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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. student**, Aging Studies 2020- Present
 University of Florida, Tampa, FL
Research Interests: Long-term care, advanced care planning, hospice and palliative care utilization, end of life, quantitative methods
 Advisors: Dr. Kathryn Hyer & Dr. Debra Dobbs
- M.G.S.**, Masters of Gerontological Studies 2020
 Miami University, Oxford, OH
Thesis Title: *Understanding who plans for long-term care*
 Chair: Dr. Robert Applebaum
 Committee: Dr. Sara McLaughlin & Dr. Jane Straker
- B.S.**, Sociology 2017
 College of Charleston, Charleston, SC

RESEARCH

- Research Assistant** 2020- Present
Supervisor: Dr. Kathryn Hyer
 University of South Florida, School of Aging Studies
 - Assisted in applying for a CMP grant looking at workforce stability in Florida nursing homes. Responsibilities will include literature review and synthesis and evaluating existing data sources to examine quality of care as it relates to staffing. Assist in primary data collection, characterizing workforce recruitment, training, and retention.
- Research Assistant** 2019-2020
Supervisor: Dr. Jane Straker
 Miami University, Department of Sociology and Gerontology
 Ohio Long-Term Care Research Project
 - Assisted in data analysis and management for Ohio's long-term care facilities' biennial survey. Responsibilities included literature review and synthesis and report writing.
- Research Assistant** 2018- 2019
Supervisor: Dr. Phyllis Cummins
 Miami University Department of Sociology and Gerontology

- Conducted primary and secondary research for the Mixed-Methods Study of Middle-Aged and Older Adults: Lifelong Learning, Skill, Proficiencies, and Employment in the U.S. and Selected OECD Countries (Grant No. R305A170183).

Senior Research Project

Supervisor: Brenda Sanders

2017

The College of Charleston, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

- Conducted primary research (qualitative and quantitative) through participatory observation at a local funeral home. Logged, reviewed, and analyzed informal interviews. Presented findings in a final research paper and presentation.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

Yauk, J., Cummins, P. A., & Harrington, A.K. (2019, April). Employment Type and Literacy Skills Among U.S. Older Adult Workers. Poster presented at the 43rd Annual Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education. Oxford, OH.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

- Advanced care planning and racial disparities. Looking at trends overtime utilizing the Health and Retirement Study.
- Relationships between minimum staffing standards/actual staffing and quality ratings in nursing homes across the country.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant

University of South Florida, School of Aging Studies

2020-Present

- Psychology of Aging (GEY 4612)
Instructor: Dr. William Haley
- Psychology of Aging (GEY 4612)
Instructor: Dr. Nasreen Sadeq

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Miami University, Department of Sociology and Gerontology

2018-2020

- Issues and Controversies in Aging (GTY 354)
Instructor: Dr. Jessie Leek
- Aging and Health (GTY456/556)
Instructor: Dr. Sara McLaughlin
- Global Aging (GTY 260)
Instructor: Dr. Sara McLaughlin

HONORS & AWARDS

Colonial Services Long-Term Care Research Award Department of Sociology and Gerontology, Miami University	2020
School of Humanities and Social Science (HSS) Scholar Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The College of Charleston	2017
Center for Creative Retirement Gerontology Award Scholarship Department of Sociology and Anthropology, The College of Charleston	2017

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Gerontological Society of America (GSA)	Since 2018
American Society on Aging (ASA)	Since 2018
Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE)	Since 2018
Alpha Kappa Delta the International Sociology Honor Society	Since 2017
Phi Kappa Phi Honors Society	Since 2017
Golden Key Honors Society	Since 2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Walk to End Alzheimer's	2019
Volunteer , Respite Care Charleston, Charleston, SC	2016-2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program volunteer providing companionship and assistance to individuals with dementia. Assisted staff and participated in group activities including painting, music, exercise, and serving/eating lunch together. 	
Volunteer , More. Good. Days. Art Gala and Silent Auction. Charleston, SC	2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Served guests and helped in the set-up and clean-up for the annual silent auction to support those with dementia and their caregivers. 	
Volunteer , Annual Candlelight Memorial Ceremony, Charleston, SC	2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assisted in the planning and coordination of the yearly fundraiser. Duties included confirming attendance, creating and posting flyers, and online marketing. 	
Volunteer/Buddy , Shannon's Hope Camp, Charleston, SC	2016

- Attended Shannon's Hope Camp as a buddy, a weekend long camp offering support and companionship to children who had lost a loved one.

Direct Patient Care Volunteer, Franke at Seaside, Charleston, SC 2015-2017

- Volunteer in the memory care unit assisting the volunteer coordinator in planning and implementing activities for residents with dementia. Coordinated with staff to get residents to and from activities. Attended activities such as bingo, karaoke, trivia night, happy hour, art and music therapy.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dementia Program Coordinator Intern 2019

Ebenezer Senior Living Operator, Minneapolis, MN

- Designed and delivered a Care Partner Support Group leader training to staff in both nursing homes and assisted living facilities around the Twin Cities area. Created Hot Topic trainings on dementia, sent out weekly. Observed sites and interviewed staff to assess their implementation of the Dimensions best practices checklist.

Service Coordinator Intern 2018

Family Eldercare, Austin, TX

- Worked onsite coordinating services for seniors and people with disabilities at an independent living apartment building. Carried a caseload of 2-5 clients. Created action plans and found residents resources including home management, meal service, transportation, healthcare service information.

Marketing Director Intern 2016

McAlister-Smith Funeral & Cremation, Charleston, SC

- Helped with the transfer to a new software system and achieved the goal of end of January implementation. Assisted in filing monthly state reports. Co-facilitated weekly grief groups at a local senior center. Completed setup of online marketing through Facebook and other social media platforms.

Social Work Intern 2016

Bridges for End-of-Life, Charleston, SC

- Co-facilitator of Rainbows for all Children grief groups in schools for at-risk youth. Attended caregiver and senior expos to provide information and resources. Collected literature about grief in childhood used in writing grant proposals. Organized and updated volunteer, attendee, and donor information using Salesforce.

Administrative Assistant 2008-2015

Yada Systems, St. Paul, MN

- Screened calls, managed calendars, and made travel plans for employees. Responsible for completing invoices in a timely manner while ensuring accuracy. Assisted with inventory management.