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EDUCATION

University of Delaware | Doctor of Philosophy | Human Development and Family Science | Anticipated May 2027
Delaware State University | Master of Science | Social Work | May 2023
Wilmington University | Bachelor of Science | Behavioral Science | August 2020
Wilmington University | Child Advocacy Certificate, Community Engagement Certificate | August 2020

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Parent-child interactions
Youth and families
Child welfare
Childhood aggression
Intergenerational transmission of behaviors

TEACHING INTERESTS

Human Development | Lifespan Development, Child Development, Adolescent Development, Adult Development and Aging, Death and Dying
Social Work | Introduction to Social Work and Education Services, Introduction to Human Services, Social Welfare Policy
Family Science | Diversity and Families, Families and their Communities, Child and Family Policy, Parenting through the Lifespan

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Graduate Adjunct Instructor | Social Welfare Policy I | University of Delaware | Aug 2024-Present
Research Assistant | Queer Development Lab | University of Delaware | June 2024-Present
Research Assistant | Project LAUNCH | University of Delaware | Sept 2023-Present
Research Assistant | Rutherford Lab | University of Delaware | April 2024-Present
Behavior Support Specialist | Stepping Stones Group | William B. Keene Elementary School | Aug 2022-June 2023
Care Management (Social Work) Intern | Christiana Hospital | Center for Women's and Children's Health | Aug 2022-May 2023
Congregate Foster Care House Parent Intern | Elizabeth W. Murphey School | Aug 2021-May 2022
Behavioral Health Paraprofessional | Stepping Stones Group | REACH Program (Christina School District) | Aug 2021-May 2022

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Search Committee | MSW Practicum Coordinator | University of Delaware | Jan 2024-Present

PROFESSIONAL, UNIVERSITY, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Graduate Student Discovery and Development (GSDD) | HDPS Graduate Association | Aug 2024-Present
Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) | DE Office of the Child Advocate | Sept 2021-Present
Educational Surrogate Parent (ESP) | Parent Information Center of DE | May 2023-Present
Podcast Panel | DE Office of the Child Advocate | Episode 98 | Nov 2023
Conference Panel | Social Work Conference

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Riera, K., Goldstein, S., Wroten, E., **Figgs, V.**, Miller, M., Atienza Spencer, G., Fitzgerald, E., Simperts, K. (2024, November 8-10). "Launching": Fathers' perspectives on parenting and the college transition process [Conference presentation]. National Organization of Human Services Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA

Wroten, E. S. D., Goldstein, S. E., Riera, K., Miller, M., **Figgs, V.**, Atienza, G., & Simperts, K. (2024, April). "As a parent I have let go a lot more, because I don't have a choice": Parents' experiences of their child moving away from home to attend college. Poster accepted for presentation at the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, LA.