

Curriculum Vitae

Zara Jillani

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EDUCATION

- 2023 - Ph.D. in Sociology
Present University of Georgia
Major Professor: Dawn T. Robinson
- 2020 M.A. in Sociology
University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 2018 B.A. in Sociology
Social problems concentration
B.S. in Psychology with Honors
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social psychology, small group status and power dynamics, organizations

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- o Dippong, Joseph and **Zara Jillani**. “Vocal Accommodation, Influence, and Performance Expectations.” Forthcoming in *Advances in Group Processes* 41.
- o Scott, Victoria C., **Zara Jillani**, Adele Malpert, Jenny Kolodny-Goetz, and Abraham Wandersman. 2022. “A Scoping Review of the Evaluation and Effectiveness of Technical Assistance.” *Implementation Science Communications*, 3(1):1-16.
- o **Jillani, Zara**, Victoria C. Scott, Anna M. Thorpe, and Yhenneko J. Taylor. 2020. “Depictions of Breastfeeding in Newspaper Media in the United States: 2007—2016.” *Breastfeeding Medicine*, 15(11):739-746.
- o Scott, Victoria C., Margaret E. Gigler, Jordan M. Widenhouse, **Zara Jillani**, and Yhenneko J. Taylor. 2020. “A Socioecological Approach to Understanding Workplace Lactation Support in the Health Care Setting.” *Breastfeeding Medicine*, 15(4):268-276.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- o Dippong, Joseph and **Zara Jillani**. “Experimental Methods in Social Psychology.” *Under revise and resubmit.*
- o Scott, Victoria C., Jasmine Temple, and **Zara Jillani**. “Development of the Technical Assistance Engagement Scale: A Modified Delphi Study.” *Under revise and resubmit.*
- o Walker, Lisa Slattery, Murray Webster Jr., and **Zara Jillani**. “Effects of an Expressive Task Cue Gestalt on Expectations.” *Manuscript in preparation.*
- o **Jillani, Zara** and Joseph Dippong [equal authors]. “The Persistence of Status-Based Expectations Beyond Task Settings.” *Data analysis in progress.*

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- o Dippong, J. and **Zara Jillani**. “Vocal Accommodation, Expectations, and Influence.” 2024
The Annual Meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA.
- o Wandersman, A., Victoria C. Scott, **Zara Jillani**, Adele Malpert, Jenny Kolodny-Goetz. “What Do We Know About the Evaluation and Effectiveness of Technical Assistance?” 2022
American Evaluation Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- o Scott, Victoria C., Margaret E. Gigler, Jordan M. Widenhouse, **Zara Jillani**, Danielle Conner, and Yhennoko J. Taylor. “A Socio-Ecological Approach to Understanding Workplace Breastfeeding Support in a Large Healthcare System.” 2019
American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- o **Jillani, Z.** “Breastfeeding in Newspaper Media: 2007-2016.” 2019
The Annual Meetings of the Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA.
- o **Jillani, Z.** “Does Intention Predict Duration of Breastfeeding in Healthcare Employees?” 2018
Breastfeeding and Feminism International Conference, Chapel Hill, NC.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- o Research Assistant, Dawn Chorus Group May 2022 – Jan. 2023
- o Research Associate, Wandersman Center July 2020 – May 2022
- o Research Assistant, University of North Carolina at Charlotte Aug. 2017 – May 2022

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- o Courses Taught
 - General Psychology Lab, Instructor
 - Sociological Research Methods, Lab Instructor
- o Courses as Teaching Assistant
 - Introduction to Sociology
 - Introduction to Social Psychology
 - Social Structure and Personality
 - Experimental Research in Sociology
 - Critical Thinking About Research
 - Research Methodology I
 - Research Methodology II
 - Quantitative Analysis
 - Senior Seminar in Sociology
 - Community and Identity in a Changing City
(*Education Abroad in Manchester, UK*)

AWARDS AND HONORS

- o Graduate School Doctoral Fellows Award 2023
University of Georgia
- o Student of Distinction in Research, Academics, and Service 2018
Department of Psychological Science
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

SERVICE

To the Profession

- o Member, Local Arrangements Committee, Southern Sociological Society 2025
- o Webmaster, Mathematical Sociology ASA Section 2023 – Present
- o Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Mathematical Sociology ASA Section 2023 – 2024

- o Graduate Student Affairs Committee, Social Psychology ASA Section 2023 – 2024
- o Newsletter Editor & Webmaster, Social Psychology ASA Section 2021 – Present
- o Co-Organizer, Group Processes 34th Annual Meeting 2021 – 2022
- o Managing Editor, Social Science Research 2019 – 2020
- o Supplemental Content Developer, APA Books 2020

To the University of Georgia

- o Sponsored Speaker Series Chair 2023 – 2024
- o Graduate Recruitment Representative 2023 – 2024

To the University of North Carolina at Charlotte

- o Judge, 10th Annual Undergraduate Research Conference 2022
- o Member, Graduate & Professional Student Government Financial Committee 2021 – 2022
- o Member, 22nd Annual Graduate Research Symposium Planning Committee 2021 – 2022
- o President, Sociology Graduate Student Association 2019 – 2020

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- o Alpha Kappa Delta
- o American Sociological Association
 - o Social Psychology section
 - o Mathematical Sociology section
- o Phi Kappa Phi