

**MELLISSA S. GORDON, PH.D.**

University of Delaware  
Department of Human Development and Family Sciences  
111 Alison Hall  
Newark, DE 19716-3301  
302-831-1629  
Email: msgordon@udel.edu

**EDUCATION**

- The Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL** 2010 – 2013  
Ph.D. in *Human Sciences* Area of Specialization: *Family Relations*  
Dissertation Title: “Family and Community Influences on Adolescent and Young Adult Development” (Dissertation Chair: Dr. Ming Cui)
- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL** 2007– 2009  
*M.S. in Family, Youth, and Community Sciences*
- University of Florida, Gainesville, FL** 2003– 2006  
*B.S. in Psychology (cum laude)*

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Associate Professor*, Department of Human Development & Family Sciences  
University of Delaware 2019- Present
- Assistant Professor*, Department of Human Development & Family Sciences  
University of Delaware 2013- 2019

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

- \*Garg, M. & Gordon, M. S. (*Forthcoming*). Parent-child communication and early adolescents’ coping strategies: Mediating role of sibling relationship. *Journal of Community Psychology*.
- Dow, D. & Gordon, M. S. (2024), Understanding CRT and its implications for family science. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 1-23. doi: 10.1111/jomf.13017 Invited publication.
- Gordon, M.S. & Ohannessian, C.M. (2023). Social media use and early adolescents' academic achievement: Variations by parent-adolescent communication and gender. *Youth & Society*, 56(4), 651-672. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0044118X231180317>

- Gordon, M.S.** (2021). Demystifying critical race theory: What it is, and what it isn't. *NCFR Report*, National Council on Family Relations quarterly member magazine.
- Gordon, M.S.** & \*Salvador, P. (2021). How might CRT guide social science research? Practical examples from the field. *NCFR Report*, National Council on Family Relations quarterly member magazine.
- Gordon, M. S.**, Russell, B.S., & \*Finan, L. (2020). The Influence of parental support and community belonging on socioeconomic status and adolescent substance use over time. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 55(1), 23-36.
- Smith, S., Sun, R., & **Gordon, M. S.** (2019). Racial discrimination and psychological distress among African American adolescents: Investigating the social support deterioration model. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 28(2), 1613-1622.
- Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2018). The intersection of race and community poverty and its effect on adolescents' academic achievement. *Youth & Society*, 50(7), 947-965.
- \*Finan, L., Ohannessian, C., & **Gordon, M. S.** (2018). Trajectories of depressive symptoms from adolescence to emerging adulthood: The influence of parents, peers, and siblings. *Developmental Psychology*, 54(8), 1555-1567.
- Herrman, J. W., **Gordon, M. S.**, Rahmer, B., Moore, C. C., Habermann, B., & Haigh, K. M. (2017). Assessing the effectiveness of "Wise Guys": A mixed-methods approach. *American Journal of Sexuality Education*, 12(4), 395-408.
- Gordon, M. S.** (2017). Community disadvantage and academic achievement among Hispanic adolescents: The role of *familism*. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 26(12), 3303-3311.
- Gordon, M. S.** (2017). Self-perception and relationship quality as mediators of father's school-specific involvement and adolescent's academic achievement. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 77, 94-100.
- Russell, B. S., & **Gordon, M. S.** (2017). Parenting and adolescent substance use: Moderation effects of community engagement. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*, 15(5), 1023-1036.
- Gordon, M. S.** (2017). Individual-level and socio-contextual influences on body mass index and achievement in adolescence to young adulthood. *Journal of Adolescent and Family Health*, 8(1), 1-29.
- Gordon, M. S.** (2016). Community disadvantage and adolescent's academic achievement: The mediating role of father influence. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 25(7), 2069-2078.

Cui, M., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Wickrama, K. A. S. (2016). Relationship experiences of adolescents and young adults: The role of mothers' relationship history. *Journal of Family Issues*, 37(10), 1458-1480.

\*Finan, L., \*Shulz, J., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Ohannessian, C. (2015). Parental problem drinking and adolescent externalizing behaviors: The mediating role of family functioning. *Journal of Adolescence*, 43, 100-110.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2015). Positive parenting during adolescence and career success in young adulthood. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 24(3), 762-771.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2014). School-related parental involvement and adolescent academic achievement: The role of community poverty. *Family Relations*, 63(5), 616-626.

Fincham, F., Cui, M., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Ueno, K. (2013). What comes before why: Specifying the phenomenon of intimate partner violence. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 75(2), 319-324.

Cui, M., Ueno, K., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Fincham, F. (2013). The continuation of intimate partner violence from adolescence to young adulthood. *Journal of Marriage and Family*, 75(2), 300-313.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2012). The effect of school-specific parenting processes on academic achievement in adolescence and young adulthood. *Family Relations*, 61(5), 728-741.

\* Denotes graduate student co-authors

### **Book Chapters**

**Gordon, M. S.** (2014). Education, postgrad. In M. J. Coleman & L. H. Ganong (Eds.), *The Social History of American Families: An Encyclopedia*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781452286143>

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2013). Children of divorce and their fear of change. In R. E. Emory & J. G. Golson (Eds.), *Cultural Sociology of Divorce: An encyclopedia* (Vol. 1, pp. 257-259). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

### **Manuscripts under Review/in Progress**

\*Garg, M., **Gordon, M.S.**, & Ohannessian, C.M. (*under review*). Parent-child communication and early adolescents' coping strategies: The mediating role of sibling support (SRCD 2023).

Cutler, L., & **Gordon, M.S.** (*revise & resubmit*). Using gender-schema theory to explain socialization in the context of race and socioeconomic status (NCFR 2018).

**Gordon, M. S.** (*in progress*). The role of adverse childhood experiences in adult romantic relationships (NCFR 2018).

**Gordon, M. S.** (*in progress*). The moderating/mediating effects of parent-child closeness on the association between adolescent boys' self-esteem and body dissatisfaction.

**Gordon, M. S.** (*in progress*). The influence of economic disadvantage on developmental outcomes (i.e., psychological well-being, marital success, career success) in emerging adulthood.

## **GRANT EXPERIENCE**

### **Funded**

*Understanding the effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Delaware Children's Classroom Composition and Early Academic and Social Emotional Development (2023-2024)*

Funding Agency: 2023-2024 UDRF Strategic Initiative program grant

Principal Investigator: Dr. Anamarie Whitaker

***Grant Role: Faculty Mentor***

Funding Amount: \$55,000

*Professional Partnership Learning Study (2019)*

Funding Agency: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Principal Investigator: Dr. Laura Desimone

***Grant Role: Co-Principal Investigator***

Funding Amount: \$1,500,000

*Developing a stigma instrument for use among children of parents experiencing mental illness via international collaboration.*

Funding Agency: IGS Global Exchange Program Funding (IGS-Globex) and the Department of Human Development & Family Sciences, University of Delaware (International Travel Award, 2019)

Funding Amount: \$4,867

*2017 Teaching Family Science Conference: The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in Family Science.*

Funding Agency: Center for Teaching Assessment & Learning, University of Delaware (Travel Grant, 2017)

Funding Amount: \$1,000

*Racial discrimination and mental health among African American adolescents: Exploring the role of family and community support.*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Sharde' McNeil Smith

Funding Agency: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Research Grant (2014)

**Grant Role: Collaborator**

Funding Amount: \$12,332

*Mixed-methods study to evaluate an evidence-based, male-focused curriculum, Wise Guys.*

Funding Agency: Clinical and Translational Research Pilot Grant (2014)

Principal Investigator: Dr. Judy Herrman

**Grant Role: Co- Investigator**

Funding Amount: \$79,682

*The influence of community poverty on adolescent's academic achievement: Does race matter?*

Funding Agency: University of Delaware (General University Research Program, 2013)

**Grant Role: Principal Investigator**

Funding Amount: \$6,527.50

*Family and community influences on adolescent and young adult development.*

Funding Agency: The Florida State University (Dissertation Research Grant, 2013)

### **Under Review**

*The impact of socio-determinants of health on the employment experiences and psychological well-being of center-based health care workers before and during the COVID-19 pandemic.*

Funding Agency: National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Principal Investigator(s): Dr.'s Wright, Vican, and Farquhar

**Grant Role: Co-Investigator**

Funding Amount: \$750,000

### **Unfunded**

*Assessing Institutional Climate in the Biomedical and Behavioral Sciences at UD.*

Funding Agency: Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE) (2024)

**Grant Role: Principal Investigator**

Funding Amount: \$100,000

*A longitudinal examination of discrimination and C-reactive protein in midlife and older Black Americans.*

Funding Agency: University of Delaware General University Research program (GUR)

**Grant Role: Grant Role: Faculty Mentor**

Funding Amount: \$15,000

## INVITED TALKS

*Demystifying Critical Race Theory: Reflections from within the Field of Social Sciences.* Race and Culture Series: Department of Human Development & Family Sciences, University of Delaware (2021)

*'Fostering Positive Youth Development through Sports.'* United Soccer Coaches, Master Coach in Professional Development workshop series (2021, 2020; 2019; 2018)

*Adolescent and Young Adult Development within the Context of Families and Communities.* University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY (2019)

*Fostering Resilience among Youth: The Role of the Individual, their Families, and the Community.* Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA (2018)

*The Influence of Individual and Community-Level Factors on Adolescent and Young Adult Outcomes.* University of Florida, Gainesville, FL (2017)

Key Note Address, *Kappa Omicron Nu*, National Honor Society, Induction Ceremony, Department of Human Development & Family Sciences, University of Delaware (2019, 2014)

## MEDIA COVERAGE

**Gordon, M.S.** [\*Social media use and academic achievement\*](#). University of Delaware Office of Communications Weekly Update, *UDaily* Feature (March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024)

Evidence for Education: A PodCast of the University of Delaware's Partnership for Public Education; Invited to discuss work on the impact of parental involvement on academic achievement (February 7, 2024)

MarketCast, an independent research and data analytics firm, NYC; Invited to discuss expertise on teens and their relationship with social media (September 8, 2023)

College of Education & Human Development (CEHD) Newsletter, Research Spotlight: *How does social media use affect early adolescents' academic achievement?* (August 3, 2023), University of Delaware

University of Delaware Campus radio program (WVUD); Invited to share expertise on adolescents and at risk youths (2015)

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

**Gordon, M.S.,** Aviles, A., & Payne, Y. (2024). *Factors influencing the psychological wellbeing of street-identified Black youth and adults: A hierarchical modeling approach*. Poster to be presented at the 2024 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Bellevue, Washington

\*Garg, M., **Gordon, M.S.,** & Ohannessian, C. (2024). Moderating role of sibling relationship quality in the association between parental differential treatment and early delinquency among adolescents. Paper to be presented at the 2024 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Bellevue, Washington

**Gordon, M.S.** (2024). Reimagining social media use and its impact on schools and families. *TideTalk* to be presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Policy & Practice Institute: Delaware's Conference on Public Education, Dover, Delaware

**Gordon, M.S.,** & Wright, R. (2024). *Onboarding and retention of faculty of color*. Workshop delivered at the 80<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Conference of Academic Deans (ACAD), Tampa, Florida

**Gordon, M.S.,** Ohannessian, C., & Garg, M. (2023). *Social media use, internalizing symptoms and externalizing problems: A conditional process analysis*. Poster presented at the 2023 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Orlando, Florida

Garg, M., Chomsky, R.M., & **Gordon, M.S.** (2023). *Moderating role of sibling relationship quality in the association between parental differential treatment and early delinquency among adolescents*. Poster presented at the 2023 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Orlando, Florida

\*Garg, M., **Gordon, M.S.,** & Ohannessian, C. (2023). *Parent-child communication and early adolescents' coping strategies: The mediating role of sibling relationship*. Presentation at the Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD), in Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Gordon, M.S.** & Ohannessian, C. (2023). *Social media use and early adolescents' internalizing symptoms: The moderating role of family functioning*. Paper presented at the International Sociological Association (ISA), in Melbourne, AUS.

**Gordon, M.S.** (2022). *The impact of frequency of use and social media victimization on early adolescents' externalizing problems: Moderations by gender*. Poster presented at the 2022 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Minneapolis, MN.

**Gordon, M.S.** (2022). *The effects of parental incarceration on children's mental health: A Critical Race perspective*. Paper presented at the SRCD 2022 Special Topic Meeting: Construction of the 'Other': Development, Consequences, and Applied Implications of Racism, Prejudice and Discrimination, Puerto Rico, USA.

**Gordon, M.S.** & \*Salvador, P. (2021). *Does perspective matter? The differential impact of mothers and fathers' perception of inter-parental conflict on children's cognitive development*. Interactive Poster presented at the 2021 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) - online due to pandemic.

**Gordon, M.S.** & \*Salvador, P. (2021). *The mechanistic role of parental closeness on inter-parental conflict and children's task completion*. Interactive Poster presented at the 2021 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) - online due to pandemic.

\*Salvador, P. & **Gordon, M. S.** (2020, November). *Parental discipline and children's cognitive and social functioning: Variations by gender*. Poster presented at the 2020 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) - online due to pandemic.

**Gordon, M. S.** & Johnson, B.G. (2020, November). *Differential effects of perceived discrimination on adolescents' academic expectations*. Paper presented at the 2020 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) - online due to pandemic.

\*Woodson, C. & **Gordon, M. S.** (2019, November). *Perceived racial discrimination and adolescents' externalizing problems: The role of social support and psychological functioning*. Paper presented at the 2019 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Fort Worth, TX.

**Gordon, M. S.,** & Ohannessian, C. (2019, November). *The moderating effect of the parent-relationship quality on early adolescents' social media use and academic achievement*. Symposium presentation at the 2019 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Fort Worth, TX.

**Gordon, M. S.,** & Ohannessian, C. (2019, October). *Does the quality of the parent-relationship moderate technology use and internalizing symptoms during emerging adulthood?* Poster presented at the 2019 annual conference of the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood, Toronto, CA.

**Gordon, M. S.,** & \*Woodson, C. (2019, April). *To what extent does perceived discrimination undermine the association between positive parenting and academic achievement?* Poster presented at the 2019 Society for Research on Child Development Biennial Meeting (SRCD), Baltimore, MD.



**Gordon, M.S.** *The role of adverse childhood experiences in adult romantic relationships.* Paper presented at the 2018 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), San Diego, CA.

Cutler, L. & **Gordon, M.S.** *Gender socialization in African American and White families: The role of socioeconomic status.* Poster presented at the 2018 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), San Diego, CA.

**Gordon, M. S.,** Russell, B. & Finan, L., (2018, April). *Interactive effects of parental support and community engagement on SES and adolescent and young adults' substance use.* Poster presented at the 2018 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting (SRA), Minneapolis, MN.

**Gordon, M.S.** *Long-term effects of parental incarceration on young adults' achievement.* Paper presented at the 2017 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Orlando, FL.

Russell, B. S., **Gordon, M.S.,** & Watson, R. *Associations between adolescent depression and public health concerns in early adulthood: Family influences for sexual minority youth.* Poster presented at the 2017 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Orlando, FL.

**Gordon, M.S.** *Parental incarceration and depressive symptomology in emerging adulthood: The interactive effect of race.* Paper presented at the 2017 annual conference of the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood, Washington, D.C.

**Gordon, M. S.** *Community disadvantage and academic achievement among Hispanic adolescents: The mediating/moderating role of familial factors.* Poster presented at 2017 Society for Research in Child Development biennial meeting held in Austin, Texas.

Smith, S., **Gordon, M. S.,** & Sun, R. *Racial discrimination and mental health among Black adolescents and their caregivers: Exploring the role of family support.* Poster presented at the 2017 Society for Research in Child Development biennial meeting held in Austin, Texas.

Vu, J., Hustedt, J., Hallam, R., Han, M., & **Gordon, M. S.** *Relationships between perceived family stress, children's morning cortisol, and children's social-emotional behaviors.* Poster presented at the 2017 Society for Research in Child Development biennial meeting held in Austin, Texas.

**Gordon, M. S.,** & Russell, B. S. *Community disadvantage and substance use: The role of protective factors.* Poster presented at the 2016 annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Minneapolis, MN.

\*Finan, L., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Ohannessian, C. *Sibling relationships and depression during adolescence: A growth curve analysis*. Poster presented at the 2016 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting (SRA), Baltimore, MD.

**Gordon, M. S.** *Individual-level and socio-contextual influences on body mass index and achievement in adolescence to young adulthood*. Poster presented at the 2016 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting (SRA), Baltimore, MD.

**Gordon, M. S.** (2015, November). *Individual and contextual influences on adolescent's BMI and achievement*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Vancouver, Canada.

\*Finan, L. J., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Ohannessian, C. M. (2015, November). *Depression in adolescence and emerging adulthood: An exploration of trends*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Vancouver, Canada.

\*Finan, L. J., **Gordon, M. S.**, Ohannessian, C. M., & Flannery, K. (2015, October). *Does substance use mediate the relationship between adolescent depression and emerging adult antisocial behavior?* Poster presented at the annual conference of the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood, Miami, FL.

Flannery, K. M., Ohannessian, C., \*Finan, L. J., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Owczarska, M. (2015, October). *Characteristics of sibling relationships during the transition to emerging adulthood*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood (SSEA), Miami, FL.

Herrman, J.W., Rahmer, B., Moore, C., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Haberman, B. (2015, October). *A mixed-methods study assessing the effectiveness of wise guys*. Poster presented at the annual Healthy Teen Network conference, Baltimore, MD.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2015, March). *Community poverty and adolescent's academic achievement: In what context does race really matter?* Poster presented at the annual conference of the Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD), Philadelphia, PA.

\*Finan, L., **Gordon, M. S.**, Ohannessian, C., & Flannery, K. (2015, March). *Sibling relationships and adolescent problem drinking*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD), Philadelphia, PA.

**Gordon, M. S.** & \*Hull, J. (2014, November). *Father involvement and adolescent's achievement: A mediational analysis*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Baltimore, MD.

\*Finan, L., \*Schulz, J., **Gordon, M. S.**, & Ohannessian, C. (2014, November). *Parental problem drinking, family functioning, and adolescent outcomes*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Baltimore, MD.

**Gordon, M. S.** & Cui, M. (2013, November). *Parenting and adolescent academic achievement: The role of community poverty*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), San Antonio, TX.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Brown, P. (2012, November). *Parental involvement and parent-teacher associations: A hierarchical linear modeling*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the NCFR, Phoenix, AZ.

Cui, M. & **Gordon, M. S.** (2012, November). *Intimate partner violence from adolescence to young adulthood*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Phoenix, AZ.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2012, July). *The influence of school-specific parenting processes on educational attainment in adolescence and young adulthood*. Poster presented at the International Association of Relationship Research (IARR), Chicago, IL.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Cui, M. (2011, November). *The influence of school-specific parenting processes on adolescents' academic performance*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Orlando, FL.

**Gordon, M. S.**, & Futris, T. (2010, November). *Mother-daughter communication and the onset of sexual activity*. Poster presented at the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), Minneapolis, MN.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ethnic and Racial Issues Committee, <i>Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)</i>	2023- Present	
Finance Committee, <i>Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA)</i>	2022- Present	
Editorial Board, <i>Emerging Adulthood Journal</i>	2020- Present	
Associate Editor, <i>Advances in Neurodevelopmental Disorders</i>	2017- Present	
	<i>Journal of Child &amp; Family Studies</i>	2016- Present
Ad hoc Reviewer, <i>Contemporary Educational Psychology</i>	2017- Present	
	<i>Youth &amp; Society</i>	2016- Present
	<i>Journal of Child &amp; Family Studies</i>	2016- Present
	<i>American Journal of Sexuality Education</i>	2016- Present
	<i>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</i>	2016- Present
	<i>Journal of Family Studies</i>	2016- Present
	<i>Journal of Research in Childhood Education</i>	2016- Present
	<i>Sociology of Education</i>	2013- Present

<i>Scientific Review Panel, Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA)</i>	2016- Present
<i>National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)</i>	2013- Present

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES**

*Adjunct Instructor*

The Florida State University Department: Family and Child Sciences	
-Instructed undergraduate Parenting course (CHD 4537) in traditional format	2013

*Graduate Research Assistant*

The Florida State University Department: Family and Child Sciences	2010 – 2013
---	-------------

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

The Florida State University Department: Family and Child Sciences	
-Solo-taught undergraduate course, FAD 2230, Family Relationship	2010 – 2013

*Graduate Teaching Assistant*

The University of Florida Department: Family, Youth, & Community Sciences	2007– 2008
--	------------

*Graduate Research Assistant*

The University of Florida Department: Family, Youth, & Community Sciences	2008– 2009
--	------------

**SERVICE**

**College/University Service**

University of Delaware’s Anti-Racism Initiative (UDARI), <i>Faculty Fellow</i>	2024- Present
University of Delaware’s Institutional Review Board (IRB), <i>Primary member</i>	January 2019- May 2019
University of Delaware’s UD-ADVANCE, <i>Faculty Fellow</i>	2018- 2022
College of Education and Human Development Undergraduate Curriculum, <i>Committee Member</i>	2018- Present
University of Delaware’s Institutional Review Board (IRB), <i>Alternate Member</i>	2017- 2018
University of Delaware’s African Heritage Caucus Faculty Mentoring Committee, <i>Co-Chair</i>	2017- 2018
Served on ‘Upward Bound Classic Search Committee’ (At the request of the Deputy Provost for Academic Affairs)	May- June 2017

## **Departmental Service**

Human Development & Family Sciences, Awards Committee	Spring, 2023
Human Development & Family Sciences, Promotion and Tenure Committee	Fall 2022
Human Development & Family Sciences, Tenure track position: Social determinants of aging; <i>Search Committee Member</i>	Fall 2021- Spring 2022
Human Development & Family Sciences, Tenure track position: Social determinants of aging; <i>Search Committee Chair</i>	Fall 2019- Spring 2020
Human Development & Family Sciences, HDFS Administrative Position, <i>Search Committee Member</i>	Spring, 2018
Human Development & Family Sciences, Tenure Track, <i>Search Committee Member</i>	Spring, 2016
Human Development & Family Sciences, Graduate Studies, <i>Committee Member</i>	Fall 2016- Spring 2018
College of Education and Human Development Faculty Council, Human Development and Family Sciences, <i>Department Representative</i>	2014- 2017
Steele Symposium, <i>Proposal Reviewer</i>	2014- Present
Human Services, <i>Committee Member</i>	September 2013- Present
Human Services Advisory Council, <i>Committee Member</i>	September 2013- Present

## **CURRICULAR LEADERSHIP**

<i>Course Development</i>	HONR 292- Honors Colloquium: A Systemic Approach to Race (Undergraduate)
	HDFS 331- Positive Youth Development- In-Person/On-line (Undergraduate)
	HDFS 667- Perspectives on Adolescence and Emerging Adults (Graduate)
<i>Courses Revised</i>	HDFS 201- Life Span Development- In-Person/On-line (Undergraduate)
	HDFS 329- Adolescent Development (Undergraduate)
	HDFS 601- Theories of Human Development (Graduate)

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Invited Participant, University of Delaware's 2019 Winter Institute on Learning	January 2019
Attendee, University of Delaware's <i>Summer Institute on Teaching (SIT)</i>	Summer, 2018
Participated in the ' <i>Success through Education</i> ' spring conference	Spring 2017
Attendee, University of Delaware's Center for Teaching & Assessment of Learning workshop- ' <i>Race, politics, and #crowdsourced syllabi.</i> '	April 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Attendee, ' <i>2-day Strategic Planning</i> ' Working Meeting	May 31- June 1, 2016
Attendee, UD Advance Institute, <i>Women of Color in the Academy: What's next?</i> Conference	April 29 <sup>th</sup> - May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2016
Attendee, ' <i>Write Winning Grant Proposals workshop</i> ' hosted by Dr. Lauren Broyles	January 31, 2017

Attendee, University of Delaware's *Summer Institute on Teaching (SIT)* Summer, 2015

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Dean's Faculty Research Award, College of Education and Human Development (\$40,000)	2018
National Center for Faculty Diversity and Development Faculty Success Boot Camp- Competitive award, UD President's Diversity Initiative (\$3,250)	2013
Best Proposal Award, Education and Enrichment Section, National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) Conference in San Antonio, TX	2013
FSU's College of Human Sciences Leadership Council, Executive Board Member	2012/13
Costa and Emma Kittles Scholarship (Florida State University)	2012
May Watson Connor Scholarship (Florida State University)	2012
Competitive grant, The Florida State University, Graduate Student Advisory Council Presentation Program	2011
Received competitive funding to attend national conference presentation	2011
Costa and Emma Kittles Scholarship (Florida State University)	2011
Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society	2011

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood (SSEA)	2017-Present
Society for Research in Child Development	2016- Present
Society for Research on Adolescence	2016- Present
National Council on Family Relations	2009- Present