

**MEGAN E. STEELE**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

Doctoral Candidate  
Department of Sociology  
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**EDUCATION**

- 2021 (expected)    Ph.D., University of Georgia, Sociology
- 2019                Quantitative Methods Certificate, University of Georgia
- 2017                M.A., University of Georgia, Sociology
- 2015                B.A., Furman University, Sociology

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

- Crime & Deviance
  - Intimate Partner Violence
  - Delinquency & Risk Behaviors in Adolescence & Emerging Adulthood
- Family, Life Course, Aging
  - Intergenerational Transmission
  - Family Processes
  - Intimate Relationships
- Advanced Quantitative Methods

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2018 – Present        Graduate Research Assistant  
Family and Community Health Study, University of Georgia  
Supervisor/Co-PI: Dr. Leslie Gordon Simons
- 2014 – 2015         Undergraduate Research Assistant  
Department of Sociology, Furman University  
Supervisor: Dr. Christin L. Munsch

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Instructor of Record, University of Georgia, Department of Sociology**

- Criminology
- Family Violence
- Introduction to Sociology
- Sociology of the Family

**Teaching Assistant, University of Georgia, Department of Sociology**

- Family Violence
- Sociology of the Family
- Criminal Punishment & Society
- Sociology of Terrorism

Introduction to Sociology  
Research Methods

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Simons, Leslie Gordon, and **Megan E. Steele**. “The Negative Impact of Economic Hardship on Adolescent Academic Engagement: An Examination Parental Investment and Family Stress Processes.” *Journal of Youth & Adolescence*. Forthcoming.

**Steele, Megan E.** and Leslie Gordon Simons. 2019. “*Intergenerational Transmission*.” Macmillan Encyclopedia of Intimate and Family Relationships. Macmillan Reference USA.

## **Manuscripts in Preparation**

**Steele, Megan E.**, Leslie Gordon Simons, Tara E. Sutton, and Frederick X. Gibbons. “Family Structure, Family Transitions, and Parenting: What Explains Risky Sexual Behavior among African American Adolescents?”

**Steele, Megan E.**, Leslie Gordon Simons, and Tara E. Sutton. “The Price of Popularity: Girls’ Engagement in Early Pseudomature Behaviors & Outcomes in Young Adulthood.”

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Steele, Megan E.** and Leslie Gordon Simons. 2020. “Family Economic Stress and African American Adolescent Academic Engagement: Does Family Stress or Family Investment Better Explain the Link?” Paper session, to be presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, FL.

**Steele, Megan E.** 2020. “The Intergenerational Transmission of Physical Partner Violence.” Paper session, to be presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), San Antonio, TX.

**Steele, Megan E.** and Leslie Gordon Simons. 2019. “Family Structure & Adolescent Delinquency.” Paper session, presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, San Francisco, CA.

**Steele, Megan E.** and Leslie Gordon Simons. 2018. “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, LA.

**Steele, Megan E.**, 2017. “Family Structure & Parenting Behaviors: Predicting Risky Sexual Behavior in African American Adolescents.” Roundtable session, presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Greenville, SC.

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, LA.

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

American Society of Criminology

Division on Developmental/Life-Course Criminology

Division on Women and Crime

American Sociological Association

Section on Crime, Law, and Deviance

Section on Family

Section on Children and Youth

Southern Sociological Society

## **SERVICE**

2018 - Present

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

## **AWARDS**

2020

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS) Doctoral Summit

Scholarship Recipient

## **REFERENCES**

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