Graduate Student Accomplishments
2013-2014

Graduate Student Recognition Lunch
May 8th, 2014
Spice Box
Bevier Hall
## Human and Community Development Graduate Students

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*Admitted Fall 2013*
Publications


Wilkins, T. & Lleras, C. (revise and resubmit). Can parents make a difference during the early school years? The impact of home and school involvement on children’s behavior in elementary school.

**Conference Presentations**

**American Education Research Association (AERA), Philadelphia, PA**
**April 2014**


**American Sociological Association (ASA), New York, NY**
**August, 2013**

Community of Scholars Annual Conference, Champaign, IL
March 2014


HCD Visiting Day, Urbana, IL
March, 2014


Illinois Council on Family Relations (ILCFR), Normal, IL
April 2014


National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), San Antonio, TX
November, 2013


NCFR (continued)


Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA), Austin, TX
March, 2014


UP AMIGOS and ITOPP Biennial Symposia, Champaign, IL
October, 2013


Additional Conference Presentations


Holman, E. G. & Oswald, R. F. (2014, May). I tolerate differences; isn’t that enough? How and why support is different than tolerance for the LGBTQ community. Paper presented at The LGBT Equality Institute, Chicago, IL.


**Fellowships (2013-2014)**

**Chancellor’s Public Engagement Student Fellow**
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

**Jewell L. Taylor National Graduate Fellowship (AAFCS)**
Kimberly Crossman

**Jonathan Baldwin Turner Graduate Fellowship (ACES)**
Sarah Curtiss
Elizabeth Holman
Andrea Kenzer

**Clareta Walker Graduate Fellowship (HCD)**
Niyantri Ravindran

**Emily Schroeder Fellowship (HCD)**
Niyantri Ravindran

**Janice M. Smith Graduate Fellowship (HCD)**
Niyantri Ravindran

**Graduate College Fellowship for Underrepresented Students**
Kevin Linares
Shawn Mendez

**Block Grant Fellowship (HCD/Graduate College)**
Kimberly Crossman
Tamekia Wilkins

**ITOPP Scholars**
Jessica Jarick
Roger Figueroa
Annaliese Feld
Grants (2013-2014)

Research Travel Award (HCD)
Awarded to every HCD doctoral student

Susan Kahl Bates Leadership Development Award (ACES)
- Sarai Coba-Rodriguez
- Katherine Magerko
- Shawn Mendez
- James Monk
- Stephen Cole Perry

Conference Travel Award (Graduate College)
- Sarai Coba-Rodriguez
- Dina Izenstark

ITOPP Scholar Seed Grant
Roger Figueroa (received two grants)

Conference Travel Award (ILCFR)
- Dina Izenstark

Awards (2013-2014)

National Council on Family Relations

Jessie Bernard Award for Outstanding Research Proposal from a Feminist Perspective
- Kimberly Crossman

Cindy Winter Scholarship Award
- Kimberly Crossman

Best Student/New Professional Research Proposal Award
- James “Kale” Monk

Illinois Council on Family Relations

Outstanding Student Research Award
- Elizabeth Holman

Minorities in Agriculture Natural Resources & Related Sciences (MANRRS)

Outstanding Leadership Award
- Tamekia Wilkins

Graduate Research Poster Competition – 1st Place
- Tamekia Wilkins

Graduate Research Paper Competition – 2nd Place
- Tamekia Wilkins
Leadership and Professional Development (2013-2014)

HCD Graduate Student Organization (GSO)
   Helen Emery, President

Illinois Council on Family Relations (ILCFR)
   Kimi Crossman, Co-President
   Elizabeth Holman, Member
   Andrea Kenzer, Member
   Dina Izenstark, Member
   Dan Laxman, Member

Illinois Student Council on Family Relations (ISCFR)
   Andrea Kenzer, President
   Katie Magerko, Member
   Shawn Mendez, Member

Gamma Sigma Delta
   Roger Figueroa, Member

Mental Health Committee at the School of Social Work
   Angel Wang, Student Representative

Minorities in Agriculture Natural Resources & Related Sciences (MANRRS)
   Tamekia Wilkins, Member

Earned the Graduate Teacher Certificate (UIUC Center for Teaching Excellence)
   Elizabeth Holman
   Dina Izenstark

North Carolina State University Building Future Faculty Fellow
   Joanna Wu, Invited Participant

Asian Americans Advancing Justice
   Joanna Wu, Development Intern

The Autism Program
   Angel Wang, Student Intern

International Society for Bayesian Analysis (ISBA)
   Kevin Linares, Member

European Association of Methodology (EAM)
   Kevin Linares, Member

International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP)
   Kevin Linares, Member
HCD Teaching Assignments

Fall 2013

Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105) TA
Shawn Mendez
Joo Hyun Kim
Angel Wang
Dini Izenstark
Joanna Wu (on-line)

Gender, Relationships & Society (HDFS 340) TA
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

Socialization and Development (HDFS 401) TA
Stephen Cole Perry

Critical Family Transitions (HDFS 425) TA
Steve Tran

Practicum in HDFS (HDFS 450): TA
James Monk

Intro to Research Methods (HDFS 290) TA
Tamekia Wilkins

Infancy and Early Childhood (HDFS 301) TA
Matthew Ong

Spring 2014

Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105) TA
Matthew Ong
Andrea Kenzer
Shawn Mendez
Joo Hyun Kim
Joanna Wu (online)

Intro to Research Methods (HDFS 290) TA
Helen Emery
Tamekia Wilkins

Adolescent Development (HDFS 405) TA
Sarah Curtiss
Stephen Cole Perry

Intro to Family Studies (HDFS 120)
Instructor - Dina Izenstark
TA – Angel Wang

Comparative Family Org (HDFS 220/ANTH 210) TA
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez
Steve Tran

HCD 594 (Advanced Quantitative Methods)
Tamekia Wilkins

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students

Spring 2013

Sarai Coba-Rodriguez – HDFS 105
Aisha Griffith – HDFS 405
Dina Izenstark – HDFS 120

Samantha Nielsen – HDFS 290
*Matthew Ong – HDFS 105
Joanna Wu – HDFS 105 (online)

Fall 2013

Helen Emery – HDFS 290
Dina Izenstark – HDFS 105
Joo Hyun Kim – HDFS 105
Shawn Mendez - HDFS 105

*James Monk – HDFS 450
Steve Tran – HDFS 425
Angel Wang – HDFS 105

* Instructor ratings were outstanding
PASSED THEIR QUALIFYING EXAM
Sarah Curtiss
Elizabeth Holman
Dina Izenstark

PASSED THEIR PRELIMINARY EXAM
Stephen Cole Perry

DOCTORAL DEGREES

PhD in Human and Community Development
with a concentration in Human Development and Family Studies

Aisha Griffith
Committee: Dr. Reed Larson, Chair and Director of Research; Dr. Marcella Raffaelli, Dr. Robin Jarrett, Dr. Lisa Boullion Diaz
Dissertation Title: *The Formation of Adolescents’ Trust in Adult Leaders at Project-Based Youth Programs*
May 2014

Matthew Ong
Committee: Dr. Kelly Bost, Chair and Director of Research; Dr. Jennifer Hardesty, Dr. Marcela Raffaelli, Dr. Laura McCluskey, Indiana University
Dissertation Title: *Examining Child Exposure to Intimate Partner Violence: Integration of Resilience Theory and Johnson’s Typology of Domestic Violence*
May 2014

PENDING PhDs

Daniel Laxman
Committee: Dr. Brent McBride, Chair and Director of Research; Dr. Nancy McElwain; Dr. Joseph Pleck; Dr. Rosa Santos Gilbertz; Dr. Sarah Mangelsdorf, Northwestern University
Dissertation Title: *The Effect of Child Disability/Delay Status and Functional Abilities on Father Involvement: An Application of Propensity Score Analysis*
August 2014

Tamekia Wilkins
Committee: Dr. Christy Lleras, Chair and Director of Research; Dr. Kelly Bost; Dr. Robin Jarrett; Dr. Helen Neville
Dissertation Title: *Racial Socialization and Early Educational Outcomes Among Black Children: The Role of Family, School, and Neighborhood Context*
December 2014
MASTER’S DEGREES

Pending MS in Human and Community Development

Shawn Mendez

Advisor: Dr. Ramona Oswald
Second Reader: Dr. Brian Ogolsky

Thesis Title: Race, Place, and Sexuality: A Contextual Understanding of LGB Identity Salience

August 2014

Pending MS/MSW

Angel Wang

December 2014

EMPLOYMENT

Aimee Rickman (PhD August 2013)
Assistant Professor of Child and Family Sciences, California State University at Fresno

Daniel Laxman (PhD August 2014)
Postdoc – Waisman Center – University of Wisconsin

CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!!