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EDUCATION

2008 - Present

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

Ph.D. student in Social-Personality Psychology

Advisor: Sarit A. Golub, PhD, MPH

2005 - 2008

State University of New York (SUNY) at Binghamton

B.A. in Psychology (May 2008)

Summa Cum Laude

Distinguished Independent Work in Psychology

Advisor: Sean G. Massey, PhD

HONORS, AWARDS, & FELLOWSHIPS

- Fall 2011 Clara Mayo Award, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI)
- Graduate Teaching Fellowship (January 2011-Present) – CUNY Hunter College
- CHEST Fellowship (June 2008-December 2010) – Research Foundation at CUNY
- Best Student Presentation Award (June 2009), Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality
- Undergraduate Research Award (Fall 2007), SUNY at Binghamton
- Phi Beta Kappa Society, SUNY at Binghamton, Chapter
- Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology, SUNY at Binghamton, Chapter

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Hunter College (CUNY)

Instructor, Graduate Teaching Fellow

PSYCH 220 – **Personality** (Spring 2012 & Fall 2011)

PSYCH 170 – **Psychology of Human Sexuality** (Fall 2011)

Teacher Assistant, Non-teaching adjunct

PSYCH 100 – **Introduction to Psychology** (Fall 2010 & Spring 2011) - Taught by: Sarit A. Golub, Jeffrey T. Parsons, Virginia Valian, H. Phil Zeigler

PSYCH 102 – **Abnormal Psychology** (Fall 2009 & Spring 2010) - Taught by: Lynne Kemen

Binghamton University (SUNY)

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

HDEV 313 – **Exploring Queer Lives** (Spring 2008) Taught by: Sean G. Massey

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

January 2012 – Present

The Cognitive Processing of Cisgenderism: How Differences between Transgender and Cisgender People Get Explained

Grant amount awarded: \$500 (Clara Mayo Award, SPSSI)

Pre-dissertation research advisors: Peter Hegarty, PhD (Surrey); Sarit A. Golub, PhD (CUNY)

Principal Investigator

Description: A series of experimental studies that examine the explanation of group differences between cisgender and transgender groups will determine if the cognitive processes involved in the production of category norms put forth by norm theory can be applied to explain how cisgenderism (the prejudicial ideology that characterizes people with self-designated, non-assigned gender as invalid, unnatural, or disordered) is produced.

November 2010 – Present

Clinical Decisions Study

Co-Investigator with: Gavriel Ansara, Josh Kellison, Kate Richmond, Ph.D.

Description: This is an experimental study exploring the extent to which cisgenderism (see definition above) exists in therapeutic reasoning about people who have experienced trauma.

January 2010 – January 2012

How Gender Performance Affects Agency in the Face of Adversity: A Mixed Methods Study

2nd Year Project readers: Sarit A. Golub, PhD; Deborah Tolman, PhD

Principal Investigator

Description: A mixed methods study that investigated the extent to which recalling and writing about a performance affects beliefs about agency (or control) and what participants' performance descriptions reveal about their beliefs about their own agency.

June 2008 – December 2010

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

Research Assistant

Description: Various work on studies (some funded by: NIDA, CDC, and amFAR): online-recruited, screened, scheduled, assessed, educated, and interviewed participants from men who have sex with men (MSM), HIV-positive, drug-using, and transgender populations as well as other HIV-negative and drug-free populations; transcribed, managed, and analyzed data (SPSS); involved in research writing process including literature reviews, IRBs, and grants; wrote and set up online surveys (SNAP software); edited and managed the center's website.

July 2010 (short term aid)

College Initiative program (Ford Foundation funded project)

Supervisor: Michelle Fine, PhD

Data Organizer/Analyst

Description: Organized database of, did statistical analysis for, and reported demographic and graduation statistics on 400 participants involved in a program for formerly incarcerated adults who recommitted their lives to education.

August 2007 – May 2008

Lesbian and bisexual women's perception of parental reactions after coming out

Principal Investigator

Honors Thesis adviser: Sean G. Massey, PhD

Description: This study involved a quantitative assessment of lesbian and bisexual women's perceptions of their relationship with their parent(s) before and after coming out and their parent(s') level of heterosexual bias after they came out. Additionally, this study qualitatively examined descriptions about whether or not coming out to their parents had a desirable outcome.

August 2006 – May 2008

Herizon Project

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

Research Assistant

Description: Documented, organized, compared and discussed notes on the historical files of a disbanded women's lesbian-feminist social group called "Herizon," located in Binghamton, NY (to be given to Herstory Archives); learned confidentiality, information about support networks, social/political group effectiveness, and discrimination.

August 2006 – May 2007

Alcohol & Behaviors Lab (Directed by: Stephen A. Lisman, PhD)

Research Assistant

Description: Involved in graduate students' dissertation focusing on self control and drinking habits, attended weekly meetings in groups with graduate students to examine articles, discussed methodology and theory around social drinking, stress, expectancy, cognition, and control, and coded comics from New Yorker magazine (1900 – 2004) for drugs and alcohol use themes.

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Richmond, K. A., **Friedman, E. J.**, Ansara, Y. G., Kellison, J. (July, 2012). An analysis of cisgenderism in therapists' diagnostic reasoning regarding traumatic stress. [Abstract; poster presentation]. *International Congress of Psychology, Cape Town, South Africa.*

Friedman, E. J. & Golub, S. A. (February, 2011). Reconstructing the drag Scene: Drag kings fight oppressions and social issues. [Abstract; oral presentation]. *18th Lesbian Lives conferences – Revolting: Bodies, Politics, Genders, University of Brighton.*

Friedman, E. J. & Golub, S. A. (August, 2010). Drag kings performances as agency against heterosexism. [poster presentation]. *The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Psychology Summer Institute, University of Michigan.*

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 Presentation Award]

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International LGBT Psychology Summer Institute (2010, U of Michigan), graduate student attendee
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), graduate student member
American Psychological Association (APA) Division 44 & Division 35, student affiliate

RELEVANT ACTIVITIES & ACTIVISM

2009-2010

Campus Coalition for Sexual Literacy (CUNY Graduate Center chapter)

Parent Organization: National Sexuality Resource Center

Board member

Description: Organized semester talks and events

2007-2008

Beyond the Rainbow Wall

Parent Organization: Broome County LGBT Youth Coalition

Mentor

Description: A trained mentor and resource for lesbian, gay, bisexual, pansexual, transgender, queer/questioning, and/or two-spirit youths aged fourteen to twenty in the Binghamton, NY area; 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

Parent Organization: Rainbow Pride Union (Binghamton University, SUNY)

Editor (2007 - 2008) / Assistant Editor (2006 - 2007)

Description: Ran a campus magazine focusing on local, national, and international scientific, political, and cultural topics around gender and sexuality with a mixture of mainstream LGBT and radically queer perspectives; 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 (Binghamton University, SUNY)

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 with students and community members from the downtown university center to the Binghamton High School to protest bullying in schools (100+ bodies).

OTHER SKILLS

Trained in Motivational Interviewing Treatment Integrity (MITI) coding

Computer Programs and Internet Surveys: Surveygizmo, SurveyMonkey, SNAP survey software, SPSS, SAS, LISREL, Dreamweaver, Paint Shop Pro, and Microsoft Office, PowerPoint, and Excel