

KIERRA JONES

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EDUCATION

University of South Carolina

Master of Arts in Sociology

05.2019

GPA 3.89

Thesis: “‘HIV Lives with Me’: An Intersectional Analysis of the Successful Navigation of Health Care Services by Sex Workers Living with HIV”

University of Kentucky

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Psychology

05.2017

GPA 3.75

Magna cum laude, Departmental honors

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Alyssa Robillard, **Kierra Jones**, Akeen Hamilton, Kellee White, & Mindi Spencer. African-American Women Living with HIV in the South: Emotional Resilience and HIV Care.

*Pfeffer, Carla A. and **Jones, Kierra B.** “Transgender Parenting/Parenthood.” In Abbie E. Goldberg and Katherine R. Allen (eds.), *LGBT-Parent Families: Innovations in Research & Implications for Practice* (2nd edition). New York: Springer-Verlag. 2019

*Equal co-authorship

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS

Dept. of Sociology, *Thesis Research Funding* (\$1000)

Fall 2018

Harriott Hampton Faucette Award, *Research Scholarship* (\$500)

Fall 2018

SC HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis Conference, *Registration Scholarship* (\$50)

Fall 2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA | SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

04.2018-05.2019

Graduate Research Assistant, Gender and Health Workgroup, under Dr. Alyssa Robillard

- Assisted in qualitative data analysis of 25 in-depth interviews to explore patterns of emotional resilience (e.g. Superwoman syndrome) in African American women living with HIV

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA | DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

08.2017-current

Teaching Assistant (multiple courses):

- *Introduction to Sociology; Race and Ethnic Relations; Sociology of the Paranormal; Sociology of Medicine and Health; Social Demography*

OTHER EXPERIENCE

UK ATHLETICS | LEXINGTON, KY

02.2016-05.2017

Tutor (multiple courses):

- *Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to Psychology; Sociology of Crime and Deviance*
- Assessed student progress throughout sessions
- Collaborated with students, teachers, and administrators to determine individual needs and develop tutoring plans

SERVICE/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

HARRIET HANCOCK LGBT CENTER | COLUMBIA, SC
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM | COLUMBIA, SC

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

American Sociological Association 2019 Annual Conference, New York, NY, August 11, 2019.
Southern Sociological Society 2019 Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, April 13, 2019.

METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA | DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

<i>Scientific Methods and Sociological Inquiry</i> , taught by Dr. Barry Markovsky	Spring 2019
<i>Statistical Analysis in Sociology</i> ; taught by Dr. Diego Leal	Fall 2018
<i>Survey of Research Methods</i> ; taught by Dr. Jennifer Augustine	Spring 2018
<i>Qualitative Methods</i> ; taught by Dr. Carla Pfeffer	Spring 2018

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA | WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

<i>Feminist Theory</i> ; taught by Dr. Drucilla Barker	Spring 2018
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CERTIFICATIONS

Teaching Towards Inclusive Excellence, University of South Carolina	current
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STRENGTHS

Academic Writing
Adaptability
Teamwork
Critical and Creative Thinking
Qualitative Data Analysis
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