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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2018 – Present **Assistant Professor, Human Development and Family Studies**
UNC, Greensboro, School of Health and Human Sciences
- Director, Centering Black Voices Research Lab:**
Community engaged program of research committed to affirming the
humanity of Black boys, men, and families through trauma-informed
praxis that prevents violence, promotes healing, and advances racial equity
- Research Areas:** Black boys, men, and families; sociocultural contexts;
intergenerational family relationships and processes; health disparities;
community and police violence; trauma; loss and grief; trauma-informed
praxis; transition to adulthood; qualitative and mixed methods
- Faculty-In-Residence, UNC Greensboro (2019 – 2021)**
Division of Student Affairs, Housing and Residence Life
- 2015 – 2018 **Assistant Professor, Psychology**
Marist College, School of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 2013 – 2015 **Paul B. Cornely Postdoctoral Scholar, Research Fellow**
University of Michigan, School of Public Health
Center for Research on Ethnicity, Culture, and Health (CRECH)
Department of Health Behavior and Health Education

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2019 – Present **Faculty Mentor**
Carolina Consortium for Human Development, UNC Chapel Hill

EDUCATION

- 2013 **Doctor of Philosophy, Family Science**
School of Public Health, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- 2008 **Master of Science, Marriage & Family Therapy**
School of Public Health, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- 2006 **Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Salutatorian, *summa cum laude***
School of Liberal Arts, Hampton University, Hampton, VA

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATIONS

- 2008 – 2018 **Licensed Graduate Marriage and Family Therapist (LGMFT)**
Maryland State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists
- 2014 **Youth Mental Health First Aid USA Certificate**
Genesee Health System, Flint, MI 48503
- 2012 **Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Certificate**
Medical University of South Carolina
National Crime Victims Research & Treatment Center
- 2007 **Play and Filial Therapy Certificate**
University of Maryland, College Park & National Institute of Relationship
Enhancement (NIRE), Instructor: Louise Guerney, PhD

PUBLICATIONS (* Graduate student co-author. **Undergraduate student co-author)**Peer-Reviewed Articles:*****Published Since Being on Faculty at UNCG***

1. Addressing the inappropriate use of force by police in the United States and beyond: A behavioral and social science perspective (In Press). *Report of the Police Violence Commission International Society for Research on Aggression*. Members: Paul Boxer, Rutgers University Rod Brunson, Northeastern University Noni Gaylord-Harden, Texas A&M University Kimberly Kahn, Portland State University Desmond Patton, Columbia University Joseph Richardson, University of Maryland Luis Rivera, Rutgers University **Jocelyn R. Smith Lee, University of North Carolina, Greensboro** Mario Staller, University of Applied Sciences for Police and Public Administration in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany **[Invited]**.
2. **Smith Lee, J. R.**, Hunter, A.G., ****Priolli, F.P.**, & ***Thornton, V.M.** (2020). “Pray that I live to see another day”: Religious and spiritual coping with vulnerability to violent injury, violent death, and homicide bereavement among young Black men. *Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology*, 70, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appdev.2020.101180> **[Invited Special Issue: Development of Boys and Young Men of Color: Coping and Adaptation in Challenging Environments]**.
3. Roy, K., & **Smith Lee, J.R.** (2020). Ghosting in safe relational spaces: Young Black men and the search for residence. *Journal of Applied Developmental Psychology*, 70, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appdev.2020.101193> **[Invited Special Issue: Development of Boys and Young Men of Color: Coping and Adaptation in Challenging Environments]**.
4. Thomas, A., **Smith Lee, J.R.**, Mohammed, M., Caldwell, C. H. (Accepted, February 2020). “Why don’t you reach out to dad?”: Involving fathers in therapy. *Research on Social Work Practice* **[Invited Special Issue: Interventions with Fathers: Effective Social Work Practice for Enhancing Individual, Family, and Civic Well-being]**.

5. Patton, D.U., Stevens, R., **Smith Lee, J. R.**, & Frey, W. (2020). You set me up: Gendered perceptions of twitter communication among Black youth in Chicago. *Social Media & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2056305120913877>
6. **Smith Lee, J. R.**, & Robinson, M. A. (2019). “That’s my number one fear in life. It’s the police”: Examining young Black men’s exposures to trauma and loss resulting from police violence and police killings. *Journal of Black Psychology*, 45(3), 143–184. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0095798419865152> [Most read article in last 6 months: <https://journals.sagepub.com/home/jbp>]
7. Smith, C. D. & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2019). Advancing social justice and affirming humanity in developmental science research with African American boys and young men. *Applied Developmental Science*, 24(3), 208 – 214. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10888691.2019.1630277> [Invited, peer-reviewed commentary in Sage and Sprout Series edited by V. M. Murry and R. A. Anderson].
8. Crosby, S., Patton, D., Duncan, D., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2019). Framing neighborhood safety and academic success: Perspectives from high-achieving Black boys in Chicago. *Children, Youth and Environments*, 29(1), 1-19. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.7721/chilyoutenvi.29.1.0001>

Published Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG

1. **Smith, J. R.**, & Patton, D. U. (2016). Posttraumatic stress symptoms in context: Examining trauma responses to violent exposure and homicide death among Black males in urban neighborhoods. *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*, 86(2), 212 – 223. <https://doi.org/10.1037/ort0000101>
2. Patton, D. U., Lane, J., Leonard, P., Macbeth, J., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2016). Gang violence on the digital street: Case study of a South Side Chicago gang member’s Twitter communication. *New Media & Society*, 1 – 19. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1461444815625949>
3. **Smith, J. R.** (2015). Unequal burdens of loss: Examining the frequency and timing of homicide deaths experienced by young Black men across the life course. *American Journal of Public Health*, 105(S3), S483-S490. <http://dx.doi.org/10.2105/ajph.2014.302535>
4. Assari, S., **Smith, J. R.**, Caldwell, C. H., & Zimmerman, M. A. (2015). Longitudinal links between fear of neighborhood violence, parental support, and depressive symptoms among male and female African American emerging adults. *Societies*, 5, 151 – 170. doi: [10.3390/soc5010151](https://doi.org/10.3390/soc5010151)
5. Roy, K., Messina, L., **Smith, J. R.**, & Waters, D.W. (2014). Growing up as man-of-the-house: Adultification and transition into adulthood for young men in economically disadvantaged families. *New Directions in Child and Adolescent Development*, 143, 55 –

72. doi: [10.1002/cad.20054](https://doi.org/10.1002/cad.20054) [Special Issue: Pathways to adulthood for disconnected young men in low-income communities].

6. Leslie, L., **Smith, J. R.**, Hrapczynski, K. M., & Riley, D. (2013). Racial socialization in transracial adoptive families: Does it help adolescents deal with discrimination stress? *Family Relations*, 62(1), 72 – 81. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1741-3729.2012.00744.x>
7. Epstein, N. B., Berger, A. T., Fang, J. J., Messina, L., **Smith, J. R.**, Stevenson, Fang, X., & Liu, Q. X. (2012). Applying western-developed family therapy models in China. *Journal of Family Psychotherapy*, 23, 217 – 237. <https://psycnet.apa.org/record/2012-25901-005>

Scholarly Reports:

Published Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

1. **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2018). Who gets to be a victim of gun violence?: Examining the marginalized trauma and grief of boys and men in Black families. In Myers-Walls, J. A. (Ed.), *NCFR Report – Family focus: Understanding gun violence from a family perspective* (pp. F12-F13). Minneapolis, MN: National Council on Family Relations. **[Distributed to all members of U.S. Congress by NCFR and forthcoming dissemination by NCFR to legislative bodies in all 50 states.]**

Book Chapters:

Published Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG

1. **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2017). Healing from inner city violence. **[Invited Submission]**. In L. Nelson & L. Padilla-Walker (Eds.), *Flourishing in emerging adulthood: Positive development during the third decade of life* (pp. 491 – 509). New York: Oxford University Press.
2. **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2016). A trauma-informed approach to affirming the humanity of African American boys and supporting healthy transitions to manhood. **[Invited Submission]**. In L. Burton, D. Burton, S. McHale, V. King, & J. Van Hook (Eds.), *Boys and Men in African American Families* (pp. 85 – 92). Switzerland: Springer.
3. Roy, K. & **Smith, J. R.** (2013). Nonresident fathers and intergenerational parenting in kin networks. In N. J. Cabrera & C. S. Tamis-LeMonda (Eds.), *Handbook of Father Involvement*, 2nd ed. (pp. 320 – 337). New York: Routledge.

SCHOLARLY PRODUCTS UNDER REVIEW, IN PROGRESS, OR PREPARATION

1. Letiecq, B., Williams, J., Vesely, C., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (Under Review). Racialized housing segregation and the structural oppression of Black families: Understanding

the mechanisms at play. NCFR Report on Dismantling Structural Inequality and Racism.

2. **Smith Lee, J. R., *Delaney, A., & Beauplan, Y.** (In Progress). ACEs mask trauma's full story: A qualitative analysis of violent victimization among black male homicide survivors in Baltimore.
3. Robinson, M. A., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (In Progress). Doing TIME in Athens: A Photovoice journey with adolescents in search of social change.
4. **Smith Lee, J. R., *Koku, L., & *Williams, K.** (In Preparation). "I'm on borrowed time": Examining how life course vulnerability to community and police violence shapes health and developmental pathways for young Black men.
5. Smith Bynum, M., Smith, C. D., Smith, N. A., **Smith Lee, J. R., & Grigsby, N. A.** (In Preparation). Racial Socialization, Black masculinity and formative identity: An Intersectional Qualitative Study of Black Male Emerging Adults.
6. **Smith Lee, J. R., & Payton, E. D.** (In preparation). A community based participatory approach to addressing homicide in the lives of Black boys, men, and families [**Invited Paper Submission from Invited Presentation at the Boston College Global Summit on Racism and Trauma**].
7. Payton, E. D. & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (In preparation). Assessing environmental risk and protective factors for violence in Greensboro: A Windshield Study.

OP-EDITORIALS AND MEDIA COVERAGE OF SCHOLARSHIP

Disseminated Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

The Atlantic (2021, April). The Burden of Being 'On Point'. Too often, traumatized Black boys' behavior is pathologized. It's actually rational. <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2021/04/black-boys-trauma-misunderstood-behavior/618684/>

UNCG Research Magazine (2020, Winter Issue). Centering Black Voices: Dr. Smith Lee's Research Lab Explores The Unequal Burdens Of Trauma And Grief In The Lives Of Young Black Men. **Feature Story.** https://researchmagazine.uncg.edu/fall-2020/centering-black-voices/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Read+more&utm_campaign=FALL_RSHMAG_2020_11_23

UNCG Magazine (2020, October). Policing mental health: Timely research of Dr. Jocelyn Smith Lee. <https://uc.uncg.edu/magazine/newsfront/policing-mental-health-timely-research-of-dr-jocelyn-smith-lee/>

Division 38 of the American Psychological Association – The Society for Health Psychology. (2020, August). Layered Conversations: Bringing Diverse Perspectives to the Table! Podcast Episode 1: Conversation with Dr. Jocelyn Smith Lee: Contextualizing trauma and its effects on the health and well-being of Black men.
<https://div38healthpsychologist.com/2020/08/04/conversation-corner/>

88.5 WFDD, Public Radio for the Piedmont, NPR. (2020, June). Study shows impacts of police violence on young Black men. <https://www.wfdd.org/story/study-shows-impacts-police-violence-young-black-men>

Philadelphia Inquirer. (2018, December). Triumph over loss – Warrior spirit: Bullets took their teammate, but on the Boys' Latin football field, Jahsun Patton's legacy lives on. <https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia/a/boys-latin-high-school-football-philadelphia-jahsun-patton-shooting-death-20181226.html>

Disseminated Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG

Reuters Health News. (2017, January). African-Americans suffer inordinate loss of parents, children and siblings. <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-grief-race-idUSKBN15F2W4>

Poughkeepsie Journal. (2016, February). City youths need safe have from trauma. <https://www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/story/news/local/2016/01/28/family-services-focus-prevention/79425380/>

Mid-Hudson News. (2016, February). *Family services looks at a new program.* <http://www.midhudsonnews.com/News/2016/January/29/FamServ-29Jan16.htm>

Smith, J. R. (2014, February). Not gone but forgotten: The grief of young Black men we often fail to notice. *emPower Magazine.*

RESEARCH GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SPONSORED AWARDS

Funded Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

Funded External Award:

2020 **Title:** *Dismantling dehumanizing narratives of Black men in poverty.*
Funder: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Voices for Economic Opportunity Grand Challenge Award Winner.
[1 of 28 Awardees of 1,225 Submissions. Only 5th time in program history that over 1,000 proposals were received for an RFP].
Role: Principal Investigator
Amount: \$100,000

Funded Internal Awards:

- 2021 **Title: HHS Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA), 2021**
Funder: UNC Greensboro School of Health and Human Sciences (HHS)
Role: Principal Investigator, HDFS Faculty Supervisor
Amount: \$10,000
- 2020 **Title:** *Course Conversion for Online Instruction*
Funder: UNCG Office of the Provost
Role: Faculty Instructor, HDF 409, *Family Diversity*
Amount: \$1,500.00
- 2019 **Title:** *A Social-Ecological Examination of the Impact of Violent Injury and Homicide on Black Boys, Men, and Families in Greensboro*
Funder: UNC Greensboro, Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award (URCA) for Undergraduate Research Assistants
Role: Faculty Mentor; Ajah Haskell and Charmaine Randolph,
Amount: \$5,500
- 2019 **Title:** *HHS Top off Funds to Assess the Aftermath of Homicide in GSO*
Funder: UNC Greensboro School of Health and Human Sciences (HHS)
Role: Principal Investigator
Amount: \$9,965
- 2019 **UNCG Travel Grant:** *National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)*
Funder: UNC Greensboro Scholars' Travel Fund, Office of Research Engagement
Role: Presenter, Symposium: Black Family Matters
Amount: \$500
- 2019 **HHS Training Grant:** *Russell Sage Summer Institute for the Biological Approaches to the Social Sciences (SIBASS)*, Northwestern University
Funder: UNC Greensboro School of Health and Human Sciences Travel for Research-Related Training Grant
Role: SIBASS Trainee
Amount: \$1,574
- 2019 **Travel Grant:** *Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD)*
Funder: UNC Greensboro Scholars' Travel Fund, Office of Research Engagement
Role: Invited Panelist, SRCD Black Caucus, Social Policy Committee
Amount: \$500
- 2018 **Title:** *Assessing the Aftermath of Community Violence in Greensboro*
Funder: UNC Greensboro New Faculty Award
Role: Principal Investigator; Erica Payton (Foh), Co-Investigator
Amount: \$10,000

*Funded Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG***Funded Internal Awards:**

- 2017 **Title:** *Intergenerational Trauma and Bereavement: Examining Family Dynamics, Coping, and Meaning Construction Following Homicide Death*
Funder: Marist College, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Seed Grant
Role: Principal Investigator
Amount: \$3,000
- 2017 **Title:** *Marist Center for Social Justice Research (MCSJR) Faculty Fellow Community-Engaged Research Training and Award*
Funder: Marist College School of Social and Behavioral Science
Role: Faculty Fellow
Amount: \$798
- 2016 **Title:** *Longitudinal Analyses of Traumatic Bereavement among Black Male Homicide Survivors in Baltimore*
Funder: Marist College School of Social and Behavioral Science Dean's Research Grant
Role: Principal Investigator
Amount: \$8,000
- 2016 **Title:** *Living-On in a Landscape of Loss: Examining Narratives of Homicide Survivorship and Healing among Young Black Men in Baltimore City*
Funder: Marist College, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Seed Grant
Role: Principal Investigator
Amount: \$2,646
- 2016 **Training Grant:** *Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods Institute, Consortium on Race, Gender, and Ethnicity (CRGE), University of Maryland, College Park*
Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Role: Selected participant, trainee
Amount: \$1,500
- 2014 **Training Grant:** University of Michigan Center for Statistical Consultation and Research (CSCAR) Intermediate Topics in SPSS: Advanced Statistical Models Workshop
Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Role: Trainee
Amount: \$500

- 2012 – 2013 **Title:** *Dr. Mabel S. Spencer Award for Excellence in Graduate Achievement*, Endowed Fellowship
Funder: University of Maryland, College Park Endowed Fellowship
Role: Doctoral Researcher. Competitive award granted to 1 graduate student at UMD poised to make significant contributions to the field.
Amount: \$18,000 plus tuition remission
- 2012 **Travel Grant:** National Council on Family Relations
Funder: University of Maryland, College Park, Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Award
Role: Lead Presenter
Amount: \$400
- 2008 **Title:** *Jeanette Spier Beavers Memorial Scholarship*
Funder: School of Public Health, University of Maryland, College Park
Role: MFT Clinician-Researcher
Amount: \$4,000

Funded External Awards:

- 2009 – 2011 **Title:** *William T. Grant Scholars Supplement to Support Mentoring Junior Researchers of Color*
Funder: William T. Grant Foundation
Role: William T. Grant Junior Mentee, Kevin Roy, PhD, William T. Grant Scholar, Mentor
Amount: \$60,000
- 2004 – 2006 **National Institute of Mental Health**
Career Opportunities in Research Scholar (NIMH-COR)
Hampton University, Hampton, VA,
Amount: \$16,000

AWARDS AND HONORS

Awarded Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

- 2021 **Faculty Reappointment, UNC Greensboro**
Reappointment to a second three year term approved by Interim Provost, Terri Shelton
- 2021 **Nominated: Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society**
Dr. Sandra Crouse Quinn, Department Chair of Family Science, University of Maryland, College Park

- 2021 **UNCG Provost’s Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activities, 2021 Honoree, School of Health and Human Sciences, Department of Human Development and Family Studies**
Recognized by Interim Provost Shelton for my Awarded one of 28 grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for her project Disrupting Dehumanizing Narratives of Black Men in Poverty as part of the Gates Foundation’s Voices for Economic Opportunity Grand Challenge (\$100,000); Appointed to a three-year term on the inclusion and diversity committee for the National Council on Family Relations.
- 2020 **Michigan Integrating Wellness and Inequality Training Program**
University of Michigan, School of Public Health
Director: Briana Mezuk; Co-Directors: Cleopatra Caldwell, James Jackson, Robert J. Taylor. **15 scholars selected for this inaugural cohort**
- 2020 **UNCG HHS Summer Grant Writing Fellow**
“It’s a lot of work to keep your life”: Examining the Relationship Between Risk for Homicide and Cardiovascular Disease among Black Men
Program Mentor: Dr. Laurie Wideman
- 2020 **UNCG Provost’s Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activities, 2020 Honoree, School of Health and Human Sciences, Department of Human Development and Family Studies**
Recognized by Provost Dunn for my NCFR Winter Report article, “Who gets to be a victim of gun violence? Examining the marginalized grief of boys and men in Black families” that was distributed as part of a NCFR Special Issue, “Understanding Gun Violence from a Family Perspective” that was distributed to all members of congress and is part of a state-by-state distribution to legislative bodies across the U.S.
- 2019, Nominated **Diverse: Issues in Higher Education Emerging Scholars Award**
Nominators: Drs. Rod Wyatt, Andrea Hunter, & Heather Helms
- 2019, Nominated **UNCG Thomas Undergraduate Research Mentoring Award**
(encouraged by selection committee and HHS Dean Mattacola to reapply)
Nominator: Dena Swanson, PhD, Chair of HDFS
- 2018 – 2019 **Nominated and Elected, National Council on Family Relations, Inclusion and Diversity Committee, Member-at-Large**
National Council on Family Relations
- Awarded Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG*
- 2018 **Poughkeepsie City Council Commendation for NY State Implementation of the SNUG Cure Violence Intervention Program**
Presented to Street Outreach Workers and Cure Violence Advisory Board

- 2016 **Association of Black Foundation Executives, Invited Expert**
Beyond Plight: Defining Pathways to Optimal Development for
Black Men and Boys Across the Life Course, Special Consultative Session
of Thought Leaders, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- 2015 **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) New Connections**
Writing Support and Consultation Award
- 2014 **National Institute for Minority Health and Health Disparities**
(NIMHD)
Translational Health Disparities Course, Selected Participant
National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD
- 2014 **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)**
8th Annual New Connections Symposium, Selected Participant
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Princeton, NJ
- 2014 **Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research**
(MCUAAAR)
Summer Training Workshop on African American Aging, Selected
Participant, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2013 **President's Commission on Ethnic Minority Issues**
Ethnic Minority Achievement Graduate Student Award
University of Maryland, College Park
- 2013 **School of Public Health Dean's Graduate Scholar Award**
Department of Family Science, Doctoral Recipient
University of Maryland, College Park
- 2013 **Millennial Health Leaders Summit (Inaugural), Selected Delegate**
1 of 3 Student Delegates representing the University of Maryland
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Martin Luther King,
Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, Atlanta, GA
- 2012 **Best Student-New Professional Paper Award**
National Council on Family Relations, Ethnic Minorities Section, \$300
Paper: Posttraumatic Stress Symptoms in Context: Recognizing and
Understanding Trauma Responses among Young, Black, Male Homicide
Survivors in Low-Income, Urban Communities
- 2012 **Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop, Selected Participant**
Columbia University Population Research Center
- 2011 **Dalmas A. Taylor Summer Memorial Policy Fellowship, Finalist**
Division 9: American Psychological Association
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues

INVITED PRESENTATIONS*Presented Since Being on Faculty at UNCG*

- 2021 **Community Trauma and Gun Violence Research (Virtual) Convening
Largest gun prevention organization in the United States.**
Invited Presenter: *Solutions that can prevent, intervene in, and solve
community trauma*
- 2020 **Headquarters of Everytown for Gun Safety, New York, NY.
Largest gun prevention organization in the United States.**
Invited Presenter: *A trauma-informed approach to gun violence
research: Seeing and responding to the marginalized trauma and grief of
gun violence among Black boys, men, and families.*
- 2019 **When They DON'T See Us: A Global Summit on the Embodiment of
Racism, Violence and Trauma. Boston College Summit on Racism
and Trauma.**
Invited Presenter: *A community based participatory approach to
addressing homicide in the lives of Black boys, men, and families.*
Panel Theme: Homicide, genocide, and justice.
- 2019 **Carolina Consortium on Human Development (CCHD), University of
North Carolina, Chapel Hill.**
Invited Talk: *I'm on borrowed time: Examining how life course
vulnerability to community and police violence shapes the health and well-
being of Black boys, men, and families.*
- 2019 **Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD) Biennial
Meeting, Baltimore, MD.
SRCD Black Caucus Social Policy Committee, Special Session.**
Invited Panelist: Unnecessary loss, unresolved grief: The impact of
police brutality on Black children and families.
- 2019 **Social Justice and Health Equity Symposium: Then and Now**
Department of Public Health Education, School of Health and Human
Sciences, UNC, Greensboro
Invited Panelist: Current experiences with social justice and health equity
- 2018 **We're Here for You.** Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC.
Invited Panelist: Mental Health Awareness in the Black Community

Presented Prior to Being on Faculty at UNCG

- 2018 **The Black History Project Committee** of the Mid-Hudson Heritage
Center, Inaugural Lorraine M. Roberts Lecture, Poughkeepsie, NY

- Keynote:** Helping teens heal: Understanding parent-son relationship dynamics among families grieving homicide death.
- 2017 **Penn State Brandywine**, Common Read Committee, Media, PA
Keynote: Between the world and me: Trauma, violence, and vulnerability in the lives of Black boys and men.
- 2016 **Presidential Inauguration of David Yellen**
 Social Justice: Reform and the Marist Tradition
 Marist College Faculty Symposia, **1 of 5 Faculty Selected to Participate**
- 2016 **Georgetown University**, Center for Social Justice Research, Teaching, and Service, Global Social Justice Research Symposium, Washington, DC
Keynote Address: Examining life course exposures to violence and traumatic loss among young Black men in Baltimore.
Research Methods Workshop: Equity, empathy, and empowerment: Building a skillset for effective social justice research with Black boys and men.
- 2016 **The Black History Project Committee** of the Mid-Hudson Heritage Center, Inaugural Lorraine M. Roberts Lecture, Poughkeepsie, NY
Keynote Address: Understanding the impact of peer homicide on Black boys and young men.
- 2016 **Family Services Annual Report to the Community**, Poughkeepsie, NY
Keynote Address: Reflections on the impact of violence in the lives of young Black men in urban contexts.
- 2015 **Penn State University 23rd Annual Symposium on Family Issues**, Boys and Men in African American Families, State College, PA
Panel Discussant: A trauma-informed approach to affirming the humanity of African American boys and supporting healthy transitions to manhood.
Panel Theme: Family influences on health and development in adolescent and young adult African American men.
- 2015 **Association for Black Foundation Executives (ABFE)**, Napa, CA.
Invited Session: Trauma-informed research and practice with boys and men of color.
- 2014 **Genesee County Health Dept.**, Public Health Conference, Flint, MI.
Invited Workshop: Place matters: Life course vulnerabilities to trauma, violence, and loss for young Black men in economically disadvantaged urban contexts.
- 2013 **American Public Health Association**, Black Caucus of Health Workers, Boston, MA.
Invited Session: Trauma and Black Males.

- Paper Presentation:** “My whole life changed”: A life course examination of traumatic loss and homicide survivorship among young, Black men.
- 2012 **Youth Alive! Hospital-Based Violence Intervention Program**
Khadafy Washington Project Homicide Response Team, Oakland, CA.
Research Briefing: Violence, trauma, and loss: Implications of peer homicide for boys and men of color in urban contexts.
- 2012 **University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health,**
Community-Based Research and Interventions to Promote Health: Theory and Methods (Graduate Seminar).
Invited Lecture: Applying multiple methods of research to inform trauma and grief community-based interventions serving boys and men of color.
- 2011 **Hampton University, 10th Annual Hampton University Research Forum,**
Hampton, VA.
Invited Session: Loss in the lives of low-income, young, Black men: A qualitative analysis.

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

*Graduate student co-author. **Undergraduate student co-author.

Presented Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

Papers and Symposia:

Elsaesser, C., Vasquez Reyes, M., Patton, D.U., Stevens, R., & Smith Lee, J. R. (2021). Girls and young women’s perceptions on the role of gender and social media conflict implicated in violence. **ResilienceCon, Virtual – COVID-19 Pandemic.**

Payton, E. D., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2020, October). Swept under the rug: Stakeholder perspectives about violence in the Gate City. **American Public Health Association, Virtual – COVID-19 Pandemic.**

Payton, E. D., & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2020, March). Using windshield surveys as an assessment tool: Assessing neighborhood risks and protective factors for violence. **Society for Public Health Education Annual Conference, Virtual – COVID-19 Pandemic.**

Garnett-Deakin, A., **Smith Lee, J. R., Fuqua, R. (2020, November). Violence, trauma, and transition to fatherhood: Examining how community violence informs fathering for young Black men. **National Council on Family Relations, Virtual, COVID-19 Pandemic**

Smith Lee, J. R. & Foh, E. P. (2019, September). Assessing the needs and strengths of Black male homicide survivors in Greensboro, N.C. (Workshop). **Healing Justice Alliance, Sacramento, CA.**

Smith Lee, J. R. & Wyatt, J. (2019, April). Healing invisible wounds of trauma and grief: Examining the impact of community violence on African American males' educational engagement and achievement. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the **Clemson Men of Color National Summit**, Greenville, SC.

Smith Lee, J.R., & *Delaney, A. (2018, November). ACEs mask trauma's full story: A qualitative analysis of violent victimization among black male homicide survivors in Baltimore. **American Public Health Association**, San Diego, CA.

Posters and Roundtables:

Rochelle, K., **Smith Lee, J. R., & Payton Foh, E. (2021, April). Examining the connection: Violence, coping mechanisms, and relationships. **UNCG Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo**, Greensboro, NC.

*Walker, I. A. & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2021, April). Insiders as experts: Centering community perspectives on the impact of community violence for Black males and families in Greensboro. **UNCG Graduate Research and Creativity Expo**, Greensboro, NC.

*Walker, I. A. & **Smith Lee, J. R.** (2020, April). The Centrality of relationships: Community perspectives on facilitators and barriers to resilience in Black Boys in Greensboro. **UNCG Graduate Research and Creativity Expo**, Greensboro, NC.

Randolph, C., **Haskell, A., **Smith Lee, J. R., & Payton Foh, E. (2020). Assessing the risk and protective factors that promote or prevent community violence within Greensboro. **UNCG Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo**, Greensboro, NC.

Smith Lee, J.R. (2019, November). "I got shot on my son's 1st birthday": Examining how violent injury and traumatic loss shapes fathering among young Black men. **Poster Symposium: Black family matters: From being policed to resisting, from grief and trauma to healing.** Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the **National Council on Family Relations**, Fort Worth, TX.

Haskell, A., Randolph, C., & **Smith Lee, J. R. (2019, November). "There are five Greensboros": Assessing community assets, vulnerabilities, and violence in Greensboro, North Carolina. **State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium (SNCURCS)**, Durham, N.C.

Garnett-Deakin, A., **Fuqua, R., & **Smith Lee, J. R. (2019, November). Violence, trauma, and transition to fatherhood: Examining how community and police violence informs fathering for young Black men. **State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium (SNCURCS)**, Durham, N.C.

Haskell, A., **Randolph, C., **Smith Lee, J. R., & Payton, E. (2019, November). Assessing environmental risk and protective factors for violence in Greensboro. **Conference Undergraduate Research Forum (SURF)**, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

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Papers and Symposia:

Smith Lee, J.R., & **Hamilton, T. M. (2017, November). In landscapes of loss: Trauma, grief, and masculinity among young Black men. **Symposium:** Trauma, violence, and resilience among young Black and Latino men. **National Council on Family Relations**, Orlando, FL.

Smith Lee, J.R. (2017, September). Double jeopardy: Persistent traumatic exposures in peer and police encounters. **Healing Justice Alliance**, Milwaukee, WI.

Smith Lee, J.R. (2017, April). "I'm on borrowed time": Examining peer homicide as a turning point in the developmental trajectories of Black boys and young men. **Symposium:** Investigating the lives of African American boys: Protecting to promote growth, strengthening to ensure survival. **American Men's Studies Association**, Ann Arbor, MI.

Smith Lee, J.R. (2016, January). "The police—That's my number one fear in life": Police as perpetrators of violence and trauma in the lives of young Black men. **Symposium:** Exploring pathways to mental illness among African Americans: A life course perspective. **Society for Social Work Research**, Washington, D.C.

Smith, J. R. (2014, October). "Certain people can't take what I just now told you": Understanding factors shaping disclosures of trauma among young, Black, male homicide survivors. **International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies**, Miami, FL.

Smith, J. R. (2014, October). Invisible wounds: An examination of trauma and grief among young Black males in Baltimore City. **National Council on Family Relations**, Baltimore, MD.

Smith, J. R. (2014, March). People are dropping left and right": Understanding the frequency and timing of peer homicide and traumatic loss among young, Black men. **Society for Research on Adolescence**, Austin, TX.

Smith, J. R. (2013, November). Narratives of survivorship: The struggle to heal from the traumatic loss of peer homicide in the context of chronic adversity. **International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies**, Philadelphia, PA.

Smith, J. R. (2013, October). "Am I next?": Contextual understandings of traumatic stress responses among young, Black male homicide survivors. **Black Doctoral Network**, Philadelphia, PA.

Smith, J. R. (2013, June). "I deal with it in my own little way": Understanding how economically-disadvantaged, young, Black men respond to and recover from traumatic loss. **Society for Community Research and Action, Division 27: American Psychological Association**, Miami, FL.

Smith, J. R. (2012, October). Posttraumatic stress symptoms in context: Recognizing and understanding trauma responses among young, Black, male, homicide survivors in low-income, urban communities. **National Council on Family Relations**, Phoenix, AZ.

Smith, J. R., (2011, November). Understanding the emotional responses of young Black men to peer homicide. **National Council on Family Relations**, Orlando, FL.

Smith, J. R., (2011, October). Understanding how young Black men construct meaning about peer homicide. **American Public Health Association**, Washington, D.C.

Waters, D., Roy, K., Messina, L., **Smith, J. R.**, & Finkbeiner, N. (2011, October). Reciprocity organized towards caring for health: An examination of low-income young men's relationships with their families. **American Public Health Association**, Washington, D.C.

Smith, J. R., (2011, February). "I'm on borrowed time": Perceptions of peer deaths among low-income, young, Black men. **Research Association of Minority Professors**, Baltimore, MD.

Smith, J. R., Roy, K., Waters, D., & Messina, L. (2010, November). Constructing narratives of loss and ambiguity. **National Council on Family Relations**, Minneapolis, MN.

Roy, K., **Smith, J. R.**, Waters, D., Messina, L., Singer, B. & Fang, J. (2010, March). An "odyssey" for disconnected young men: The transition to adulthood as an intergenerational project. **Society for Research on Adolescence**, Philadelphia, PA.

Baker, S. R., Hall, M., & **Smith, J. R.** (2006). Adaptive – maladaptive continuum in a U.S. Black sample. **European Conference on Personality**. University of Athens, Athens, Greece.

Baker, S. R., Hall, M., **Smith, J. R.**, & Robinson, M. (2006). Psychometric properties of the NEO PI-3 with a U.S. Black sample. **European Conference on Personality**. University of Athens, Athens Greece.

Smith, J. R., & Mandara, J. M. (2005, November). The effects of African American parenting style and fathers on adolescent behavior. **National Institute of Mental Health's Career Opportunities in Research (NIMH-COR) Conference**, Atlanta, GA.

Posters and Roundtables:

Priolli, F., Galloway, A., Juarbe, B. & **Smith Lee, J. R. (2018). God's plan: Examining how young Black men in Baltimore use faith and spirituality to cope and construct meaning about violent injury and homicide death. **Celebration of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (CURSCA)**, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY.

Smith Lee, J. R. (2018, January). Life course exposures to trauma, violence, and loss in peer and police contexts: Psychosocial consequences for Black boys and young men. **Roundtable: Examining the Impact of Homicide Violence and Victimization Among African Americans**. **Society for Social Work Research**, Washington, D.C.

Smith Lee, J. R., & Delaney, A. (2017, October). Exposure to violent victimization among Black homicide survivors in Baltimore. **New England Psychological Association**, Newton, MA.

Hamilton, T. M., & Smith Lee, J. R. (2017). “Crying on the inside”: A qualitative analysis of young Black men’s responses to traumatic loss in Baltimore. **Westchester Undergraduate Research Conference**, Purchase NY.

Smith, J. R., & Patton, D.U. (2014, October). “I stay on point”: Contextual understandings of trauma and hypervigilance among young Black males in economically disadvantaged urban contexts. **American Public Health Association**, New Orleans, LA.

Smith, J. R. (2012, October). Traumatic loss as a turning point: A qualitative analysis of young, Black men's experiences of peer homicide across the life course. Roundtable: **American Public Health Association**, San Francisco, CA.

Hrapczynski, K., **Smith, J. R., & Leslie, L.** (2010, November). Discrimination and self-esteem among transracially adopted youth. **National Council on Family Relations**, Minneapolis, MN.

Smith, J. R., Leslie, L., & La Taillade, J. (2009, November). Racial discrimination and stress among transracially adopted adolescents. **National Council on Family Relations**, San Francisco, CA.

Smith, J. R., & La Taillade, J. J. (2008, November). Ethnic identity and relationship satisfaction among African American heterosexual couples. **American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy**, Memphis, TN.

Smith, J. R., & La Taillade, J. J. (2007, November). Ethnic identity and relationship quality. **Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies**, Philadelphia, PA.

TEACHING, MENTORING, AND ADVISING EXPERIENCE AND RECOGNITION

Since Being on Faculty at UNCG

Fall 2020	<i>Family Diversity (HDF 409)</i> (41 Students)
Fall 2020	<i>College Teaching Practicum in HDFS II (HDF 765)</i> Jessica Navarro
Fall 2018 – Fall 2020	<i>Centering Black Voices (CBV) Research Lab Director</i> 14 Students (9 Undergraduate Students, 5 Graduate Students: 3 MS Student, 2 PhD Students)
Fall 2018 – Spring 2020	<i>HDFS Departmental Advising Days (DADS)</i>
Fall 2018 – Spring 2020	<i>Building Diverse Research Teams, Faculty Mentor</i> 1 Doctoral Student, 3 Undergraduate Students

Spring 2020	<i>Racial Trauma and Healing in Families and Societies (HDF 464 – Developed Course for HDFS)</i> (39 Students)
Spring 2020	<i>HDFS Internship (HDF 499)</i> (2 Students, 9 credits of HDF 499)
Fall 2019	<i>Independent Study (HDF 401)</i> (1 Student, 6 credits)
Fall 2019	<i>Family Diversity (HDF 409)</i> (40 Students)
Fall 2019	<i>College Teaching in HDFS (HDF 745)</i> Ashley Evans
Spring 2019	<i>HDFS Internship (HDF 499)</i> (2 Students, 9 credits of HDF 499)
Spring 2019	<i>Family Diversity (HDF 409)</i> (50 Students)
Spring 2019	<i>College Teaching Practicum in HDFS II (HDF 765)</i> Amanda Barnes
Spring 2019	<i>HHS Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Awardee/Mentee</i> Emma Lambirth, \$1,150
Spring 2019	<i>Williams-Poole Undergraduate Teaching Assistant/Mentee</i> , Patty Morales, \$1,000
Spring 2019	<i>Independent Study (HDF 401)</i> (2 Students, 6 credits)
Spring 2019	<i>HDFS Internship (HDF 499)</i> (2 Students, 9 credits of HDF 499)
Spring 2019	<i>Building Diverse Research Teams, Faculty Mentor</i> 1 Doctoral Student, 3 Undergraduate Students
Fall 2018	<i>Invited Guest Lecture: Community Based Participatory Research Methods</i> Institution: UNC Greensboro, HDFS Course: HDF 656, Race, Class, and Culture
Fall 2018	<i>Family Diversity (HDF 409)</i> (49 Students)
Fall 2018	<i>College Teaching in HDFS (HDF 745)</i> Amanda Barnes

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- Fall 2017 – Spring 2018 ***Undergraduate Advisor*** (15 Students)
- Fall 2017 ***Families and Couples Counseling***
Master's Level, Mental Health Counseling (11 Students)
- Fall 2016 – Spring 2018 ***Quantitative Research Methods I***
Undergraduate Level, Psychology (18-22 students/section)
- Fall 2016 ***Invited Guest Lecture:*** Trauma-Informed Research and
Practice with Black boys and men
Institution: University of Michigan, School of Social Work
Course: Social Work and Social Justice, MSW Program
- Fall 2016 ***Invited Guest Lecture:*** Mental Health and The Media:
Addressing the Psychosocial Toll of Expendable Black
Humanity
Organization: Black Student Union
Event: World Mental Health Day
- Fall 2015 – Spring 2018 ***Introduction to Psychology***
Undergraduate Level, Psychology (30 students/section)
- Fall 2015 – Spring 2018 ***Research Mentor and Supervisor***
2 Graduate students, 9 Undergraduate Students

University of Michigan – Interdisciplinary Instruction (Ann Arbor, MI):

- Spring 2017 ***Guest Lecture:*** Trauma-Informed Praxis with Black Males
Course: Social Justice and Diversity in Social Work
Master's Level, Social Work, School of Social Work
- Winter 2015 ***Guest Lecture:*** Unequal Burdens of Homicide and Grief
Course: Theory, Research, and Practice in Adolescent
Health. Master's level, Health Behavior and Health
Education, School of Public Health
- Fall 2014 ***Guest Lecture:*** Traumatic Exposures among Black Boys
and Men: A Life Course Perspective
Course: Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities
Master's level, Health Behavior and Health Education
School of Public Health

- Winter 2014 **Guest Lecture:** Developing a Trauma-Informed Research Trajectory to Examine Violence and Loss in the Lives of Young, Black Men
Course: Exploring Research
Undergraduate Level, Afroamerican and African Studies
College of Literature, Sciences, and the Arts
- Fall 2013 – Winter 2015 **Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)**
Undergraduate Research Supervisor (3 Diverse Students)
School of Public Health
Blue Ribbon Prize, Outstanding UROP Research Poster
(Freshman, Nikia Smith and Mentor, Dr. Jocelyn R. Smith)
Campus-Wide Undergraduate Research Symposium
- University of Maryland – Department of Family Science (College Park, MD):**
- Fall 2011 – Spring 2013 **Independent Study** (3 Research Supervisees of Color)
Undergraduate Research Supervisor, Family Science
Research Area: Homicide survivorship in Baltimore
- Fall 2010 – Spring 2011 **Independent Study** (2 Teaching Assistants of Color)
Undergraduate Supervisor, Family Science
Course: Poverty, Affluence, and Families
- Fall 2010 – Spring 2011 **Distinguished Graduate Instructor Award**
University of Maryland Center for Teaching Excellence
- Summer 2010 – Spring 2011 **Poverty, Affluence, and Families** (60 students)
Undergraduate Level, Family Science, Instructor of Record
- Fall 2006 – Spring 2008 **Family Theories and Patterns** (45 students)
Undergraduate Level, Family Studies
Graduate Teaching Assistant

CLINICAL TRAINING, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE

- 2011 – 2013 **Couple, Individual, and Family Therapist**
Jonah Green and Associates
3930 Knowles Avenue, Suite 200, Kensington, MD 20895
- 2008 – 2011 **Couple, Individual, and Family Therapist**
Sonja M. Williams & Associates, LLC
9701 Apollo Drive, Suite 491, Largo, MD 20774
- 2009 **Cross-National Cultural Competency Course**
Cross-Cultural Applications of Models of Couple and Family Therapy in China and the United States. Instructor: Norman B. Epstein, Ph.D.
Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China

- 2007 **Co-Facilitator, Clinical In-service Training**
Age appropriate guidelines for dialoguing with young people about race and racism. Center for Healthy Families, University of Maryland, College Park, School of Public Health. Co-Facilitator: Reena Bernards
- 2007 **American Association for Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT) Electronic Records Administrator**
 AAMFT Headquarters, Alexandria, VA 22314

POLICY ADVOCACY

- 2011, August **Federal Legislative Advocate**
American Psychological Association (APA)
 Advocated for continued funding for the Minority Fellowship Program and the Graduate Psychology Education Program. Washington, D.C.
- 2009 - 2010 **Federal Legislative Advocate**
American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT)
 Advocated for the inclusion of Marriage and Family Therapists as mental health providers under Medicare and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Washington, D.C.
- 2008, March **Federal Legislative Advocate**
American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT)
 Advocated for Mental Health Parity and the inclusion of Marriage and Family Therapists as mental health providers under Medicare and the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Washington, D.C.
- 2008, February **State Legislative Advocate**
Middle-Atlantic Division of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy (MAD-AAMFT)
 Advocated for HB116: Mental Hygiene Emergency Evaluation Petitions, Licensed Clinical Marriage & Family Therapists. Annapolis, MD.

SERVICE

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2020 **Invited Expert Commission on Police Violence:** International Society for Research on Aggression
- 2020 **Invited Grant Reviewer:** Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)
- 2019 – Present National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) Inclusion and Diversity Committee, Member at Large, **Elected**
- 2020 *NCFR Research and Policy Briefs*, **Invited Reviewer**

2020	<i>The Journal of Black Psychology</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2019	Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) Conference Reviewer
2019	<i>Journal of Men's Studies</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2019	<i>Behavioral Medicine</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2019	<i>Violence and Victims</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2019	<i>Health Affairs</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2018 – 2019	<i>Journal of Family Theory and Review</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2016 – Present	Homicide Research Consortium, Founding Member, Dr. Tanya Sharpe, University of Maryland, Baltimore, Founder and Director

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2019 – Present	UNC Greensboro Faculty-in-Residence (FIR), Spartan Village and Weil Winfield Residence Halls August 2019: Move-In Day October 2019: Pizza with your FIR Professor
2020	UNC Greensboro Provost Search: Semifinalist Interview Panel of Assistant Professors
2018 – 2019	UNC Greensboro Faculty Mentoring Program

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2020 - Present	UNCG HDFS Strategic Planning Committee
2019	NAVIGATE HDFS Representative
2019 - 2020	UNCG HDFS Peer Review Committee
2018 – 2019	UNCG HDFS Family Research Center Ad Hoc Planning Working group

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT

2020	Everytown for Gun Safety, External Reviewer, Organizational Reports
2019	Cure Violence: Collaborative Consultations and Greensboro Launch Event
2019	<i>Phreedom Center</i> Outreach Team, Evangel Fellowship, Greensboro, NC
2018	Mental Health Awareness Panel, Mt. Zion Baptist Church Greensboro, NC

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2018	<i>Health Education and Behavior</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2017	<i>Family Relations</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2015 – 2016	<i>Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2014 – 2015	<i>Journal of Men's Health</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2013 – 2014	<i>Journal of Child and Family Studies</i> , Ad Hoc Reviewer
2011	National Council on Family Relations, Men in Families Awards Selection Committee
2010 – 2012	National Council on Family Relations, Conference Proposal Reviewer
2006 – 2010	Maryland Council on Family Relations (MCFR) National Council on Family Relations Affiliate Community Service Coordinator, 2009 – 2010

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

- 2017 – 2018 Marist College Library Committee, Faculty Governance Committee
 2017 – 2018 Healing Space Underrepresented Scholars Support Group, Co-Founder and Facilitator
 2016 – 2018 Marist College Faculty Representative, Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, Catherine Street Community Center
 2016 Psychology Club's Faculty-Student Luncheon
 2016 Session Facilitator, Marist College Center for Multicultural Affairs in Black History, Black History Month Film Series
 2016 Faculty Representative, Marist Luncheon with Vanessa de Luca, Editor-in-Chief of Essence Magazine
 2016 Marist Academic Lecture Series: "The Cross and the Lynching Tree" with Dr. James H. Cone
 2016 Faculty-student dinner with Marist guest speaker, Dr. James H. Cone
 2017 – 2018 Creating Inclusive Community Planning Committee and Facilitator
 2017 – 2018 Marist Center for Social Justice Research (MCSJR) Founding Member, Planning Committee

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- 2018 Psychology Department Search Committee, Marist College
 2016 – 2018 Psychology Department Assessment Committee, Goal One, Knowledge Base in Psychology

SELECT COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT

- 2017 SNUG Advisory Board, NY State Implementation of Cure Violence, City of Poughkeepsie, NY
 SNUG's mission in Poughkeepsie is to stem gun violence
<http://www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/story/opinion/valley-views/2017/08/09/snugs-mission-poughkeepsie-stem-gun-violence/540475001/>
 2017 Paul and Timothy Boys to Men Group, Beulah Baptist Church
 Facilitated Session: Grief, masculinity, and spirituality
 2017 Poughkeepsie School District Parent University, Theme: Bullying
 Facilitator, Youth Breakout Session
 2015 – 2017 Family Services, Inc., Teen Resource Activity Center (TRAC)
 Volunteer and Community Partner
 2015 – 2017 Poughkeepsie High School Athletics, Student Mentor
 2012 – 2013 Loss and Grief Psychoeducational and Support Group, Developer and Facilitator, Youth Opportunity (YO)! Baltimore
 Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition
 2012 Camp Forget-Me-Not/Camp Erin, D.C. Therapeutic Grief Camp
 Wendt Center for Loss and Healing, Washington, D.C.
 2011 – 2012 Lights of Hope Crisis Response Team
 Wendt Center for Loss and Healing, Washington, D.C.