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**EDUCATION**

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- 2021 **Ph.D. Sociology**  
 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.  
*Dissertation:* "The Rape Paradox: The Effect of Anti-Sexual Assault Policies on Gender and Sexual Assault Attitudes, Donations to Sexual Assault Campaigns, and Policy Compliance."  
*Committee:* Dr. Jane Sell (chair), Dr. Holly Foster, Dr. Mary Campbell, Dr. Tasha Dubriwny.
- 2021 **Graduate Certificate Women's & Gender Studies**  
 Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.
- 2019 **Post Graduate Certificate in Victimology, Victim Assistance, and Criminal Justice** (*in association with World Victimology Society*)  
 Inter-University Centre for Advanced Studies, Dubrovnik, Croatia.
- 2015 **M.S. Family and Consumer Sciences**  
 Lamar University, Beaumont, TX.  
*Thesis:* "A City-Level Analysis Utilizing Asset Based Community Development."  
*Concentration:* Family Studies
- 2012 **B.S. Sociology & B.S. Psychology, Political Science Minor**  
 Lamar University, Beaumont, TX.

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

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Criminology; Victimology; Social Psychology; Gender; Sexual & Interpersonal Violence

**REFERRED WORK**

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- Constantine, Katie and **Kirstie Boyett**. 2020. "Does Sexual Violence Contribute to Deviant Behavior?: A Test of General Strain Theory." *Victims & Offenders*, DOI: 10.1080/15564886.2020.1850585.

Under Review

- **Boyett, Kirstie**. "Red Tape Can't Cover Up Rape!" Analyzing the Framing of Sexual Misconduct on a College Campus."

In Preparation for Publication

- **Boyett, Kirstie** "An Examination of Community Perceptions of Neighborhood Disadvantage and Crime."
- **Boyett, Kirstie** and Sarah Gatson. "Access to Food: An Analysis of the Brazos Valley Foodscapes."
- **Boyett, Kirstie** and Chiung-Fang Chang. "Is Fit the New Skinny?: Exploring Body Image, Body Type Preference, and Fitness Concept from a Cross-Cultural Perspective."

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Lecturer - Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology**

- SOCI 411: Social Psychology (Sp 2022)
- SOCI 304: Criminology (Sp 2022)
- SOCI 316: Sociology of Gender (F 2021 & Sp 2022)
- SOCI 207: Intro to Gender & Society (F 2022)

### **Instructor - Blinn College, Department of Sociology**

- SOCI 2326: Social Psychology - *hybrid/online course* (Sp 2022)
- SOCI 1301: Intro to Sociology - *hybrid/online course* (2018-2022)

### **Graduate Instructor - Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology**

- SOCI 207: Intro to Gender & Society - *online course* (Sp 2021)
- SOCI 304: Criminology - *online course* (F 2020 & Su 2021)
- SOCI 207: Intro to Gender & Society (Su 2019)
- SOCI 314: Social Problems (F 2018)

### **Graduate Teaching Assistant - Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology**

- SOCI 304: Criminology - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Robert Duran (Sp 2019)
- SOCI 304: Criminology - Faculty Supervisor Dr. John Eason (Sp 2018)
- SOCI 489: Neighborhoods & Crime - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Eason (Sp 2018)
- SOCI 211: Sociology of Deviance - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Heili Pals (F 2017)
- SOCI 311: Social Change - *online course* - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Pals (F 2017)

### **Graduate Research Assistant - Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology**

- SOCI 404: Community - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Sarah Gatson (Sp 2019 & 2020)
- SOCI 445: Sociology of Law - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Gatson (F 2017 & 2019)
- SOCI 315: The Marriage Institution - Faculty Supervisor Dr. Gatson (F 2018)

### **Invited Guest Lecturer**

- “*Criminological Experiments*” in SOCI 304 (honors): Criminology (F 2021)
- “*Doing Social Psychological Experiments Online*” in SOCI 621: Social Psychology -graduate seminar (S 2021)
- “*Issues in Sexual Assault Policies*” in SOCI 421: Gender & Crime (Sp & F 2020)
- “*Experimental Design*” in SOCI 420: Advanced Methods (Sp 2020)

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2019- **Howard B. Kaplan Research Fellow, Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology** (2019-2020)

*Faculty Supervisor:* Dr. Heili Pals

*Project Name:* “Risk and Preventative Factors for Sexual Violence Victimization.”

2017- **Graduate Research Assistant & Project Coordinator** (2017-2020)

*Faculty Supervisor:* Dr. Sarah Gatson

*Project Name:* “Everybody Eats: Community Food Security in the Brazos Valley Participatory Community Engagement Research Collective.”

*Project Website:* <https://everybodyeats.sites.tamu.edu/>

2013- **Graduate Research Assistant/Junior Investigator, Lamar University, Department of Family & Consumer Sciences** (2013-2015)

*Faculty Supervisor:* Dr. S. Greg Thompson

*Final Report:* “Episcopal Health Foundation and Legacy Community Health Services. *Community Health Needs and Assets Assessment: Beaumont*, 2015.

*Project Website:* <https://www.episcopalhealth.org/category/research/>

**PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2021 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “An Experimental Approach to Testing Anti-Sexual Assault Policy Compliance.” Paper presented during the Methodology: Advances in Experimental Methods Session at American Society of Criminology Meeting in Chicago, IL.
- 2020 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “The Rape Paradox: The Effect of Anti-Sexual Assault Policies on Gender Beliefs and Policy Compliance.” Paper presented during the roundtable section on Crime, Law, and Deviance Session at American Sociology Association (ASA), San Francisco, CA (moved online).
- 2020 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “Factors for Sexual Violence Victimization.” To be presented during the Longitudinal Issues and Consequences in Victimology session at American Criminal Justice Society (ACJS), San Antonio, SA (moved to 2021).
- 2019 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “The Effect of Anti-Sexual Assault Policies on Gender Beliefs.” Paper presented during Group Processes Conference at American Sociology Association (ASA), New York City, NY.
- 2018 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “Prison is a Convergence of Forces Working Against Me” Reexamining the Pains of (Mass) Imprisonment.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), Orlando, FL.
- 2017 **Boyett, Kirstie.** “Mapping out a Community: Reality versus Perception of Neighborhood Resource Allocation and Equity.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), Austin, TX.
- 2016 **Smith, Kirstie** and Chiung-Fang Chang. “The Making of Fitness Culture: Comparing Body Image, Body Type Preference, and Fitness Concept from a Cross-Cultural Perspective.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), Las Vegas, NV.
- 2015 **Smith, Kirstie** and Chiung-Fang Chang. 2015. “A Study of Body Image and Fitness Concept in Taiwan.” Paper presented at American Association for Chinese Studies (AACS), Houston, TX.
- Smith, Kirstie.** “Dieting for Self vs. Society: Conflicting Motivations for Female Dieting Practices.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), Denver, CO.
- 2014 **Smith, Kirstie.** “The Impact of Psychosocial Factors and Personality on Female Health Behaviors.” Paper presented during the Psychology and Nutrition/ Obesity psychology session at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), San Antonio, TX.
- 2013 **Smith, Kirstie.** “Coming Out:” The Implications of Gay Males Disclosing Sexuality.” Poster presented at American Psychological Association (APA), Honolulu, HI.
- Smith, Kirstie.** “Coming Out:” The Implications of Gay Males Disclosing Sexuality.” *Paper presented as recipient of the Undergraduate Student Paper Award at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), New Orleans, LA.*
- 2012 **Smith, Kirstie.** “Distrust of Government: Is it Detrimental to Democracy?” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), San Diego, CA.

- 2012 **Smith, Kirstie.** “Prejudice Attitudes toward Homosexuality Based on Gender-Role Stereotypes.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), San Diego, CA.
- 2011 **Smith, Kirstie.** “Is Government Spending Basis for Distrust of Government?: An Evaluation of Overall Satisfaction with Government Expenditures in Jefferson County.” Paper presented at Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), Las Vegas, NV.

#### ***Invited Presentations***

- 2020 “Gender and Anti-Sexual Assault Policy Compliance.” Invited speaker at the Post Graduate Course in Victimology, Victim Assistance, and Criminal Justice in association with the World Victimology Society, hosted in Dubrovnik, Croatia (moved to 2022).
- 2015 “First to Go: The Relationship between First-Generation Students and Academic Success.” Invited speaker at Academic Enhancement Workshop series held by Student Tutoring and Retention Services (Lamar University).
- 2014 “Undergraduate Research Experience.” Invited speaker at Academic Enhancement Workshop series held by Student Tutoring and Retention Services (Lamar University).

#### **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

- 2021 Fasken Graduate Student Teaching Award, Texas A&M University, competitive award issued to nominees who best demonstrate characteristics of excellence in classroom teaching, 1 of 9 university-wide award winners (ceremony and \$350 monetary award).
- 2021 Doctoral Fellow, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, ACJS Doctoral Summit 2020 Scholarship.
- 2020 The Women’s Progress Award, Texas A&M University, honors students who encourage and promote sensitivity to and awareness of issues that relate to women. Part of the Accountability, Climate, and Equity (ACE) Awards (ceremony and \$250 monetary award).
- 2019 Howard B. Kaplan Memorial Fellowship, Texas A&M University, research year 2019-2020 (\$14,500, plus tuition costs).
- 2019 Summer Research Award, Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology (\$1,000).
- 2019 Graduate Student Research Award, Texas A&M University, funded by the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation (\$1,000).
- 2019 Study Abroad Scholarship, Texas A&M University (\$1,500).
- 2018 Graduate Assistantship (based off annual review), Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology (\$13,500, plus tuition).
- 2018 Summer Research Assistantship Award (SRAA), Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology (\$2,500).
- 2017 Graduate Assistantship (competitive based off annual review), Department of Sociology (\$13,500, plus tuition).
- 2016 Graduate Research Grant, Lamar University (\$2,500).
- 2014 Graduate Research Grant, Lamar University (\$1,000).

- 2013 Psi Chi Honor Society Undergraduate Research Award, *Finalist*, American Psychological Association (APA).
- 2013 Undergraduate Research Grant, Lamar University (\$2,500).
- 2013 Undergraduate Paper Competition Award, *First Prize*, Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA) (\$200). Paper Title: “Coming Out: The Implications of Gay Males Disclosing Sexuality.”
- 2012 Travel Award, Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society (\$400).
- 2012 Undergraduate Research Grant, Lamar University (\$2,500).
- 2012 Honors Certificate of Recognition, Lamar University, Psychology Department.
- 2011 Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Scholars Program, (federal program), research year 2011-2012, (\$2,800 stipend, plus tuition costs).
- 2011 Travel Award, Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society (\$400).
- 2007 Foster & Adoptive Family Services Scholarship (\$5,000).

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY AND AFFILIATION**

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#### *Service to the Sociology Department*

- **Graduate Student Representative** (appointed position), *Alpha Kappa Delta* (AKD), Sociology Honor Society, Texas A&M University Chapter, 2019-2021.
- **Welcoming & Hospitality Committee** (elected position), Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology, 2018-2020.
- **Mentor**, Sociology Graduate Student Mentorship & Academic Development, Texas A&M University, Department of Sociology, 2015-2021.
- **President (elected position)**, *Alpha Kappa Delta* (AKD), International Sociology Honor Society, Lamar University Sigma Chapter, 2011-2012.

#### *Service to the University*

- **Faculty Advisor**, *Aggie Minority Women in Law* (AMWL). AMWL is a Texas A&M University student organization dedicated to empowering minority women to succeed in the law field through preparation and inclusivity, 2021-2022.
- **Faculty Advisor**, *She's the First*. NPO that fights gender inequality through education, 2020-2022.
- **Senator** (elected position), *Graduate Professional Student Council* (GPSC), GPSC works in cooperation with Texas A&M University administration to ensure that the needs of graduate and professional students are understood and considered for campus policies concerning academic excellence, tuition and finance, and research, 2020-2021.
- **President and Co-Founder**, *Sexual Health and Relationship Education Campaign* (SHREC). Student organization affiliated with the Office of Health Promotion at Texas A&M University. Advocacy group and peer-education program promoting sexual autonomy and health, 2019-2021.
  - Completed “Step Up and Stand In” and “Green Dot Bystander” sexual assault prevention training.
  - Organized events for “Sexual Responsibility Week,” Sexual Assault Awareness Month, STD Awareness Month, etc. on campus.

- **Advocacy Coordinator** (elected officer), *Deeds Not Words at TAMU*. NPO charged with advancing women's social and economic opportunity, access to reproductive health, freedom from sexual assault, and equal representation in politics, 2020-2021.
- **Member**, *Act to End Sex Trafficking and Sexual Assault* (AESTA). Student organization at Texas A&M University. Advocacy and volunteer organization that works with survivors of sex trafficking and sexual assault, 2019-2021.
- **President** (elected position), *The Sex Project*. Peer-education program for sexual and reproductive health, 2018-2019.
- **Recruiter and Admissions Counselor**, Office of Recruitment, Lamar University, Recruited and advised transfer students to Lamar University, facilitated the development of 2+2 programs with community colleges, 2014-2015.

#### *Service to the Community*

- **Community Outreach and Education Volunteer**, *Sexual Assault Resource Center* (SARC), Brazos Valley, represent SARC at fairs, schools, workshops, and presentations to advocate for sexual assault prevention and providing info about SARC resources.

#### *Service to the Profession*

- **Reviewer**, *Sociological Inquiry*, 2019-2022.
- **Panel Chair**, Southwestern Political Science Association (SWPSA), "Civic Engagement," 2017.
- **Panel Chair**, Southwestern Political Science Association (SWPSA), "Inequality, Redistribution, and Social Welfare Policy," 2016.
- **Paper Session Discussant**, Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), "Identity," 2016.
- **Paper Session Discussant**, Southwestern Political Science Association (SWPSA), "Administration and Public Policy," 2014.

#### *Professional Associations*

- World Society of Victimology (WSV)
- American Sociological Association (ASA), Social Psychology section
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), Victimology section
- American Society of Criminology (ASC), Divisions of Women & Crime; Victimology; Experimental Criminology.
- American Psychological Association (APA)
- Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society
- Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) International Sociology Honor Society
- Psi Chi, International Psychology Honor Society
- Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA)

### **RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL SKILLS**

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- Statistical Packages: STATA and SPSS
- Qualitative Analysis Software/Platform: Dedoose
- Mapping/Geographic Information Systems: ArcGIS
- Customer Relationship Management (CRM): Salesforce, Ellucian
- Higher Education Systems: Degree Audit, Internet Native Banner, Xtender, Axiom

**ACADEMIC REFERENCES**

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- **Dr. Jane Sell**  
Dissertation Chair, Emeritus Professor, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University,  
Email: [j-sell@tamu.edu](mailto:j-sell@tamu.edu).
  
- **Dr. Holly Foster**  
Professor, Department of Sociology and Faculty Affiliate in Women and Gender Studies, Texas A&M University,  
Email: [hfooster@tamu.edu](mailto:hfooster@tamu.edu).
  
- **Dr. Heili Pals**  
Associate Professor, Director of Howard B. Kaplan Laboratory for Social Science Research, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University,  
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