2020- 2025 ACTIVITIES ONLY

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EDUCATION

Degree	Institution	Field
Ph.D.	University of Georgia- Athens	Human Development
MA	University of Buffalo	American Studies
		Concentration: Gender & Women's Studies
BA	York University- Toronto, Canada	Individualized Studies
		Concentrations: Health, Gender & Ethnic Studies

AFFILIATIONS

Institution	Rank	Program/ Center	Date
University of Toronto	Affiliated Faculty Member	Center for Critical Qualitative Health Research	2018- Present
Florida International University Florida International University		Center for Women & Gender Studies Latin America & Caribbean Studies	2003- Present 2011- Present

HONORS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Excellence in Research Award Florida International University (FIU) College of Arts & Sciences Dean's Office ++*
- 2022 Emerald Award for Commitment to Community Engaged Research and Capacity Building Affirming Youth Community Collaborative of Liberty City[‡]
- 2022 Top Scholar Faculty Award for Outstanding Teaching Innovations FIU Office of the President ^{††}
- 2021 Distinguished Contributions to Teaching and Mentoring in Qualitative Inquiry Award American Psychological Association- Division 5: Quantitative and Qualitative Methods†
- 2021 *Miami Studies Fellowship* Wolfsonian Public Humanities Lab & the National Endowment for the Humanities ††
- 2020 Foremothers Career Excellence in Mentoring Award American Psychological Association- Division 35: The Society for the Psychology of Women†

[†] National Award, †† Institutional Award, ‡ Community Award

RESEARCH

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- *Dankoor, K., Stephens, D. P., & Ter Bogt, T. (2025). "Girl, I think my butt gettin' big": The importance of "thickness" in music videos for Black and White women's body image. Journal of Counseling Psychology DOI TBA
- Stephens, D. P. *Bravo, E., *Castillo, J.S.P., **Valentin, K. & **Selva, G. (2024). "It's more like the girl doesn't really have to do anything": Hispanic college women's sexual initiation strategy perceptions. *Journal of LatinX Psychology.* https://doi.org/10.1037/lat0000261
- *Castillo, J.S.P., **Stephens, D. P**. Hayes, T., & Ibanez, G. (2024). Examining the Relationship Between Condom Use Self-Efficacy, Sexual Empowerment, and Sexual Health Knowledge Among Latino College Men. *American Journal of Sexuality Education*, 1–25. https://doi.org/10.1080/15546128.2024.2390643
- *De la Vega-Taboada, E., **& Stephens, D. P**. (In Press). Community Fútbol Coaches working together to prevent violence and promote positive youth development in Colombia. *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology. https://doi.org/10.1002/casp.2895*
- *Peguero, H., **Stephens, D. P.**, *Duong, J., & *Obee, A. (In Press). "Well-being is an obstacle for the community": Latinx TGGD perceptions of well-being during COVID-19 pandemic. *Behavioral Sciences*
- *Peguero, H., **Stephens, D. P**., Srinivas, V., **Dowel, A., **Pedraza Orjuela, A. & *Castillo Perez, J. (2024). Indian Medical Students' Perceptions of LGBTQ Health Training. *Indian Journal of Health and Wellbeing*, *15*(3): 339-347.
- *De la Vega-Taboada, E., Perez-Del Oro, J., & **Stephens, D. P**. (2024). Fútbol Con Corazón: Cultural Roots and Health Promoting Value of Soccer for Latino Families in the United States. *Journal of Sport for Development*, 12(1).
- *Long, K., *Karimi, A., **Mini, A. & **Stephens, D. P**. & Nelson. E. (2024). The Meaning of Adulthood for Emerging Adults with Down Syndrome: Parent Perspectives on Relevant Skills. *Journal of Applied Research in Intellectual Disabilities, 37*(5): https://doi.org/10.1111/jar.13286
- *Guerra, A. M, *De La Vega-Taboada, E.,Sarmiento, O.L., Banchoff, A., King, A.C., Stephens, D.P, Revollo, A.P. & Montes, F. (2024). Fostering collective action for adolescent well-being: Citizen science in a Colombian semirural area. *Health Promotion International, 39(5)*. https://doi.org/10.1093/heapro/daae144
- Dickens, D. & Stephens, D. P. (2023). Black Women's Body Image: Implications for Identity Formation and Well-Being. *Journal of Black Psychology*, 49 (6): 747-757. https://doi.org/10.1177/00957984231220
- *Bravo, E. & **Stephens, D. P**. (2023). RESISTIR: Hispanic undergraduate STEM majors' perceptions of barriers and supports toward degree persistence. *Journal of Latinx Psychology, 11*(2), 104–118. doi: 10.1037/lat0000223
- *Dankoor, K., **Stephens, D. P.,** & Ter Bogt, T. (2023). Drip Too Hard? Commercial Rap Music and Perceived Masculinity Ideals and Actual Self-Evaluations among Black U.S. and Dutch Adolescent Men. *Sexuality & Culture*. doi: 10.1007/s12119-022-10003-9
- *Rodríguez de la Rosa, A.L., Stephens, D. P., Montes, F., Sarmiento, O. L., *De la Vega-Taboada, E., Eaton, A., Schreiber Compo, N. & Madhivanan, P. (2023) Adolescent Social Networks and Physical Intimate Partner Violence Among Colombian Rural Adolescents. *Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment & Trauma*. DOI: 10.1080/10926771.2023.2238631
- *De la Vega-Taboada, E., *Rodríguez, A., *Barton, A., **Stephens, D.,** Cano, M., Eaton, A., Frazier, S., Rodriguez, M., Augusto, C., & Cortecero, A. (2023). Colombian Adolescents' Perceptions of Violence and Opportunities for Safe Spaces Across Community Settings. *Journal of Adolescent Research.*
- Stephens, D. P., **Pierre, J. & *Helpingstine, C. (2022). Black mothers' perceptions of barriers and motivators for initiating adolescent dating violence discussions with daughters. *Journal of Black Sexuality & Relationships (9)* 1 & 2, 91-120. doi: 10.1353/bsr.2022.0014

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- *Helpingstine, C., **Stephens, D. P.,** Jaykrishna, P., Pramathesh, P., Madhivanan, P., & Ramarao, I. (2022). Antihuman Trafficking Service Professionals in India: Challenges and Barriers to Service Provision. *Journal of Human Trafficking*. doi: 10.1080/23322705.2022.2066874
- *Ruvalcaba, Y., *Rodriguez, A., Eaton, A, Stephens, D. P. & Madhivanan, P (2022). The Effectiveness of American College Sexual Assault Interventions in Highly Masculine Settings: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. Aggression and Violent Behavior. doi: 10.1016/j.avb.2022.101760
- *Kiplagat, S., Khan, A., Sheehan, D., Jaykrishna, P., Ravi, K., Trepka, M., Bursac, Z., **Stephens, D. P.**, Krupp, K., & Madhivanan, P. (2022). Evaluating the moderating role of Accredited Social Health Activists on adverse birth outcomes in rural India. *Sexual & Reproductive Healthcare, 34*. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.srhc.2022.100787
- *Kiplagat, S., Ravi, K., Sheehan, D. M., Srinivas, V., Khan, A. Trepka, M., Bursac, Z., Stephens, D. P., Krupp, K., & Madhivanan, P. (2022). Sociodemographic patterns of preterm birth and low birth weight among pregnant women in rural Mysore district, India: A latent class analysis. *Journal of Biosocial Science*. doi: 10.1017/ S0021932022000037
- *Helpingstine, C., **Stephens, D. P.**, Kenny, M., & Eaton, A. (2021). Adolescent girls with a history of Commercial Sexual Exploitation (CSE): Perceptions and characteristics of social networks. *Child Abuse & Neglect, 115.* doi: 10.1016/j.chiabu.2021.105015
- Eaton, A. A., **Stephens, D. P.,** *Ruvalcaba, Y., **Banks, J. & Lotus House (2021). A culture of care: How Lotus House Women's Shelter heals program participants through genuineness, space, high expectations, dignity, individualized attention, and community. *Journal of Community Psychology. Special Issue: Actionable Research for Understanding and Addressing Homelessness.* doi: 10.1002/jcop.22579
- Stephens, D. P. & Eaton, A. A. (2020). Cultural Factors in Young Adult Indian Women's Beliefs about Disclosing Domestic Violence Victimization. *Journal of Social Issues*, 76(2), 416-446. doi:10.1111/josi.12385
- *Boyd, B., **Stephens, D. P.**, Eaton, A. & Bruk Lee, V. (2020). Partner Scarcity: Highly Educated Heterosexual Black Women and Dating Compromise. *Sexuality Research & Social Policy*, *3*. doi:10.1007/s13178-020-00493-3
- *Ruvalcaba, Y., Stephens, D. P., Eaton, A. A. & *Boyd, B. (2020). Hispanic women's perceptions of teenage sexting: Qualitative analyses using a sexual scripting framework. *Culture, Health & Sexuality, 23*(9), 1182-1197. doi: 10.1080/13691058.2020.1767805
- *Barton, A., *McLaney, S. & **Stephens, D. P.** (2020). Targeted Interventions for Violence among Latinx Youth: A Systematic Review. *Aggression and Violent Behavior, 53,* 101434. doi: 10.1016/j.avb.2020.101434
- *Rodriguez, A., **Stephens, D. P.,** Brewe, E., Ramaro, I. & Madhivanan, P. (2020) A Network Analysis of Domestic Violence beliefs among young adults in India. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence, 36,* 21–22.
- Eaton, A. A. & **Stephens, D. P.** (2020). Reproductive Justice: Moving the Margins to the Center in Social Issues Research. *Journal of Social Issues*, 76(2), 208- 218. doi: 10.1111/josi.12384
- Eaton, A., +Noori, S., Bonomi, A., **Stephens, D. P.** & Gillum, T. (2020). Nonconsensual porn as a form of intimate partner violence: Using the Power and Control Wheel to understand nonconsensual porn perpetration in intimate relationships. *Trauma, Violence & Abuse*. DOI: 10.1177/1524838020906533
- *Kiplagat, S., **Mariano, Y, Devieux, J., *Jean-Gilles, M., *Johnson, S., Trepka, M. J., Padilla, M., Stephens, D. P., Lint, A., Ocon, Y., Duberli, F., Lewis, C., Cyrus, E. (2020). Employing syndemic theory in pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) access among transgender women of colour. *Journal of the International AIDS Society, 23*, 135-135
- **Peguero, H., **Stephens, D. P**., +Placek, C., & Madhivanan, P. (2019)."Even an HIV infected person can live 100 years": Perceptions of HIV among Hijras in Mysore, India. *Journal of Global Health*, 8(2).

BOOK

Dickens, D. & **Stephens, D. P.** (2024). *The Psychology of Black Womanhood*. MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers. ISBN 9781538162798

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SPECIAL ISSUES

- Dickens, D., & **Stephens, D. P.** (2023) *Special Issue: Black Women's Body Image.* Journal of Black Psychology, 47(1), https://doi.org/10.1177/0095798421991976.
- Eaton, A., & **Stephens, D. P.** (2020) *Special Issue: Reproductive Justice.* Journal of Social Issues 76(2), https://doi.org/10.1111/josi.12384.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Stephens, D. P. (2023). Cultivating Communities: A Feminist reframing of Networking in Academia. In K. Richmond, A. Zelin, I. Settles, and S. Shields (Eds.) *Feminists and the Road to Tenure: Transforming the Academy*. San Diego, CA: Cognella.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Barberena, S., *Peguero, H, & **Stephens, D. P. (2022). Physical and mental health concerns of emerging LatinE gender diverse adults in South Florida: A review of the literature. *FIU Undergraduate Research Journal.*

RESEARCH MEETING & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

INVITED INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

- **Stephens, D. P.** (2023, June). *Now and What's Next: Global Perspectives of Social Health across Emerging Adulthood.* Invited Presentation for the Swasthyam 2023 UN Sustainable Development Goals Public Health Conference. JSS Medical College, Mysuru, India.
- Stephens, D. P. & Madhivanan, P. (2022, July). Gender & Sex Paradigms in Global Health Research: Moving out of Boxes. Invited Plenary Presentation for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. Bethesda, MD. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)
- Stephens, D. P. (2020, July). Personal Security and Safety while engaging in Global Health Research. Invited Plenary Discussion for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center, Bethesda, MD. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)
- Stephens, D. P. (2020, March). Using Social Justice framed Research to build Community Capacity. Invited Symposium presentation in *Higher Education and Gender Research Institutes: Advancing Beijing+25 and* SDGs. United Nations Non-Governmental Organizations Commission on the Status of Women (UN NGO CSW64) Forum Parallel Sessions. New York, NY. (Conference Cancelled- Covid 19)

INVITED NATIONAL RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

- Stephens, D. P. (2024, June). Socio Historical Factors Influencing Our Hair-Stories Across Professional Settings: Black Women's Hair Research. Invited Presentation for the Interrogating Black Women's Natural Hair: Trauma, Tresses & Truth Conference. (Virtual).
- **Stephens, D. P.** (2024, June). *#Squad Goals: A Primer for Early Career Scholars*. Invited address for the 2024 Institute for Feminist Academic Psychologists- American Psychological Association- Division 35, Miami, FL.
- **Stephens, D. P.** (2023, February). *Intersectionality & Healthcare: Expanding Understandings of Identities across Health Settings*. Invited Podium Presentation for the University of Arizona Health Sciences LGBTQIA+ National Symposium Series. Tucson, AZ
- Stephens, D. P. (2022, October). Beyond the Numbers: A Nuanced understanding of UREM Undergraduate Students' needs for moving through the Nuclear Physics pipeline. Invited Stage Talk for the American Physical Society- Division of Nuclear Physics Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA

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- Stephens, D. P. (2022, April). *The Dehumanization of Black Women's Bodies across Time and Contexts.* Invited keynote address for the African Psychology Association Annual Research Conference. Bowie State University, Bowie, MD.
- Stephens, D. P. (2021, June). Supporting Underrepresented and Racial/ Ethnic Minority (UREM) Graduate Students' Training Needs. Invited Presentation for the Practical Strategies to Reduce Racial Disparities in Mental Health Access and Outcomes in Prevention Science Pre-Conference Workshop. Society for Prevention Research 29th Annual Meeting (Virtual due to Covid- 19).

INVITED RESEARCH COLLOQUIA & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- **Stephens, D. P.** (2024, March). *Contextualizing Research using Qualitative Approaches*. Invited lecture for Theory and Method for Qualitative Researchers: An Introduction. Center for Critical Qualitative Research-University of Toronto, Toronto, ON.
- Stephens, D. P. (2023, March). *Thinking through intersectionality: Context and Contextual identities in qualitative research.* Invited lecture for Theory and Method for Qualitative Researchers: An Introduction. Center for Critical Qualitative Research- University of Toronto, Toronto, ON.
- Stephens, D. P. (2021, October). Beyond Marianismo & Sexy Mami's: Expanding Latinas' Sexual Scripting Frameworks in Research. Invited address for the University of Virginia Community Psychology Speakers Series, Charlottesville, VA.
- Stephens, D. P. (2021, March). *Race, Power & Privilege in Health Contexts: Considerations for Qualitative Researchers.* Invited lecture for Theory and Method for Qualitative Researchers: An Introduction. Center for Critical Qualitative Research- University of Toronto, Toronto, ON.

NATIONAL RESEARCH MEETING PAPER & ORAL PRESENTATIONS

- Stephens, D. P. & Dickens, D. (2024, June). Psychology of Black Womanhood: Curriculum Activities for Centering Black Women's Experiences. International Conference on Urban Education (ICUE) Biennial Meeting. Cancun, Mexico.
- Stephens, D. P. (2024, October). Exploring South Floridian emerging adults' perceptions of Hispanic, Latino, LatinX and LatinE labels. Symposium presentation in "Ain't no city in the world like this": Bienvenidos a Latinx identities en Miami. National LatinX Psychological Conference. San Juan, PR.
- Stephens, D. P. & Dickens, D. (2024, June). Deconstructing the Ivory Tower: Centering Black Women's Experiences in Higher Education Curriculum. Interactive Research Discussion presented for the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. Denver, CO.
- Stephens, D. P., Kenny, M., Campbell, T., & *Collins, G. (2024, June). *The Voices of Women Transitioning Out of Foster Care: Creating a Foundation for Mama Hattie's House.* Interactive Research Discussion presented for the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. Denver, CO.
- Stephens, D. P. (2023, June). Situating History, Context & Identity in Miami-based Sexual Health Research. Symposium presentation in *Ay que Rico: Exploring LatinX Sexual Health in Miami*. Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. Denver, CO.
- Stephens, D. P. (2023, June). More than moving... Centering the Margins. Symposium presentation in *Centering Ourselves: Psychology Textbooks by and about BIPOC Lived Experiences.* Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. Denver, CO.
- Stephens, D. P. (2022, June). Cultivating Communities as Feminist Networking. Symposium presentation for Division 35 Committee on Academic Feminist Psychology K. Richmond (Symposium Chair), Feminists and the Road to Tenure: Transforming the Academy. Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. San Juan, PR.
- Stephens, D. P. (2022, June). WAP: Black Emerging Adults constructions of meanings in a music video. Symposium presentation with J. Saunders (Symposium Chair), *Bodacious Bodies and Bad Bunny*. Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. San Juan, PR.

- Stephens, D. P., *Rodriguez A. & *De Le Vega, E. (2020, June). *Culturally responsive data dissemination across global contexts*. Interactive Research Discussion presented for the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. Denver, CO. (Conference canceled due to Covid- 19).
- *Ruvalcaba, Y., Eaton, A. A., Stephens, D. P., **Banks, J. (2020, June). Safety strategies of women who experienced homelessness: Community-based participatory research. Community-engaged research: Collaborations in health. Symposium to be held at the annual meeting of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (APA Division 9), Denver, CO. (Conference canceled due to Covid- 19)
- Stephens, D. P. (2020, April). Women of Color building networks to address IPV. Symposium presentation in A. Bonomi (Symposium Chair), *Maximizing violence prevention effectiveness: Lessons from three grassroots efforts to grow networks of women leaders*. Paper presented for the National Conference on Health and Domestic Violence. Chicago, IL. (Conference Cancelled- Covid 19)
- Stephens, D. P. & Madhivanan, P. (2020, January). "It's not just talking and counting comments": A reflection on implementing qualitative research projects and training in Mysore, India. Paper presented for the Qualitative Report's 11th Annual Conference (TQR2020), Fort Lauderdale, FL.

NATIONAL RESEARCH MEETING POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- *Long, K., Nelson, E., & **Stephens, D. P**. (2024, February). *Work as Joy: Parental Perspectives on Barriers and Facilitators to Employment for Emerging Adults With Down Syndrome*. Poster presented for the 2024 Rehabilitation Psychology Conference. Austin, TX
- *Kiplagat, S., Krupp, K., Sheehan, D., Chandrappa, K., Trepka, M. J., Bursac, A., Stephens, D. P. & Madhivanan, P. (2022, June). Sociodemographic factors and adverse birth outcomes in rural Mysore, India: Examining the Mediating Role of Anemia. Poster presented for the Society for Epidemiologic Research Annual Meeting. Chicago, II.
- *Castillo Perez, J.S., **Stephens, D. P**. & *Spiker, R., *Long, K. (2022, June). *Hispanic College men perceptions on sex and sexuality: Examining the influences of cross-cultural values on uptake motivation*. Poster presented for the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. San Juan, PR.
- *Bravo, E. & **Stephens, D. P**. (2022, June). *PERSISTIR: Perceptions of supports for Hispanic doctoral students in STEM.* Poster presented for Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. San Juan, PR.
- *Collins, G., **Stephens, D. P.,** Thomas, Z. Matos, N., & Baker, R. (2022, June). *Afro-Latina Identity: Perceptions of Inclusion and Affinity to Social Movements*. Poster presented for the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference. San Juan, PR.
- *Marino, Y. & *Coudray, M. & **Stephens, D. P.** (2021, June). *An Examination of the Relationship between Gender, Empowerment and IPV Beliefs among Young Adults in Mysore, India*. Poster presentation for the Society for Epidemiological Research Conference. San Diego, CA.
- **Modi, M., Chandrashekarappa, S., Stephens, D. P., Begum, F., Rashmi, P., Jayakrishna, P., Reingold, A. & Madhivanan, P. (2020, October). Understanding knowledge and attitudes towards mental health among adolescents and their parents in rural south India. Poster presentation for the America Public Health Association Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- Stephens, D. P. & Madhivanan, P. (2020, April). Western Women of Color & Global Health Research: Intersectional understandings of research experiences. Poster presentation for the Consortium of Universities for Global Health Annual Conference. Washington, D.C. (Conference Cancelled- Covid19)
- *Peguero, H., **Stephens, D. P.** (2020, April). "If we live life as we wish, we won't be having any problems": Hijadas perceptions of health and well- being. Poster presentation for the Consortium of Universities for Global Health Annual Conference. Washington, D.C.

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RESEARCH GRANTS

Funded Research Support

Undergraduate Internships in Nuclear Physics at FIU Funder: United States Department of Energy- Nuclear Physics Role: Co- Investigator (Principal Investigator: Wim Cosyn, Physics Department) Award Period 2023- 2026 Total Funding: \$TBA

Personal data privacy vulnerabilities and protection strategies: A Mixed Methods Approach to Understanding Black Adults' Perceptions Funder: META/ Facebook Privacy Division Role: Principal Investigator Award Period 2023- 2025 Total Funding: \$150,000 (Includes funding of Doctoral Research Assistantship)

Affirming YOUth Family Neighborhood School Partnership Funder: Department of Health and Human Services Offices of Minority Health Role: Key Personnel (Principal Investigator: Jonathan Spikes, Affirming Youth) Award Period 2022- 2025 Total Funding: \$TBA (Includes funding of Two Doctoral Research Assistantship)

Project ACES (Affirming Children through Economic Stability): Assessing Mental Health and Financial Literacy in Liberty City, Miami Funder: Department of Health and Human Services Offices of Minority Health Role: Co- Investigator (Principal Investigator: Jonathan Spikes, Affirming Youth) Award Period 2020- 2023 Total Funding: \$437,000 (Includes funding of Doctoral Research Assistantship)

Undergraduate Internships in Nuclear Physics at FIU Funder: United States Department of Energy- Nuclear Physics Role: Key Personnel- Qualitative Methodologist (Principal Investigator: Wim Cosyn, Physics Department) Award Period 2021- 2023 Total Funding: \$206,000.00

EMPWR Faculty Working Group: Mentoring Underrepresented and Racial/ Ethnic Minority (UREM) Graduate Students and their Peers beyond "Crisis" (PI) Funder: American Psychological Association Division 9: Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Role: Principal Investigator (Co- Principal Investigator: Asia Eaton, FIU) Award Period 2020- 2021 Total Funding: \$1000

TEACHING, MENTORSHIP & STUDENT SUPERVISION

STUDENT SUPERVISION SUMMARY

Graduate Students

Current Doctoral Student Advisees: 5 Current Doctoral Committee Membership (excluding own advisees): 10 Completed Doctoral Student Advisees: 11 Completed Terminal Masters Students Advisees: 3 Completed Doctoral Committee Students (excluding own advisees): 36 Completed Terminal Masters Theses Committee Students (excluding own advisees): 7

Undergraduate Students

Current Undergraduate Research Assistants: 5 Current Psychology Honors Thesis Supervision: 3 Current Ronald E. McNair Research Fellows: 2 Completed Psychology Honors Thesis Supervision: 32 Completed Ronald E. McNair Research Fellows: 9 Completed Honors College Research Thesis Projects: 5 Completed Undergraduate Research Assistants: 72

CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISEES

Hector Peguero Dissertation Title:	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Expected Graduation Spring 2027) Indian Healthcare providers perceptions of their training preparation for working with LGBTQ patients.
Dissertation Funding:	NIH- Fogarty Center Global Health Pre Dissertation Grant FIU College of Arts, Sciences & Education (CASE) Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
Master's Thesis Title:	Gender Diverse LatinE's wellbeing during the Covid Pandemic in South Florida
Juan Sebastian Perez	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Expected Graduation Spring 2026)
Dissertation Title:	Latino Mental Health: A Comparison of Colombian Men in the U.S. & Colombia
Dissertation Funding:	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
Master's Thesis Title:	Latino College men's constructions of sexual health terminologies' meanings
Jeffrey Pierre	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Expected Graduation Spring 2027)
Dissertation Title:	Hispanic college students' perceptions of severe mental illness
Dissertation Funding:	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
Master's Thesis Title:	Hispanic emerging adult women's self esteem
Latrisha Robinson	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Expected Graduation Spring 2029)
Master's Thesis Title:	Fertility practices beliefs across LatinX emerging adults
Dissertation Funding:	FIU College of Arts, Sciences & Education (CASE) Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship
Krystal Sutherland	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Expected Graduation Spring 2029)
Master's Thesis Title:	College Students perceptions of dating partners with disabilities

COMPLETED GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISEES

•	a Developmental Psychology (Graduated Summer 2024)
Dissertation Title:	Socio Emotional Development & Safe Spaces for Adolescents
Dissertation Funding:	Tinker Research Fellowship- United States State Department & FIU LACS
	FIU Doctoral Evidence Acquisition (DEA) Fellowship
Master's Thesis Title:	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant Adolescents' perceptions of community factors influencing violence and sexual risk taking
	among adolescents in Baru, Colombia
Post Degree Positions:	Post- Doctoral Researcher, Stanford University & NIH Global Health Scholar (2024- Present)
Dr. Alexa Barton	Developmental Psychology (Graduated Fall 2021)
Dissertation Title:	Nationality Identity, Immigration, Citizenship and Ethnicity (NIICE): College students'
	perceptions of immigration across racial/ ethnic group and migration status
Dissertation Funding:	APA Division 9: SPSSI Applied Research Grant
Master's Thesis Title:	Predictors of sexual risk taking among recently immigrated Hispanic adolescents
Post Degree Positions:	Senior Research Associate, WestEd Research and Development (2021- Present)
	Developmental Developmy Destand Dreamon (Creducted Symmer 2021)
Dr. Elsa Bravo Dissertation Title:	Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Summer 2021) Familial culture and institutional context's influence on Hispanic college women's
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Dissertation Funding:	Delores Auzenne Dissertation Fellowship
	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
Post Degree Positions:	FIU Research Assistant Professor (2023- Present)
	Research Associate, FIU Office of Retention and Graduation Success (2021-2023)
Brittany Boyd	Developmental Psychology MS (Graduated Spring 2018)
Master's Thesis Title:	Exploring perceptions of partner scarcity and sexually risky compromising behaviors among highly educated Black women
Master Thesis Funding	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
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Gequasha Collins	Applied Social & Cultural Psychology (Graduated Fall 2023)
Masters Thesis Title:	Exploring Hispanic college women's sexual agency
Master Thesis Funding:	FIU University Graduate School Inclusion Fellowship
	FIU Psychology Department SEED Grant
Dr. Claire Halainestine	Developmental Developmental (Oversee 2022)
Dr. Claire Helpingstine Dissertation Title:	Developmental Psychology (Summer 2022) Sex Trafficking in India: Stakeholders' influence on Victims' ability to Exit
Dissertation Funding:	NIH- Fogarty Center Global Health Pre Dissertation Grant
Dissertation Funding.	FIU University Dissertation Year Fellowship
Master's Thesis Title:	Adolescent victims of Commercial Sex Exploitation (CSE) perceptions of social networks'
	influence on risk outcomes
Dr. Shannon Kennedy	Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Summer 2014)
Dissertation Title:	Parental and cultural influences on Hispanic college women's verbal intimate partner
Post Dograa Desition	violence victimization: Within group differences across Florida and California students
Post Degree Position:	Associate Professor of Psychology, Miami Dade College (2020- Present) Assistant Professor of Psychology, Miami Dade College (2015- 2020)
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Dr. Alan Meca Dissertation Title: Dissertation Funding: Post Degree Positions:	Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Spring 2014) <i>Ethnic and American identity development: A developmental systems approach</i> McKnight Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Assistant Professor of Psychology, University of Texas- San Antonio (2021- Present) Assistant Professor of Psychology, Old Dominion University (2017- 2021) Post- Doctoral Researcher, NIH- University of Miami (2014- 2017)
Dr. Jacqueline Moses Co- Advisor: Dissertation Title: Dissertation Funding: Master's Project Title: Master Thesis Funding: Clinical Internship Site: Post Degree Positions:	
Dr. Laura Oramas Dissertation Title: Post Degree Positions:	Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Summer 2015) The influence of parental aggression and cultural gender role beliefs on Hispanic college women's experiences with psychological aggression Assistant Professor of Psychology, Georgia Gwinnett College (2020- Present) Master Instructor of Social & Behavioral Sciences, Indian River State College (2016- 2020)
Mr. Hector Peguero MPH Practicum Project	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention MPH Program (Graduated Spring 2021) Health and wellbeing experiences of LatinE sexual diverse emerging adults in South Florida:
Dr. Ana Rodriguez Dissertation Title: Dissertation Funding:	Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Spring 2021) <i>Violence and sexual health among adolescents in rural Colombia: A Social Network Analysis</i> NIH Fogarty Center Global Health Pre-Dissertation Grant Complex Systems Fellowship
Master's Thesis Title: Post Degree Positions:	FIU University Dissertation Year Fellowship (Declined) A network analysis of domestic violence beliefs among young adults in India Research Scientist, Yale University (2023- Present)
	Post- Doctoral Researcher, Yale University (2021- 2023)
Dr. Hod Tamir Dissertation Title: Post Degree Positions:	Post- Doctoral Researcher, Yale University (2021- 2023) Developmental Psychology Doctoral Program (Graduated Spring 2015) Romantic relationships and adjustment in early adulthood: The role of cross-sex experience in the context of social norms and support

STUDENT HONORS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS AS PRIMARY MENTOR

(Excludes non-competitive awards, travel awards, or achieved under another faculty members' supervision)

Graduate Students

- 2024 Eduardo De La Vega, Dissertation Year Fellowship- FIU UGS tt
- 2024 Jeffrey Pierre, Applied Social Issues Grant- APA Division 9: SPSSI †
- 2024 Eduardo De La Vega, Excellence in Community Engagement- FIU UGS tt
- 2024 Eduardo De La Vega, 3MT Competition Runner Up- FIU UGS ††
- 2024 Eduardo De La Vega, 3MT Competition First Prize- CASE ††
- 2024 Hector Peguero, Global Health Equity Scholar (GHES) Pre-Dissertation Fellowship- National Institutes of Health (NIH) Fogarty International Center †
- 2024 Jeffrey Pierre, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ‡
- 2023 Gequasha Collins, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ±
- 2023 Juan Sebastian Castillo Perez, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ±
- 2023 Juan Sebastian Castillo Perez, Student Housing Award- FIU UGS tt
- 2023 Hector Peguero, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ‡
- 2023 Jeffrey Pierre, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ±
- 2023 Jeffrey Pierre, UWS C.A.M.P. 4 Justice Endowment ++
- 2023 Eduardo De La Vega, Doctoral Evidence Acquisition (DEA) Fellowship- FIU UGS ††
- 2023 Jeffrey Pierre, Leadership Fellowship- Sant La Community Agency ±
- 2022 Gequasha Collins, Master Your Dreams Scholarship- Just in Time for Foster Youth Foundation†
- 2022 Hector Peguero, FIU College of Arts, Sciences & Education Distinguished Doctoral Fellowshiptt
- 2022 Eduardo De La Vega, Tinker Field Research Grant (FRG)- United States State Department & FIU LACS †
- 2022 Claire Helpingstine, Dissertation Year Fellowship- FIU UGS ††
- 2021 Alexa Barton, Applied Social Issues Grant- APA Division 9: SPSSI †
- 2021 Elsa Bravo, University Graduate Student Provost Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award ††
- 2021 Gequasha Collins, FIU University Graduate School Inclusion Fellowship ††
- 2021 Eduardo De La Vega, SEED Grant for Graduate Students- FIU Department of Psychology ‡
- 2021 Jacqueline Moses, Real Triumphs Graduate ††
- 2021 Ana Lucia Rodriguez, University Graduate Student Provost Outstanding Community Engagement Award ††
- 2021 Ana Lucia Rodriguez, Real Triumphs Graduate ††
- 2020 Claire Helpingstine, Global Health Equity Scholar (GHES) Pre-Dissertation Fellowship- National Institutes of Health (NIH) Fogarty International Center †
- 2020 Hector Peguero, FIU Student Government Association Gradate Scholarship ††

Undergraduate Students

- 2023 Sofia Flores, Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship- U. S. Department of the State †
- 2023 Sofia Flores, BIPOC Scholarship, The Point Foundation †
- 2021 Bianka Valentin, United Nations Millennium Fellowship- United Nations & FIU ††
- 2021 Jolieth Pineiro, Undergraduate Student of the Year Award- FIU PRIDE Center tt
- 2021 Jolieth Pineiro, Outstanding Senior Student Leadership Division of Academic & Student Affairs ††
- Jolieth Pineiro, Outstanding Academic Achievement, Psychology FIU CASE †
- 2021 Jolieth Pineiro, Outstanding Academic Achievement, FIU Center for Women's and Gender Studies ±
- 2021 Jolieth Pineiro, Academic Excellence Award FIU Office of Student Access and Success ††
- 2021 Jolieth Pineiro, Success Story Award FIU Office of Student Access and Success tt
- 2020 Katherine Cabrera, South India Term Abroad (SITA) Nallennam Scholarship- Education Abroad †

[†] National Award, †† Institution Award, ‡ Departmental/ Other Award

Ronald E. McNair Fellowship Undergraduate Research Projects

2025	Athena Filias	HIV & LGBTQ patients: Training concerns among Indian medical students
2023	Anna Pena Gomez	Hispanic College Womens perceptions of Severe Mental Illness
2023	Markline Aldajuste	Gynecological Knowledge and Sex Education perceptions among Black college women
2023	Amara Dowdell	Physicians' motivations and preparations for addressing LGBTQ populations medical healthcare needs in India
2022	Juliet Perez-Del Oro	Fútbol Con Corazón: The Cultural Roots and Health Promoting Value of Soccer for Latin Youth in the U.S.
2021	Bianka Valentin	Perceptions of Sexual Education, Empowerment & Agency among College Latinas
2020	Joliette Pineiro	Homeless women's perceptions of transitional services and supports
2020	Laura Ramirez	Pubertal influences on sexualization beliefs among adolescents in Baru, Colombia

FIU Honors College Undergraduate Advanced Research and Creativity in Honors (ARCH) Research Projects

2025	Athena Filias	HIV & LGBTQ patients: Training concerns among Indian medical students
2023	Vanesa Smileka	Medical students' motivations for working with Indian LGBTQ patients
2023.	Nayla Ugarte	Medical students' perceptions of their preparedness for addressing LGBTQ patients' healthcare needs in India
	Shaileen Barrento Katherine Cabrera	Gender diverse LatinX perceptions of health Body Image & Perceptions of Cosmetic Surgery among college women of color

FIU Psychology Undergraduate Honors Thesis Research Projects

2023	Vanesa Smileka	Medical students' motivations for working with Indian LGBTQ patients
2023.	Nayla Ugarte	Medical students' perceptions of their preparedness for addressing LGBTQ patients' healthcare needs in India
2023	Amara Dowdell	Physicians' motivations and preparations for addressing LGBTQ populations medical healthcare needs in India
2022	Juliet Perez-Del Oro	Fútbol Con Corazón: The Cultural Roots and Health Promoting Value of Soccer for Latin Youth in the U.S.
2021	Bianka Valentin	Perceptions of Sexual Education, Empowerment & Agency among College Latinas
2020	Laura Ramirez	Pubertal influences on sexualization beliefs among adolescents in Baru, Colombia
2020	Kianna Bruzzo	Does the source of information on HPV vaccine influence intention to give HPV vaccine to their child in Mysore, India?
2020	Valentina Jaude	Commercial sexual exploitation victims' views of mental health services
2020 2020 2020	Joliette Pineiro Ariana Polyanskaya Laura Ramirez	Homeless women's perceptions of transitional services and supports The role of nationality on college students' perceptions of immigration Pubertal influences on sexualization perceptions among adolescents in Baru, Colombia
2020		

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT MENTORSHIP ACTIVITIES

2020- Present Qualitative & Cultural Expert Dissertation Committee Member, *Constructions of Race, Gender and National Identities in Dutch Mainstream Hip-Hop Culture* Kim Dankoor (Doctoral Candidate) Social and Behavioural Sciences- Utrecht University, The Netherlands

2018- 2021 Research Project Mentor, *African Women's Leadership Experiences in Global Health* Sandra Kiplagat (Doctoral Student) FIU Robert Stemple School of Public Health- Epidemiology

2019- 2020	Qualitative Methods Mentor, <i>Rural Indian Adolescents' Mental Health Perceptions</i> Krupa Modi (Undergraduate Student). University of Berkley- School of Public Health
2019- 2020	Research Supervisor, <i>Project YUNG: Nutrition and Health Project for Low Resource Communities</i> Jasmine Banks & Geraldine Cadet (Post- Baccalaureate) Pepsi Co & FIU Student Services
2019- 2020	Qualitative Methods Mentor, <i>Tobacco farmers' perceptions of health and well- being</i> Meenal Sawant (Post-Doctoral Fellow) NIH Fogarty Center & GHES Consortium
2018- 2020	Research Project Mentor, <i>Global Sexual Health Education, Empowerment & Knowledge</i> Makella Coudray (Doctoral Student) FIU Robert Stemple School of Public Health- Epidemiology

COURSES TAUGHT AS PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR (Excluding Independent Study Courses)

Graduate Level

AFA 5600: Africa & African Diaspora Studies Policy Analysis (AADS Required Core Course) AFA 5932: Professional Development & Career Planning (AADS Required Core Course; Created Course)

CYP 6766: Psychology of Cross-Cultural Sensitization (ASCP Program Breadth Requirement)

DEP 5068: Applied Lifespan Development (Developmental Psychology Breadth Requirement)

DEP 5324: Seminar in Identity Development (ASCP & Developmental Program Breadth Requirement; Created Course)

DEP 5936: Theory & Research in Developmental Science (Developmental Program Breadth Requirement)

DEP 6046: Emerging & Established Adulthood (ASCP & Developmental Programs Breadth Requirement; Created Course)

PHC 5415: Public Health and Minority/ Urban Issues (Public Health: Health Promotion Required Core Course)

PSY 5930: Qualitative Research Methods in Psychology (ASCP Program Breadth Requirement; Significantly Redeveloped Course)

PSY 6919: Current Issues in Psychology Research (ASCP Program Required Core Course; Created Course)

WST 5935: Special Topics- Feminist Theories & Research Methods (Women's Studies Required Core Course)

Undergraduate Level

AFA 4372: Race, Gender & Sexuality in Hip Hop (In person & Fully Online; Global Learning Course; Created Course) DEP 3303: Psychology of Adolescence (In person)

PSY 4024: Seminar in Research Psychology (In person)

PSY 4931: Senior Seminar: Culture and Sexual Health (In person and Fully Online; Capstone Course; Created Course)

PSY 4931: Senior Seminar: Global Health Research (Study Abroad, In person; Capstone Course; Created Course)

PSY 4931: Senior Seminar: Graduate School 101 (In person and Fully Online; Capstone Course; Created Course)

PSY 3024: Psychology Career Development (Selective Research Training Course; Redeveloped Course)

PSY 4914: Honors Research Project (Selective Research Training Course)

PSY 4930: Special Topics- Psychology of Black Womanhood (In person; Created Course)

PSY 4930: Special Topics- Race & Ethnicity in Psychology Research (In person; Created Course)

SOP 4731: Global Psychology (In person and Fully Online; Global Learning Designated Course; Created Course)

SOP 4824: Psychology of Health & Illness (In person and Fully Online; Global Learning Course)

SOP 3742: Psychology of Women (In person and Fully Online; Global Learning Course)

TEACHING & MENTORSHIP RELATED PRESENTATIONS (Primary Presenter)

- 2024 *Qualitative Analysis for Global Health Researchers* Invited workshop series for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Research Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. Bethesda, MD
- 2023 *Qualitative Methods for Global Health Researchers* Invited workshop series for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Research Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. Bethesda, MD
- 2023 Introduction to Qualitative Data Analysis Invited workshop series for medical and public health researchers in India. Public Health Research Institute of India. Mysore, India
- 2022 Introduction to Qualitative Methods for Global Health Research Invited workshop series for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Research Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2022 Publishing 101: Understanding how to negotiate the politics of the Publish or Perish Imperative Invited lecture for the Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health Maternal and Child Health Research Program, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2021 Qualitative Study Design and Data Analysis for Global Health Researchers. Invited workshop series for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Research Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2021 Creating an Identity & Creating a Brand: Academics applying their expertise in Community Contexts Invited presentation for the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence Faculty Fellows Program. Virginia Commonwealth University. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2020 Diving In: Initiating Difficult Dialogues with Underrepresented Racial/ Ethnic Minority Graduate Mentees Invited presentation for the American Physical Society Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Alliance (ASP IDEAS) FIU Department of Physics Lecture Series. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2020 Creating climates of Inclusion for Students of Color in Pharmacy Schools Invited presentation for the University of Houston College of Pharmacy. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2020 *Qualitative Study Design and Data Analysis for Global Health Researchers.* Invited workshop series for the Global Health Program for Fellows & Scholars Research Meeting. National Institutes for Health- Fogarty Center. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2020 Seeing the Invisible: Supporting Students of Color in Times of Crisis and Instability. Invited presentation for the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence. Virginia Commonwealth University. (Virtual due to Covid 19)
- 2020 Building Honest and Trusting relationships with Colleagues of Color Invited presentation for the Intersectional Pedagogies Anti- Racism Training for White Faculty. (Podcast Workshop Series)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION & COMMUNITY

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- 2022- Present Member, Awards Committee
- 2020- Present Member, Applied Social and Cultural Psychology Graduate Track Steering Committee
- 2019- Present Member, Applied Social and Cultural Psychology Graduate Certificate Steering Committee
- 2016- Present Director, Global Health Research Study Abroad Program
- 2014- 2023 Member, Merit & Bylaws Committee
- 2008-2023 Member, Developmental Psychology Program Steering Committee
- 2022- 2023 Member, Diversity Committee
- 2021- 2022 Member, Department Wide Faculty Hiring Committee
- 2020- 2021 Co- Director, EMPWR Faculty Working Group on Mentorship for Doctoral Students of Color

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2020- Present Member, American Physical Society Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity Alliance (ASP IDEAS) FIU Department of Physics Chapter
- 2016- Present Mentor, Honors College ARCH Program- College of Arts & Sciences (CASE)
- 2008- Present Mentor, Ronald E. McNair Fellows- Division of Student Access and Success
- 2007- Present Member, Ronald E. McNair Selection Committee- Division of Student Access and Success
- 2007- Present Affiliated Faculty Member, Latin America & Caribbean Studies Program- CASE
- 2006- Present Affiliated Faculty Member, Center for Gender & Women's Studies Program- CASE
- 2022- 2024 Member, CASE Tenure & Promotion Committee
- 2017- 2023 Member, FIU Mission Abroad to India Planning Committee- Office of the Provost
- 2021 Chair, Center for Gender & Women's Studies Program Tenure & Promotion Committee- CASE
- 2019- 2020 Member, Provost's Hybrid Teaching Pilot Program- Office of the Provost

NATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION SERVICE

- 2023- Present Co- Director, Spelman College Psychology of Black Womanhood Symposium
- 2023- Present Co Chair, APA Division 9: SPSSI Policy Committee
- 2022- 2024 Member, Global Health Equity Scholars Diversity & Recruitment Committee, GHES Consortium-Yale University, University of Berkley, Stanford University and University of Arizona- Tucson
- 2018- 2023 Member, APA Division 9: SPSSI Communication Committee
- 2018- 2021 Senior Faculty Mentor, American Psychological Association Division 35: Mentoring Program
- 2016- 2020 Invited Member, Research to Share: Supporting Underrepresented and Ethnic Minority (UREM) Faculty Members' Social Media Engagement. APA Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs
- 2020 Member, *Leadership Institute for Women in Psychology (LIWP)* hosted by the American Psychological Association (APA) Public Interest Directorate
- 2018- 2020 Division 35 Representative, APA 2019 Youth of Color Summit Joint Project Submission Committee. [Members include APA Divisions 45: Society for the Psychological Study of Culture, Ethnicity, and Race, Division 17: Society of Counseling Psychology, Division 27: Society for Community Research and Action, & Division 35: Society for the Psychology of Women]

EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Editorial Board

The Qualitative Reporter Journal of Black Sexuality & Relationships

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS (As Primary Presenter)

- 2024 Amplifying Our Voices of Authority: The Psychology Of Black Womanhood Textbook's Role In The Field. Invited Speaker for the Association of Black Psychologists- South Florida Chapter. Miami, FL.
- 2024 Black Barbie Night: Beauty Standards & Childs Play. Invited Speaker for Beauty as Resistance Project. Sponsored by the Wolfsonian Public Humanities Lab & Florida Humanities Council. Miami, FL.
- 2023 National HIV/ AIDS & Aging Awareness Day: An Intersectional Understanding of Mature Women Experiences in South Florida. Invited Speaker for the Zonta Club of Miami Lakes Monthly Speakers Series. Miami, FL.
- 2023 Intersectionality & Women's Health: Exploring Experiences of Mature Women in South Florida. Invited Speaker for the Zonta Club of Miami Lakes Monthly Speakers Series. Miami, FL.
- 2023 Interrogating our Identities: Exploring Our Communities using an Intersectional Lens. Invited Speaker for the Affirming Youth Community Collaborative Black History Month Series. Miami, FL.
- 2022 Black Bodies in Motion: The Hyper sexualization of Black women in Movement Arts. Nonprofit Education and Advocacy for the Movement Arts. Winter Haven, FL.
- 2022 Reproductive Health, Justice, and Rights: Definitions, Distinctions, Intersections and Calls to Action. Invited Workshop Speaker for the Women's Fund Impact Collaborative. Miami, FL.
- 2022 Mapping Social Determinants of Health in Black Communities: Centering Miami Experiences. Invited Speaker for the Affirming Youth Community Collaborative Black History Month Series. Miami, FL.
- 2021 The Utility of MAPP for Addressing Childhood Adverse Experiences: Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships. Invited Speaker for Affirming Youth Monthly Community Collaborative. Miami, FL.
- 2021 Using an Ecological Lens to examine African American Adolescent Boys' Negotiation of Racial Injustice in Miami. Invited Speaker for Affirming Youth Monthly Community Collaborative. Miami, FL.
- 2020 *Leveling Up: Identifying community members' research needs using World Café.* Invited Presentation for the Affirming Youth Monthly Community Collaborative. Miami, FL. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)
- 2020 *Victims of Violence Community Discussion.* Invited Presentation for the Affirming Youth Program Gang Deterrent Program Community Collective, Miami, FL. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)
- 2020 Psychological aggression in adult women's relationships: Looking beyond socio- economic status & age myths. Invited Presentation for Zonta International- Miami Lakes Chapter. Miami Lakes, FL.
- 2020 *The IT Factor: Navigating Mental Health & Covid-19 in the Fashion Industry.* Invited Presentation for the MIFE (Made in Fashion Entertainment) Series, Miami Beach, FL. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)
- 2020 *Leveling Up: Identifying community members' research needs using World Café.* Invited Presentation for the Affirming Youth Monthly Community Collaborative. Miami, FL. (Virtual due to Covid- 19)

MEDIA APPEARANCES & MENTIONS

- 2022 A voice for Black Miami, FIU professor embarks on his final tour. News @ FIU [University Online News Service].
- 2021 *Miami women's shelter finds success for its guests comes with care.* News @ FIU [University Online News Service].
- 2021 DOE awards FIU grant to help diversify physics. News @ FIU [University Online News Service].
- 2020 5 ways higher education can be seen as hostile to women of color. The Conversation [Online Magazine].2020 5 ways higher education can be seen as hostile to women of color. The Conversation [Online Magazine].
- 2020 Posting on Social Media should be planned & thoughtful, ABC Local 10 News [Television News].
- 2020 Violencia doméstica: Cuando la casa se convierte en un campo de batalla. Diario las Americas [Latin American Newspaper].
- 2020 Covid 19 Q & A: Safer at home? What to do when home is not a safe space. News @ FIU [University Online News Service].
- 2020 *Entering Science Writing as a Child of Immigrants*. The Open Notebook: The Story Behind the Best Science Stories [Online Magazine].

- 2020 The Case of Katie Hill Shows Why Revenge Porn Is Pure Violence. The National Interest [Online Magazine].
- 2019 Revenge porn is sexual violence, not millennial negligence. The Conversation [Online Magazine].

SELECT RELEVANT COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2019- Present Community Collaborative Member Affirming YOUth, Liberty City- Miami, FL
- 2018- Present Member, Zonta Club of Miami Lakes Zonta International, Chicago, IL
- 2022- 2024 Member, Board of Directors Miami Center for Racial Justice. Miami, FL
- 2018- 2020 Director, Zonta Club of Miami Lakes Zonta International, Chicago, IL