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EDUCATION

- 2004 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), University of Florida, Sociology.
Dissertation: "Negotiated Concepts: Body, Mind, Emotions and Self in Women's Childbearing Narratives." Advisor: Constance Shehan.
- 2004 Graduate Certificate, University of Florida, Women's Studies and Gender Research
- 2000 Master of Arts (MA), University of Florida, Sociology
- 1998 Bachelor of Arts (BA), University of Michigan, Sociology with high distinction
- 1996 Associate of Arts (AA), Washtenaw Community College, Social Sciences/Humanities

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021- Professor, University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology
- 2015-21 Associate Professor, University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology
- 2012- Affiliated Faculty, University of Central Florida, Women's and Gender Studies
- 2010-15 Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology
- 2007-10 Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida, Sociology
- 2005-07 Assistant Professor, University of West Georgia, Dept of Sociology/Criminology
- 2000-05 Instructor, University of Florida, Department of Sociology
- 2001-05 Instructor, Florida School of Traditional Midwifery
- 2003-04 Research Assistant, North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System,
Rehabilitation Outcomes Research Center of Excellence
- 2002-05 Assistant Adjunct Professor, Santa Fe Community College, Department of
History and Social Sciences; Department of Student Development Instruction
- 1997-98 Research Assistant, University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research, Detroit
Area Study

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- 2017-23 Associate Chair, University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology
- Led analysis of enrollment patterns and revised schedule that increased student enrollment and better met online and offline program needs
 - Established faculty mentoring workshop series and social activities to promote faculty cohesion and teamwork
- 2005-07 Women's Studies Program Coordinator, University of West Georgia
- Developed curriculum and course planning
 - Recruited faculty and students to the program
- 2001-04 Academic Director, Florida School of Traditional Midwifery
- Led instructor development workshops and assisted course development
 - Created, evaluated, and revised academic policies
 - Wrote and edited community funding proposals, manuals, catalogs and community education presentations

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 2027-28 President, Southern Sociological Society, elected
2026-27 President-elect, Southern Sociological Society, elected
2026-27 Co-Chair, Program Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
2024-27 Chair, Council of Divisions, Society for Study of Social Problems, elected
2024-27 Chair, Nominations Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
2023-24 Chair-elect, Council of Divisions, Society for Study of Social Problems, elected
2023-24 Member, Nominations Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems
2022-25 Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Journal of Human Lactation*
2021-23 Chair, Gender Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, elected
2019-21 Publications Committee, Southern Sociological Society, elected
2019-20 Membership Committee, Sociologists for Women in Society
2018- Advisory Board Member, *Sociological Inquiry*
2017-19 Vice-President, Sociologists for Women in Society – South, elected
2017-18 Chair, Committee on Gender and Sexuality, Southern Sociological Society
2015-17 Committee on Gender and Sexuality, Southern Sociological Society
2016-17 Program Committee, Southern Sociological Society
2015-17 Hand Mentoring Program Coordinator, Sociologists for Women in Society – South

AWARDS

Research Awards:

- 2026 Research Sabbatical Award (Type 1A, for Fall 2026)
Excellence in Research Career Award, UCF Department of Sociology
2025 Outstanding Scholarship, Creative Works, and Research (OSCaR), College of Sciences
Featured Conference Abstract, Society for the Study of Social Problems
Article of the Year Award, UCF Department of Sociology
Travel Award for Recognition of Faculty Excellence, \$1,000
2024 Research Dissemination and Travel Award, College of Sciences, UCF, \$500
Research Dissemination and Travel Award, College of Sciences, UCF, \$800
2023 Top Awarded Funded Research Proposal in Sociology, UCF College of Sciences
2022 Research Incentive Award (RIA), UCF, \$5,000/year
2019 Scroll and Quill Society, UCF (recognizes outstanding contributions to scholarship through publications)
Gloria Anzaldúa Research Excellence Award, UCF Women's and Gender Studies, \$1,000 (1 of 2 university-wide awards)
2018 Travel Award for Recognition of Faculty Excellence, \$1,000
2016 Research Sabbatical Award (Type 1, for Spring 2017)
UCF Women of Distinction Award for Excellence in Innovation, \$1,000 (awarded every other year to 1 assistant, 1 associate, 1 full professor)
Woman Making History, University of Central Florida (1 of 31 awards)
2004 Coffyn Holmes Dissertation Scholarship, University of Florida, \$1,500
2003 Jerome A. Connor Dissertation Fellowship Award, University of Florida, \$1,000

Teaching Awards:

- 2026 Graduate Teaching Award, UCF College of Sciences, \$2,000
2024 Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Award, UCF, \$5,000/year
Excellence in Teaching Award, UCF Department of Sociology
2019 Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Award, UCF, \$5,000/year
2015 Role Model for Making UCF More Inclusive and Diverse
2013 Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Award, UCF, \$5,000/year
2005 Laptop Competition: Technology Development in the Classroom, Univ. West Georgia
2004 Vandiver Teaching Award, University of Florida, \$250

Leadership and Service Awards:

- 2023 Excellence in Leadership Award, Department of Sociology
2019 University Excellence in Professional Service Award, \$2,000 (1 of 2 in university)
Excellence in Professional Service Award, College of Sciences (1 award in college)
2016 UCF Center for Success of Women Faculty Fellowship, \$300 (1 of 3 in university)

Honors and Scholarships:

- 1998-2001 Grinter Fellowship Award, University of Florida, \$6,000
1998 James B. Angel Scholar Award, University of Michigan

RESEARCH AREAS

Sociology of Reproduction	Medical Sociology	Gender/Race Inequalities
Sociology of the Body	Social Psychology	Sociological/Feminist Theory

GRANTS

Research Grant Submitted (Not Funded):

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities \$3,715,975

Factors Affecting Relationships between Diverse Transgender and Nonbinary Emerging Adults and their Clinicians: A Dyadic Study

Role: Contact Principal Investigator (MPI: Lindsay Taliaferro; Co-Is: J. Scott Carter, Eric Schrimshaw, Iris Borowsky; Consultant: Lonna Gordon)

Proposed Funding Period: July 2025-June 2030

Submitted October 2024; Updated Submission October 2025; Reviewed January 2026; Not funded.

Research Grants Funded:

American Sociological Association

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant \$16,000

Advancing Beyond Deficit Models: How Joy is Cultivated among Black Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida

Role: Research Sponsor (Research Scholar: Courtney Gardner)

Funding Period: May 2024-April 2025

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities \$415,735
Facilitators of and Barriers to Healthcare Utilization among Racially and Ethnically Diverse Transgender and Gender Nonbinary Young Adults
 Role: Principal Investigator (MPI: Lindsay Taliaferro; Co-Is: J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, Eric Schrimshaw)
 NIMH R21-MDQ016457
 Funding Period: June 2022-February 2025

University of Central Florida, Department of Internal Medicine \$18,570
Understanding the Health Care Experiences of Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Young Adults
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Lindsay Taliaferro; Co-I: Nik Lampe)
 Funding Period: July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology Seed Grant \$1,500
Barriers to Success: A STEM Training Project Exploring the Educational Experiences of Hispanic Students Attending a Hispanic Serving Institution
 Role: Co-Investigator (PI: Jonathon Cox)
 Funding Period: May 30, 2018-December 30, 2018

University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology Seed Grant \$3,000
Assessing the Safety of Peer Breast Milk Sharing: A Biosocial Perspective
 Role: Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Beatriz Reyes-Foster)
 Funding Period: August 2015-December 2015

University of Central Florida, College of Sciences In-House Grant \$7,500
Race Disparities in Breastfeeding
 Role: Principal Investigator
 Funding Period: September 2012-May 2013

Community Outreach Grants Funded:

Johnson and Johnson \$142,200
The EMBRACE Project Community education program, Florida School of Traditional Midwifery.
 Role: Grant proposal written with Jana Borino and Mattie Gallagher; Project administered by FSTM personnel.
 Funding Period: January 2004-December 2004

IMPACT OF SCHOLARLY WORK

H-index: 25; i10-index: 34; Number of times cited: 1987, per Google Scholar 4/18/2026

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Student authors italicized; *indicates master's student; **indicates undergraduate student

Books:

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. 2020. *Sharing Milk: Intimacy, Materiality and Bio-communities of Practice*. Bristol University Press, Gender and Sociology Series.

- Reviewed by Fiona Jardine, 2023, in *Journal of Human Lactation* 39(2): 358-359.
- Reviewed by Rhonda Shaw, 2022, in *Gender & Society* 36(3): 456-457.
- Reviewed by Aunchalee Palmquist, 2021, in *Medical Anthropology Quarterly* 35(4): 81-83.
- Featured in Book Salon on Families and Care, Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Conference, January 2021, virtual.
- Featured in "How Mothers Make Meaning and Value Through Milk Sharing." *Discover Society*, November 4, 2020.

Invited Journal Articles:

2023 **Carter, Shannon K.**, *Ashley Stone* and Jonathan M. Cox. "About Research: Intersectionality in Breastfeeding Research." *Journal of Human Lactation* 39(2): 202-5. (2022 IF: 2.6)

Refereed Journal Articles:

2026 **Carter, Shannon K.**, J. Scott Carter, *Sylvia Stewart*, *Dahlia Wrubluski*, Eric W. Schrimshaw and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "'At the Mercy of the State': Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults' Experiences Navigating Restrictive Healthcare Legislation." *Social Science & Medicine* 389: 118837. (2024 IF: 5.0)

2025 Cox, Jonathan M., *Ashley Stone*, Angela Vergara, **Shannon K. Carter** and J. Scott Carter. "To See or Not to See: Latinx (In)visibility at a Newly Designated Hispanic-Serving Institution." *Humanity & Society* 49(1) 3-28.

2024 **Carter, Shannon K.** and ***Sanya Bansal*. "Racializing Motherhood and Maternity Care in News Representations of Breastfeeding." *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 65(4): 506-520. (2023 IF: 6.3)

Article of the Year Award, Department of Sociology
Featured on Sage Perspectives Blog

Headley, Vernon, *Annie Jones* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Beyond the Positivism/Non-positivism Binary as a Step Toward Inclusive Sociology." *Sociology of Race & Ethnicity* 10(3): 405-419. (2023 IF: 1.8)

Reeves, Karli, Sarah Job, Christopher Blackwell, *Kyle Sanchez*, **Shannon Carter** and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Provider Cultural Competence and Humility in Healthcare Interactions with Gender-Diverse Young Adults." *Journal of Nursing Scholarship* 56: 18-30. (2023 IF: 2.4)

2023 *Carson, Saphronia and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Abortion as a Public Health Risk in COVID-19 Anti-Abortion Legislation." *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*, special issue "The Politics of Abortion 50 Years after Roe." 48(4): 1044-9950. (2022 IF: 4.2)

2022 **Carter, Shannon K.**, Ashley Stone, Lain Graham and Jonathan Cox. "Creating Intersectional Subjects: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Health Science Breastfeeding Research." *Sociology of Race & Ethnicity* 8(1): 129-144. (2022 IF: 3.0)

2021 Vergara, Angela and **Shannon K. Carter**. "#Amamantar: Representations of Breastfeeding on Social Media Targeting Hispanic/Latinx Populations." *Women's Studies International Forum* 87: 102498. (2021 IF: 1.7)

2019 *Lampe, Nik M., **Shannon K. Carter** and J.E. Sumerau. "Continuity and Change in Gender Frames: The Case of Transgender Reproduction." *Gender & Society* 33(6): 865-887. (2020 IF: 3.7)

Taliaferro, Lindsay A., Brittany M. Harder, *Nik M. Lampe, **Shannon K. Carter**, G. Nic Rider and Marla E. Eisenberg. "Social Connectedness Factors that Facilitate Use of Healthcare Services: Comparison of Transgender and Gender Nonconforming and Cisgender Adolescents." *Journal of Pediatrics* 211: 172-178. (2020 IF: 4.4)

Nguyen, Jenny, J. Scott Carter and **Shannon K. Carter**. "From Yellow Peril to Model Minority: Perceived Threat by Asian Americans in Employment." *Social Science Quarterly* 100(3): 565-577. (2020 IF: 1.2)

Top 10 downloaded article published in this journal in 2019.

2018 **Carter, Shannon K.**, Beatriz Reyes-Foster and J. Scott Carter. "'Breast is Best, Donor Next': Peer Breast Milk Sharing in Contemporary Western Motherhood." *Sociological Inquiry* 88(4): 673-695. (2020 IF: 0.9)

Top 3 most cited article published in this journal in 2018.

Reyes-Foster, Beatriz and **Shannon K. Carter**. " 'That's Not the Milk Sharing I'm Doing': Responses to a *Pediatrics* Article from Women Who Milk Share." *Human Organization* 77(3): 262-272. (2020 IF: 0.8)

Owens, Nicole, **Shannon K. Carter**, *Chelsea J. Nordham and Jason A. Ford. "Neutralizing the Maternal Breast: Accounts of Public Breastfeeding by African American Mothers." *Journal of Family Issues* 39(2): 430-440. (2020 IF: 2.1)

- 2017 **Carter, Shannon K.** "Body-Led Mothering: Constructions of the Breast in Attachment Parenting Literature." *Women's Studies International Forum* 62: 17-24. (2020 IF: 1.5)

Reyes-Foster, Beatriz M., **Shannon K. Carter** and Melanie Sberna Hinojosa. "Breast Milk Handling and Storage Practices among Peer Milk Sharing Mothers." *Journal of Human Lactation* 33(1): 173-180. (2020 IF: 2.2)

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Resistance to Patriarchal Control." *Journal of Mother Studies* 2.
<https://jourms.wordpress.com/peer-breast-milk-sharing-as-resistance-to-patriarchal-control/>.

Carter, J. Scott, and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Boundary Blurring? The Declining Significance of Place on Whites' Attitudes toward Affirmative Action." *Southern Studies* 24(2): 27-52.

- 2016 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. "Pure Gold for Broken Bodies: Discursive Techniques Constructing Milk Banking and Peer Milk Sharing in U.S. News." *Symbolic Interaction* 39(3): 353-373. (2020 IF: 2.1)

Carter, J. Scott, **Shannon K. Carter** and Mamadi Corra. "The Significance of Place: The Impact of Urban and Regional Residence on Gender-Role Attitudes." *Sociological Focus* 49(4): 271-285.

- 2015 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Amanda Koontz Anthony. "Good, Bad and Extraordinary Mothers: Infant Feeding and Mothering in African American Mothers' Breastfeeding Narratives." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity* 1(4): 517-531. (2020 IF: 2.9)

Featured on KPCC Southern California Public Radio.

Reyes-Foster, Beatriz, **Shannon K. Carter** and Melanie Sberna Hinojosa. "Milk Sharing in Practice: A Descriptive Analysis of Peer Breast Milk Sharing." *Breastfeeding Medicine* 10(5): 263-269. (2020 IF: 1.8)

Featured on Fox 35 Good Day Orlando, News 13, Orlando Public Radio, Orlando Sentinel, Science Daily, Yahoo News, El Nuevo Herald, Fit Pregnancy and What to Expect When You're Expecting.

Carter, Shannon K., Beatriz Reyes-Foster and **Tiffany Rogers*. "Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? Portrayals of Human Milk Sharing in U.S. News." *Health, Risk & Society* 17(1): 30-45. (2020 IF: 1.9)

- 2014 **Carter, Shannon K.** and *Stephanie Gonzalez Guittar*. "Emotion Work among Pregnant and Birthing Women." *Midwifery* 30(9): 1021-1028. (2020 IF: 2.4)

Afflerback, Sara*, Amanda Koontz Anthony, **Shannon K. Carter and Liz Grauerholz. "Consumption Rituals in the Transition to Motherhood." *Gender Issues* 31(1): 1-20. (2022 IF: 1.9)

Gonzalez Guittar, Stephanie and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Disciplining the Savvy Shopper: A Foucauldian Analysis of Couponing Blogs." *Journal of Foucault Studies* 18: 131-153.

J. Scott Carter and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Place Matters: The Impact of Place of Residency on Racial Attitudes among Regional and Urban Migrants." *Social Science Research* 47: 165-177. (2020 IF: 2.3)

Carter, J. Scott, Mamadi Corra, **Shannon K. Carter** and *Rachael McCrosky**. "The Impact of Place? A Reassessment of the Importance of the South in Affecting Beliefs about Racial Inequality." *Social Science Journal* 51(1): 12-20. (2020 IF: 2.4)

- 2013 **Carter, Shannon K.** and *James McCutcheon*. "Discursive Constructions of Breastfeeding in U.S. State Laws." *Women & Health* 53(4): 419-437. (2020 IF: 1.7)

Afflerback, Sara*, **Shannon K. Carter, Amanda Koontz Anthony and Liz Grauerholz. "Infant Feeding Consumerism in the Age of Intensive Mothering and Risk Society." *Journal of Consumer Culture* 13(3): 387-405. (2020 IF: 4.2)

Featured in Canada.com newspaper.

- 2012 **Carter, Shannon K.**, Leslie H. Picca and *Brittany N. Murray*. "Racialization in Public and Private: Memories of First Racial Experiences." *Race and Social Problems* 4(3/4): 133-143. (2020 IF: 2.2)

- 2011 Carter, J. Scott, Mamadi Corra and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Southern Intolerance Revisited: Political Conservatism and Justification for the Racial Status Quo." *Southern Studies* 18(2): 27-48.

Corra, Mamadi, J. Scott Carter and **Shannon K. Carter**. "The Interactive Impact of Race and Gender on High School Advanced Course Enrollment." *Journal of Negro Education* 80(1): 33-46.

- Carter, Shannon K.** and Fernando I. Rivera. "Social Constructions of the Nonprejudiced White Self." *Studies in Symbolic Interaction* 37: 111-133. (2020 IF: 0.8)
- 2010 **Carter, Shannon K.** "Beyond Control: Body and Self in Women's Childbearing Narratives." *Sociology of Health and Illness* 32(7): 993-1009. (2020 IF: 3.0)
- 2009 **Carter, Shannon K.** "Gender Performances during Labor and Birth in the Midwives Model of Care." *Gender Issues* 26(3-4): 205-223. (2022 IF: 1.9)
- Carter, Shannon K.** "Gender and Childbearing Experiences: Revisiting O'Brien's Dialectics of Reproduction." *NWSA Journal (National Women's Studies Association Journal)* 21(2): 121-143.
- Corra, Mamadi, **Shannon K. Carter**, J. Scott Carter and David Knox. "Trends in Marital Happiness by Sex and Race, 1973 – 2006." *Journal of Family Issues* 30(10): 1379-1404. (2020 IF: 2.1)
- Carter, J. Scott, Mamadi Corra and **Shannon K. Carter**. "The Interaction of Race and Gender: Changing Gender Role Attitudes, 1974 – 2006." *Social Science Quarterly* 90(1): 193-208. (2020 IF: 1.2)
- Most downloaded paper published in this journal in 2009.
- Carter, J. Scott, **Shannon Carter** and *Jamie Dodge*. "Trends in Abortion Attitudes by Race and Gender: A Reassessment Over a Four-Decade Period." *Journal of Social Research* 1(1): E3.
- 2008 **Houvouras, Shannon** and J. Scott Carter. "The F Word: College Students' Definitions of a Feminist." *Sociological Forum* 23(2): 234-56. (2020 IF: 1.9)
- Houvouras, Shannon K.** and Michelle M. Ortiz. "Ideal Female and Male Bodies: An Analysis of College Students' Drawings." *Journal of Public and Professional Sociology* 2.
- 2006 **Houvouras, Shannon**. "Negotiated Boundaries: Conceptual Locations of Pregnancy and Childbirth." *The Qualitative Report* 11(4): 665-86. (2022 IF: 1.1)
- 2001 **Houvouras, Shannon**. "The Effects of Demographic Variables, Ethnic Prejudice, and Attitudes toward Immigration on Opposition to Bilingual Education." *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* 23(2): 136-52. (2020 IF: 0.8)

Book Chapters:

- 2025 Gardner, Courtney Marciá, **Shannon K. Carter**, Eric W. Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Activating Intersectionality in Research Interviews." Pp. 125-142 in *Interviews as Activated Storytelling: Contexts and Subjectivities* edited by Amir B. Marvasti and Jaber F. Gubrium. New York: Routledge.
- 2023 Reyes-Foster, Beatriz and **Shannon K. Carter**. "When Fieldwork Comes Home." Pp. 173-86 in *Crafting Ethnographic Fieldwork: Sites, Interaction & Social Worlds* edited by Amir B. Marvasti and Jaber F. Gubrium. New York: Routledge.
- 2022 Khallouq, Bertha A. Ben, J. Scott Carter, **Shannon K. Carter**, and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Race and Gender Matter: Insights into Variation in Health and Patterns of Health Utilization for Transgender and Non-binary Adolescents." Pp. 91-116 in *Demography of Transgender, Non-Binary, and Gender Minority Populations* edited by Amanda K. Baumle and Sonny Nordmarken. Cham, Switzerland: Springer Press.
- 2020 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Bhoomi K. Thakore. "Birth in the U.S. amid COVID-19." *Social Problems in the Age of COVID-19* edited by Glenn Muschert, Kristen Budd, Michelle Christian, David Lane, and Jason Smith. Policy Press.
- 2019 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Considering Materiality: The Utility of Actor-Network Theory to Study Social Problems." *Researching Social Problems* edited by Javier Trevino and Amir Marvasti. Oxon, UK: Routledge.
- 2018 Reyes-Foster, Beatriz M. and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Mothers, Milk, and Morals: Peer Milk Sharing as Moral Motherwork in Central Florida." *Breastfeeding: New Anthropological Approaches*, edited by Cecilia Tomori, Aunchalee E.L. Palmquist, and EA Quinn. New York: Routledge.
- Reyes-Foster, Beatriz and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Suspect Bodies, Suspect Milk: Milk Sharing, Wet-Nursing, and the Spector of Syphilis in the Twenty-First Century." Pp. 91-112 in *Syphilis and Subjectivity: From Victorians to the Present*. Edited by Kari Nixon and Lorenzo Servitje. Cham, Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan.
- 2012 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Christian Bolden. "Culture Work in the Research Interview." Pp. 255-268 in *Handbook of Interview Research, Second Edition*. Edited by Jaber F. Gubrium, James A. Holstein, Amir Marvasti and Karyn McKinney. Thousand Oaks: Sage.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and Stephanie Gonzalez Guittar. "Laboring through Pain: Body, Mind and Emotion Work among Midwifery Clients." *Advances in Medicine and Biology, Volume 45*. Edited by Leon V. Berhardt. New York: Nova Science Publishers.

Under Review:

Carter, Shannon K., *Navied Zarae, J. Scott Carter, Eric W. Schrimshaw, Elena Cyrus, *Maria Andrade Corral, and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Health Insurance as Barrier to and Facilitator of Healthcare: Equity Among Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults." *Scientific Reports*. (2024 IF: 3.9)

Tehrani, Sara and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Grassroots Resistance and Racialized Erasure: U.S. News Representations of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People." *Race and Social Problems*. (2024 IF: 2.9; Revised and Resubmitted)

Carson, Saphronia, **Uma Sriram, **Rutwa Shah and **Shannon K. Carter**. "By Women, for Women: Mobilizing Quasi-Feminist Language in Fox News Coverage of Dobbs." *Feminist Media Studies*. (2024 IF: 1.7; Revised and Resubmitted)

Public Scholarship Publications:

2025 **Carter, Shannon K.** and **Sanya Bansal. "Racializing Motherhood through Breastfeeding Discourse." *Sage Perspectives Blog*.
<https://www.sagepub.com/explore-our-content/blogs/posts/sage-perspectives/2025/12/22/racializing-motherhood-through-breastfeeding-discourse>

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations:

2026 "Strengthening the Fabric: Cultivating Intra- and Inter-departmental Relationships." Invited Roundtable Leader. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Department Leader Preconference, New York, NY, August.

Maternal Wellness Fair in celebration of Black Maternal Health Week. Invited Panelist. Sanford, FL, April.

"Sociology as a Profession: Ask Me Anything." Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, FL, April.

2025 "Workshop: Sexual and Reproductive Health: Tips and Tricks Navigating a Complex Research and Policy Terrain." Invited panelist. American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL, August.

2024 "Researching Healthcare Experiences of Transgender and Nonbinary Emerging Adults." Invited panelist. College of Sciences Interdisciplinary Seminar Series. November.

- Virtual Session on the Value of Sociology in Florida. Invited panelist. American Sociological Association. Virtual, April.
- Introduction of S. L. Crawley and Session Moderator for Presidential Plenary. Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, April.
- 2023 “Navigating State Legislation in Academia.” Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society, Myrtle Beach, SC, April.
- 2022 “Sociological Research on Breastfeeding.” Invited Speaker. University of South Carolina, October.
- “Breastmilk Sharing and Bio-Communities of Practice.” Invited Speaker. Texas A&M University, February.
- 2021 “Bio-Communities of Practice through Peer Breastmilk Sharing.” Invited Speaker. Lincoln Memorial University – DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, Knoxville, TN, May.
- 2020 “Breastmilk Sharing and Bio-Communities of Practice.” Invited Speaker. Texas A&M University, October.
- “Race and Birth: Injustices amid COVID-19.” Invited Panelist (with Bhoomi Thakore). Plenary Pandemic Focused Session, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Annual Conference, Virtual, August.
- 2019 “Intersectional Approaches to Research and Teaching: Navigating Identities within Our Work.” Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.
- “Peer Breast Milk Sharing, Emotive Value, and Bio-Communities of Practice.” Invited Speaker. UCF Reproductive Justice Knights Colloquium Series, Orlando, FL, April.
- “Moral Motherwork: Labor, Value, and Morality in Peer Breast Milk Sharing.” Women’s Health Panel, UCF Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, Orlando, FL, February.
- 2018 “Researching Sexuality and Reproduction in the Trump Era: Reconsidering the Political Relevance of Sociological Scholarship.” Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, April.
- 2017 Critic. Author meets Critics Session. *Calling the Shots: Why Parents Reject Vaccines*, Jennifer Reich, New York University Press. Society for the Study of Social Problems. Montreal, Canada, August.

2016 Partners in Academia.” Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

“Scientific Mothers and Peer Breast Milk Sharing: The View from a Central Florida Community.” Invited Speaker (with Beatriz Reyes-Foster). Central Florida Anthropological Society. Winter Park Towers, Winter Park, FL, April.

2015 “Scientific Motherhood and Infant Feeding: Peer Breast Milk Sharing in Media and Practice.” Invited Speaker, Appalachian State University Diversity Speakers Series. Sponsored by Department of Sociology and Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies. Boone, NC, October.

“Cultural Opposition toward Peer Milk Sharing in the U.S.” Invited Panel on Reproductive Rights, UCF College of Medicine Global Health Conference, Orlando, FL, February.

“Peer Milk Sharing: Representation vs. Practice.” Invited Workshop Leader (with Beatriz Reyes-Foster). Reproduction Workshops, UCF College of Medicine Global Health Conference, Orlando, FL, February.

“Applying Intersectionality in Undergraduate Social Theory.” Invited Panelist. Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.

Contributed Conference Presentations:

2026 **Carter, Shannon K.**, *Sara Tehrani, Jonzelle Bell, *Tara Delgado, and Evansha Andre.* “Disinformation and Citation Politics in Gen-AI: Scholarly Essays on Race Inequities in Cesarean Births.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August. *(Accepted)*

*Tehrani, Sara, **Sofia Lahsaini, **Crystal Chanthasone, **Donia Fouissi, and Shannon K. Carter.* “The Medicalization of Pregnancy on Social Media: Authority, Risk, and Lived Experience in Instagram Representations of Prenatal Genetic Testing.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, New York, NY, August. *(Accepted)*

Carter, Shannon K., *Jonzelle Bell, and Sara Tehrani.* “Racial Cuts: Explanations of Race Inequities in Cesarean Births in U.S. Government and Medical Discourses.” American Sociological Association, New York, NY, August. *(Accepted)*

Gordon, Lonna, *Dahlia Wrubluski, Sylvia Stewart, Abbey Mann, Shannon K. Carter and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* “Viewpoints on Improving Bonds Between Health Experts and Sexual and Gender Minoritized Youth.” World Congress Pediatric Gynecology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, April.

Bell, Jonzelle, Sara Tehrani, and Shannon K. Carter. "Racial Cuts: The Production of Racialized Subjects in Cesarean Birth Discourses." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, April.

*Tehrani, Sara, **Sofia Lahsaini, **Crystal Chanthasone, **Donia Fouissi, and Shannon K. Carter.* "Negotiating Expertise and Emotions: Medical Professionals' and Birthing Individuals' Representations of Prenatal Genetic Testing on Instagram." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, April.

**Montalvo, Isaac and Shannon K. Carter.* "Gender, Trust, and Responsibility: Men's Views of Novel Male Contraception." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, April.

*Tehrani, Sara, **Sofia Lahsaini, **Crystal Chanthasone, **Donia Fouissi, and Shannon K. Carter.* "Technological Constructions of Reproductive Risk: Portrayals of Prenatal Genetic Testing on Instagram." Conference of the Social Sciences, Gainesville, FL, March.

Taliaferro, Lindsay, Abbey Mann, Dahlia Wrubluski, Sylvia McMillon, Shannon K. Carter, Gabriela Facio, and Lonna Gordon "Creating a Psychologically Safe Healthcare Environment for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Adolescents." Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, March.

Tehrani, Sara and Shannon K. Carter. "Representations of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in U.S. News: A Qualitative Analysis." The Qualitative Report Conference, Virtual, March.

Carter, Shannon K., Jonzelle Bell, Sara Tehrani, and **Sanjana Bhatt. "Racial Cuts: Black Maternity Care Patients in Cesarean Birth Discourse." Eastern Sociological Society, Sociology of Reproduction Mini-Conference, Washington, D.C., March.

2025 *Wrubluski, Dahlia, Manasa Satyajit, Shannon K. Carter, Elena Cyrus, Eric W. Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "'It was good to know that there are people in my corner': Diverse Transgender and Nonbinary Patients' Experiences Navigating Florida's Gender-Affirming Treatment Consent Forms Alongside Healthcare Clinicians." Physicians for a National Health Program, Washington, D.C., November.

Bell, Jonzelle, Shannon K. Carter, and Yingru Li. "Sexual and Reproductive Autonomy Post-Dobbs: A Geovisualization Analysis." American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL: August.

Carter, Shannon K., *Sylvia McMillon*, Dahlia Wrubluski, Elena Cyrus, Eric Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Politicized Healthcare: Transgender and Nonbinary Emerging Adults' Experiences Navigating Restrictive Healthcare Legislation in Florida." American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL: August.

Londoño, Estefany, Dahlia Wrubluski, **Shannon Carter**, Eric Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "DIY HRT Usage among Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in a Restrictive Climate." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois, August.

2025 Featured Abstract

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Carson, Saphronia and **Shannon K. Carter**. "'Women's Rights are Under Attack': The Discursive Role of Abortion and Reproductive Freedom in Democrat Electoral Politics." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, August.

Tehrani, Sara and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Deserving Victims in a Collective Crisis: U.S. News Representations of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, August.

Satyajit, Manasa, **Shannon K. Carter**, Dahlia Wrubluski, Eric W. Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Experiences of Diverse Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults with Navigating Gendered Spaces in Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare." LGBT Health Workforce Conference, New York, NY, May.

Satyajit, Manasa, **Shannon K. Carter**, Dahlia Wrubluski, Eric W. Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, and Lindsay A. Taliaferro. "Fostering Comfort: Exploring Sexual and Reproductive Health Care Experiences Among Diverse Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults." Society of General Internal Medicine Annual Meeting, Hollywood, FL, May.

Tehrani, Sara and **Shannon Carter**. "Media Portrayals of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in U.S. News." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April.

Londoño, Estefany, Dahlia Wrubluski, **Shannon Carter**, Eric Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "'Some Trans Women are Angels': How and Why Transgender and Non-Binary Young Adults Utilize Unlicensed Gender-Affirming Hormone Therapies Amid Healthcare Restrictions." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April.

Greene, Alissa, *Sarah Jamaledine, **Sanjana Bhatt, **Mahi Patel, **Caroline Pellissery, **Sheryl Pullukara, **Shannon Carter, and Bhoomi Thakore.*

"Representations of Race and Breastfeeding in Black Newspapers." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April.

Carter, Shannon K., Dahlia Wrubluski, *Sylvia McMillon*, Elena Cyrus, Eric Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Perspectives and Experiences of Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults Regarding Healthcare Legislation in Florida." Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January.

- 2024 *Gardner, Courtney Marciá, **Shannon K. Carter**, Eric W. Schrimshaw, J. Scott Carter, Elena Cyrus, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Cultivating Joy among Black Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.*

*Tehrani, Sara and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Deserving Victims in a Collective Crisis: Portrayals of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in U.S. News." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.*

Carter, Shannon K. and Bhoomi Thakore. "Counter-Narratives about Breastfeeding in Black Newspapers." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Canada, August.

*Gardner, Courtney Marciá, **Shannon K. Carter**, and Lindsay Taliaferro. " 'I Read Quite a Bit, and That Brings Me in a Lot of Escapist-based Joy': The Value of Asking about Joy among Black Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Canada, August.*

*Gardner, Courtney Marciá, **Shannon K. Carter**, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Advancing Beyond Deficit Models: How Joy is Cultivated among Black Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, April.*

Franklin, Nino, **Shannon K. Carter, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Using GIS to Understand Healthcare Access Variations among Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, April.*

***Shah, Rutwa, **Uma Sriram, Saphronia Carson, and **Shannon K. Carter**. "By Women, for Women: Representations of Dobbs in Conservative News." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, April.*

Reeves, Karli M., Sarah Job, Christopher Blackwell, *Kyle Sanchez*, **Shannon Carter**, Lindsay Taliaferro. "Building Effective Patient-Provider Relationships with Transgender and Nonbinary Patients: A Qualitative Investigation with Gender Diverse Young Adults." Qualitative Health Research Network Conference, London: February.

Carter, Shannon and Deborah Billings. "Theorizing Radical Inclusion in the Context of Dobbs." Sociologists for Women in Society, Santa Ana Pueblo, NM, January.

2023 **Carter, Shannon**. "Beyond Abortion: The Far-Reaching Impact of Roe and Dobbs." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Philadelphia, PA, August.

Vergara, Angela, Ashley Stone, Jonathan Michael Cox, **Shannon Carter**, and J. Scott Carter. "Navigating the (non-Hispanic) White Space of a Hispanic Serving Institution of Higher Education." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Myrtle Beach, SC, April.

Carson, Saphronia* and **Shannon K. Carter. "When Abortion is Classified as a Public Health Risk: COVID-19 Anti-Abortion Legislation." Southern Political Science Association, St. Petersburg, FL: January.

2022 **Carter, Shannon K.** and **Saphronia Carson*. "Abortion as a Risk to Public Health: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Pandemic-Related Anti-Abortion Legislation in the U.S." Association for Humanist Sociology, Mexico City: November.

***Jacobs, Eliana* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Diabetes Mellitus Among African Americans: A Critical Analysis of Epigenetics Research." Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minoritized Scientists. Anaheim, CA: November.

Francois, Priscilla, Ashley Su, Shannon K. Carter, and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Comparing the Healthcare Experiences of White TGNB and Racial and Ethnic Minority TGNB Young Adults." Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Conference. Vancouver, Canada, November.

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. "Doing Feminist Actor-Network Ethnography: Reflections from the Field." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA: August.

***Jacobs, Eliana* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Diabetes Mellitus among African Americans: A Critical Analysis of Epigenetics Research." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA: August.

Taliaferro, Lindsay, *Karli M. Reeves*, **Shannon K. Carter**, and Joanna Mishtal. "Boundaries of Confidentiality: Understanding Sexual and Gender Diverse Young People's Needs and Concerns during Healthcare Encounters." National LGBTQ Health Conference, Chicago, IL: July.

Su, Ashley, Priscilla Francois, **Shannon K. Carter**, Joanna Mishtal and Lindsay Taliaferro. "Comparing and Understanding Sexual and Gender Minority Young Adults' Experiences in Healthcare Settings." Q-Forward: Building LGBTQI+ Leaders in Health Care Virtual Conference, Yale School of Medicine, April.

****Bansal, Sanya and Shannon K. Carter.** "Racializing Motherhood: An Analysis of News Media Representations of Race Disparities in Breastfeeding Research." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL: April.

Bateman, Jenna, Ashley Yvonne Stone and **Shannon K. Carter.** "Reproducing the Classical Canon: Sexism and Elitism in Contemporary Sociological Theory." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL: April.

***Carson, Saphronia and Shannon K. Carter.** "Abortion as a Public Health Risk: A Critical Discourse Analysis of COVID-19 Anti-Abortion Legislation." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL: April.

Johnson, Kristal and **Shannon K. Carter.** "Police Killing of Black Male Bodies in the News: A Critical Discourse Analysis." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Birmingham, AL: April.

2021 **Carter, Shannon K.** and ****Sanya Bansal.** "News Media Representations of Race Disparities in Breastfeeding Research." Association for Humanist Sociology Annual Conference, Jackson, MS, October.

Jones, Annie, Vernon Headley and **Shannon K. Carter.** "Recentering the Canon, Refocusing Concerns: Beyond Positivism as a Central Concern in Classical Sociological Theory." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, Virtual, August.

****Nour, Hanna and Shannon K. Carter.** "Narratives of Breastfeeding Support in Healthcare Settings Among African American Mothers." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Virtual, April.

Cox, Jonathan Michael, *Ashley Stone, Kinyel Ragland*, **Shannon K. Carter** and J. Scott Carter. "By Designation or Design? Campus Climate at a Newly Designated Hispanic Serving Institution." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Virtual, April.

2020 *Sanchez, Kyle, *Nik M. Lampe, Alexandra C.H. Nowakowski, **Shannon K. Carter** and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Barriers to Accessing and Engaging in Quality Healthcare at the Intersection of Transgender/Gender Non-Conforming and Racial/Ethnic Minority Identities." GLMA Annual Conference on LGBTQ Health, Virtual Conference, September.

*Fernandez-Reiss, Jacquelyn, **Shannon K. Carter**, J. Scott Carter and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Reproducing and Replacing Cisnormativity through Reproductive Healthcare." Sociologists for Women in Society Summer Conference, Virtual Conference, August.

Carter, Shannon K., Ashley Stone, Lain Graham, and Jonathan M. Cox. "Creating Intersectional Subjects: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Health Science Breastfeeding Research." American Sociological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, August. [Cancelled due to covid-19]

*Vergara, Angela and **Shannon K. Carter.** #Amamantar: Global Representations of Breastfeeding Targeting Hispanic/Latinx Populations on Social Media.* International Sociological Association IV Forum of Sociology, Porto Alegre, Brazil, July. [Postponed due to covid-19]

*Sanchez, Kyle, *Nik M. Lampe, Alexandra C.H. Nowakowski, **Shannon K. Carter** and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Understanding Intersections between Racial Bias and Transphobia in Health Care." LGBT Health Workforce Conference, New York, NY, April.

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Peer Breastmilk Sharing Networks as Bio-Communities of Practice." Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting, San Diego, CA, January.

*Khallouq, Bee A. Ben, J. Scott Carter, **Shannon K. Carter** and Lindsay Taliaferro.* "Health and Healthcare Utilization among TGNC Black and Latinx Adolescents." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, April. [Cancelled due to covid-19].

Cox, Jonathan Michael, *Ashley Stone, Kinyel Ragland, **Shannon K. Carter** and J. Scott Carter.* "By Designation or Design? Campus Climate at a Newly Designated Hispanic Serving Institution." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL, April. [Cancelled due to covid-19].

Lampe, Nik M., **Shannon K. Carter, Alexandra C.H. Nowakowski and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Examining the Reproductive Health Needs and Barriers to Care among Trans and Gender Nonconforming Young Adults in Florida: A Qualitative Investigation." Trans Pregnancy: Fertility, Reproduction and Body Autonomy, Leeds, UK, January.

2019 *Sanchez, Kyle, *Nik M. Lampe, Alexandra C.H. Nowakowski, **Shannon K. Carter** and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Barriers to Quality Healthcare among Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Young Adults." GLMA Annual Conference on LGBTQ Health, New Orleans, LA, September.

Lampe, Nik, **Shannon K. Carter and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Accountability Structures in Transgender Healthcare Experience." Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August.

*Vergara, Angela and **Shannon K. Carter.*** "#Amamantar: Representations of Breastfeeding Targeting Hispanic/Latinx Populations." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August.

Lampe, Nik, **Shannon K. Carter and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "'Because it's not like I have a choice': The Price of Accountability in Transgender Healthcare." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY, August.

Lampe, Nik, **Shannon K. Carter, Joanna Z. Mishtal and Lindsay A. Taliaferro.* "Understanding the Gender Dynamics of Transgender Healthcare Experience." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

*Barringer, Mandi N., J.E. Sumerau, **Shannon K. Carter** and J. Scott Carter.* "Religiosity and Attitudes toward Same-Sex Relations among Young Adults: A Comparison of Millennial, Generation X, and Baby Boom Cohorts." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

*Charles, Doug, **Shannon K. Carter** and J. Scott Carter.* "Designing Effective Data Gathering Techniques for Studying YouTube Communities." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

*Vergara, Angela and **Shannon K. Carter.*** "#Amamantar: Global Breastfeeding Representations Targeting Hispanic/Latinx Populations." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

***Shannon K. Carter** and Beatriz Reyes-Foster.* "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Bio-Communities of Practice." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, April.

2018 *Vergara, Angela and **Shannon K. Carter.*** "#Amamantar: Social Media Representations of Breastfeeding Targeting Hispanic/Latina Populations." Southwest Social Science Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, October.

Lampe, Nik, **Shannon K. Carter and J.E. Sumerau. "Exploring Representations of Trans Pregnancy in the U.S." Southwest Social Science Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, October.*

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Considering Materiality: The Utility of Actor-Network Theory to Study Social Problems." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August.

Lampe, Nik, **Shannon K. Carter, Lindsay A. Taliaferro, G. Nicole Rider and Marla Eisenberg. "Correlates of Health Care Utilization among Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth." American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August.*

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Moral Motherwork: Labor, Value and Morality in Peer Breast Milk Sharing." Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, April.

2017 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Moral Motherwork." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Reproductive and Emotive Labor." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Canada, August.

*Jenny Nguyen, J. Scott Carter, and **Shannon K. Carter**. "From Yellow Peril to Model Minority: Perceived Threat of Asian Americans in the Workforce." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.*

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Assessing Bodily Purity: Trust and Emotive Value in Constructions of the Safety of Peer-Shared Breast Milk." Reproduction and Inequalities Mini-Conference, Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC, March.

***Treadwell, Tessa and **Shannon K. Carter**. "African American Mothers' Perceptions of Breastfeeding Information and Support from Healthcare Providers." Reproduction and Inequalities Mini-Conference, Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Greenville, SC, March.*

Carter, Shannon K. and Beatriz M. Reyes-Foster. "Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Resistance to Patriarchal Control." Museum of Motherhood Annual M.O.M. Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, February.

- 2016 Reyes-Foster, Beatriz and **Shannon K. Carter**. “‘Hearts on Fire’ or ‘Icky’? Milk-Sharing, Milk-Selling and Transgression in a Central Florida Peer Milk-Sharing Community.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, November.
- Carter, J. Scott, *Andrew Baird* and **Shannon K. Carter**. “Racialized Tactics: The Use of Threat in the Fight Against Affirmative Action.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, August.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. “Peer Breast Milk Sharing as Scientific Mothering: Navigating ‘Evidence-Based’ Infant Feeding.” Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Buckhead, GA, April.
- Carter, Shannon K.**, Stephanie Gonzalez Guittar and *Brenda Savage*. “Visual Sociology in a Sociology of Reproduction Course: How to Get Students to ‘See’ Reproductive Justice.” Southern Sociological Society, Buckhead, GA, April.
- 2015 **Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. “Scientific Mothering, Morality and Peer Milk Sharing: Milk Sharers’ Responses to a Scientific Study.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, August.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and *Alyssa Mullins*. “Generalizability and the Unit of Analysis in Interpretive Methodologies.” Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction Couch Stone Symposium. Tampa, FL, March.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. “Moral Corruption and Fool’s Gold: Discursive Techniques for Constructing Peer Milk Sharing in U.S. News.” Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.
- Owens, Nicole*, **Shannon K. Carter**, **Chelsea Nordham* and Jason Ford. “Neutralizing Maternal Deviance: Black Mothers’ Breastfeeding in Public Accounts.” Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.
- 2014 Reyes-Foster, Beatriz, **Carter, Shannon K.** and **Tiffany Rogers*. “Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? Portrayals of Human Milk Sharing in U.S. Newspaper Discourse, 2010-2013.” American Anthropological Association, Washington D.C., November.
- Carter, Shannon K.**, **Tiffany Rogers* and Beatriz Reyes-Foster. “Liquid Gold or Russian Roulette? Portrayals of Human Milk Sharing in U.S. News.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August.
- Owens, Nicole*, **Chelsea Nordham*, **Shannon K. Carter**, and Jason Ford. An Exploration of Positive and Maternal Deviance: Self-Identified African American Mothers’ Breastfeeding in Public Accounts.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August.

- Carter, Shannon K.** and **Nicole Stark*. "African American Mothers' Perspectives on Low Breastfeeding Rates." Southern Sociological Society Conference, Charlotte, NC, April.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and Amanda Koontz Anthony. "Meanings of Motherhood in African American Mothers' Breastfeeding Narratives." Eastern Sociological Society Sociology of Reproduction Mini-Conference, Baltimore, MD, February.
- Carter, Shannon K.** "Creating Racial Subjects: A Critical Interrogation of Breastfeeding Research." Sociologists for Women in Society Winter Meeting, Nashville, TN, February.
- 2013 **Carter, Shannon K.** "The Ultimate Mother: Constructions of the Breast in Natural Parenting Literature." Sociologists for Women in Society, New York, NY, August.
- *Afflerback, Sara, Shannon K. Carter*, Amanda Koontz-Anthony and Liz Grauerholz. "Intensive Mothering and Consumerism: Infant Feeding in a Risk Society." American Sociological Association, New York, NY, August.
- *Afflerback, Sara*, Amanda Koontz-Anthony, **Shannon K. Carter** and Liz Grauerholz. "Consumption Rituals in the Transition to Motherhood." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.
- Carter, J. Scott, **Jerrold Kaufman* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Boundary Blurring? The Declining Significance of Place on Whites' Attitudes toward Affirmative Action." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.
- 2012 ***Christopher, Krystal* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Breastfeeding Discourses in the News." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, March.
- Gonzalez-Guittar, Stephanie* and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Body, Mind, and Emotion Work among Women Committed to Natural Childbirth." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.
- Carter, Shannon K.** and *James McCutcheon*. "Breastfeeding Discourses in U.S. State Laws." Eastern Sociological Society, Sociology of Reproduction Mini Conference, New York, NY, February.
- 2011 Picca, Leslie H. and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Doing Racism, Doing Gender in Whites' Backstage Interactions." American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV, August.

Kaufman, Jerrold, J. Scott Carter and **Shannon K. Carter. "Location, Location, Location! The Impact of Place on Forming Racial Attitudes among Urban and Regional Migrants." American Sociological Association. Las Vegas, NV, August.*

Carter, Shannon K., Leslie H. Picca and *Brittany N. Murray*. "Racialization in Public and Private." Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, FL, April.

Kaufman, Jerrold, **Shannon K. Carter and J. Scott Carter. "The Power of Location on Attitudinal Formation: How Place of Residency affects Beliefs about Affirmative Action among Urban and Regional Migrants." Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, FL, April.*

*Gonzalez-Guittar, Stephanie and **Shannon K. Carter**. "Savvy Shopping or Shoplifting? A Foucauldian Analysis of Couponing Blogs." Southwest Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV, March.*

- 2010 Corra, Mamadi, J. Scott Carter and **Shannon K. Carter**. "The Interactive Impact Of Race And Gender On High School Advanced Course Enrollment." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August.

Carter, Shannon K. "The Emotional Labor of Birth." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.

- 2009 Carter, J. Scott, **Shannon K. Carter** and Mamadi Corra. "Differential Factors that Impact White and Black Student Success in Traditional Face-to-Face and Non-Traditional Online College Classrooms." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, April.

- 2008 Corra, Mamadi, **Shannon Houvouras**, J. Scott Carter, and David Knox. "Happiness in Marriage Since the 1970s: Over Time Changes by Race and Gender." American Sociological Association, Boston, MA, August.

Carter, J. Scott, **Shannon Houvouras**, and Mamadi Corra. "Why Are We Unequal? A Comparison of Urban and Region Differences in Racial Attitudes from 1972-2006." Hawaii International Conference of the Social Sciences, Honolulu, HI, June.

Corra, Mamadi, J. Scott Carter, **Shannon Houvouras**, and Greg Wiggan. "The Intersection of Race and Gender: Assessing Enrollment Patterns for African-American and European-American Male and Female Students in Advanced High School Academic Courses." Southern Sociological Society, Richmond, VA, April.

- 2007 **Houvouras, Shannon**. "There's Something about the Experience: Revisiting O'Brien's Dialectics of Reproduction." American Sociological Association, New York, NY, August.

- Houvouras, Shannon.** "The Personal Side of Teaching." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.
- Carter, J. Scott, **Shannon Houvouras** and Mamadi Corra. "Education in Black and White: Race Relations at a Diverse College Campus." Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA, April.
- 2006 **Houvouras, Shannon** and J. Scott Carter. "Exceptional People: College Students' Explanations of Positive Interracial Interactions." Georgia Sociological Association, Macon, GA, November.
- Carter, J. Scott, Mamadi Corra, Laurel Holland, and **Shannon Houvouras.** "Assessing Changing Gender-role Attitudes by Race and Gender: A Three Decade Trend Analysis." Georgia Sociological Association, Macon, GA, November.
- Houvouras, Shannon** and J. Scott Carter. "Femi-Nazis, Dykes and Bra-burners: College Students' Definitions of a Feminist." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.
- Corra, Mamadi, J. Scott Carter, David Knox, and **Shannon Houvouras.** "Marital Happiness by Sex and Race: A Second Look." American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August.
- Houvouras, Shannon** and J. Scott Carter. "Two Campuses? Black and White Students' Perceptions of Race Relations on a Diverse Campus." Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Montreal, Canada, August.
- Holland, Laurel, J. Scott Carter, and **Shannon Houvouras.** "Where Faith and Race Meet: A Comparative Study of Environmental Concern." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Canada, August.
- Houvouras, Shannon.** "Single Parents Not Parenting Singly: Language, Identity and Postdivorce Families." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.
- Aissen, Kelly and **Shannon Houvouras.** "Family First: Negotiating Motherhood and Doctoral Studies." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.
- 2005 **Houvouras, Shannon.** "Beyond Control: Body and Self in Women's Childbearing Narratives." Georgia Sociological Association, St. Simons, GA, October.
- Houvouras, Shannon.** "Raging Hormones? Women's Constructions of Childbearing Emotions." Southern Sociological Society, Charlotte, NC, March.
- 2003 **Houvouras, Shannon.** "Women, Bodies and Power: An Analysis of Women's Reproductive Health in Print Advertisements for Menstrual, Premenstrual and Menopausal Products." American Sociological Association, Atlanta, GA, August.

Houvouras, Shannon. "The Beginning of Racism: White College Students' Memories of their First Experiences with Race." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.

Ortiz, Michelle and **Shannon Houvouras.** "Ideal Female and Male Bodies: An Analysis of College Students' Drawings." Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA, March.

2000 **Houvouras, Shannon.** "Social Constructions of the Non-Prejudiced White Self: A Typological Study." American Sociological Association, Washington DC, August.

RESEARCH-RELATED MEDIA INTERVIEWS

Washington Post, Telephone interview regarding my expertise on peer breastmilk sharing and commodification of breastmilk with Susha Subramanian, February 2, 2022.

WTSP CBS Tampa-St. Petersburg, Telephone interview regarding my expertise on peer breast milk sharing by Madison Alworth, April 15, 2019.

89.3 KPCC Southern California Public Radio, Telephone interview regarding my research on African American mothers' breastfeeding experiences by Priska Neely, July 24, 2018.

CBS 47 Action News Jax, Interviewed on video camera at UCF regarding peer milk sharing research published in *Breastfeeding Medicine*. Segment aired in June 2016.

Knightly News, Interviewed on video camera by Danielle Apolinar regarding the sexualization of women's breasts in relation to breastfeeding in public. March 22, 2016.

Fox 35 Good Day Orlando morning show, Interviewed live in studio regarding peer milk sharing research published in *Breastfeeding Medicine*, segment aired during 8:00a.m. show June 18, 2015.

News 13, Interviewed at UCF regarding peer milk sharing research published in *Breastfeeding Medicine* June 17, 2015.

Orlando Sentinel, Interviewed by phone regarding peer milk sharing research published in *Breastfeeding Medicine* June 17, 2015.

National Public Radio-Orlando, Interviewed in studio regarding peer milk sharing research published in *Breastfeeding Medicine* by Crystal Chavez June 12, 2015.

Orlando Sentinel, Interviewed regarding The Big Latch On by Sarah Khan, August, 2012.

WESH 2 News, Interviewed regarding Target Nurse-In to promote breastfeeding awareness, segments aired during 5:00p.m., 6:00p.m. and 11:00p.m. news, December 2011.

Fox 35 News, Interviewed regarding Target Nurse-In to promote breastfeeding awareness, segments aired during 5:00p.m., 6:00p.m. and 11:00p.m. news, December 2011.

Fox 35 Good Day Orlando morning show, Interviewed live in studio regarding Target Nurse-In to promote breastfeeding awareness, segment aired during 8:00a.m. show December 27, 2011.

Gainesville Sun, Interviewed at Morning Meadow Preschool regarding my dissertation research on childbirth and mothering, May 2005.

COURSES TAUGHT

**Courses I added to curriculum*

University of Central Florida Graduate Courses:

SYA 5797: Class, Race and Gender in America (In Person)

SYA 6126: Graduate Seminar in Social Theory (In Person)

SYA 6933: Topics in Sociological Theory: Contemporary Critical Theories* (In Person)

SYA 6933: Topics in Sociological Theory: Theorizing Today* (In Person)

SYA 6933: Topics in Sociological Theory: Critical Race and Feminist Theories (Video Remote)

SYA 7109: Advanced Sociological Theory (In Person and Video Remote)

SYA 7318: Advanced Qualitative Data Analysis* (Mixed Mode)

SYD 6363: Inequalities and Reproductive Health* (In Person, Video Remote, Mixed Mode)

University of Central Florida Undergraduate Courses:

SYA 3110: Sociological Theory (In Person)

SYD 3800: Sex and Gender in Society (In Person and Web)

SYD 4810: Women in Contemporary Society (Web)

SYG 2000: Introduction to Sociology (In Person)

SYG 2010: Social Problems (In Person and Mixed Mode)

SYO 4250: Sociology of Education (In Person)

SYO 4400: Medical Sociology (Web)

SYP 3060: Sociology of Sex and Reproduction* (In Person and Web)

University of West Georgia: All in person format

SOCI 1101: Introductory Sociology

SOCI 2203: Introduction to Women's Studies

SOCI 3603: Sociology of Gender

SOCI 3733: Social Psychology

SOCI 4053: Sociological Theory

SOCI 4999: Sociology of Education*
SOCI 4999: Gender, Reproduction and Parenthood*
SOCI 6803: Graduate Seminar in Social Psychology

University of Florida: *All in person format*

SYG 2000: Principles of Sociology
SYG 2010: Social Problems
SYP 3000: Society and the Individual
SYA 4110: Development of Sociological Thought

Santa Fe Community College: *All in person format*

SLS 1101: College Success
SYG 2000: Introductory Sociology
SYG 2430: Marriage and Family

Florida School of Traditional Midwifery: *All in person format*

Psychology for Midwives
Interpersonal Relationships and Communication Skills (co-taught with Jana Borino)
Issues in Professional Midwifery (Research component, co-taught with Jana Borino)

EVIDENCE OF STUDENT MENTORING IMPACT

Student Awards Earned with My Mentorship:

- 2026 Sanjana Bhatt, Order of Pegasus
Sara Tehrani, Department of Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Award, \$250
Tara Delgado, SMST Graduate Student Travel Award
Farrah Mowla, Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- 2025 Sara Tehrani, Department of Sociology Dissertation Research Grant, \$1,000
Sylvia McMillon, University Award, Outstanding Graduate Creative Work.
Sylvia McMillon, College of Sciences, Outstanding Graduate Creative Work Award.
Sylvia McMillon, Department of Sociology, Outstanding MA Product Award.
Sanjana Bhatt, Mahi Patel, Sheryl Pullukara and Caroline Pelissery, Student Scholar Symposium, Judges Choice Award, \$300.
Jonzelle Bell, UCF Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, \$250.
- 2024 Courtney Gardner, Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, \$250
Annie Jones and Vernon Headley, Department of Sociology Public Scholarship Award
Uma Sriram, Honors Undergraduate Thesis Research Grant, Office of Undergraduate Research, \$300; Burnett Honors College, \$350; Women's and Gender Studies, \$600.
Sylvia McMillon, Alpha Kappa Delta, Graduate Student Representative

- 2023 Saphronia Carson, Department of Sociology, MA Thesis Award
Courtney Gardner, College of Graduate Studies, Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship Award, \$5,000
Eliana Jacobs, Fulbright Scholarship Award
- 2022 Ashley Stone, Order of Pegasus
Ashley Stone, Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching, College of Sciences
Vernon Headley and Annie Jones, Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, \$300 each
Saphronia Carson, Dorothy Height Outstanding WGST Graduate Award
Eliana Jacobs, Honors Undergraduate Thesis Scholarship, \$1,000
Eliana Jacobs, Judge's Choice Distinction, Student Scholar Symposium
Sanya Bansal, President's Leadership Council
- 2021 Nik Lampe, Sociologists for Women in Society – South, Graduate Student Paper Award on the Study of Gender, \$300
Ashley Stone, Department of Sociology, Excellence in Teaching Award, \$300
Ashley Stone, Department of Sociology, Emerging Leader Award and Service to Sociology Award
Venus Brown, Department of Sociology, MA Applied Project Award
Bee Ben Khallouq, College of Graduate Studies, Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship Award, \$5,000
- 2020 Ashley Stone, Association of American Colleges and Universities, Finalist, K. Patricia Cross Future Leaders Award
- 2019 Angela Vergara, Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, \$300
Chelsea Belanger, Department of Sociology, Excellence in Teaching Award, \$300
- 2018 Nik Lampe, Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award, \$300
Nik Lampe, Department of Sociology Graduate Student Research Grant, \$500
Nik Lampe, Emma Deboncoeur Healthcare Provider Fund, Research Grant awarded by Trans Lifeline and Trans Assistance Project, \$500
- 2017 Tessa Treadwell, Showcase of Undergraduate Research Excellence, Judge's Choice Award
- 2016 Tessa Treadwell, College of Sciences Honors in the Major Scholarship, \$1,000.
Bethany Wedlund, Showcase of Undergraduate Research Excellence, 2nd Place
- 2013 Nicholas Simons, Order of Pegasus

2011 Joshua Simpkins, Mid-South Sociological Association's Graduate Paper of Distinction, 1st Place

Student Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles Published with My Mentorship
(not including co-authored work)

****Bansal, Sanya.** Revise and Resubmit. "Advocacy with Context: The Role of Pediatricians in Breastfeeding Success." *The Pegasus Review*.

Savage, Brenda and M.N. Barringer. 2016. "The Death of the Ideal in Education: Weber, Bourdieu, Baudrillard, and the American Dream." *Sociation Today* 14(1). Publication based on final paper for SYA7019.

***Simpkins, Joshua.** 2014. "Seeing White Men: Bias in Gender Categorization." *Gender Issues* 31: 21-33. Excerpt from Honors in the Major Thesis.

****Christopher, Krystal.** 2012. "Breast Feeding Perceptions and Attitudes: The Effect of Race/Ethnicity and Cultural Background." *Sociation Today* 10(2):3. Publication based on McNair Scholars project.

GRADUATE STUDENT MENTORING

Graduate Research Assistants Funded:

Estefany Londoño. Summer 2025. Part-time OPS funding for grant proposal support.

Nino Franklin. AY2023-24. Full-time MA research assistantship funding with full tuition waiver, NIMH R21-MDQ016457.

Courtney Gardner. AY2022-23, Summer 2023, and AY2023-24. Full-time doctoral student research assistantship funding with full tuition waiver, NIMH R21-MDQ016457.

Nik Lampe. AY2017-18. Part-time OPS funding for data collection and analysis through COM grant.

Doctoral Dissertation Committees - Chair:

Kelly Blauschild. Proposal in progress. PhD in Sociology, expected May 2028.

Jonzelle Bell. "Stitched in Silence: Threads of Black Women's Cesarean Birth Experiences in the U.S., 1970-1999." Proposal defended, IRB in progress. PhD in Sociology, expected May 2028.

Sara Tehrani. "Behind the Advocacy: Exploring the Experiences of U.S. Advocates for Missing and Murdered Indigenous People." Proposal defended, Data collection complete; analysis and final writing in progress. PhD in Sociology, expected August 2026.

Courtney Marcia Gardner. "A New Dawn of Joy: How Joy is Cultivated among Black Transgender and Nonbinary Young Adults in Florida." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2025.

Salema Mohamed. "American Muslim Women's Experiences with Pregnancy and Childbirth in the United States Healthcare System." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2025.

Ashley Y. Stone. "In Plain Sight: Examining the Inclusion/Exclusion of Black Women's Knowledge in the Era of Decolonization." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2022.

*Ida B. Wells Post-doctoral Fellow at DePaul University.

Chelsea Belanger. "The Bikini Line: Race, Gender and Embodiment in Texas Beauty Pageants." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2021.

Christine Ittai. "The Intersection of Race and Class in Maternity Leave: Who's Left Out?" PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated December 2018.

*Visiting Assistant Professor at Rollins College, Department of Sociology.

Doctoral Dissertation Committees - Member:

Lisa Rodriguez. Dissertation proposal in progress.

Kristal Johnson. Proposal defended. Data collection in progress.

Carvis Durr. "Food Insecurity Among University Students and the Barriers to Utilizing Food Assistance Programs During and After Hurricanes Ian and Nicole." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated, December 2025.

Adrienne Mathews. "Originalist Legal Framing in Two Civil Rights Cases." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2023.

Willie Barnes, Jr. "Multiracial but not Post-racial: The Reproduction of Racial Ideology and Processes in a Multiracial Church." Ph.D. in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2022.

C. Doug Charles. "(Main)Streaming Hate: Analyzing White Supremacist Content and Framing Devices on YouTube." Ph.D. in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2020.

Ting Du. "Understanding the Role of Social Networks in Influencing Adults' Participations in Physical Activity in Unequal Physical and Social Environments." PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2020.

Brenda Savage. “‘The Best Thing Sociology Can Do...’: Investigating the Transformative Potential of Undergraduate Sociological Education” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2017.

Alyssa Mullins. “Life Without Children: An Exploratory Comparison of the Experiences and Motivations of Childless Adults.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2016.

Jenny Nguyen. “From the Yellow Peril to the Model Minority: An Experimental Survey Examining Racial Attitudes towards Asian Americans.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2016.

Nicole Owens. “The Interspecies Family: Attitudes and Narratives.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

Jeff Williamson. “Can I Get an Amen? Central Florida Black Pastors’ Perceptions of the Impact of the Black Church in the Black Community.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

Andrew Baird. “The Social Function of For-Profit Higher Education in the United States.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

Racine Jacques. “Women on the Line: A Qualitative Study of Women’s Experience of Work in the Beef Industry.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

Danielle Lindner. “The Development and Psychometric Evaluation of a New Measure of Self-Objectification.” PhD in Psychology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

Anne Bubriski. “Interracial Lesbian and Gay Couples: Navigating Private and Public Experiences.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2013.

Tangela Towns. “Predictors of Food Insecurities in Three Central Florida Communities.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2013.

Stephanie Guittar. “Homeless, Housed, or In Transition? A Study of Extended Stay Motel Residents.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2012.

Nicholas Guittar. “Out: A Sociological Analysis of Coming Out.” PhD in Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2011.

Master’s Thesis Committees - Chair:

Marcus Hernandez. Proposal defended; data collected; data analysis in progress. MA in Applied Sociology, UCF in progress – medical leave.

Navied Zarae. "Insured or Denied: How Health Insurance Shapes Access to Care for Transgender and Nonbinary Individuals in Florida." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2025.

*Admitted to Seattle University School of Law

Connor Grish. "Processes and Motivations for Community Building and Engagement in LGBTQ+ Communities on Twitch.TV." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2025.

Sylvia McMillon. "Intersectional Echoes: Unveiling Black Maternal Health Disparities." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated December 2024.

*Continued in UCF Sociology doctoral program

Nino Franklin. "Using Geographic Information Systems to Examine Unmet Healthcare Needs among Transgender and Non-binary Young Adults in Florida." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2024.

Jonzelle Bell. "Progression or Regression? A Critical Discourse Analysis of Sexual and Reproductive Health Education Guidelines in the United States." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated May 2024.

*Continued in UCF Sociology doctoral program

Emma Tukdarian. "Long-term Hypervigilance effects on the Everyday Queer Person." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated May 2024.

Saphronia Carson. "Gendered and Racialized Bodies in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated Spring 2023.

*Department of Sociology, MA Thesis Award, 2023

*Admitted with full funding to doctoral program in Women's and Gender Studies at Emory University

Emely Matos. "A Critical Intersectional Analysis of African American Doulas' Experiences in Maternal Healthcare." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated Summer 2022.

*Admitted to doctoral program in sociology at University of South Florida

Venus Brown. (co-Chair: Amanda Koontz). "TGNC Representations in Online Vlogs." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2020.

*Department of Sociology, MA Applied Project Award, 2021

Estefany Londoño. "Repro, But Make It Fashion: Discourses on Reproduction in *Teen Vogue* Magazine." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2019.

*Admitted to doctoral program in sociology at University of Central Florida.

Nik Lampe. "Accountability Structures in Transgender Healthcare Experience." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2018.

*Admitted to doctoral program in sociology at University of South Carolina.

Juan Barredo. "Women, Work, and Time: The Food Work Politics of Self-Defined Healthy Men." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

Rachael McCrosky. "Experiences of Stigma during Sexual Healthcare Visits: A Qualitative Study of Non-monogamous Women." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2015.

*Admitted to doctoral program in sociology at Georgia State University.

Tiffany Rogers. "Advertising Risk: A Comparative Content Analysis of Contraceptive Advertisements Targeting Black and White Women." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

Joshua Simpkins. "Creating Constructs through Categorization: Gender and Race." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

*Admitted to doctoral program in sociology at Georgia State University.

Lisa Lepard. "Foucault, Feminism and Religion: How Christianity Disciplines and Controls the Female Body." MA in Sociology, UWG, Graduated 2007.

Diana Ledbetter. "Women in Non-Traditional Blue-Collar Occupations: Issues of Job Retainment." MA in Sociology, UWG, Graduated 2006.

Master's Thesis Committees - Member:

Devin Moran. "A Critical Analysis of Race and Masculinity Policing." Proposal defended. MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Expected Summer 2026.

Maddison Clarke. Qualifying Exam option. MA in Anthropology, UCF, Graduated, December 2025.

Andrea Olmeda. "Infant Mortality through the Lens of Mothers in Florida." MA in Medical Sociology, UCF, Graduated August 2025.

Lauren Aitken. "Queer and Thriving: Community as Resilience in an anti-LGBTQ State." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated May 2025.

Kelly Blauschild. "The Perfect Storm: Motherhood, Intimate Partner Violence, and Covid-19." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated May 2023.

Alexis Williams. "The Narratives of Sexualization: The Perspectives of Young Entertainers around their own Public Sexualization." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated May 2023.

Sarah Da Silva. "Amplifying College Students' Voices: A Sociological Analysis About the Impact of the COVID Pandemic on Unique Life Experiences." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2022.

Dunlop, Johnathan. "App-ily Ever After: Self Presentation and Perception of Others on the Dating App Tinder." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2018.

Emily Rosenbaum. "Login: g@mergir2xX: Identity Work of Collegiate Women Gamers." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2017.

Dean Short. "Tumblr Fandom: An Analysis of Subculture in a Microblogging Setting." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2016.

Diego Plaza. "The Gold Wrapper Standard: A Qualitative Investigation into the Social Pairing of Masculinity and Condoms." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2016.

Claudine Turner. "Making the Invisible Visible: The Lived Experiences of Black Male Professionals in Postsecondary Education." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2016.

Nicole Miriam Daniels. "The Gendered Experiences of Women, Men and Couples Who Plan, Have and Narrate Homebirths." Master's Degree in Social Science, Sociology, University of Cape Town, South Africa (External Examiner), Graduated 2015.

Nicole Stark. "Millennials Making Meanings: Social Constructions of Sexual Harassment among Generation Y." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

Kate Griffin. "Pinning Motherhood: The Construction of Mothering Identities on Pinterest." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

Subriena Persaud. "Performing on the Screen: An Exploration of Gender Representation in Technology Video Advertisements." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2014.

Andrew Latinsky. "Showcasing Self: An Intersectional Examination of Body Type Presentation in Online Daters." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2013.

Gary L'Hommedieu. "The Continuing Anglican Metamorphosis: Introducing the Adapted Integrated Model." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2012.

Sara Afflerback. "An Exploration of Consumerism by New, First-Time Mothers." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2012.

Ashish Patel. "We Live This Shit: Rap as a Reflection of Reality for Inner City Youth." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2011.

Candice Campanero. "Transitions: How Individuals in the Transgender Community use Impression Management." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2011.

Jerry Kauffman. "Trends in Racial Attitudes among the Religiously Affiliated in the United States." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2011.

Jaime Hecht. "The Vegetarian Social Movement: An Analysis of Withdrawal and Backsliding." MA in Applied Sociology, UCF, Graduated 2011.

College of Medicine FIRE Program Committees - Member:

Manasa Satyajit. "Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare Utilization by Racially/Ethnically and SES Diverse Transgender and Nonbinary Individuals." Project completed, May 2025.

Ashley Franklin. "Female Athletes and Pregnancy: A Mixed-Methods Study of Masters Rowers' Beliefs about Competitive Exercise during Pregnancy." Graduated 2014.

Graduate Research Forum/Student Scholar Symposium - Mentor:

Sara Tehrani. 2025. "Deserving Victims in a Collective Crisis: Portrayals of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in U.S. News." Sociology Graduate Research Annual Summit.

Jonzelle Bell. 2025. "Geovisualizing Sex Ed. Post Overturning of Roe v. Wade."

Sylvia McMillon. 2025. "Intersectional Echoes: Unveiling Black Maternal Health Disparities."

Jonzelle Bell. 2024. "Progression or Regression? A Critical Discourse Analysis of Sexual and Reproductive Health Education Guidelines in the United States."

Kristal Johnson. 2022. "Police Killing of Black Male Bodies in the News: A Critical Discourse Analysis."

Ashley Stone. 2021. "Hispanic Serving Institutions: Exploring the Depth of a Designation."

Ashley Stone. 2020. "Hispanic Serving Institutions: Exploring the Depth of a Designation." [Canceled due to covid-19].

Chelsea Mandes. 2018. "Not Just a Woman's Issue: An Intersectional Theoretical Approach to Rape Prevention."

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT MENTORING

Undergraduate Research Assistants Funded:

Marie Gualtieri. AY2012-2013. Part-time OPS funding for data transcription through COS seed grant.

Noundy Garrison. AY2012-2013. Part-time OPS funding for data collection through COS seed grant.

Honors Undergraduate Thesis Committees - Chair:

Jessie Velasquez. Proposal in progress.

Sanjana Bhatt. "Cultural Narratives, Maternal Norms, and Medicalization: An Analysis of Cesarean Birth in Global Context." Proposal draft completed; in revision following feedback.

Mary Samuels. "Lenses of Faith and Culture: Christian College Students' Perspectives on Infertility." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed Spring 2026.

Rutwa Shah. "Understanding and Addressing Healthcare Challenges faced by LGBTQ+ Adolescents." Honors Thesis in Biomedical Sciences, Completed December 2025.

Admitted to UCF Medical Program

Uma Sriram. "Sex Education Experiences of LGBTQ+ College Students in Florida." Honors Thesis in Biomedical Sciences, Completed December 2024.

Admitted to Wayne State University Medical Program

Sanya Bansal. "Advocacy with Context: The Role of Pediatricians in Breastfeeding Success." Honors Thesis in Biomedical Sciences, Completed May 2023.

Admitted to UCF Medical Program

Eliana Jacobs. "Diabetes Mellitus among African Americans: A Critical Analysis of Epigenetics Research." Honors Thesis in Biomedical Sciences, Completed December 2022.

Fulbright Fellow

Olivia Rauls. "Sense of Support: The Impact of Healthcare Encounters on the Breastfeeding Experiences of African American Mothers." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2022.

Michaela Saintil. "How Implicit Bias Contributes to Racial Disparities in Maternal Health." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2022.

Hanna Nour. "Healthcare Experiences Related to Breastfeeding among African American Mothers." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2021.

Admitted to UCF Medical Program

Tessa Treadwell. "African American Mothers' Narratives of Breastfeeding Support from Healthcare Providers." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2017.

Bethany Wedlund. "College Students' Perceptions of Birth Mothers." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2016.

Marie Gualtieri. "I'm Every Woman: College Women's Perceptions of 'Real Women' in Print Advertisements." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed May 2012.

Admitted to MA in Applied Sociology Program, UCF

Joshua Simpkins. "The Role of Facial Appearance in Gender Categorization." Sociology Honors in the Major, Completed May 2011.

Admitted to MA in Applied Sociology Program, UCF

McNair Scholars Program - Mentor:

Krystal Christopher. "Breastfeeding Perceptions and Attitudes." McNair Scholars Program, Fall 2011-Spring 2012.

Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Program (RAMP) - Mentor:

Krystal Christopher. "Breastfeeding in Popular Discourse: An Analysis of Newspaper Articles." Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Program (RAMP), Fall 2010- Spring 2011.

Honors Undergraduate Thesis Committees - Member:

Mahi Patel. "Perception and Lived Experiences of Postmenopausal Symptoms among Women Experiencing Homelessness." In progress.

Rishita Anumukonda. "Disparities in Maternal Healthcare: Examining the Impact of Social Determinants on Provider Care Quality." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed December 2025.

Micah Reisner. "Healthcare Access and Experiences among Transgender University Students." Honors Thesis in Sociology, Completed Fall 2023.

Enya Brackins. "Influences of Public Opinion Concerning Abortion." Honors Thesis in Politics, Security, and International Affairs, Completed August 2021.

Chandel Perez. "'The Milk Is Love', Mothers, Milk and Bond: Understanding the Emotional Attachment to Breastmilk." Honors Thesis in Anthropology, Completed 2020.

Corey Bazemore. "Women in Gynecology and Obstetrics: The Effect of Gender Bias, Gender Equity, and Agency in the Workplace." Honors Thesis in Anthropology, Completed 2020.

Karli Reeves. "Sex Education or Self Education? LGBT+ Experiences with Exclusionary Curricula." Honors Thesis in Anthropology, Completed 2019.

Maleia Mikesell. "Playing with Fire: An Ethnographic Look at How Polyamory Functions in the Central Florida Burner Community." Honors Thesis in Anthropology, Completed 2015.

Mary Eloise Velasco. "Gender Associated Factors Which Inhibit Recruitment and Retention of Men in the Nursing Profession." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Graduated 2015.

Kayla Gayle-Campbell. "Analyzing the Relationship between Women's Decisions to Use Contraception and their Partners' Perceptions of Preventative Behaviors." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Completed 2015.

Seeta Nath. "The Effects of Dietary Interventions on Fetal Birth Weights in Pregnant Adolescents: A Literature Review." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Completed 2014.

Rafael Lancelotta. "Lucidity." Honors Thesis in Creative Writing, Completed 2013.

Anthony Ferraro. "Victims of More than Just Bias: Gender's Influence on Jury Award Amounts and Other Monetary Benefits in Workplace Sexual Harassment Claims." Honors Thesis in Legal Studies, Completed 2012.

Cecelia Dinh. "The Birth Experience: Reviewing the Efficacy of Complementary Medicine as Compared to Routine Medical Interventions during Labor and Delivery in Midwife Practice." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Completed 2012.

Jaime L. Eunice. "Review of Instruments to Measure Breastfeeding Beliefs and Intent among Nulliparous Black College Women." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Completed 2011.

Erin O'Neal. "Noninvasive nursing interventions to hasten the labor process." Honors Thesis in Nursing, Completed 2010.

Stephanie Gamm. "The Relationship between Socioeconomic Status, Family Relationships and Academic Achievement." Honors Thesis in Psychology, Completed 2009.

Student Scholar Symposium, Florida Undergraduate Research Conference, and Showcase of Undergraduate Research Excellence - Mentor:

Farrah Mowla 2026. "AI Representations of Race and Cesarean Births." Student Scholar Symposium.

Sanjana Bhatt. 2026. "Cultural Narratives, Maternal Norms, and Medicalization: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Cesarean Birth in Global Context." Student Scholar Symposium.

Rutwa Shah. 2026. "Toward Inclusive Care: Enhancing LGBTQ+ Adolescents' Experiences in Primary Care." Presented at Student Scholar Symposium.

Sanjana Bhatt, Mahi Patel, and Sheryl Pullukara. 2025. "Racial Narratives, Cultural Identity, and Maternal-Infant Health: A Critical Discourse Analysis of Race and Breastfeeding in Black Media." Presented at Scholar Symposium and FURC.

Uma Sriram and Rutwa Shah. 2024. "A Critical Discourse Analysis of Dobbs v Jackson in Conservative News." Presented at Scholar Symposium and FURC.

Sanya Bansal. 2023. "Advocacy with Context: The Role of Pediatricians in Breastfeeding Success." Presented at Scholar Symposium and FURC.

Eliana Jacobs. 2022. "Diabetes Mellitus among African Americans: A Critical Analysis of Epigenetics Research." Presented at Scholar Symposium and FURC.

Sanya Bansal. 2022. "An Analysis of News Media Representations of Race Disparities in Breastfeeding Research." Presented at Scholar Symposium and FURC.

Hanna Nour. 2021. "Experiences of Breastfeeding Support in Healthcare Settings among African American Mothers."

Sabrina Beckwith. 2021. "Past Suicidal Ideation among Transgender and Gender Nonbinary Young Adults Seeking Healthcare: A Qualitative Analysis." Co-mentored with Lindsay Taliaferro.

Tessa Treadwell. 2017. "African American Mothers' Narratives of Breastfeeding Support from Healthcare Providers."

Sarah Daabies. 2017. "Infant Feeding Practices and Knowledge of Institutional Recommendations: The Case of Breast Milk Sharing."

Bethany Wedlund. 2016. "College Students' Perceptions of Birthmothers of Adopted Children."

Simons, Nicholas. 2013. "The Discursive Practices and Social Construction of Trans* Identities in an Online Community."

Christopher, Krystal. 2012. "Race and Cultural Background: An Effect on Perceptions and Attitudes toward Breastfeeding."

Christopher, Krystal. 2011. "Representations of Breastfeeding in the United States: An Analysis of American Newspaper Articles."

TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

Teaching Workshops Organized and/or Moderated:

Moderator. UCF College of Sciences, #ScholarStrike Virtual Teach-In, “More than a Moment: A Conversation on the Ongoing Fight against Racial Injustice.” September 2020.

Organizer and Moderator, UCF Department of Sociology Virtual Teaching Workshop, “Effective Remote Teaching Techniques.” August 2020.

Organizer and Moderator (with Tim Hawthorne), UCF Department of Sociology Think/Share Session on High Impact Course Design. May 2020.

Organizer and Moderator (with Tim Hawthorne), UCF Department of Sociology Think/Share Session on Online Teaching. April 2020.

Organizer and Moderator (with Tim Hawthorne), UCF Department of Sociology Think/Share Session on Qualitative Research. April 2020.

Teaching Workshops and Conferences Attended:

UCF Yellowdig Workshop, 2024

UCF FCTL Summer Conference, FCTL Track, 2022

UCF Department of Sociology, Inclusive Curriculum and Creating More Inclusive Classes, March 2021

UCF Department of Sociology, Inclusive Syllabi Workshops I and II, Feb, May 2021

UCF Office of Diversity and Inclusion, DIV 008: ABCs of Diversity, 2021

UCF Office of Diversity and Inclusion, DIV 225: Micromessages and Microaggressions, 2021

UCF FCTL Virtual Summer Conference, 2020

UCF FCTL Summer Conference, Center for Success of Women Faculty Track, 2018

UCF FCTL Summer Conference, Center for Success of Women Faculty Track, 2017

Leadership Training:

UCF Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED) Cohort Program. 2021-22.

American Sociological Association, Webinar, Confronting the Canon: Decolonizing and Diversifying Your Department's Curriculum, October 2020

Higher Education Recruitment Consortium, “Effective Strategies for Latinx Recruitment and Retention” webinar from the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, October 2020.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Service:

Faculty Advisor, Period (Registered Student Organization), 2024-
Scroll and Quill Society Criteria Review Committee, Member, 2020
Gloria Anzaldúa Faculty Research Excellence Award Selection Committee, Member,
Women's and Gender Studies, 2020
Faculty Advisor, *Sociology Graduate Student Organization*, 2019 (Inaugural Year)-22
Promotion Committee, Member, Women's and Gender Studies, 2019
Panelist. "Coordinating Career Goals and Responsibilities with Life Events." Summer
Faculty Development Conference, 2018
Presenter. "Infant Feeding on Campus." Summer Faculty Development Conference, 2017
Faculty Fellow, Center for Success of Women Faculty, UCF, 2016
Referee, *University of Central Florida Undergraduate Research Journal*, 2016
Panelist, Graduate Student Orientation, 2016
Faculty Advisor, *Reproductive Justice Knights*, 2015 (Inaugural Year)-2019
IE Assessment Reviewer, Interdisciplinary Studies MA/MS, UCF, 2013-14, 2014-15
Referee, *University of Central Florida Undergraduate Research Journal*, 2012
Interdisciplinary Studies Programs Committee, UWG, 2006-07
Campus Climate and Culture Research Committee, UWG, 2006-07

College Service:

Research Incentive Awards (RIA) Committee, Member, 2025-26
Interdisciplinary Seminar Committee, Member, 2024-25
Department Chair 5-Year Review Committee, Member, 2023-24
Dean's Advisory Council, Member, 2023-24
Sabbatical Award Committee, Member, 2022-23, 2023-24
Department Chair 5-Year Review Committee, Member, 2019
Research Awards Committee, Member, 2017-18
RM Inquiry Committee, Member, 2017, 2018
Associate Dean Search Committee, Member, 2015
Research Awards Committee, Member, 2015-16
Research Incentive Award (RIA) Committee, Member, 2015
Department Chair Search Committee, Member, 2014
Excellence Awards Committee, Member, 2010-11, 2011-12

Department Service:

Search Committee, Technology and Society, Chair, 2025-26
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Social Theory, Chair, 2025-26
Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Medical Sociology, Member 2026
Visibility Committee, Member, 2025-26
Search Committee, Medical Sociology, Chair, 2024-25
Personnel Committee for Promotion to Full Professor, Chair, 2024-25, 2025-26

Personnel Committee for Promotion to Associate Instructor, Chair, 2024-25
 Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Revision Committee, Chair, 2023-24
 Search Committee, Medical Sociology, Chair, 2023-24
 Doctoral Qualifying Exam Committee, Health, Families and Community, Chair, 2023-25
 Personnel Committee for Promotion to Full Professor, Member, 2023
 Personnel Committee for Promotion to Full Professor CPE, Chair, 2023
 Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Revision Committee, Co-Chair, 2022-23
 Alumni Awards Committee, Member, 2022
 Promotion Committee, Chair, Women's and Gender Studies, 2021
 Diversity Committee, Member, 2021-23
 Department Physical Space Refresh Committee, Chair, 2021-22
 Department Retreat Discussion Evaluation Committee, Member, 2021-22
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Health, Families and Communities, Member, 2021-22
 Department of Sociology Mentoring Program, Creator and Organizer, 2020-21
 Black Student Concerns Committee, Member, 2020-21
 Champagne Toast to Celebrate MA and PhD Graduates, Creator and Organizer, 2020-21
 Policies and Procedures Ad-Hoc Revision Committee, 2019-20
 Panelist, "Decolonizing Your Syllabus." Sociology Student Workshop, 2020
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Medical Sociology, Member, 2019-20
 Panelist, "Maximizing Your Conference Experience." Sociology Student Workshop, 2019
 Search Committee, Medical Sociology, Chair, 2018-19
 Search Committee, Open Sociology Position, Member, 2018-19
 Budget Committee, Member, 2017-23
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Health, Families and Community, Chair, 2017-19
 Graduate Committee, Member, 2017-20
 Search Committee, Member, 2017-18
 Panelist, "How to Get the Most Out of Your Conference Experience," Sociology Student Workshop, 2017
 Personnel Committee, Member, 2016-
 Chair's Advisory Committee, Member, 2016-17
 Research Committee, Member, 2016-17
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Health, Families and Community, Member, 2016-17
 Power and Inequalities Graduate Curriculum Task Force, Member, 2016
 Panelist, "Publishing in Sociology," Sociology Student Workshop, 2016
 Undergraduate Committee, Member, 2015-16
 Search Committee, Member, 2015
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Sociological Theory, Chair, 2014-2016
 Graduate Committee, Member, 2013-15
 Colloquium Committee, Chair, 2012-15
 Budget Committee, Member, 2010-12
 Undergraduate Assessment Ad-Hoc Committee, Member, 2011
 Undergraduate GEP Assessment Revision Ad-Hoc Committee, Member, 2011
 Doctoral Exam Committee, Sociological Theory, Member, 2010-14
 SYA 6126 Social Theory Papers, Assessment Reviewer, 2008
 Graduate Studies Committee, UWG, 2006-07

Student Awards Coordinator, UWG, 2005-07
Faculty Advisor: Alpha Kappa Delta, UWG, 2005-07
Faculty Advisor: Sociology Club, UWG, 2005-07
Technology Committee, UWG, 2005-07
Preview Day Department Open House Coordinator, UWG, 2005

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Grant Reviewer:

American Sociological Association, 2025, 2026
National Science Foundation, 2020

Tenure and Promotion External Reviewer:

Promotion to Full Professor:

Wright State University
South Dakota State University
University of Ottawa

Promotion to Associate Professor:

University of Colorado-Denver
Old Dominion University
University of Alberta

Service to Professional Organizations:

Annual Review Committee of the Executive Officer, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Member, 2025-27
Lee Founders Award Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Member, 2023-24
Arlene Kaplan Daniels Paper Award Committee, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Member, 2022-23
Student Paper Award Committee, Gender Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Member, 2020-21
Membership Committee, Sociologists for Women in Society – South, Member, 2014-16
National Liaison, Sociologists for Women in Society – South, 2014-15

Professional Conference Organizing:

Mini-Conferences:

Sociology of Reproduction Mini-Conference, Southern Sociological Society 2018 Annual Meeting, Co-sponsored by Committee on Gender and Sexuality and Sociologists for Women in Society-South. (with Emily Mann and Tanya Koropecykj-Cox)
Reproduction and Inequalities Mini-Conference, Southern Sociological Society 2017 Annual

Meeting, Co-sponsored by Committee on Gender and Sexuality and Sociologists for Women in Society-South. (with Theresa Morris, Carrie Lee Smith, and Miranda Waggoner)

Conference Sessions:

Sessions on Fertility, American Sociological Association, 2025

From *Roe* to *Dobbs*: The Far-Reaching Impacts of Gaining and Losing the Right to Sexual Privacy, Society for the Study of Social Problems 2023 Annual Meeting.

Mentoring, Allyship, and Advocacy in Academia: An Open Dialogue, Southern Sociological Society 2023 Annual Meeting, Sponsored by Sociologists for Women in Society-South (with Ariane Prohaska).

Sociology of Reproduction, Southern Sociological Society 2020 Annual Meeting, Sponsored by Sociologists for Women in Society-South. [Cancelled due to covid-19]

Intersectionality and Reproduction, Southern Sociological Society 2019 Annual Meeting, Co-sponsored by Committee on Gender and Sexuality and Sociologists for Women in Society-South (with Marni Brown).

Networking at Academic Conferences Workshop, Southern Sociological Society 2019 Annual Meeting, Sponsored by Sociologists for Women in Society-South.

Intersectionality in the “Me Too” Movement: An Open Conversation. Workshop, Southern Sociological Society 2019 Annual Meeting, Sponsored by Sociologists for Women in Society-South.

Innovative Methods for Social Problems Research, Society for the Study of Social Problems 2018 Annual Meeting.

Sociology of Reproduction, Southern Sociological Society 2016 Annual Meeting, Co-sponsored by Committee on Gender and Sexuality and Sociologists for Women in Society-South.

Sociology of Reproduction, Southern Sociological Society 2015 Annual Meeting, sponsored by Sociologists for Women in Society-South.

Sociology of Parenting I: Policies, Practices and Meanings, Southern Sociological Society 2013 Annual Meeting (with Amanda Koontz Anthony).

Sociology of Parenting II: Policies, Practices and Meanings, Southern Sociological Society 2013 Annual Meeting (with Amanda Koontz Anthony).

Sociology of Reproduction I, Southern Sociological Society 2012 Annual Meeting.

Sociology of Reproduction II, Southern Sociological Society 2012 Annual Meeting.

Sociology of Gender, Georgia Sociological Association 2006 Annual Meeting.

Faculty Mentoring:

UCF Grant Writing Academy, NIH Mock Review Panelist, 2025-26

Yiwen Wang, Assistant Professor of Sociology, UCF Department of Sociology Mentoring Program, 2025-

Melanie Guldi, UCF’s NIH Mentoring Program, Panelist to review and strengthen grant proposal, 2025

Associate Professor Mentoring Workshop, Panelist, UCF, Department of Sociology, 2023, 2024

Ariane Prohaska, Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Alabama, Sociologists for Women in Society – South Mentoring Program, Mentor for promotion to Full Professor 2022-23

Alicia Brunson, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Georgia Southern University, Sociologists for Women in Society – South Mentoring Program, Mentor for promotion to Associate Professor 2021-22

Makella S. Coudray, Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Central Florida, Population Health Sciences, Peer Technical Review for NIH K99/R00 Proposal

Jonathan Cox, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Central Florida, Department of Sociology Mentoring Program 2020-23

Department of Sociology Assistant and New Professor Mentoring Program, Program Founder and Coordinator, 2020-2023

Associate Professor Mentoring Community Member, Faculty Excellence, 2017-18

Faculty Mentoring Community Member, Center for Success of Women Faculty, 2015-16

Melanie Sberna Hinojosa, COS Mentoring Program for New Tenure Track Assistant Professors, 2014 (achieved tenure and promotion to Associate Professor)

Panelist. “Getting Off to a Good Start.” COS New Tenure Track Faculty Program, 2012

Panelist. “Creating an Organized Portfolio.” COS New Tenure Track Faculty Program, 2012

Panelist. “Getting Off to a Good Start.” COS New Tenure Track Faculty program, 2011

Manuscript Reviewer:

Journal Referee:

Advances in Medical Sociology
 Critical Policy Studies
 Culture, Health and Sexuality
 Feminist Anthropology
 Frontiers in Global Women’s Health
 Gender & Media
 Gender & Society
 Gender, Work & Organizations
 Health, Risk & Society
 Humanity & Society
 International Breastfeeding Journal
 Journal of Advanced Nursing
 Journal of Family Issues
 Journal of Health and Social Behavior
 Journal of Human Lactation

Medical Anthropology Quarterly
 Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health
 PLOS One
 Qualitative Sociology
 Social Forces
 Social Science Research
 Social Science & Medicine
 Sociation
 Sociological Inquiry
 Sociological Quarterly
 Sociological Spectrum
 Sociology of Health & Illness
 Sociology of Race & Ethnicity

Book Proposal Reviews:

Bristol University Press
 Routledge

Textbook Reviews:

Oxford University Press
 Allyn and Bacon
 Thomson-Wadsworth
 Sage Publications/Pine Forge Pre