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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, *South Bend, IN*

- PhD, Sociology, expected May 2024
- Master of Arts, Sociology, August 2021
- Dissertation: Chosen Family among LGBTQ+ People
 - Committee: Abigail Ocobock (chair), Anna Haskins, Elizabeth McClintock, Joel Mittleman
- Master's Thesis: Transgender Inclusion and Exclusion Within the Women's March
 - Committee: Abigail Ocobock (chair), Elizabeth McClintock, Kraig Beyerlein

MEADVILLE LOMBARD THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL, *Chicago, IL*

- Masters in Leadership Studies, May 2018
- 3.97 GPA

SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

- Bachelor of Arts, May 2013
- 3.91 GPA
- Study of Women and Gender major; Spanish minor; Archives Concentration

UNIVERSIDAD DE CÓRDOBA, *Córdoba, Spain*

- Spring semester abroad 2012
- Lived with a host family, completed coursework about gender and politics in Spain
- Gained advanced proficiency in Spanish

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Gender and sexuality
- Historical sociology
- Social movements
- Race and ethnicity

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GENDER STUDIES TEACHING APPRENTICESHIP

Aug 2022-May 2021

- Co-taught Introduction to Gender Studies under the supervision of Dr. Pam Butler at the University of Notre Dame

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, *South Bend, IN*

Graduate Teaching Assistant

2019-2021

- Elizabeth McClintock's course "Marriage and the Family"
- Gave guest lectures on marriage equality and stepfamilies, graded papers, conducted office hours, and completed administrative tasks

JACOBSON CENTER FOR WRITING, TEACHING, AND LEARNING, *Northampton, MA*

Writing Tutor

2011

- Taught writing skills to Smith students, including first-years and English language learners

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- Attended weekly trainings with a team of tutors and staff

EXPLORING NEW ENGLAND SUMMER PROGRAM, Northampton, MA

Professor's Assistant/Intern

2011

- Worked with a group of high school girls at a summer history camp
- Planned activities, provided individual tutoring, served as an intermediary and advocate for students, aided professors in their lessons

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- American Sociological Association 2021 Annual Meeting
 - Master's thesis *Transgender Inclusion and Exclusion in the Women's March* accepted for the session "Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies"
- American Sociological Association 2020 Annual Meeting
 - Paper "*I don't want to be the victim no more.*": *Lesbian History in South Bend, Indiana* accepted for the session "Mapping LGBTQ Cultures and Subcultures"

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

FRAZIER THOMPSON SCHOLARSHIP

April 2022

- Received dissertation funding from Multicultural Student Programs and Services. The scholarship is given in honor of the first African American student at the University of Notre Dame.

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

Dec 2020, June 2022

- In 2020, received funding for master's thesis about transgender inclusion and exclusion within the Women's March. In 2022, won grant for oral history project of South Bend, Indiana reproductive justice activists.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Phi Beta Kappa, Smith College, May 2013
- Magna cum laude, Smith College, May 2013
- Jeanne McFarland Prize from the program for the Study of Women and Gender and the Project on Women and Social Change, May 2013
- Anita Volz Wien Global Scholars' Fund, which enabled working at a feminist non-profit in Córdoba, Spain, February-June of 2012
- Valeria Dean Burgess Stevens Prize for paper "Socialism in the YWCA Archives: How Religion Led to Radicalism," May 2010

PUBLICATIONS

MS. MAGAZINE

June 2022

- Co-authored an op-ed with Dr. April Lidinsky: "Learn from Early Organizers How to Protect Access to Abortion"

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RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, *Notre Dame, IN*

Research Assistant

Aug 2021-present

- Assisted Dr. Abigail Ocobock with her research about parenting in the era of COVID-19

ELKHART GENERAL HOSPITAL, *Elkhart, IN*

Hospital Chaplain Intern

Jun – Aug 2018

- Visited, prayed, listened, and did crisis intervention work with over 300 patients
- Developed a ministerial presence and completed one unit of clinical pastoral education

THE LGBTQ CENTER, *South Bend, IN*

Executive Director

Oct 2015 – July 2017

- Led the non-profit through a revolution by renovating the space, and changing the organization's name, website, logo, and mission statement
- Developed a strong LGBTQ youth community through mentorship, drop-in hours, youth group, crisis prevention and intervention, and a peer-educator sexuality education class
- Created a curriculum and hosted cultural competency trainings at local non-profits, schools, and businesses on becoming LGBTQ+ inclusive and affirming
- Oversaw and trained 16 facilitators or the Center's eight support groups
- Raised \$60,000 in grant funding in first year as Executive Director
- Built intersectional partnerships with public schools, higher learning institutions, non-profits, and government officials throughout the region, created a local referral list of resources
- Worked directly with diverse clients to find needed social services and community support

PORTLAND ARCHIVES AND RECORDS CENTER, *Portland, OR*

Archivist's Assistant

Sep 2013 – April 2014

- Provided first contact with patrons, processed collections, aided reference archivist with research requests, maintained archival organizational system, learned about city government and Portland's history

SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

Quigley Research Fellow

Aug 2012 – June 2013

- Assisted Professor Paula Giddings in the development, research, and publicity for a symposium on human trafficking
- Introduced Gloria Steinem for keynote
- Transcribed her speech for publication in *Meridians: feminism, race, and transnationalism*

SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

Research Assistant, Dr. Ibtissam Bouachrine

June – Aug 2012

- Helped process research materials and edited manuscripts for Spanish Professor Ibtissam Bouachrine with her book *Women and Islam: Myths, Apologies, and the Limits of Feminist Critique*

PLATAFORMA ANDALUZA DE APOYO AL LOBBY EUROPEO DE MUJERES, *Córdoba, Spain*

Intern, Programa de Estudios Hispánicos en Córdoba

Feb – June 2012

- Performed general office duties, attended feminist conferences, improved Spanish, visited local schools, and created presentations about violence against women and feminist legislation in Andalucía

SOPHIA SMITH COLLECTION ARCHIVES, *Northampton, MA*

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Intern, National Endowment for the Humanities

May 2011 – Jan 2012

- Processed the Ms. Magazine collection
- Assisted in the preservation and organization of archival materials in the Sophia Smith Collection, one of the top three archives for women's history in the world

ARCHIVES CONCENTRATION OF SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

Student Intern

Aug 2010 – May 2011

- Assisted Dr. Susan Van Dyne to create and maintain systems for the smooth functioning of the archives concentration
- Research focused on expanding the possible matches between processed archival materials and course use across the faculty
- Provided administrative and course support for core archives courses

SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

Research Assistant, Dr. Nancy Whittier

May – Aug 2010

- Aided Dr. Nancy Whittier on her book *Frenemies: Feminists, Conservatives, and Sexual Violence*
- Honed research skills working with archival evidence, online databases, and congressional testimony