

EDUCATION and DEGREES

Loyola University Chicago School of Social Work
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Loyola University Chicago School of Social Work

Research Assistantship Tuition Award and Stipend, \$200 and \$600, respectively. Department of Criminology: Loyola University Chicago January 2015

Most Outstanding Pi Gamma Mu Senior Award, Dominican University January 2015
Dominican University. 2015

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Lee, S., Tyson, K. M., Sorenson, B., Wynn, Miller, K.M.

Tyson McCrea, Miller, K.M., Donnely, W., Moore, A., Watson, H., & Richards (under review). A qualitative study of instructor supports adolescent mentors of community children regard as valuable in the context of U.S. communities of color experiencing low income.

Tyson McCrea, Miller, K.M., Moore, A., Richards, M., Wilkins, K., Watson, H., Smith, T., & Denton, D. -age mentoring roles: Youth voices in urban, high poverty, high crime communities of color. Special Issue of the

Tyson McCrea, K., Wilkins, K., Richards, M., Onyekwiler, K., DiClemente, C., Moore, A., Watson, H., Gillis Harry, K., Jenkins, G., and Williams, N. (accepted). Youth in high poverty, high crime urban communities of color reflect on their cross age mentoring program. C

Miller, K.M., Tyson McCrea, K., Sarna, V., Donnelly, W., Fitzgibbons, G., Kessler, J., Onyeka, O., Matthews, C., Richards, M., Daniels, E., and Denton, D. (accepted) - experiences of cross age mentoring in low income urban communities of color.

Tyson McCrea, Miller, K. M., Watson, H., Moore, A., Guthrie, D., Malzane, Miller, E., Jenkins, G., & Lane, D. (2024). Street Rights and Identifying Social Safety Net Failures With Youth of Color Experiencing Poverty. , 1-18.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/10443894231219846>

McCrea, K. Tyson, Richards, M., Wilkins, K., Moore, Miller, K.M all gang -crime, high poverty urban U.S. Communities of color describe their obstacles, hopes, and I5 99.025 Tm Tf 1 06F03570003>-2<0380>-10<005E>4<0189011E0110>-

Ayalew, Y. D., McCrea, K., Miller, K., & Matthews, C. (2023). The promise of digital OLS School

environments. , (4), 322
346. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0095798418773188>

- Ayalew, Y.D. & Miller, K.M. (2022, April). Digital out-of-school programs (OSPs) for under-resourced communities with digital out-of-school programs (OSPs). Conference on Education, Research & Innovation. Washington, D.C.
- Tyson McCrea, K., Miller, K.M., Moore, A., Watson, H., and Williams, S. (2023, April). Towards allyship: Creating and sustaining university-community partnerships to develop opportunities for underserved youth. The 3rd International Academic Forum (IAFOR) Conference on Education, Research & Innovation. Washington, D.C.
- Miller, K.M. (2023, January). Allyship: Creating and Sustaining University-Community Partnerships to Benefit Communities and Accomplish Social Work's Oppressive, Social Justice Goals. Paper presented at the 26th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR). Phoenix, Arizona.
- Miller, K.M., Matthews, C., and Miller, E. (2022, January). "When You Understand the Bigger Concerns, It Helps You Address Smaller Concerns That People Face": Perspectives of Black and Latinx Low Income Urban Youth on How Their out-of-School Programs Support Their Personal Development and Identities Resisting Injustices. Paper presented as an oral presentation at the 26th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR).
- Miller, K.M., Wynn, N., Freely, P., Sorenson, B. and Lee, S. (2022, January). Beyond Cosmetic Diversification: An Exploratory Comparative Content Analysis of One School of Social Work's Initial Effort to Decolonize Foundation Level Syllabi. Paper presented as a poster at the 26th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR).
- Tyson McCrea, K., Moore, A., Miller, K.M., Watson, H., Pica, J., Matthews, C., & Miller, E. (2022, January). Allyship: Creating and Sustaining University-Community Partnerships to Benefit Communities and Accomplish Social Work's Oppressive, Social Justice Goals. Paper presented as a workshop at the 26th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR).
- Tyson McCrea, K., Miller, K.M., Watson, H., Lane, D. (2021, June). Street-Based Social Work: An Unconventional manual for Accompaniment and Human Rights Based Social Work Practice with Youth. Paper presented at the International Social Work in Child and Family Welfare Conference: A Child Rights Perspective. Department of Social Work at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania), June 19, 2021 (Virtual).
- Miller, K.M. (2021, April)

Miller, K.M., Freely, P., Soenen, B., Lee, S., Wynn, N., & Tyson McCrea, K. (2021, January). *Lead an*

the light. Paper presented at the 25th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) (Virtual)

Miller, K.M., Watson, H., Malazarte, N., Matthews, C., Miller, E., McGary, T., Wronowski, T., Prince, L., & Tyson McCrea, K. (2020, November). *Law Under Curious Minds Youth Advocates: A Black and Latinx young* 03.

Onyeka, C., Richards, M., Miller, K.M., Matthews, C., & Tyson McCrea, K. (June 2019) Exploring the role of youth participatory action research in the development of critical consciousness among Black and Latinx youth. Society for Community Research and Action (SCRA). Chicago, IL

Tyson McCrea, K., Miller, K.M., Watson, H., Pica, J II., Guthrie, D., Richards, M., Temple, U., & Lane, D (May 2019) -
with youth of color to improve services in severely disadvantaged neighborhoods. The Network for Social Work Management Conference. Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Tyson McCrea, K., Watson, M., Miller, K.M., Guthrie, D., Lane, D., Temple, U., Richards, M. (May 2019).
Designing and implementing street-based social work services for urban youth of color in poverty. The Network for Social Work Management Conference. Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, Illinois.

Onyeka, C., Miller, K.M., Matthews, C., Richards, M., Tyson McCrea, K., Daniels, E., Denton, D., Edwards, K., Williams, N. (2019, March). For us, by us: Utilizing youth engagement & participatory action research strategies for youth of color. Paper presented in M. Richards (Chair),

. Symposium conducted at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Child Development, Baltimore, MD, March 28-31, 2019.

Richards, M., Tyson McCrea, K., Onyeka, C., Miller, K.M., Watson, H., Matthews, C. (January 2019) The power of the peer: Utilizing Cross-Age Peer Mentoring Programming for Urban Youth of Color.

Miller, K.M.,

Alternatives to Calling the Police, Metropolitan Brewing, Chicago, IL

- Invited to create and present workshop on alternatives to calling the police during mental health crises
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Phi Theta Kappa International Honors Society, Student Member, 2010

TRAININGS, CERTIFICATES, AND LICENSES

Licensed Social Worker (LSW)

Clinical licensure issued by State of Illinois

License number: 150.111509

Restorative Justice Peace Circle Keeper Certificate, February 2017

Community Justice for Youth Institute

Recognizing Identity, Power, and Oppression Diversity Workshop, April 2014

Dominican University

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

August 2020-present

Teaching Assistant SOWK 506: Social Work Research

- Assist Dr. Susan Grossman in teaching research methods virtually during COVID pandemic to second year MSW students
- Provide students with feedback on group research projects
- Teach graduate student sections on qualitative and quantitative data analysis

INTERNATIONAL TEACHING ACTIVITIES

October 2021

Teaching Assistant SOWK 606: Participatory Action and Qualitative Research to Advance Social Justice: A Global Perspective

- Coteach international U.S.-Lithuania hybrid class with Dr. Jonas Ruskus of Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania)
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CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES

April 2020-July 2020

After School Matters

- Developed virtual Humanistic Group Therapy techniques and activities, which were distributed to all After School Matters instructors in Chicago
- Provided consultation on best practices for virtual after school and summer programming
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October 2015January 2016

Evaluation of the Cook County Human Trafficking Task Force

- Assist Dr. Deborah Baskin and Dr. Ira Sommers in creating research materials to ascertain the effectiveness and efficiency of the Cook County Human Trafficking Task Force
- Attend CCHTF meetings, take field notes
- Assist in administering evaluation tools, and analyzing results to provide the organization with performance evaluation

May 2015September 2015

Research Project on Impulsivity, Future Orientation, and Exposure to Violence

- Received research guidance from Dr. Deborah Baskin & Dr. Ira Sommers of Loyola University
- Performed multiple comprehensive literature searches
- Wrote the literature review section of journal article

July 2015August 2015

Research Associate University of Illinois at Chicago

- Assisted professors from Loyola & UIC update focus group transcripts
- Created pseudonyms for participants and ensured integrity and consistency of transcripts
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EXTRAMURAL MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS

2022-present: Children and Youth Services Review

2021-present: Developmental and Psychopathology

2020-present: Violence: An International Journal

2018-2018: Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

October 2020-present

Ph.D. Student Liaison to Loyola University Chicago School of Social Work (LUCSSW) Doctoral Committee

- Represent and convey LUCSSW doctoral student concerns and needs to doctoral committee
- Attend doctoral committee meetings
- Communicate with current doctoral students at LUCSSW to understand needs

August 2020-present

Ph.D. Student Representative, School of Social Work Student Organization (SSWBO)

- Promote Loyola University Chicago Ph.D. student interests during COVID pandemic
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Organized

August 2013-December 2013

Student Government Association, Senior Senator (Dominican University)

- Represent the student body during student government meetings
- Serve on the budget subcommittee where funds were disbursed to student organization

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

October 2018-February 2019

Berto

11th Ward in Chicago, IL

- Canvas in West Englewood and Back of the Yards neighborhood
- Meet and converse with residents to understand concerns about neighborhood
- Attend campaign meetings

August 2013-January 2014

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Chicago, Illinois

- Provided a positive adult role model to a 10-year old boy
- Furthered social development of children through individual & group interaction

STUDY ABROAD

Study Abroad: China

May 2014

- Traveled to Beijing, Shanghai, and Xi'an
- Studied Chinese culture, such as: history, medicine, calligraphy, & architecture
- Visited the Beijing Foreign Studies University, where we discussed cultural similarities and differences in universities

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

March 2014-September 2014

The Borgen Project: Political Affairs Intern, Seattle, Washington (remote)

- Meet with members of Congress and Congressional Staffers
- Represent The Borgen Project at various political, business, and community events
- Write and call members of Congress to support global poverty reduction bills