

Megan Steele

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EDUCATION

- In progress* Ph.D. Sociology, University of Georgia
Committee: Leslie Gordon Simons (chair), Ronald Simons, Kandauda K.A.S. Wickrama
- 2017 M.A. Sociology, University of Georgia
Committee: Leslie Gordon Simons (chair), Ronald Simons, Kandauda K.A.S. Wickrama
Thesis: “Is Two Always Better Than One? Exploring Differences in Risky Sexual Behavior Among African American Adolescents by Family Structure & Parenting Behaviors”
- 2015 B.A. Sociology, Furman University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Family, Adolescence & Young Adulthood, Risk Behaviors, Criminology, Quantitative Methods

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2014 – 2015 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Department of Sociology, Furman University
Supervisor: Dr. Christin L. Munsch

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2018 Instructor of Record
The Family, (SOCI 4610)
- 2017 Teaching Assistant
The Family, (SOCI 4610)
Supervisor: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons
- 2017 Teaching Assistant
Global Terrorism, (SOCI 4700)
Supervisor: Dr. Mark Cooney
- 2017 Teaching Assistant
Punishment & Society, (SOCI 3150)
Supervisor: Todd Krohn
- 2017 Teaching Assistant
Introduction to Sociology (SOCI 1101)
Supervisor: Dr. E.M. Beck
- 2016 Teaching Assistant
Introduction to Sociology (SOCI 1101)
Supervisor: Dr. Jim Coverdill
- 2015 Teaching Assistant
Logic & Practice of Sociological Research (SOCI 3600)
Supervisor: Dr. Jeremy Reynolds

UNDER REVIEW

Steele, Megan E., Leslie Gordon Simons, Ronald L. Simons, and Frederick X. Gibbons. 2018.
“Is Two Always Better Than One? Disentangling the Effects of Family Structure and Parenting Practices on Adolescent Risky Sexual Behavior.” *Journal of Youth & Adolescence*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPERATION

Steele, Megan E., and Leslie Gordon Simons. "The Price of Popularity: Girls' Engagement in Early Pseudomature Behaviors & Outcomes in Young Adulthood."

PRESENTATIONS

Steele, Megan E., 2018., and Leslie Gordon Simons. "Is Two Always Better Than One? Disentangling the Effects of Family Structure and Parenting Practices on Adolescent Risky Sexual Behavior." Paper session, presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Steele, Megan E., 2017. "Family Structure & Parenting Behaviors: Predicting Risky Sexual Behavior in African American Adolescents." Roundtable session presented for presentation the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Greenville, South Carolina.

Munsch, Christin L., **Megan E. Steele**, and Christin L. Anthony. 2015. "The Stigmatization of Singles: An Experimental Investigation of Bias." Paper session, presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.

GUEST LECTURES

"Remarriage & Stepfamilies" (November 2017). Sociology of the Family. Instructor: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons.

"Same Sex Families" (October 2017). Sociology of the Family. Instructor: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons.

"Infatuation, Lust, & Love" (September 2017). Sociology of the Family. Instructor: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons.

"Units of Analysis." (January 2017). Logic & Practice of Sociological Research. Instructor: Tare E. Sutton.

"Childless... Or Childfree?" (October 2016). Sociology of the Family. Instructor: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Sociological Association

Sections: Family

Southern Sociological Society

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2011 – 2015 Achiever Scholarship, Furman University

CERTIFICATIONS

CITI: Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative, Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research Course.

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SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

2018	Graduate Student Mentor Department of Sociology, University of Georgia
2017	Graduate Student Forum Chair Sociology Graduate Student Society, University of Georgia
2016	Graduate Student Recruitment Committee Member Department of Sociology, University of Georgia