

# Brittany N. Derr

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## Clinical Experience

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**Practicum Student Intern**, BRAVE at Erie County Medical Center Jan. 2022 – Present  
Hospital-based intervention program that provides therapy and advocacy to victims of violence, including gunshot wounds, stabbing, domestic violence, and sexual assault in Buffalo, NY  
Individual Supervisors: Shannon King, Psy.D  
Clinical Supervisor: Amy Reynolds, Ph.D.

Direct Hours: Pending

- Provide individual therapy to in-patient and out-patient survivors of violence.
- Engage in trainings and workshops related to trauma-informed care.
- Maintain a diverse caseload of clients with various levels of PTSD related to violence.
- Partake in weekly individual and group supervision.

**Practicum Student Intern**, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center Aug. 2020 – Jan. 2021  
Community mental health provider serving SMI and houseless populations in Lexington, KY

Individual Supervisors: Melissa Barrett-Thomas, M.S., LPCC

Clinical Supervisor: Candice Hargons, Ph.D.

Direct Hours: Pending

- Run Therapeutic Rehabilitation Program (TRP) groups on mindfulness, healthy boundaries/relationships, and art therapy.
- Maintain a diverse caseload of clients with various SMI and housing concerns.
- Partake in weekly individual and peer supervision.

**Academic Coach**, Transformative Learning Jan. 2020 – May 2021  
Department for assisting undergraduates develop college and career development success at the University of Kentucky

Site Supervisor: Julie Bradley, M.A., ACC

Direct Hours: 100+ hours

- Work one-on-one with undergraduate students to develop skills and connect with resources needed to be successful in college and career development.
- Coach students one-on-one and in group formats in face-to-face and online settings.
- Counsel students' growth in varied areas of academic performance, social/emotional wellness, and access to career opportunities.
- Develop and present at workshops for students and university partners teaching college success strategies (such as reducing test anxiety, time management, sleep hygiene, etc.).
- Document client progression in Canvas, Salesforce, and Tableau.
- Partake in weekly individual supervision sessions.

**Graduate Student Helper**, University of Kentucky Aug. 2019 – May 2020

Offered a series of sessions to undergraduates as part of both a course on Counseling Techniques and a course on Theories of Counseling

Supervisors: David Pascale Hague, Ph.D. and Sharon Rostosky, Ph.D.

Direct Hours: 16 direct, individual client session hours

- Provided in-person, individual counseling services to undergraduate student volunteer clients.
- Attended individual supervision sessions biweekly.
- Partook in weekly peer supervision.

**Substance Use Counseling Intern**, Key Development Center, Inc. Aug. 2018 – Dec. 2018

Nonprofit outpatient, nonprofit center for adult substance use and adolescent outreach in Brighton, MI

Site Supervisor: Daniel Duryea, Ph.D.

- Assisted in facilitating group sessions, including a women's-only group.
- Administered intake sessions with new clients.
- Scheduled appointments for clients.
- Aided in facilitating group sessions at local middle and high schools.
- Provided support during individual sessions with middle and high school students.
- Organized substance use prevention outreach to students.
- Kept HIPAA-compliant records including notes on group sessions and intake assessments.
- Participated in individual supervision biweekly.

**Insight Youth Group Co-Leader**, Key Development Center, Inc. Aug. 2018 – Dec. 2018

Nonprofit outpatient, nonprofit center for adult substance use and adolescent outreach in Brighton, MI

Site Supervisor: Daniel Duryea, Ph.D.

- Co-led weekly group meetings focusing substance use prevention.
- Provided safe space for students to discuss substance use within their families.
- Offered coping skills, including mindfulness techniques.

**Girls' Youth Group Co-Leader**, Key Development Center, Inc. Aug. 2018 – Dec. 2018

Nonprofit outpatient, nonprofit center for adult substance use and adolescent outreach in Brighton, MI

Site Supervisor: Daniel Duryea, Ph.D.

- Co-led weekly group meetings for self-identifying female students focusing on self-esteem, boundaries, and healthy relationships.
- Provided mindfulness and coping techniques.

**"Life Happens" Youth Group Co-Leader**, Key Development Center Inc. Aug. 2018 – Dec. 2018

Nonprofit outpatient, nonprofit center for adult substance use and adolescent outreach in Brighton, MI

Site Supervisor: Daniel Duryea, Ph.D.

- Co-led weekly meetings for students who are dealing with issues related to stress, grief/loss, eating disorders, and family conflict.
- Provided mindfulness and coping techniques.

### **Research Experience**

**Psychosocial Research Initiative on Sexual Minorities (PRISM) Lab** Sept. 2019 – May 2021

Department of Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology, University of Kentucky

*Graduate Research Assistant*

Supervisor: Sharon Rostosky, Ph.D.

University research lab on the marginalization and strengths of gender and sexually diverse populations

- Assist in the preparation of research presentations and publications with doctoral-level lab mates.
- Collaborate on research development and refinement for studies on LGBTQ+ populations.
- Collect and analyze data for thematic analysis projects.

**Textbook Gender Bias Research**

Aug. 2020 – June 2021

Department of Early Childhood, Special Education, and Counselor Education, University of Kentucky

*Graduate Research Assistant*

Supervisor: Yurgos Politis, Ph.D. and Allison Levine, Ph.D.

University research lab collaboration on educational representation in primary grade level textbooks

- Assist in the comparative study of gender images and disruptive stereotypes of gender in primary grade level textbooks.
- Collaborate as part of a team to develop a codebook.
- Code images in textbooks based on both positive and negative gender representation.

**Masculinity and Transgender Men Research Project**

Oct. 2018 – Oct. 2021

PRISM Lab, University of Kentucky

*Graduate Research Assistant*

Supervisors: Sharon Rostosky, Ph.D. and Zakary Clements, M.S.

*Qualitative research on experiences with masculinity and male privilege among transgender men.*

- Coded qualitative data.
- Formulated themes and subthemes from the qualitative responses.
- Created demographic tables in SPSS.
- Assist in manuscript writing.

**Effects and Responses to Gendered Racism**, Research Lab for

Jan. 2020 – Present

Interdisciplinary Minority Health, University of Kentucky

Supervisors: Danelle Stevens-Watkins, Ph.D. and Chesmore Montique, M.A.

University research lab on health disparities among African American populations

*Qualitative research on the effects and responses to racism and sexism among Black women.*

- Coded qualitative data.
- Conducted literature review.
- Contributed to the finalization of themes and subthemes.
- Assist in manuscript writing.

**Honors College Undergraduate Research**, Department of Psychology, UDM

Aug. 2017 – Dec. 2018

Supervisor: Elizabeth Hill, Ph.D.

*Research on Factors Related to Recent Increases in Impaired Driving Among Young Females.*

- Created a research proposal and literature review.
- Gathered data via questionnaire, including the BEM Sex Role Inventory, Risky Driving Assessment, and Risk-Taking Assessment.
- Wrote manuscript.
- Curated graphs and tables in SPSS.
- Successfully defended the thesis before a committee.

## Education

**Doctorate of Philosophy in Counseling Psychology**

*University at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY*

May 2026

Current GPA: 4.00

**Master of Science in Counseling Psychology**

*University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY*

May 2021

Cumulative GPA: 4.00

**Graduate Certificate: Women and Gender Studies Concentration**

*University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY*

May 2021

**Bachelor of Arts in Psychology**

*University of Detroit Mercy (UDM), Detroit, MI*

December 2018

Cumulative GPA: 3.9

*Major Advisor*: Harold Greene, Ph.D.

*Honors Thesis*: Factors Related to Recent Increases in Impaired Driving Among Young Females

*Thesis Advisor*: Elizabeth Hill, Ph.D.

**Minor in Addiction Studies**

December 2018

**Minor in Women and Gender Studies**

December 2018

## Teaching Experience

**Introduction to the Counseling Profession TA**, University at Buffalo

Jan. 2023 – Present

Supervisor: Michele Shanahan, Ph.D.

- Create engaging presentation for asynchronous learning.
- Grade unit assignments and papers.
- Provide students with support on course concepts.

- Create extra credit assignments.

**START Program Teaching Assistant**, Transformative Learning  
Stem Through Authentic Research and Teaching (START) Jan. 2020 – June 2021  
Department of Clinical Sciences, University of Kentucky  
Supervisor: Luke Bradley, Ph.D.

- Organize outreach initiatives for underrepresented students in STEM fields.
- Keep HIPAA-compliant records, including notes on student meetings.
- Participate in weekly individual supervision.
- Co-authored and developed the Stem Through Authentic Research and Teaching (START) whitepaper.

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Clements, Z. A., **Derr, B. N.**, Rostosky, S. S., & Riggle, E. D. B. Masculinity and Male Privilege Among Transgender Men.  
Montique, C., Murphy, E., Bohmer, C., **Derr, B. N.**, Phelps, L., Van Den Busch, L., Wheeler, P., Hargons, C., Stevens-Watkins, D. (in preparation). “It's Hard to Know if Someone's Being Racist or Sexist or Both”: Effects and Responses to Gendered Racism.  
Politis, Y., Levine, A., Blaber, I., & **Derr, B.** (in preparation). Representation of Women in Science: An Application of the Gender Bias 14 Tool.  
**Derr, B. N.** & Hill, E. M. (in preparation). Factors Related to Recent Increases in Impaired Driving Among Young Females.

### Conference Presentations

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**Derr, B.** & Hill, E. (2019, April). *Factors Related to Recent Increases in Impaired Driving Among Young Females*. Poster presented at 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.

### University and Department Travel Funding

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**Graduate Student Travel Award**, Department of Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology, UK (\$500) 2019

### Honors and Awards

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**John J. Muller Psychology Award**, Department of Psychology, UDM 2018  
**Honors Gold Key**, UDM 2018  
**Dean's List**, UDM Fall 2015- Fall 2018

### Certifications

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2016 - 2023 **Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)**  
*Professional Research Training*  
*Human Research*  
*Social/Behavioral Investigators and Key Personnel*  
*Anti-Plagiarism*  
2018 **HIPPA Awareness**  
2018 **HIPPA Security**

2018 **Handle with Care; Crisis Intervention and Behavior Management Training**

### Special Trainings

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- 2020 **University of Kentucky Sociology Department**, “Female Genital Mutilation and Femonationism in the United States,” *Workshop attendee*, online
- 2020 **Institute of Coaching at McLean of Harvard Medical School**, “Inclusion Matters: Adjusting Your Mirrors and Managing Your Blindspots,” *Workshop attendee*, online
- 2020 **Counseling on Post-Secondary Education**, “CPE’s Higher EDquity Webinar,” *Workshop attendee*, online
- 2020 **Institute of Coaching**, “The Fourth Industrial Revolution: Helping StemM Leaders Flourish,” *Webinar attendee*, online
- 2020 **Institute of Coaching**, “Everybody Rise: Coaching Women and Diverse Clients to Lead”, *Workshop attendee*, online
- 2019 **Midwestern Psychological Association Spring Conference**, *Conference attendee and presenter*, Chicago, IL

### Community and Civic Involvement

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- 2016 - 2019 **Rx of Reading at Summer Preschool**, *Volunteer Educator* responsible for organizing three book drives, building students’ educational home libraries, and educating children
- 2017 **ArtPrize Grand Rapids**, *Volunteer Event Facilitator* responsible for helping with participant navigation and involvement opportunities
- 2017 - 2018 **American Red Cross**, *Volunteer* responsible for organizing and scheduling patients for blood donations

### Campus Involvement

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- 2019 - 2021 **Student Representative**, *Div. 17 Society of Counseling Psychology of the American Psychological Association Section on Positive Psychology*, UKY, Lexington, KY
- 2019 - 2021 **Member**, *Social Justice Advocacy Group*, UKY, Lexington KY
- 2016 - 2018 **Secretary and Member**, *Psi Chi - National Honors Society in Psychology*, UDM, Detroit, MI
- 2016 - 2018 **Member**, *Spectrum LGBTQIA+ Student Organization*, UDM, Detroit, MI

### Professional Associations

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- 2019 - current **Graduate Student Affiliate**, *American Psychological Association*
- 2019 - current **Student Affiliate\***, *Div. 17, Society of Counseling Psychology*
- 2019 - current **Student Affiliate**, *Div. 35, Society for the Psychology of Women*
- 2019 - current **Student Affiliate**, *Div. 44, Society of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*
- 2018 - 2020 **Student Affiliate**, *Midwestern Psychological Association*