

## EDUCATION HISTORY

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### Education

- Present**      **Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student, Indiana University – Bloomington**  
Advisor: Anne Krendl, PhD
- 2018**      **B.A., Psychology, Spelman College** Salutatorian  
Advisors: Valerie Taylor, PhD and Sandra Patterson, PhD  
Honors Thesis Title: *Placing the blame: The effect of rape myth acceptance, stereotypes, and race on victim blaming*
- Fall 2016**      **Danish Institute for Study Abroad**, Copenhagen, Denmark  
**June-July 2016**      **Fundación Amauta**, Cuenca, Ecuador

### Honors and Awards

- 2018      Class of 2018 Salutatorian  
2014-2018      Dean's List  
2014-2018      Spelman College Ethel Waddell Githii Honors Program

### Scholarships and Fellowships

- 2018      Graduate Scholars Fellowship, Indiana University – Bloomington, **\$25,000**  
2014-2018      Bonner Enrichment Scholarship, Spelman College. **\$154,225**  
2014-2018      Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholar. **\$24,000**  
2014-2018      Take Stock in Children Scholar. **\$12,000**  
2016      Benjamin A. Gilman International Fellow. **\$2,000**  
2016      Rachel Robinson International Fellow. **\$2,000**  
2014-2015      Bailey Family Foundation Scholar. **\$5,000**  
2014-2015      St. Petersburg Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. **\$1,000**

### Research Experience

- 2018      **Spelman College**, Independent Study Research Seminar: Grady Nia Project, Grady Memorial Hospital  
Advisors: Natalie Watson-Singleton, PhD and Nadine J. Kaslow, PhD, ABPP, Atlanta, GA
- Responsible for recruiting and retaining hard-to-reach and underrepresented populations in a hospital setting weekly
  - Conducted an independent research project assessing the relationship between alcohol abuse, depression, and IPV among Black women
- 2018      **Emory Medical Care Foundation**, Independent Study Research Seminar  
Advisors: Natalie Watson-Singleton, PhD and Sarah Cook, MD
- Trained in collecting physiological markers of health
  - Administered self-report questionnaires to patients (BDI-II, Perceived Stress, Mini-Mental Status Exam)
  - Trained on culturally competent and sensitive methods for recruitment and measure administration
- 2015-2018      **Spelman College**, Stereotyping and Social Interactions Research Lab  
Principal Investigator: Valerie Taylor, PhD, Atlanta, GA  
*Research Assistant*, "Effects of observing stereotype confirming behavior on interracial interactions"
- Designed survey measures, vignette text, and corresponding graphic images using Qualtrics.
  - Recruited participants using classroom announcements and verbal requests

- Cleaned and analyzed data using Excel and SPSS.
- Conducted quantitative experiments with participants as the experimenter and the confederate.
- Met and collaborated with PI and other RAs regularly to advance research conducted in the lab.

2017-2018 **Spelman College**, Honors Thesis, Psychology Department / Ethel Waddell Githii Honors Program, Atlanta, GA, *Placing the blame: The effect of rape myth acceptance, stereotypes, and race on victim blaming*

Advisors: Valerie Taylor, PhD and Sandra Sims-Patterson, PhD

- Conducted an extensive literature review to inform the selection of variables to study, previous work on victim blaming, and best practices.
- Developed and defended a proposal to conduct this study to faculty members.
- Designed a multi-method study to evaluate the effects of rape myth acceptance, sexual stereotypes, and the race of the victim of an acquaintance rape on victim blaming attitudes of Black men and women
- Used Amazon Mechanical Turk to recruit a random sample of over 250 Black men and women participants

June-July 2017 **Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP): The University of Iowa**, Clinical-Cognitive Science Lab, Principal Investigator: Dr. Teresa Treat, Iowa City, IA.

- Conducted secondary data analysis of a sample of nearly 2,000 college men that resulted in a national conference presentation and a paper in progress.
- Completed professional development and graduate studies preparation courses.

### Conference Presentations

- Dickens, D. D., Taylor, V. J., **Holder, A.** (2018) "Motivations to Attend a Historically Black College for Women" Oral Presentation at The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI) Annual Conference SPSSI, Pittsburg, PA
- Holder, A.**, Taylor, V.J., Sims-Patterson, S. (2018) "Placing the blame: The effect of rape myth acceptance, stereotypes, and race on victim blaming" Oral Presentation at Spelman College Research Day, Atlanta, GA.
- Clunie, A., **Holder, A.**, Watson-Singleton, N. (2018) "Intimate Partner Violence and Alcohol Use among African American Women". Poster Presentation at Spelman College Research Day, Atlanta, GA.
- Holder, A.**, Treat, T. A., & Viken, R. (2017) "Racial/Ethnic Differences in College Men's Sensitivity to Women's Sexual Interest Cues". Poster presentation at Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS), Phoenix, AZ.
- Holder, A.**, Treat, T. A., & Viken, R. (2017). "Racial/Ethnic Differences in College Men's Sensitivity to Women's Sexual Interest Cues". Poster presentation at the Summer Undergraduate Research Conference, Iowa City, IA.
- Trotter, J., **Holder, A.**, & Taylor, V. (2017). "Assessing the Emotional Consequences of Witnessing Racial Group Members Behave Negatively in Multiracial Intergroup Interactions". Poster presentation at Spelman College Research Day, Atlanta, GA.
- Holder, A.** (2016). "The Impacts of Colonialism and Neo-Colonialism on Peru: An Analysis of Claudia Llosa's *Madeinusa*". Oral Presentation at Spelman College Research Day, Atlanta, GA.

### Associations and Societies

- 2017 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society  
2016 Psi Chi Honor Society (Vice President 2017-2018)  
2016 Rotaract Club Member  
2015 Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

### WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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- 2017 - 2018 **Spelman College Writing Center**, Peer Tutor, Atlanta, GA
- Provide Spelman College students of all majors with valuable assistance on a range of writing assignments.

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- 2017 - 2018 **Insight Initiative**, Curriculum Coordinator, Atlanta, GA
- Responsible for developing creative and interactive weekly lesson plans that build life skills for over 40 members to facilitate with six 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes.
- 2017 - 2018 **Center for Black Women's Wellness**, Volunteer, Atlanta, GA
- Working to cater to the mental, physical, and economic needs of Black women in Atlanta with low-incomes by assisting with program development and implementation.
- 2016 - 2018 **Children's Village Market**, Service Event Coordinator, Atlanta, GA
- In charge of coordinating food drives, food package creation sessions, and distribution of food packages to students.
- June-July 2016 **Bay Pines Veterans Hospital**, Pharmacy Assistant, St. Petersburg, FL
- Packaged, organized, and ensured the delivery of over 1,500 medications to disabled veterans.
  - Helped develop and implement initiative that improved patient appointment attendance in the anticoagulation clinic
- Jan-May 2016 **Fulton County Juvenile Justice Court**, Intern, Atlanta, GA
- Assisted with managing and developing content that helped provide mental health treatment for delinquent juveniles in need of special services.
- Aug-Dec 2015 **Congressional Office of John Lewis**, Intern, Atlanta, GA
- Coordinated correspondence between over 30 5<sup>th</sup> District constituents and various Federal Agencies to resolve complaints and concerns.
- May-July 2015 **AmeriCorps Summer Service Member: BRIDGES USA**, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Leadership Conference Facilitator, Memphis, TN
- Educated 100 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> graders about environmental justice and educational justice while developing leadership, tolerance, communication, and collaboration skills.
- 2014-2015 **KIPP Strive Academy**, Lower School Dean Assistant, Atlanta, GA
- Organized materials and supplies
  - Mentored and provided academic support to 5th and 6th grade scholars across all subjects

### ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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#### Computer Skills:

Proficient in SPSS statistical software, Qualtrics, and Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint). Proficient in using Amazon Mechanical Turk. Mac and PC literate.

**Language:** Spanish proficiency: Reading (moderate), Writing (moderate), Speaking (moderate)