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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME, *South Bend, IN*

PhD, Sociology, expected August 2024

Dissertation: "Ride or Die: Chosen Family Among LGBTQ+ People"

Committee: Abigail Ocobock (chair), Anna Haskins, Elizabeth McClintock, Joel Mittleman

Master of Arts, Sociology, August 2021

Thesis: "Transgender Inclusion and Exclusion Within the Women's March"

Committee: Abigail Ocobock (chair), Kraig Beyerlein, Elizabeth McClintock

Qualifying exams: Gender and Race/Ethnicity

MEADVILLE LOMBARD THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL, *Chicago, IL*

Masters in Leadership Studies, May 2018

GPA: 3.97

SMITH COLLEGE, *Northampton, MA*

Bachelor of Arts, May 2013

GPA: 3.91

Major: Study of Women and Gender

Minors: Spanish; Archives Concentration

UNIVERSIDAD DE CÓRDOBA, *Córdoba, Spain*

Spring semester abroad 2012

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Gender and sexuality; Family; Social movements; Race and ethnicity

PUBLICATIONS

WORKS UNDER CONTRACT

"*I don't want to be the victim no more.*": *Lesbian History in South Bend, Indiana*

Book manuscript under contract with Wolfson Press

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

"Transgender Individuals, the Pussyhat, and the Women's March" (Under Review at *Bulletin of Applied Transgender Studies*)

"Golden Handcuffs: Workplace Flexibility and Gender during the COVID-19 Lockdown" (Co-authored article with Abigail Ocobock, Manuscript in progress)

"Religion and South Bend, Indiana Pro-Choice Advocates" (Co-authored article with April Lidinsky, Manuscript in progress)

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“Intergenerational Tensions and Harmonies in Pro-Choice Activism” (Co-authored article with April Lidinsky, Manuscript in progress)

PUBLIC AND TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP

Williams, Eli and Hades Chanvanne. 2024. “Navigating the Hidden Curriculum”
(<https://learning.nd.edu/stories/navigating-the-hidden-curriculum/>)

Williams, Eli. 2024 “Developing Your Teaching Persona: A Sociological Approach”
(<https://learning.nd.edu/stories/developing-your-teaching-persona-a-sociological-approach/>)

Williams, Eli. 2023. “Seven Lessons on Ungrading.” *Kaneb Center for Teaching Excellence.*
(<https://learning.nd.edu/stories/seven-lessons-on-ungrading/>).

Williams, Eli, and April Lidinsky. 2022. “Learn From Early Organizers How To Protect Access to Abortion.” *Ms. Magazine.* (<https://msmagazine.com/2022/06/23/womens-history-organizers-abortion-before-roe-v-wade-the-janes/>).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

KANEB CENTER FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE, *University of Notre Dame*
Graduate Teaching Consultant, Aug 2023-May 2024

INTRODUCTION TO GENDER STUDIES, *University of Notre Dame*
Instructor of Record, January-May 2023

GENDER STUDIES TEACHING APPRENTICESHIP, *University of Notre Dame*
Teaching Apprentice, Aug 2022-December 2022

MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY, *University of Notre Dame*
Teaching assistant for Dr. Elizabeth McClintock, 2019-2021

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

INITIATIVE ON RACE AND RESILIENCE
April, October 2023

INSTITUTE FOR SCHOLARSHIP IN THE LIBERAL ARTS
November 2022

FRAZIER THOMPSON SCHOLARSHIP
April 2022

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CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL MOVEMENTS
December 2020, June 2022

PRESENTATIONS

CONFERENCES

Ride or Die: Chosen Family Among LGBTQ+ People
Sociologists for Women in Society Annual Meeting
January 2024

"I don't want to be the victim no more.": Lesbian History in South Bend, Indiana
National Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting
October 2023

Ride or Die: Chosen Family Among LGBTQ+ People
Sociologists for Women in Society Student and Junior Scholar Symposium
October 2023

Transgender Inclusion and Exclusion Within the Women's March
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting
August 2021

"I don't want to be the victim no more": Lesbian History in South Bend, Indiana
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting
August 2020

INVITED TALKS

Teaching in Your Future
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program
May 2024

Supporting LGBTQ+ Youth in Education
Indiana University South Bend
October 2023

"No one's going to tell me what kind of Christian I am": Religion and Reproductive Justice in South Bend
Saint Mary's College
March 2023

"We Used to Say Even Mary Had a Choice": Lessons from Abortion Advocacy in South Bend
Saint Mary's College
September 2022

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SERVICE

Sociologists for Trans Justice Mentorship Committee, 2022-2023

AWARDS AND HONORS

The G. Margaret Porter Gender Studies Graduate Writing Award for the best thesis chapter, dissertation chapter, journal article, or book chapter, May 2024

Phi Beta Kappa, Smith College, May 2013

Magna cum laude, Smith College, May 2013

Jeanne McFarland Prize, Smith College Study of Women and Gender and the Project on Women and Social Change, May 2013

Anita Volz Wien Global Scholars' Fund, 2012

Valeria Dean Burgess Stevens Prize, May 2010

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME

Notre Dame, IN

Research Assistant, Dr. Abigail Ocobock

August 2021-present

THE LGBTQ CENTER

South Bend, IN

Executive Director

October 2015 – July 2017

LGBTQ+ Cultural Competency Trainings Facilitator

South Bend, IN

October 2015- July 2017

Led trainings for Camp Eberhart, Ivy Tech, League of Women Voters, Memorial Epworth, Oaklawn, Real Services, Smoke Free Saint Joe, United Way, and the YWCA.

Portland Archives and Records Center

Portland, OR

Archivist's Assistant

September 2013 – April 2014

Sophia Smith Collection Archives

Northampton, MA

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Intern, National Endowment for the Humanities
May 2011- January 2012

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Association

National Women's Studies Association

Sociologists for Trans Justice

Sociologists for Women in Society

REFERENCES

DR. PAM BUTLER
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