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***EDUCATION***

**MS, Human Development and Family Studies** August 2021—Dec 2023

*Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University*

**BS, Human Development and Family Studies** August 2016 — May 2020

*The University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Magna Cum Laude*

Full University Honors

Honors Thesis: “All I Want Out of Life is a Family”: Examining How Violence and Masculinity Informs Fathering for Young Black Men

Advisor: Jocelyn R. Smith Lee, Ph. D.

***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE***

**Staff Research Assistant,** Centering Black Voices LabMay 2020- June 2021

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

**Staff Research Assistant,** iGrow LabMay 2020- June 2021

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

***STUDENT RESEARCH***

**Graduate Research Assistant**, Dr. Paul Springer August 2023-Present

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Department of Human Development and Family Science

**Graduate Research Assistant**, RiCe Lab**,** Dr. TeKisha RiceAugust 2022-Present

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Department of Human Development and Family Science

**Graduate Research Assistant,** Family Complexity Lab, Dr. Caroline SannerAugust 2021-Present

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Department of Human Development and Family Science

**Project Manager,** Environmental Justice Project **,** Dr. Emily SatterwhiteJanuary 2022-Present

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Department of Religion and Culture

**Graduate Research Assistant,** Dr. April Few-DemoAugust 2021-June 2022

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Department of Human Development and Family Science

**Undergraduate Research Assistant,** CBV Lab**,** Dr. Jocelyn Smith LeeJanuary 2019- May 2020

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

**Undergraduate Research Assistant,** iGrow Lab, Dr. Esther LeerkesAugust 2019- May 2020

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

**Undergraduate Research Assistant,** Meta-Analysis**,** Dr. Kaicee PostlerJanuary 2019- December 2019

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

**Undergraduate Research Assistant,** NETS Project, Dr. Esther LeerkesAugust 2017- December 2017

University of North Carolina- Greensboro, Department of Human Development and Family Studies

**Research Assistant,** Social Emotional Assessment, Dr. Isabel BradburnJanuary 2015-June 2016

Virginia Polytechnic and State University, Institute for Society, Culture and Environment (ISCE)

***PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS***

Sanner, C., Williams, D. T., Russel, L. T., Jensen, T. M., Mitchell, S., & **Garnett-Deakin, A.,** (In progress), Toward a critical agenda of research on family structure. For submission in *Journal of Family Theory and Review*

***BOOK CHAPTERS***

Rice, T. M.,& **Garnett-Deakin, A.,** (In press), History and cohort effects in romantic relationships. Ogolsky, B. (Ed.) *The Sociocultural Context of Romantic Relationships*. Cambridge University Press

***GRANTS***

**Submitted,** National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program. $104,000 (Fall 2022)

**Recipient,** Garnett-Deakin, A. (Principle Investigator) & Sanner, C. S. (2022-2023). *Fathering in the “other America”: A qualitative analysis of fathering in rural Appalachia.* [Grant]*.* Graduate Research and Development Award. <https://gpss.vt.edu/programs/grdp.html>

**Recipient**, Garnett-Deakin, A. (Principle Investigator), Helms, H., & Postler, K. B. (2019). Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award. [Grant]. <https://utlc.uncg.edu/ursco/funding/urca/>

**Recipient**, Garnett-Deakin, A. (Principle Investigator), Helms, H., & Postler, K. B. (2019). Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award. [Grant]. <https://utlc.uncg.edu/ursco/funding/urca/>

***CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS***

Sanner, C., Johnson, S., **Garnett-Deakin, A.,** Gupta, S., Abdel-Latif, D., Venuti, M., & Gol, Y. (2022, November 15-18). *When Parents Cheat: Adult Children’s Narratives of Parental Infidelity*. [Poster presentation]. National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.,** Smith Lee, J. R., & Fuqua, R. (2020, November 12-15). *Violence, Trauma, and Transition to Fatherhood: Examining How Community Violence Informs Fathering for Young Black Men*. [Paper presentation]. National Council on Family Relations, St. Louis, MO, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.**, Beal, K. K., & Helms, H. H. (2020, April). *Examining the association between marital stability and anxiety: A meta-analytic review*. [Paper presentation]. University of North Carolina- Greensboro 14th Annual Thomas Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo, Greensboro, NC, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.** (2020, February). *Adjustment of Refugee Parents to Host Country Post-Resettlement: A Literature Review.* [Paper presentation]. University of North Carolina- Greensboro 20th Annual Undergraduate Honors Symposium, Greensboro, NC, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.** (2020, February). *Portrayals of Blackness and Femininity in Contending Forces.* [Paper presentation]. University of North Carolina- Greensboro Conference on African-American & African Diasporic Cultures & Experience, Greensboro, NC, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.**, Fuqua, R., & Smith Lee, J. R. (2019, November 19). *Violence, Trauma, and Transition to Fatherhood: Examining How Community and Police Violence Informs Fathering for Young Black Men.* [Poster presentation]. State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research and Creativity Symposium hosted at Duke University, Raleigh, NC, United States.

Smith Lee, J. R., **Garnett-Deakin, A. C.,** & Fuqua, R., (2019, November 15-18). *I got shot on my son’s 1st birthday”: Examining how violent injury and traumatic loss shapes fathering among young Black men.* [Poster presentation]. National Council on Family Relations, Fort Worth, TX, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.**, Beal, K. K., Woodruff, B., Fuqua, R., & Helms, H. H. (2019, April). *Examining the association between marital stability and anxiety: A meta-analytic review.* [Poster presentation]. University of North Carolina- Greensboro 13th Annual Thomas Undergraduate Research and Creativity Expo, Greensboro, NC, United States.

**Garnett-Deakin, A. C.** (2018, December). *Blocos afro: racialism and gender in Brazil.* [Paper presentation]. University of North Carolina- Greensboro 19th Annual Undergraduate Honors Symposium, Greensboro, NC, United States.

***ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS***

**NCFR Honors Student Recognition Program,** Spring 2020

**HDFS Outstanding Undergraduate Award,** University of North Carolina- Greensboro. Spring 2020

**University of North Carolina Greensboro Undergraduate Research and Creativity Exposition,** Honorable Mention Poster– Social Sciences group, Examining the association between marital stability and anxiety: A meta-analytic review, April 5th, 2019

**Dean’s List, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

**Chancellor’s List, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

**Honors College Dean’s List, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

**University of North Carolina- Greensboro International and Disciplinary Honors College Graduate**, Spring 2020

**Gold Leadership Medallion, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Spring 2019

**Silver Leadership Medallion, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Fall 2017

**Bronze Leadership Medallion, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Spring 2017

**Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society, University of North Carolina- Greensboro**, Spring 2017

***TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE***

**Reading Connections Family Literacy Program**

Infant/Toddler Teacher,August 2018-May 2021, Greensboro, NC

**Reading Connections Family Literacy Program**

Adult English Teacher, September 2019-November 2019**,** Greensboro, NC

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**

HDF 212 Families and Close Relationships, Fall 2017, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC

***PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS***

**National Council on Family Relations,** member, 2020-Present

**Building Diverse Research Teams**, University of North Carolina- Greensboro, 2018-2019

**Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society**, University of North Carolina-Greensboro Chapter, 2017-2020

**National Council on Family Relations,** student member, 2017-2020

***LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT***

**President,** Human Development and Family Science Graduate Student Association, Virginia Tech, 2023-2024

**Director of Programs,** Virginia Tech Graduate and Professional Student Senate, Virginia Tech, 2023-2024

**Student Representative,** Human Development and Family Science Graduate Student Association, Virginia Tech, 2022-2023

**Senator**, Graduate and Professional Student Senate, Virginia Tech, 2022-2023

**Alpha Lambda Delta Member**, University of North Carolina- Greensboro, 2017-Present

**Reading Connections Family Literacy Program**, Greensboro, NC, 2018- May 2020