2016
Market Research Intern
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Drafted grants for submission, created execution plans for Vinamr's mixed-methods market studies.

Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility Jan. – May 2014
Research Intern
South Burlington, VT. Co-created and distributed a survey exploring rates that female inmates were victims of domestic violence. Created a quantitative report on gender differences in parenting from Vermont state prisons. Submitted final report to the Vermont Department of Corrections.

University of Vermont
Research Assistant

May – June 2013

Burlington, VT. Located articles and provided written summaries of existing research for Dr. Jennifer Strickler's project "Outsourcing of Family Life".

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Triangle English

June – Nov. 2016

Instructor

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Students age 18 and older. Created curriculums for and taught daily English-conducted Speaking and History courses (paid position). Created curriculum for and taught bi-weekly English-conducted course in sociological concepts around gender and sexuality (volunteer position).

Best Kids English Academy

Feb. 2015 – Feb. 2016

Instructor

Bundang, South Korea. Students age 5-13. Developed students' vocabulary, reading, writing, and speaking. Facilitated creative and athletic activities. Crafted an original curriculum for school-wide speaking courses. (paid position).

Blue Sparrow

Nov. – Dec. 2013

Instructor

Pachachaca, Perú. Students age 12-18. Served as sole English instructor in Pachachaca's local high school. Created original curriculums and taught daily Spanish-conducted courses in Computer Science and English (volunteer position).

University of Vermont

Jan. – May 2013

Teaching Assistant: Fundamentals of Social Research (Dr. Jennifer Strickler)

Burlington, VT. Aided undergraduate student's use of SPSS and digital libraries to conduct semester-long research studies. Tutored and held group reviews in applied research skills and theory.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Mercer, Katie M. (2014, April). *Parenting Behind Gendered Bars*. Presentation at the UVM Student Research Conference, Burlington, VT.

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCIES AND TRAININGS

- SPSS
- MAXQDA
- Qualtrics
- Introduction to STATA (University of Texas at Austin, May 2017)
- Basic Course in Human Research (Citi Program, April 2017)

COMMUNITY SERVICE, MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

PFLAG Austin June 2017 – Present

Vice Director of Membership

Austin, TX. Recruit and manage new memberships for PFLAG (Parents and Families of the Lesbian and Gay community), track presence at meetings, conduct community outreach at events such as the Austin LGBTQA Pride festival.

2017 AASECT Conference June 2017

Attendee

The AASECT (American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists) conference presents the latest clinical techniques, research applications and educational approaches in the field of sexual science.

Rainbow Friends in Korea March 2015 – Feb. 2016

Member

Seoul, Korea. Attended meetings, fundraised for the Seoul 2015 Pride Festival, peacefully protested the ban on the 2015 festival, marched in 2015 festival upon court's overturn of ban.

2014 UVM Student Research Conference April 2014

Presenter and Attendee

Annual showcase of current graduate and undergraduate student research at the University of Vermont.

2012 UVM Translating Identity Conference (TIC) Oct. 2012

Attendee

Student organized, non-profit conference that presents a wide array of topics regarding gender and transgender identities.

UVM Free 2 Be 2011-2014

Member

Burlington, VT. Attended meetings and events hosted by the University of Vermont's student-run LGBTQA group.

AWARDS, HONORS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Magna Cum Laude 2014
University of Vermont
- Valerie Anne Moore Teaching Assistant Award 2014
University of Vermont
- LGBTQA "Rainbow" Graduate 2014
University of Vermont
- Dean's List every semester 2010-2014
University of Vermont

- A.L. Kelly Scholarship 2013-2014
University of Vermont
- Trustees Scholarship 2010-2013
University of Vermont
- Member of Phi Beta Kappa, Academic Honor Society
- Member of Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society