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### ***EDUCATION***

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- 2016-Present **Doctoral Student in Social Work**  
School of Social Work, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan
- June, 2011 **Master of Social Work**  
School of Social Work, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan  
Concentration in child trauma, interpersonal practice and school social work
- Dec., 2007 **Bachelor of Arts**  
College of Arts and Sciences, Oakland University, Rochester Hills, Michigan  
Sociology Major

### ***RESEARCH INTERESTS***

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Family Dependency Treatment Court impact on parental sobriety and child maltreatment  
Child welfare, trauma, interventions and family resiliency building

### ***TEACHING INTERESTS***

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Human Behavior in the Social Environment  
Child Welfare

### ***PRESENTATIONS***

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Wittrup, E. M., & Santiago, M., A. (August 2017). Participant narratives about the influence of family drug treatment courts on sobriety. Paper to be presented at the Annual Conference Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

### ***FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS***

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- 2017 Michigan State University Summer Research Grant (*Funding: \$5,000*)
- 2010 Nita Lou Walbridge Scholarship (*Funding: \$3,000*)
- 2009 Nita Lou Walbridge Scholarship (*Funding: \$2,000*)

## ***RESEARCH EXPERIENCE***

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- 2016-Present **Graduate Research Assistant** (Professor Anna Maria Santiago)  
School of Social Work, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
- Currently researching social inequalities in Norway over the life course.
  - Assisted in systematic reviews of literature
  - Utilized Endnote, Excel and research databases for reviewing literature

## ***TEACHING EXPERIENCE***

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- Spring, 2017 **Guest Lecturer: Psychological First Aid**  
Kent County Department of Health and Human Services
- Spring, 2016 **Guest Lecturer: Psychological First Aid**  
Genesee County Department of Health and Human Services
- 2015-2016 **Guest Lecturer: Psychological First Aid**  
Kalamazoo County Department of Health and Human Services
- 2015-2016 **Guest Lecturer: Trauma-Informed Case Management**  
Kalamazoo County Department of Health and Human Services
- 2006-2008 **Supplemental Instructor** (Introduction to Psychology)  
Oakland Community College, Royal Oak and Southfield, MI
- Spring, 2012 **Guest Lecturer: Child Welfare and Child Trauma**  
Western Michigan University's Social Work Club

## ***PRACTICE EXPERIENCE***

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- 2011-2016 **Children's Protective Services Specialist**  
State of Michigan Department of Human Services, Kalamazoo, MI
- Investigated abuse and neglect of children in Kalamazoo County.
  - Assisted investigations in the Maltreatment in Care (MIC) Unit, investigating abuse and neglect allegations of foster homes.
  - Interpreted and utilized Child Protection Law and Child Protection Policy.
  - Utilized risk assessments, safety assessments, safety plans and services to address abuse and neglect of children.
  - Created petitions and testified in court hearings regarding harm to minor children.
  - Co-facilitated trauma informed practices for Department of Human Services in Kalamazoo and participated in Mi-TEAM development in Lansing, MI.
  - Co-facilitated and administered Psychological First Aid to social welfare staff in Kalamazoo and other Michigan counties.
- 2010-2011 **School Social Work Intern**
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Galesburg/Augusta School District, Galesburg, MI

- Created and implemented behavioral and academic interventions, Individualized Education Plan (IEP), and Functional Behavioral Assessment
- Led anger management and social skills groups for primary and middle school students.
- Utilized evidence-based therapeutic techniques with students with Emotional Impairments (EI), Otherwise Health Impaired (OHI) and Cognitive Impairments (CI) at the primary middle and high school

2009-2010

**Critical Trauma Interventionist Intern**

Children's Trauma Assessment Center

Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI

- Administered neuro-developmental and Intelligence quotient examinations to children aged three to sixteen in foster care whom have dealt with trauma
- Assessed trauma through psychosocial interviews with children
- Wrote comprehensive reports that included conclusions and recommendations for the referring sources that included the Department of Health and Human Services and family court staff.

***CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING***

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**Assessments**

Kaufman Brief Intelligence Test 2 (KBIT-2)

Pediatric Examination at Three (PEET)

Pediatric Examination of Educational Readiness (PEER)

Pediatric Early Elementary Examination 2 (PEEX2)

Pediatric Examination Educational Readiness At Middle Childhood 2 (PEERAMID 2)

Trauma Symptoms Checklist for Children (TSCC)

Child Behavioral Checklist (CBCL)

Draw a Person-Test

**Training**

Forensic Interviewing of Children

Advanced Forensic Interviewing of Children

Michigan Child Welfare Training Institute (CWTI)

***COMPUTER SKILLS***

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Proficient in SPSS, Endnote, PowerPoint, SWSS, MiSACWIS, Excel, and Microsoft Word

***PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS***

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Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

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