

August Smith

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Education

The Graduate Center at the City University of New York
Doctoral Student, Sociology, August 2019-Present

Georgia State University, Spring 2019
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Summa Cum Laude

Research

Qualitative Research Assistant, Jan. 2020-June 2020

Sharing Insights Project: iMentor Organizational Learning and Impact Team

Project Supervisor: Leah Glass

Description: This project investigated the methods through which iMentor-participant college students navigated the systems of higher education. I conducted and transcribed semi-structured 30-60 minutes interviews with the students, wrote analytic memos detailing key findings from each interview, and collaborated with a team to outline patterns in students' navigation strategies.

Research Assistant, Oct. 2019-Present

National LGBTQ Women's Survey

Organizers/Investigators: Jaime Grant and Urvashi Vaid

Description: Compiled literature and empirical research inclusive of women, LGBTQ identified individuals, and women-loving-women. Collaborated with co- investigators to draft survey instrument reflective of nationally representative survey data. Plan to conduct focus groups in Fall 2020 to test effectiveness of survey instrument and distribute for completion by Spring 2021. This survey seeks to be the first nationally representative survey of LGBTQ women in the United States.

Undergraduate Research Assistant, 2017-2019

Faculty Supervisor: Tomeka Davis, Ph.D.

Georgia State University

Description: Analyzed the defining characteristics and methods of excellent, equitable, and diverse high schools in the Atlanta metropolitan area using quantitative methods and in-depth interviews with principals and other school administrators.

Selected Presentations

Davis, T., **Smith, A.** “Balancing Academic Equity and Excellence in Racially and Economically Diverse Schools”. *Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA, April 2019

Honors and Awards

Stone Center Reducing Inequality Network Scholar (\$5,000)
CUNY-Graduate Center 2019-Present

University Assistantship Program Scholar (\$5,000)
Georgia State University 2017-2019

Second Century Scholarship (\$12,000)
Georgia State University, 2015-2019

Campus Atlanta Scholarship (\$77,578)
Georgia State University 2015-2019

Global Experience Scholarship (\$2,500)
Georgia State University, 2017

Instruction Experience

Lehman College, Department of Sociology, Fall 2020, SOC 235: Education and Society

Research Interests

Education, Pedagogy, and Curriculum
Elite Studies
Inequality and Stratification
Race, Racism, and Intersectionality

Professional Development

Graduate Center Digital Research Institute: *Python, Git, and Text Analysis Track*, 2020

ASA Section on Teaching and Learning Preconference: “*Inclusive Pedagogy for a More Just World*”, 2019

Relevant Employment

University Assistant: Georgia State University Multicultural Center, 2016

Description: Facilitated talks and workshops with Multicultural Center Ambassadors on topics surrounding social justice, class, race, gender, and sexuality. Assisted in the early stages of

planning a social justice conference including recruitment and establishing goals of the conference. Supervised and delegated assignments to Multicultural Center Ambassadors.

International Study

Field School in Applied Anthropology, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, Summer 2018

GSU Service Learning, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, May Semester 2017

Relevant Skills

Software: NVivo, Dedoose, SPSS, Excel, Stata, R

Language: English: Native

Spanish: Conversant