



College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

**HDFS** Department of  
**Human Development  
and Family Studies**

# **Graduate Student Accomplishments 2016-2017**

*Graduate Student Recognition Lunch*

May 4, 2017

Spice Box

Bevier Hall

# Graduate Students 2016-2017

Student	Program	Adviser
*Brianna Anderson	PhD – HDFS	Drs. Raffaelli/Wiley
Xi Chen	PhD – HDFS	Dr. McElwain
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Jarrett
Sarah Curtiss	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ebata
*LaKisha David	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Lleras
Helen Emery	PhD – HDFS	Dr. McElwain
Polina Ermoshkina	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Hardesty
Anneliese Cook Feld	PhD – HDFS/ITOPP	Dr. Fiese
Roger Figueroa	PhD – HDFS/ITOPP	Dr. Wiley
Meghan Fisher	PhD – HDFS	Drs. McBride/Fiese
Cagla Giray	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ferguson
Elizabeth Holman	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Oswald
Dina Izenstark	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ebata
Joo Hyun Kim	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Bost
Kevin Linares	PhD - HDFS	Dr. Lleras
Katherine Magerko	PhD - HDFS/MSP	Dr. Wiley
*Christopher Maniotes	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ogolsky
*Gina McGovern	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Larson
Shawn Mendez	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Oswald
Jessica Metcalfe	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Fiese
James Kale Monk	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ogolsky
Stephanie Moore	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Jarrett
Lorraine Munoz	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Raffaelli
Carolyn Orson	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Larson
*So Young Park	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Lleras
Alyssa Parsons	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Bost
Niyantri Ravindran	PhD – HDFS	Drs. McElwain/L. Kramer
TeKisha Rice	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ogolsky
Jasmine Routon	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Oswald
Jaclyn Saltzman	PhD – HDFS/ITOPP	Drs. Fiese/Bost
Jaclyn Theisen	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Ogolsky
Steve Tran	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Raffaelli
Elizabeth Villegas	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Wiley
Angela Whittaker	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Hardesty
*Adam Williams	PhD – HDFS	Dr. Kramer

\*Admitted Fall 2016

# Publications

- Figueroa, R. Saltzman, J.A., Metcalfe, J. & Wiley, A.** (2017). "Culture is so interspersed": Childcare and healthcare providers' perceptions of childhood obesity in South Africa. *Journal of Obesity*.
- Figueroa R. & An, R.** (2016). Motor skill competence and physical activity in preschoolers: a review. *Maternal & Child Health Journal*, 1-11.
- Figueroa, R. & Wiley, A.** (2016). Factors associated with time provided to children for physical activity in family child care: a cross-sectional study. *Springer Plus*, 5(1), 1730.
- Giray, C. Allen, J. W. P., & Ilgaz, H.** (2017). (Dis)harmony in the home: Effects of parental childrearing disagreement on early childhood behavior problems in Turkey. *APA International Psychology Bulletin*.
- Hardesty, J. L., Ogolsky, B. G., Raffaelli, M., **Whittaker, A.**, Crossman, K. A., Haselschwerdt, M. L., Khaw, L. (forthcoming). Coparenting relationship trajectories: Marital violence linked to change and variability after separation. *Journal of Family Psychology*.
- Izenstark, D. & Ebata, A. T.** (forthcoming). The effects of a walk in nature on attention and family cohesion: An experimental design study. *Children, Youth, & Environments*.
- Izenstark, D. & Ebata, A. T.** (2016). Theorizing family-based nature activities and family functioning: The integration of attention restoration theory with a family routines and rituals perspective. *Journal of Family Theory & Review*, 8, 137-153. doi: 10.1111/jftr.12138
- Jarrett, R. L., & **Coba-Rodriguez, S.** (forthcoming). "We 'gonna get on the same page": School readiness perspectives from preschool teachers, kindergarten teachers, and low-income, African American mothers of preschoolers. *The Journal of Negro Education*.
- Jarrett, R. L., & **Coba-Rodriguez, S.** (forthcoming). "People and places:" The value qualitative research has for studying African-American families and urban neighborhoods. *SAGE Research Methods Cases*.
- Jarrett, R. L., & **Coba-Rodriguez, S.** (2017). "We Keep the Education Goin 'at Home All the Time": Family Literacy in Low-Income African American Families of Preschoolers. *Journal of Education for Students Placed at Risk (JESPAR)*, 22(2), 57-76.

- Kang, H., Raffaelli, M., Bowers, J., **Munoz, L.**, & Simpkins, S. (forthcoming). Parental participation in the process of youth joining a program: Perspectives from adolescents and parents. *Family Relations*.
- Kramer, L., Conger, K. J., Hollifield, C., & **Ravindran, N.** (forthcoming). Siblings. In B. H. Fiese (Editor-in-Chief), *APA handbook on contemporary family psychology*.
- Larson, R.W., **Izenstark, D.**, Rodriguez, G., & Perry, S.C. (2016). The art of restraint: How the professional staff of programs use their authority to support youth's agency. *Journal of Research on Adolescence*. doi: 10.1111/jora.12234
- Larson, R. W., **Orson, C.**, & Bowers, J. (forthcoming). Positive Youth Development: How intrinsic motivation amplifies adolescents' social-emotional learning. In M. Warren & S. Donaldson (Eds.), *Scientific advances in positive psychology*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger.
- Liu, J., Zhao, S., **Chen, X.** Albarracin, D., & Folk, E. (forthcoming). The influence of peer behavior as a function of social cultural closeness: A meta-analysis of normative influence on adolescent smoking initiation and continuation. *Psychological Bulletin*.
- McBride, B.A., **Curtiss, S.L.**, Uchima, K., Laxman, D. J., Santos, R. M., Weglarz-Ward, J., Dyer, W. J., Jeans, L. M., & Kern, J. (2017). Father involvement in early intervention: Exploring the gap between service providers' perceptions and practices. *Journal of Early Intervention*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1177/1053815116686118
- Monk, J. K.**, Oseland, L. M., Nelson-Goff, B. S., Ogolsky, B. G., & \*Summers, K. (forthcoming) Integrative intensive retreats for veteran couples and families: A pilot study assessing change in relationship adjustment, posttraumatic growth, and trauma symptoms. *Journal of Marital and Family Therapy*.
- Nelson Goff, B. S., **Monk, J. K.**, \*Malone, J., \*Staats, N., \*Tanner, A., Springer, N. P. (2016). Comparing parents of children with Down Syndrome at different life span stages. *Journal of Marriage & Family*, 78, 1131-1148.
- Ogolsky, B. G., & **Monk, J. K.** (forthcoming). Maintaining relationships. In A. Vangelisti & D. Perlman (Eds.), *Cambridge handbook of personal relationships* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition). Cambridge University Press.

## Publications (cont.)

- Ogolsky, B. G., & **Monk, J. K.** (forthcoming). Dating and couple formation. In B. Fiese (Ed.), *APA handbook of contemporary family psychology*. Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.
- Ogolsky, B., **Monk, J.K., Rice, T., Theisen, J., & Maniotes, C.R.** (in press). Relationship Maintenance: A Review of Research on Romantic Relationships. *Journal of Family Theory & Review*.
- Oswald, R. & **Routon, J.** (2016). Review of Deborah Bray Preston and Anthony R. D'Augelli: The challenges of bring a rural gay man: Coping with stigma. *Journal of GLBT Family Studies*.
- Raffaelli, M., Iturbide, M. I., Saucedo, M., & **Munoz, L.** (2016). You hear stories about what they did and it makes you go "wow": Adolescents narrate caregiver stories about a difficult time. *Journal of Adolescent Research*.
- Saltzman, J.A.,** Pineros-Leano, M., Liechty, J.M., Bost, K.K., Fiese, B.H., & the STRONG Kids Team. (2016). Eating, feeding, and feeling: Emotional responsiveness mediates longitudinal associations between maternal binge eating, feeding practices, and child weight. *International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition & Physical Activity*. 13(89), 1-14. doi: 10.1186/s12966-016-0415-5
- Saltzman, J.A.,** & Liechty, J.M. (2016) Family correlates of childhood binge eating: A systematic review. (2016). *Eating Behaviors*, 9(22), 62-71. doi: 10.1016/j.eatbeh.2016.03.027
- Saltzman, J.A.,** Liechty, J.M., Bost, K.K., Fiese, B.H., & the STRONG Kids Team. (2016) Parent binge eating and restrictive feeding practices: Indirect effects of parent responses to child negative emotion. *Eating Behaviors*, 21, 150-154. doi: 10.1016/j.eatbeh.2016.02.001
- Vennum, A., **Monk, J. K.,** Pasley, B. K., & Fincham, F. D. (forthcoming). Emerging adult relationship transitions as opportune times for tailored interventions. *Emerging Adulthood*.

# Conference Presentations

## International Association of Relationship Research (IARR) Toronto, ON July, 2016

**Monk, J. K.**, Ogolsky, B. G., & Oswald, R. F. *Coming out and getting back in: On-off instability and mental health in same and different sex relationships.* (Paper)

Ogolsky, B.G., **Monk, J.K.**, Surra, C., **Rice, T.M.**, & **Theisen, J.C.** *Pathways of commitment to wed: A couple level analysis of the development and dissolution of romantic relationships.* (Paper)

**Rice, T.M.**, Ogolsky, B.G., & Oswald, R.F. *The influence of individuals' attitude toward same-sex marriage on experiences of stress, instability, and relationship maintenance.* (Poster)

**Theisen, J.C.**, Ogolsky, B. G., & Simpson, J. A. *How humor, stress, and pregnancy intention relate to relationship satisfaction across the transition to parenthood.* (Poster)

## National Research Conference on Early Childhood Washington, DC July 2016

**Fisher, M.**, McBride, B.A. & Fiese, B.H. *Head Start performance standards: Exploring the need for nutrition related professional development.* (Poster)

**National Council on Family Relations (NCFR)**  
**Minneapolis, MN**  
**November 2016**

Bermea, A., **Ermoshkina, P., Whittaker, A.**, Khaw, L., Hardesty, J., & Saunders, D. *Experiences of survivors of intimate partner violence in family courts.* (Paper)

**Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. "*We all about education...": African- American mothers' involvement in kindergarten.* (Paper)

**Giray, C.**, Ebata, A., & Wiley, A. . *STEP: State of extension programs for refugee and immigrant families in the U.S in 2016.* In Symposium "Family life education in international perspective." (Paper)

**Metcalfe, J. J.**, Fiese, B, Cole, N. C., & Jones, B. *The relationship between children's narratives about meals and observed family mealtime communication.* (Poster)

**Monk, J. K.** *Redefining relationship instability: An integrative model of fluctuating commitment.* Paper presented at the Theory Construction and Research Methodology (TCRM) workshop.

**Monk, J. K.**, Oseland, L., & Nelson Goff, B. S. Collaborating with underserved veteran couples to promote mental health. In J. K. Monk (Chair), & B. L. Letiecq (Co-Chair), *Collaborative health: Community-based action with families on the margins.* Symposium presentation.

Oswald, R., **Routon, J.**, & Holman, E. Sexual minority parents' perceptions of their residential communities as tolerant v. supportive. In Oswald (chair), *The perceptions and effects of community support and stigma on LGBTQ family members.* Symposium presentation.

**Rice, T.M.**, Ogolsky, B.G., **Monk, J.K**, Oswald, R.F. Heterosexism, instability, and commitment in same-sex relationships. In R. F. Oswald (Chair), *LGBTQ family members in community contexts.* Symposium presentation.

**Theisen, J. C.**, Ogolsky, B. G., & Wiley, A. R. *Fit and happy: How exercise and maintenance buffer the effects of stress.* (Paper)

**Villegas, E.**, Wiley, A., Teran-Garcia, M., Hannon, B., Santiago-Cruz, M. *Engaging communities to promote healthy eating among Hispanic families.* (Paper)

**Whittaker, A.**, Mitchell, E., Raffaelli, M., & Hardesty, J. *Youth adjustment after parental separation: Impact of marital violence.* (Poster)

**Experimental Biology Annual Conference  
Chicago, IL  
April 2017**

Emberton, E., **Metcalf, J. J.**, Liu, R., Fiese, B. & McCaffrey, J. *Gender Differences in Dietary Attitudes and Behaviors of Participants in the Illinois Junior Chefs Program.* (Poster)

Hannon, B., **Villegas, E.**, Wiley, A., Teran-Garcia, M. *The 2015 Dietary Guidelines for Americans: Adherence to Key Recommendations in Hispanic Females.* (Poster)

Liu, R., **Metcalf, J. J.**, Emberton, E., Fiese, B., McCaffrey, J. *The Impact of Program Structure on Outcomes of the Illinois Junior Chefs Program.* (Poster)

Luna, V., **Villegas, E.**, Hannon, B., Hammons, A., Cruz-Santiago, M., Wiley, A., Teran-Garcia, M. *Acculturation and Hispanic-Heritage Mothers' Perception of Child Weight as Related to Child Feeding Practices.* (Poster)

**Metcalf, J. J.**, Emberton, E., Liu, R., Fiese, B., & McCaffrey, J. *The Illinois Junior Chefs Program: Demographic Associations with Dietary Attitudes and Behaviors at Baseline.* (Presentation)

**Saltzman, J. A.**, Cole, N. C., Bost, K. K., Donovan, S. M., Fiese, B. H. *Responsive feeding and breastfeeding moderate the association between maternal attachment security and overeating in 18-month old infants in the STRONG Kids 2 Cohort.* (Presentation)

**Villegas, E.**, Hannon, B., Hammons, A., Teran-Garcia, M., Wiley, A. *Is Food Security Influencing Emotional Health?: A Study with Hispanic Immigrant Mother.* (Poster)



**Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)**  
**Austin, TX**  
**April 2017**

Bost, K. K., **Saltzman, J. A., Parsons, A. C.**, Cole, N. C., Martin, M. M., Fiese, B. H., Donovan, S. M., & Musaad, S. (April 2017). *Child temperament, eating behavior, and maternal attachment style as predictors of children's executive functioning.* (Poster)

**Chen, Xi:** *It matters more for gloomy children: Real-time associations between maternal sensitivity and child behavior and affect.*

**Curtiss, S.L.**, McBride, B., Uchima, K., Laxman, D., Santos, R., Weglarz-Ward, J., & Kern, J. *Understanding provider perceptions: Father involvement in early intervention.* (Paper)

**Fisher, M.**, Musaad, S., Fiese, B. H., & Koester, B. *Sprouts: Growing healthy habits for Pre-K and Kindergarten students.* (Poster)

**Giray, C.**, & Ferguson, G. M. Help me daddy, mommy is an AmeriTürk: Remote Acculturation gaps between divorced co-parents and child well-being in Turkey. In *The upsides and downsides of globalization and remote acculturation for youth well-being in the Majority world.* Symposium presentation.

**Izenstark, D.** & Ebata, A. *The affective benefits of a walk in nature on mother-daughter dyads.* (Poster)

Laxman, D., Santos, R., Kern, J., McBride, B., Jeans, L., **Curtiss, S.L.**, Dyer, J. *Parental attitudes of immigrant mother from the Philippines, Mexico, China, and India.* (Poster)

Martin, M. M., **Saltzman, J. A.**, Parsons, A. P., Bost, K. K., & the STRONG Kids Team. *Relations between maternal depressive symptoms and child feeding practices: Indirect effects through fitness reactions.* (Poster)

McBride, B. A., **Fisher, M.**, Lundquist, A., Musaad, S., & Fiese, B. H. *Early child care attendance as a risk factor for childhood obesity.* (Poster)

**Metcalfe, J. J.**, McCaffrey, J. & Fiese, B., Liu, R., Emberton, E. *Children's cooking program improves dietary behaviors and attitudes: A pilot study of the Illinois Junior Chefs program.* (Poster)

Mitchell, E. T., **Whittaker, A.** Raffaelli, M., & Hardesty, J. L. *Youth adjustment after parental intimate partner violence and separation: Age and gender differences.* (Poster)

**Munoz, L.** & Raffaelli, M. Perspectives From parent-adolescent dyads on parental involvement in their adolescents' out-of-school programs. *Examining Latino parents' understanding and involvement in youth out-of-school programs.* Symposium presentation.

**Orson, C.** *The art of reframing: How leaders of afterschool programs help youth learn to manage challenge.* (Poster)

**Parsons, A. C.,** Bost, K. K., **Saltzman, J. A.,** & Fiese, B. H. *An observational study of how parents socialize toddlers' mealtime emotions: Links to attachment, feeding, and distress responses.* (Poster)

**Ravindran, N., Emery, H. E.,** McElwain, N. L., Groh, A. M., & Roisman, G. I. (2017, April). *Mothers' physiological reactivity and regulation: Interactive contributions to parenting during mother-toddler interactions.* (Poster)

**Saltzman, J.A.,** Balanketin, K., Mussaad, S., Bost, K. K., Fiese, B.H., & the STRONG Kids Team. *Factor analysis of the comprehensive feeding practices questionnaire: Longitudinal associations with child weight in preschoolers.* (Poster)

**Saltzman, J. A.,** Bost, K. K., Fiese, B. H., Wiley, A., & the STRONG Kids Team. *Does observed mealtime emotional climate predict child dietary intake or weight? Longitudinal analysis of home-based family meals.* (Poster)

**Villegas, E.,** Rusk, N., Raffaelli, M., *Youth programs as sites of emotional learning for adolescent: Differences between leadership, arts performance, and STEM Programs.* (Poster)

**UIUC Undergraduate Research Symposium  
Champaign, IL  
April 2017**

\*Esparza, X., Sosa, S., **Coba-Rodriguez, S.,** & Jarrett, R.J. *Barriers among Low-income Latino Families with Young Children Transitioning to Kindergarten.* (Poster)

\*Orosio, M., **Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. (2016, April). *What are low-income Latino parents' perspectives on the impact that Head Start has on their children?* Poster presented at the Illinois Undergraduate Research Symposium, Champaign, IL

\*Stevens, C., **Curtiss, S.L.**, & Ebata, A. *Identifying successful strategies for children on the autism spectrum during mealtimes.* (Poster)

\*Wurtzel, R., **Curtiss, S.L.**, & Ebata, A. *Understanding mealtimes for a family with a child with autism: A case study.* (Poster)

\*Undergraduates

**International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical  
Activity (ISBNPA)  
Victoria, British Columbia, Canada  
June 2017**

**Saltzman, J.A.**, Cole, N.C., **Figueroa, R.**, Bost, K.K., Wiley, A., Lee, S-Y, Donovan, S. M., Fiese, B.H., & the STRONG Kids Team. *Effects of Maternal Emotional Responses on Child Health Behaviors: A STRONG Kids Study.* (Paper)

**Additional Conference Presentations**

Ackerman, C., Pugh, K., **Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. (2017, April). *"Writing the destiny for all those kids": How low-income African-American and Latino Mothers Promote Their Children's School Readiness.* Poster presented at the Researchers Initiative Poster Symposium, Champaign, IL

Adeigbe, R., Aguilar, R., & **Figueroa, R.** (2016, June). *Getting in and getting through a doctoral program: Exito! alumni tell their stories.* Panel presentation at 2016 Exito! Latino Cancer Research Leadership Training Summer Institute at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, USA.

Aguinaga, S., **Figueroa, R.**, & Ortiz, L. (2016, November). *Latinos in Academia: Sharing our experiences.* Panel presentation for La Casa Cultural Latina at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois.

- Brooks, J., & **Coba-Rodriguez, S.** (2016, June). *Cultivate successful participation and outcomes in study abroad experience: Tips for constructing/improving your pre-departure course*. Paper presented at the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture, Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI.
- Chapa, J., Trent, W., Perez, V., **Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, Perez, J., Rodriguez, G., Perez, M., & Ortega, C. (2016, August). *Examining the educational experiences of Latinos in the U.S.* Poster presented at the 2016 New Graduate Welcome Reception, Champaign, IL.
- Coba-Rodriguez, S.** (2016, June). *Working with Latino families*. Symposium presented at the Illinois Birth Through Third Grade (B-3) Continuity Conference, in Bloomington-Normal, IL.
- Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. (2016, May). *"It is not like I am not trying": Promoting home-school partnerships with African-American families*. Poster presented at the 12th Congress of Qualitative Inquiry Annual Conference, Champaign, IL.
- Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. (2016, December). *Creating a bridge between low-income Latino Families and Head Start*. Workshop conducted at the National Head start Association Parent, Staff, and Leadership Training Conference, San Juan, PR.
- Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, & Jarrett, R.J. (2016, December). *Promoting home-school partnerships for African American families*. Workshop conducted at the National Head start Association Parent, Staff, and Leadership Training Conference, San Juan, PR.
- Crossman, K., **Whittaker, A.**, Hardesty, J. L. (2016, July). *Safely recruiting and retaining divorcing women in IPV research*. Poster presented at the International Family Violence and Child Victimization Research Conference. Portsmouth, NH.
- Curtiss, S.L.** (2016, October). *The birds and the bees: Using human sexuality education as a strategy for autism acceptance*. Invited talk at Champaign-Urbana Autism Network Fall Conference with Temple Grandin. Champaign, IL.
- Figueroa, R.**, Garcia, M., Lopez, N. (2017, June). *Getting in and getting through a doctoral program: Exito! alumni tell their stories*. Panel presentation at 2017 Exito! Latino Cancer Research Leadership Training Summer Institute at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, USA.

- Figueroa, R.** (2016, November). *Assessing FMS, Perceived Motor Competence, PA, Fitness, and Body Composition among 3-5 year olds attending Family Child Care: Lessons Learned and Future Directions*. Oral presentation at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Assembly of the International Consortium on Motor Development Research: Advancing Motor Development Research in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, USA.
- Figueroa, R., Wiley, A. & Hannon, B.** (2017, April). *Latino Parents' Perceptions of Health Behavior Practices: A Sociospatial Grounded Theory*. Paper presentation at the 15th World Congress on Public Health (WCPH2017), Melbourne, Australia.
- Figueroa, R. & Wiley, A.** (2016, November). *Factors Associated with Time Provided to Children for Physical Activity in Family Childcare: A Cross-Sectional Study*. Paper presentation at the 6th International Congress on Physical Activity and Public Health (ISPAH2016) "Active People, Active Place, Active Policy", Bangkok, Thailand.
- Figueroa, R., & Wiley, A.** (2017, June). *Family Day Care Providers' Proxy Report of Preschoolers' Motor Skill Competence in relation to Actual Motor Skill Competence*. Paper presentation at The North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity (NASPSPA) Conference 2017 (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), San Diego, California, USA.
- Figueroa, R. & Wiley, A.** (2016, November). *Which Physical Activity (PA) Affordances in Family Child Care (FCC) are more likely to predict adherence to PA recommendations by FCC Providers?* Paper presentation at the 6th International Congress on Physical Activity and Public Health (ISPAH2016) "Active People, Active Place, Active Policy", Bangkok, Thailand.
- Figueroa, R. Saltzman, J., Jarick, J. & Wiley, A.** (2015, October). *"Culture is so interspersed": Childcare & Healthcare Providers' Perceptions of Childhood Obesity in South Africa*. Paper presentation at the 21st Annual Qualitative Health Research Conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Giray, C., Ferguson, G. M., Nguyen, J., & Iturbide, M. I.** (2016, August). *The adaptive value of ethnic, national, and multicultural orientations for immigrants and nationals in the United States*. In Symposium "Revisiting the culture of heritage: The forms and functions of cultural continuity." Paper presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> International Congress of the International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP), Nagoya, Japan.

- Giray, C.** Allen, J. W. P., & Ilgaz, H. (2016, August). *Harmony in the home: Effects of parental childrearing disagreement on early childhood behavior problems*. Poster presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> International Congress of the International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP), Nagoya, Japan.
- Hannon, B., **Villegas, E.**, Wiley, A., Teran-Garcia, M. (2017, April) *The 2015 Dietary Guidelines for Americans: Adherence to Key Recommendations in Hispanic Females*. Poster Presented at the Experimental Biology, Chicago, IL.
- Hood, L., Hunt, E., **Coba-Rodriguez, S.**, Garcia, G., & Rosa, P. (2016, April). *Teacher evaluation in early childhood*. Paper presentation at American Educational Research Association, Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
- Izenstark, D.** & Ebata, A. (April, 2017). *The natural environment as a context for fostering positive mental health benefits and family interactions*. Paper presentation at the Illinois Council on Family Relations Conference, Bloomington, IL.
- Izenstark, D.** & Ebata, A. (October, 2016). *The impact of family-based nature activities on health and family wellness*. Paper presentation at the National Recreation and Park Association Conference, St. Louis, MO.
- Izenstark, D.**, & Ebata, A. (2016, June). *The benefits of a walk in the park for mothers and daughters*. Paper presentation at the Jean Piaget Society 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Metcalfe, J. J.**, McCaffrey, J. & Fiese, B. *How can we Address Implementation Variability in Evaluating Community-Based Interventions with Children?* Poster presented at the Developmental Methods Conference, September 2016, Whitefish, MT.
- Metcalfe, J. J.** & McCaffrey, J. *Pre-Testing and Refinement of a Cooking Program for Children: A Pilot Study of the Illinois Junior Chefs Program*. Poster presented at Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Annual Meeting, July 2016, San Diego, CA.
- Metcalfe, J. J.**, Fiese, B. H. & the STRONG Kids Team. *Children's Food Involvement is Related to Healthier Dietary Behaviors*. Poster presented at Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Annual Meeting, July 2016, San Diego, CA.

- Monk, J. K.**, Oseland, L., Nelson Goff, B. S., & Ogolsky, B. G. (2016, September). *Mental health disclosure and responsiveness in military couples*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, Indianapolis, IN.
- Oswald, R. & **Routon, J.** (2016, November). *Rural communities and LGBT health and well-being*. Invited presentation to Illinois Extension.
- Oswald, R., & **Routon, J.** (2017, January). *Working with LGBTQ youth: Health, well-being, and rural communities*. Invited webinar presented to Illinois Extension.
- Ravindran, N.**, Berry, D., & McElwain, N. L. (2016, May). *Moment-to-Moment Bidirectional Associations between Maternal Support and Child Dysregulation in a Challenging Situation*. In M Swingler (Chair), Predictors of Emotional Regulation and Dysregulation in Infancy. Biennial International Congress for Infant Studies, New Orleans, Louisiana. (Paper)
- Saltzman, J. A.**, Cole, N. C., Figueroa, R., Bost, K. K., Fiese, B. H., Lee, S-Y., Donovan, S. M. (June 2017). *Effects of maternal emotional responses on child health behaviors: A STRONG Kids study*. Oral presentation at the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity. Victoria, British Columbia.
- Saltzman, J. A.**, Cole, N. C., Bost, K. K., Donovan, S. M., Fiese, B. H. (April 2017). *Responsive feeding and breastfeeding moderate the association between maternal attachment security and overeating in 18-month old infants in the STRONG Kids 2 Cohort*. Oral presentation at the American Society for Nutrition, Experimental Biology. Chicago, IL.
- Pineros-Leano, M., **Saltzman, J. A.**, & Liechty, J. M., (January 2017). *Maternal Depressive Symptoms and Their Association with Breastfeeding and Childhood Adiposity*. Oral presentation at the Society for Social Work Research. New Orleans, LA.
- Saltzman, J.A.**, Pineros-Leano, M., Liechty, J.M., Bost, K.K., Fiese, B.H., & the STRONG KIDS Team (June 2016). *Eating, feeling, and feeding: Does maternal binge eating predict use of child feeding practices through emotional responsiveness?* Oral presentation at the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity. Cape Town, South Africa.
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## **Fellowships (2016-2017)**

### **University of Illinois Distinguished Fellowship**

Xi Chen

### **Graduate College Distinguished Fellowship**

LaKisha David

### **Graduate College Fellowship**

TeKisha Rice

### **Block Grant Fellowship (HDFS/Graduate College)**

Brianna Franklin

Gina McGovern

So Young Park

### **Jonathan Baldwin Turner Graduate Fellowship (ACES)**

Christopher Maniotes

Angela Whittaker

Carolyn Orson

Adam Williams

### **College of ACES Fellowship**

Lorraine Munoz

### **Lita Bane Fellowship (HDFS)**

Gina McGovern

### **Clareta Walker Graduate Fellowship (HDFS)**

Brianna Franklin

### **Earnest Anderson Graduate Fellowship (HDFS)**

Brianna Franklin

### **Emily Schroeder Fellowship (HDFS)**

Brianna Anderson

### **Janice M. Smith Graduate Fellowship (HDFS)**

Gina McGovern

### **Thomason Fellowship**

Stephanie Moore



**National Research Service Award (NRSA)**

Roger Figueroa

**ITOPP Scholars**

Anneliese Feld    Roger Figueroa    Jessica Metcalf    Jaclyn Saltzman

**Grants 2016-2017**

**HDFS Travel Award**

**Fall 2016**

Sarai Coba-Rodriguez  
Polina Ermoshkina  
Shawn Mendez  
James Monk  
Jasmine Routon  
Jaclyn Theisen  
Angela Whittaker

**Spring 2017**

Dina Izenstark  
Lorraine Munoz  
Carolyn Orson

**Susan Kahl Bates Leadership Development Award (ACES)**

Roger Figueroa	(Summer 2016)
TeKisha Rice	(Summer 2016)
Jaclyn Theisen	(Summer 2016)
Meghan Fisher	(Fall 2016)
Adam Williams	(Fall 2016)
Niyantri Ravindran	(Spring 2017)
Jaclyn Theisen	(Spring 2017)

**Conference Travel Award (Graduate College)**

James Monk	(Fall 2016)
Stephanie Moore	(Fall 2016)
Carolyn Orson	(Spring 2017)
Jasmine Routon	(Spring 2017)

**Grants 2016-2017 (cont.)**

**Christopher Family Foundation, Food & Family Grant**

Jaclyn Saltzman

**Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies – Tinker Field Research**

Elizabeth Villegas

**ACF Child Care Scholar Dissertation Grant**

Meghan Fisher

# Awards 2016-2017

**American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy  
Cutting Edge Research Award**  
James Monk

**2017 Graduate Student Research Award, PhD – College of ACES**  
Jaclyn Saltzman

**2016 Dolores Norton Research Award, IL Association of Infant Mental  
Health**  
Jaclyn Saltzman

**Jesse Bernard Outstanding Research Proposal from a Feminist Perspective**  
Shawn Mendez

**Graduate College – Academic Excellence Award  
Educational Equity Programs**  
Shawn Mendez

**2017 Louis V Logeman Graduate Student Teaching Award  
College of ACES**  
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

**2017 Academic Excellence & Good Citizenship – Graduate College**  
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

**2017 Service to the University Award – Graduate College**  
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

**Graduate Student International Grant - ACES Office of International  
Programs**  
Cagla Giray  
Elizabeth Villegas  
Awards 2016-2017 (cont.)

**Illinois Council on Family Relations**  
James Kale Monk – Outstanding Student Research Award  
Angela Whittaker – Outstanding Student Research Award

**National Council on Family Relationships Student Award 2016**  
James Kale Monk

**Feldman Outstanding Research Proposal for Research in Family Policy  
(NCFR)**

James Kale Monk

**2016 Joseph Pleck Outstanding Graduate Student Award (HDFS)**

Dina Izenstark

**Academy of Leisure Science's Best Student Abstract**

Dina Izenstark

**International Association for Relationship Research**

James Kale Monk – Travel Award

**Graduate College Educational Equity Program Service Award**

Jaclyn Theisen

**Graduate College Academic Excellence & Good Citizenship Award**

Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

Shawn Mendez

**National Recreation & Park Association**

Dina Izenstark – Best Research Abstract for Health & Wellness Pillar

**International Conference Travel Award, American Psychology Association**

Cagla Giray

# **Leadership & Professional Development 2016-2017**

## **HDFS Graduate Student Organization (GSO)**

Shawn Mendez – President

Tekisha Rice - Secretary

Niyantri Ravindran - Treasurer

## **Illinois Council on Family Relations (ILCFR)**

TeKisha Rice      Co-President

## **Illinois Student Council on Family Relations (ISCFR)**

Angela Whittaker – President

Jaclyn Theisen - Treasurer

## **School of Methods and Techniques European Consortium for Political Research**

Anneliese Feld

## **Guest Lecturer - School of Social Work**

Jaclyn Saltzman

## **Annual LGBTQ Scholars of Color Conference (invitation only)**

Jasmine Routon

Shawn Mendez

## **Children’s Nutrition Education Division of the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior**

Jessica Jarick – Student Representative

## **CIC Traveling Scholarship – Northwestern University**

Roger Figueroa

## **University of Michigan – Teaching Assistantship – Summer 2016**

Roger Figueroa

## **2017-2018 Athletic Board**

Brianna Franklin

## **NCFR Student & New Professional (SN/P) International Section**

Cagla Giray

# **HDFS Teaching Assignments 2016-2017**

## **Summer 2016**

### **Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105, on-line) Co-Instructors**

Sarai Coba-Rodriguez  
Shawn Mendez

## **Fall 2016**

### **Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105) TAs**

Sarah Curtiss                      Roger Figueroa                      Jasmine Routon  
LaKisha David                      Dina Izenstark

### **HDFS 105 (on-line) Instructor**

Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

### **HDFS 105 (on-line) TA**

Stephanie Moore

### **Intro to Family Studies (HDFS 120) Instructor**

Shawn Mendez

### **Families in Global Perspective (HDFS 220/ANTH 210) TA**

Polina Ermoshkina

### **Intro to Research Methods (HDFS 290) TAs**

Lorraine Munoz                      Alyssa Parsons

### **Infancy and Early Childhood (HDFS 301) TA**

Helen Emery

### **Gender, Relationships & Society (HDFS 340/GWS 340/SOC 322) TA**

Angela Whittaker

### **Socialization and Development (HDFS 401) TA**

Steve Tran

### **Critical Family Transitions (HDFS 425) TA**

Dina Izenstark

### **Practicum in HDFS (HDFS 450) TA**

Sarah Curtiss

## Spring 2017

### **Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105) TAs**

Sarah Curtiss                      Stephanie Moore  
LaKisha David                      Brianna Franklin  
S Young Park                      TeKisha Rice

### **Intro to Human Development (HDFS 105, on-line) Co-Instructors**

Shawn Mendez                      Angela Whittaker

### **Intro to Family Studies (HDFS 120) TA**

Jasmine Routon

### **Comparative Family Org (HDFS 220/ANTH 210) TA**

Polina Ermoshkina

### **Close Relationships (HDFS 225) Instructor**

James Monk

### **Intro to Research Methods (HDFS 290) TA**

Lorraine Munoz  
Alyssa Parsons

### **Infancy and Early Childhood (HDFS 301) Co-Instructors**

Jessica Metcalfe  
Sarai Coba-Rodriguez

### **Middle Childhood (HDFS 305) TA**

Helen Emery

### **Adolescent Development (HDFS 405) TAs**

Sarah Curtiss  
Gina McGovern

### **Qualitative Methods (HDFS 591G) TA**

Dina Izenstark

### **Intermediate Statistical Analysis (HDFS 594) TA**

Xi Chen

# List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students, 2016

## Spring 2016

Polina Ermoshkina – HDFS 120 TA  
Lorraine Munoz - HDFS 105 TA  
Alyssa Parsons - HDFS 290 TA  
Jasmine Routon – HDFS 105 TA  
Jaclyn Theisen – HDFS 105 TA

- Steve Tran – HDFS 405 TA
- Angela Whittaker – HDFS 594 TA

## Fall 2016

Sarah Curtiss – HDFS 105 TA  
Helen Emery – HDFS 301 TA  
Roger Figueroa – HDFS 105 TA

- Dina Izenstark – HDFS 105 TA

Shawn Mendez - HDFS 120 Instructor  
Alyssa Parsons – HDFS 290 TA  
Jasmine Routon – HDFS 105 TA  
Angela Whittaker – HDFS 340 TA

- Instructor ratings were outstanding

## **Passed their Qualifying Exam (2016-2017)**

Jessica Metcalfe

## **Passed their Preliminary Exam 2016-2017**

Helen Emery  
Roger Figueroa  
Meghan Fisher  
Joo Hyun Kim  
Jaclyn Saltzman

## **Passed their Thesis Equivalency**

Meghan Fisher  
Jessica Metcalfe  
Jaclyn Saltzman

## **Master's Degrees**

**Christy Clarke**

August 2016

MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *Emotional eating in early Jamaican adolescents: The role of remote acculturation, psychological distress and U.S. media*

Advisor: Dr. Gail Ferguson  
Second Reader: Dr. Angela Wiley



**Lorraine Munoz** August 2016  
MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *Perspectives from parent-adolescent dyads on parental engagement in their adolescents' out-of-school programs*

Advisor: Dr. Marcela Raffaelli  
Second Reader: Dr. Reed Larson

**Cagla Giray** December 2016  
MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *Children of Ameritürk mothers and traditional Turkish fathers: Perceived remote acculturation gaps between divorced coparents, and child well-being in Turkey*

Advisor: Dr. Gail Ferguson  
Second Reader: Dr. Robert Hughes

**Alyssa Claire Parsons** December 2016  
MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *The role of attachment security in the intergenerational transmission of obesity: A longitudinal Study*

Advisor: Dr. Kelly Bost  
Second Reader: Dr. Angela Wiley

**Stephanie Moore** May 2017  
MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Advisor: Dr. Robin Jarrett

**TeKisha Monet Rice** May 2017  
MS in Human Development and family Studies

Thesis Title: *Trajectories of commitment and instability across the legalization of same-sex marriage: An examination of the role of heterosexual experiences*

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

**Jaclyn Christine Theisen**

May 2017

MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *Dyad to Triad: A longitudinal Analysis of how humor and pregnancy intention affect couples transitioning to parenthood*

Advisor: Dr. Brian Ogolsky

Second Reader: Dr. Kelly Bost

**Elizabeth Marie Villegas**

May 2017

MS in Human Development and Family Studies

Thesis Title: *The effects of parental resiliency on children's health adjustment*

Advisor: Dr. Angela Wiley

Second Reader: Dr. Marcela Raffaelli

## **Doctor of Philosophy In Human Development & Family Studies**

**Elizabeth Holman**

August 2016

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Exploring minority stress processes and social supports in the workplace: individuals in same-sex relationships manage the work/family border*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Ramona Oswald, Chair  
Dr. Jennifer Hardesty  
Dr. Sharde Smith  
Dr. Anisa Zvonkovic, Virginia Tech

**Katherine Magerko**

December 2016

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Healthy hearts in Family child care: What is the current state of provider health?*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Angela Wiley, Chair  
Dr. Barbara Fiese  
Dr. Brent McBride  
Dr. Margarita Teran-Garcia

**Steve Tran**

December 2016

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Examining autonomy support, relatedness, and decision making during adolescence in a diverse U.S. sample*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Marcela Raffaelli, Chair  
Dr. Reed Larson  
Dr. Gail Ferguson  
Dr. Eva Pomerantz

**Sarah L. Curtiss**

May 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Understanding shared family meals on the autism spectrum*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Aaron Ebata, Chair  
Dr. Brent McBride  
Dr. Ramona Faith Oswald  
Dr. Rosa Santos

**Dina Izenstark**

May 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *The effects of the natural environment on attention and family functioning: An experimental study*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Aaron Ebata, Chair  
Dr. Nancy McElwain  
Dr. Angela Wiley  
Dr. Andrea Faber Taylor

**James Kale Monk**

May 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Boomerang coupling: The role of differentiation, violence, commitment, and deciding in on-off relationship instability*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Brian Ogolsky, Chair  
Dr. Jennifer Hardesty  
Dr. Ramona Faith Oswald  
Dr. Leanne Knobloch

## **Pending Doctor of Philosophy In Human Development & Family Studies**

**Roger Figueroa Bautista**

August 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Family Child Care Physical Activity (FCCPA) Ecology: A Qualitative GIS Study*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Angela Wiley, Chair  
Dr. Robin Jarrett  
Dr. Brent McBride  
Dr. Mei-Po Kwan

**Sarai Coba-Rodriguez**

August 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Preparing Latino/a Students for kindergarten: Understanding school readiness and parental involvement through the eyes of Latina mothers and preschool teachers*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Robin Jarrett, Chair  
Dr. Brent McBride  
Dr. Angela Wiley  
Dr. Sandra Nettles (Ed Psych)

**Helen Emery**

August 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Family interaction in early adolescence: Assessing its contribution to early adolescents' socio-emotional adjustment*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Nancy McElwain, Chair  
Dr. Kelly Bost  
Dr. Kelly Tu Frantz  
Dr. Laurie Kramer  
Dr. Daniel Berry (University of MN)

**Shawn Mendez**

August 2017

PhD in Human Development and Family Studies

TITLE: *Parenting processes in Black and mixed race LGQ parent families: Racial and queer socialization*

COMMITTEE: Dr. Ramona Faith Oswald, Chair  
Dr. Aaron Ebata  
Dr. Robin Jarrett  
Dr. Kate Kovalanka, University of Miami of Ohio

# Employment

<b>Roger Figueroa Bautista</b>	NIH T32 Postdoctoral Traineeship Harvard T.H Chan School of Public Health, Harvard University
<b>Sarai Coba-Rodriguez</b>	Assistant Professor Department of Educational Psychology University of Illinois at Chicago
<b>Sarah L. Curtiss</b>	MSU-DOCTRID Hegarty Fellows Postdoctoral Research Program Department of Counseling Educational Psychology & Special Education at Michigan State and Ireland (co-located)
<b>Elizabeth Holman</b>	Assistant Professor of HDFS Bowling Green State University, OH
<b>Dina Izenstark</b>	Assistant Professor Department of Child and Adolescent Development San Jose State University
<b>Shawn Mendez</b>	Assistant Professor of Sociology Department of Sociology and Anthropology University of North Carolina Asheville
<b>James Kale Monk</b>	Assistant Professor University of Missouri

**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
EVERYONE!!**