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EDUCATION

2008 - Present

The Graduate School and University Center of The City University of New York (CUNY)

Ph.D. Candidate, Social-Personality Psychology

Advisors: Jeffrey T. Parsons, PhD, MPH, Sarit Golub, PhD, MPH and Deborah Tolman, EdD

2005 - 2008

State University of New York (SUNY) at Binghamton

B.A. in Psychology (May 2008)

Summa Cum Laude

Distinguished Independent Work in Psychology

Thesis: "Lesbian and Bisexual Women's Perception of Parental Reactions after Coming Out: Comparing Positive Relationship Adjectives, Heterosexual Bias and Desired Outcome Achievement"

Advisor: Sean G. Massey, PhD

HONORS

- Phi Beta Kappa Society, SUNY at Binghamton, Chapter
- Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology, SUNY at Binghamton, Chapter
- Dean's List (All semesters), SUNY at Binghamton

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

June 2008 - Present

The Center for HIV/AIDS Educational Studies & Training (CHEST) and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Policy Institute

Co-directed by: Jeffrey T. Parsons, PhD & Sarit A. Golub, PhD

Title: *Research Assistant* - does various work on studies (some are funded by: NIDA, CDC, and amFAR), including screenings, scheduling, and assessment of participants from MSM, HIV-positive, drug-using, and transgender populations as well as populations at risk for HIV or other STDs; implements semi-structured and qualitative interviews; transcribes interviews; manages data and does data analysis (SPSS); implements one-on-one health education to study participants concerning topics such as substance ("club drugs" and alcohol) use, HIV medication adherence, and safer sexual practices; attends weekly meetings and seminars about topics such as peer education, qualitative interviewing, and statistical methods; performs literature searches and reviews; participates in preparation of grant applications; and does Motivational Interviewing Treatment Integrity (MITI) coding.

2006-2008

Herizon Project

Co-Directed by: Sean G. Massey, PhD and Corrinne Bertram, PhD

Description: Documentation of the historical files of a disbanded women's lesbian-feminist social group called "Herizon," that was located in Binghamton, NY to be given to Herstory Archives in NYC.

Roles: Documented the files, organized the files, and compared and discussed notes on support networks, social/political group effectiveness, discrimination and other topics, learned importance of confidentiality.

2006 - 2007

Alcohol & Behaviors Lab

Directed by: Stephen A. Lisman, PhD

Title: *Research Assistant* - Involved in graduate students dissertation project which focused on self control and drinking habits, attended weekly meetings in groups with graduate students to examine articles and discuss methodology and theory around topics such as social drinking, stress, expectancy, cognition, control and coded comics from the New Yorker magazine (1900 - 2004) between for themes involving drugs and alcohol use.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2009 - *Present*

PSYCH 102 - **Abnormal Psychology**, CUNY at Hunter College

Taught by: Sean G. Massey, PhD

Title: *Graduate Teaching Assistant* - Hold office hours, proctor exams, give a lecture on Gender Identity Disorder and other sexual disorders.

Spring 2008

HDEV 313 - **Exploring Queer Lives**, SUNY at Binghamton

Taught by: Sean G. Massey, PhD

Title: *Undergraduate Teaching Assistant* - Held office hours, aided students with a paper involving issues around gender and sexuality in film and a term paper on a topic of their choosing which incorporated scholarly work in theory and research around LGBTQ lives, taught a short lecture on the meanings behind the word "queer," and got students to discuss various scholarly readings within groups.

PRESENTATIONS

Friedman, E. J., Parsons, J. T., Tomassilli, J. C. , & Golub, S. A. (June, 2009). Psychometric properties of a scale measuring LGB motivations for parenthood. [Abstract; oral presentation]. The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Eastern & Midcontinent Region Joint Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida. [Winner, Best Student Paper Award]

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (SSSS), student member
American Psychological Association (APA) - Division 44, member

RELEVANT ACTIVITIES & ACTIVISM

2007-2008

Beyond the Rainbow Wall

Founded by: Broome County LGBT Youth Coalition

Description: A space provided for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Pansexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning, and/or Two-Spirit youths aged fourteen to twenty in the Binghamton, New York area.

Roles: Was a trained mentor and resource for youth, attended weekly social and educational meetings with youth to teach a topic related to health, gay culture, social relationships and family issues.

2006-2008

Q Magazine

Funded by Parent Organization: Rainbow Pride Union, SUNY at Binghamton

Titles: *Editor* (2007 - 2008) / *Assistant Editor* (2006 - 2007) of Q-Magazine

Description: campus magazine focusing on local, national, and international pop culture, scientific and political issues around gender and sexuality with a mixture of mainstream LGBT and radically queer perspectives.

Roles: Wrote various articles, oversaw and aided in layout and design process, edited writers' contributions, led meetings and discussions around content and magazine's mission, corresponded with the printing company and advertisers, managed advertising procedures and budget, and scheduled and organized release dates.

2006-2008

Rainbow Pride Union

Title: *Director of Publications*

Description: In addition to managing Q Magazine (above), also attended executive board meetings, helped develop and implement campus events around LGBT awareness and acceptance. In April 2008 - organized and led the first annual Day of Silence March from the downtown university center to the Binghamton High School to protest bullying in schools.

OTHER SKILLS

Computer Programs: Macromedia Dreamweaver (proficient in CSS and HTML), Paint Shop Pro 9, SPSS, SAS, and Microsoft Office, PowerPoint, and Excel