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# Education

**MA** Kent State University, Sociology Expected: May 2022

Majors: Sociology: Concentration: Social Inequalities

**BA** Kent State University, Sociology Graduation Date: May 2020

Majors: Psychology, Sociology: Concentration: Sociological Social Psychology

Honors; *Summa Cum Laude*

# Honors and Awards

**Graduate Deans Award Scholarship; Kent State University** 2020-2022

A scholarship awarded to graduate students to promote a diversity of views, experiences, and ideas through assisting academically excellent students with different backgrounds and experiences. Awarded for two academic years in conjunction with Graduate Assistantship.

**Departmental Honors; Sociology; Kent State University Honors College** 2020

A reward given to students who completed a course of study in their undergraduate career that leads to departmental honors. Presented by the Honors College for successful completion and defense of an Honors Thesis.

**First Place; Kent State University Undergraduate Research Symposium** 2020

Received first place designation in the category of Social Sciences/Education/Public Health. Research was uploaded to OAKES database and Ohiolink. Presentation was the finished Honors Thesis project.

**James T. Laing Scholarship in Sociology** Fall 2019

A scholarship presented to excellent undergraduate students in Kent States department of Sociology.

**McNair Scholars Summer Research Institute Fellowship** 2019

An academic program for excelling undergraduate students designed to aid them in their journey to the PhD. I worked closely with a faculty mentor on an intensive research project for eight weeks, culminating in a paper and 15-minute presentation at a symposium in July 2019.

**Summer Undergraduate Research Experience Fellowship** 2018

A research program where I worked closely with faculty on a project for eight weeks over the summer. I worked with a data set on policing and trauma and presented findings in a three-minute thesis competition and will present at the 2019 Kent State University Research Symposium.

# Academic Interests

**Research/Academic Interests**

* Social Psychology
* Classical and Contemporary Theory
* Sociology of Mental Health
* Political Sociology
* Sociology of Food
* Environmental Sociology

# Research Experience

**Is this lady Like? Portrayals of Single, Career Based Women’s Relationship with Food in Americans Sitcoms from 1966 - 2017** 2018 to 2020

Kent State University, Kent Ohio

Supervisor: Dr. Susan Roxburgh; Professor of Sociology, Dept. of Sociology

* This project is my honors thesis. I worked on sample selection, data collection, data analysis. Defended Successfully in April 2020 and uploaded to Ohiolink.

**Welborn Early Learning Survey**

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2019

Advisor: Gregory Gibson, Associate Professor, Director of Survey Research Lab, Dept. of Sociology

* Worked in concurrence with the Survey Research Lab and the Welborn Baptist Foundation, aided in developing and deploying the survey instrument, interviewer and interviewer trainer for the project, aided in development and preparations for mailing component of survey

**Sequential Intercept Mapping Survey**

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2019

Advisor: Gregory Gibson, Associate Professor, Director of Survey Research Lab, Dept. of Sociology; Dr. Natalie Bonfine, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry, NEOMED

* Conducted the research on behalf of Dr. Natalie Bonfine, vetted and programed the instrument in Qualtrics, corrected issues as arose, compiled, cleaned, and presented data for analysis

**Immigration Organizations Survey**

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2019

Advisor: Gregory Gibson, Associate Professor, Director of Survey Research Lab, Dept. of Sociology; Dr. Daniel Chand, Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science

* Conducted the research on behalf of Dr. Daniel Chand, vetted and programed the instrument in Qualtrics, corrected issues as arose, compiled, and presented data for analysis

**HARC (Health Assessment and Research for Communities)**

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2019

Advisor: Gregory Gibson, Associate Professor, Director of Survey Research Lab, Dept. of Sociology

* Aided in conducted the research, collecting data as an interviewer, training other interviewers, and aided in vetting the survey instrument

**PRAMS (Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System)**

Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2019

Advisor: Gregory Gibson, Associate Professor, Director of Survey Research Lab, Dept. of Sociology

* Worked with the CDC on their project, helped with mail prep and white pages, sat in on conference calls

**An Assessment of Police Cadet Preparedness of Ability to Cope with the Nature of the Job**, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 2018

Advisor: Dr. Richard Adams, Professor/Chair, Dept. of Sociology

* Conducted data analysis, wrote a paper, and presented research results at a conference

**A Deviant Sense of Belonging; Phenomena in Alternative Music** 2017 to 2018

Kent State University, Kent Ohio

Supervisor: Dr. Christopher Dum

* Completed an Internal Review Board (IRB) application
* Worked on respondent recruitment, conducted naturalistic observations and semi-structured interviews
* Worked as a research assistant and project design head for this study, compiled data and presented research results at a conference

# Presentations

2019  Is this Lady-like? Portrayals of Single, Career Based Women’s Relationship with Food in American Sitcoms from 1966 to 2017.

Co-Author; Dr. Susan Roxburgh,

McNair 2019 Symposium, 2019 Midwest McNair Research Conference KSU Symposium, North East Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium; August 1, July 26, April 4, April 14

2019 An Assessment of Police Cadet Preparedness of Ability to Cope with the Nature of the Job

Co-Author; Dr. Richard Adams, KSU Symposium, North East Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium; April 9, April 13

2018 An Assessment of Police Cadet Preparedness of Ability to Cope with the Nature of the Job

Co-Author; Dr. Richard Adams, Three Minute Thesis Competition, October 2

2018 A Deviant Sense of Belonging; Phenomena in Alternative Music

Co-Author; Dr. Christopher Dum, KSU Symposium, North East Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium; April 4, April 14

# Current Research

None currently; starting to prepare proposal for MA Thesis.

# Professional Training

**CITI Training Social and Behavioral Research**

Kent State University, Kent Ohio, Fall 2017

Description: Certified and compliant to work with human subjects through the CITI program

**Peer Leadership Training Course**

Kent State University, Kent Ohio, Spring 2017

Description: Trained to coach undergraduate students in professionalism, self-efficacy, and professional development in the college setting. Training taught how to aid students in finding their leadership style and using it to accelerate their academic goals.

# Professional Affiliations and association memberships

Golden Key International Honors Society 2018-Present

National Society of Leadership and Success, 2018-Present

American Sociological Association – Student Membership

Alpha Kappa Delta, Honor Society in Sociology

Pi Gamma Mu – International Honor Society in the Social Sciences

# Professional Service

**Curriculum and Undergraduate Studies Committee**

MA Representative; Kent State University Sociology; 2020-21

Fielding requests and suggestions for change to the undergraduate curriculum. Curated materials for course proposals and concentration additions to send out to faculty. Ensured interests of undergraduate students were heard and considered in departmental decisions.

**Teaching Assistant**

Introduction to Sociology; Kent State University

Under the instruction of Dr. Zach Schiller; KSU 2020-21

**President**

Sociology Scholars, KSU 2018-2019

**President**

Sociology Collective, KSU 2018-2019

# Computer Skills

* SPSS
* PowerPoint
* Excel
* Stata

# References

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