CURRICULUM VITAE

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Educational Background

Degree	*Year*	*University*	*Major*	*Thesis/Dissertation*
M.A.	2013	Texas State University	Sociology	The Social Environment, Genetics, and Obesity: Evaluation of the Stress-Diathesis and Differential Susceptibility Frameworks
B.S.	2011	University of Wisconsin-La Crosse	Sociology	

Experience

Position	*University*	*Dates*
Ass. Prof. of Instruction	Texas State University	2024 – *present*
Senior Lecturer	Texas State University	2014 – 2024
Graduate Assistant	Texas State University	2011 – 2014
Teaching Assistant	University of Wisconsin-La Crosse	2009 – 2011

II. TEACHING

Teaching Honors and Awards

Teacher's Appreciation Dinner Invitation, Alpha Delta Pi National Sorority, Fall 2015
Teacher's Appreciation Dinner Invitation, Delta Zeta National Sorority, Spring 2015
Teacher's Appreciation Dinner Invitation, Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Fall 2013

Courses Taught

Behavioral Statistics for the Social Sciences
Applied Data Analysis
Introduction to Sociology

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press)

Publications

Watt, T., Pierson, C. R., Lord, K., & Bustillos, S. (2024). Higher Education Outcomes for Students who Experienced Foster Care in Texas: Exploring the Impact of Liaison Legislation and Campus Support Programs. Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal, 1–12.

Evaluation Reports

Watt, T., & Pierson, C. 2019. *Advancing Peer Support in Integrated Care: Year 4 Final Evaluation Report*. Submitted to the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health. December.

Pierson, C. & Watt, T. 2017. Harris County Protective Services Integrated Behavioral Health Care Grant. Final Evaluation Report: Grant Year 2016-2017. Submitted to Harris County Protective Services.

Watt, Toni & Pierson, Colin. 2016. Advancing Peer Support in Integrated Care: Year 2 Evaluation Report. Submitted to the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health. December.

Watt, Toni Terling (PI) & Pierson, Colin. 2016. Evaluation of Harris County Protective Services Integrated Behavioral Health Program: Phase II

Pierson, Colin & Watt, Toni Terling. 2016. Integrated Behavioral Health Care: AccessHealth: Evaluation Data for the George Foundation Grant. Submitted to AccessHealth. July.

Kotarba, Joe, Jonathan Wivagg, Colin Pierson & Gloria Martinez. 2016. Needs Assessment for Texas Veterans' Commission. May.

Watt, Toni Terling & Pierson, Colin. 2015. Integrated Behavioral Health Care Phase II: AccessHealth and Physicians at Sugar Creek, A Memorial Hermann Facility: Evaluation Report Year 3. Submitted to the George Foundation. October.

Watt, Toni Terling & Pierson, Colin. 2014. Integrated Behavioral Health Care Phase II: AccessHealth and Physicians at Sugar Creek, A Memorial Hermann Facility: Evaluation Report Year 2. Submitted to the George Foundation. October.

Kotarba, Joe, Jonathan Wivagg & Colin Pierson. 2014. Evaluation of the 2-1-1 Texas Information and Referral Network. September.

Watt, Toni Terling & Pierson, Colin. 2013. Integrated Behavioral Health Care Phase II: AccessHealth and Physicians at Sugar Creek, A Memorial Hermann Facility: Evaluation Report Year I. Submitted to the George Foundation. October.

Works not in Print

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings

2018. Racial Theory, Analysis, and Politics in Trump America, "Real vs. Perceived Social Distance: Interracial Relationship Disapproval Rates Among College Students," Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans Downtown Marriott at the Convention Center, New Orleans.

2016. The Social-Environment, Genetics, and Obesity: Evaluation of the Stress-Diathesis and Differential Susceptibility Frameworks. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Las Vegas.

2015. A Content Analysis of Yik-Yak. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans.

2012. Health-Related Predictors to Latino Adolescents' Academic Achievement. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Phoenix.

2010. Gender Differences Among Cyberbully Perpetrators. Paper presented at the annual Wisconsin Sociological Association Conference, Milwaukee.

Grants and Contracts

Funded External Grants and Contracts

Watt, T. T. (Principal), Pierson, C. R. (Supporting). 2020-*present.* "Improving Higher Education Outcomes of Foster Youth in Texas: A Proposal to Evaluate Existing Campus Support Services," Sponsored by Texas State University, Other.

Watt, Toni Terling (PI) and Pierson, Colin. 2017. Advancing Peer Support in Integrated Health Care Evaluation. Funded by Harris County Protective Services.

SERVICE

University

Faculty Advisor, The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Texas State University, 2015-2016

Departmental

Teaching & Research Review (Co-Chair), 2025-*present*
Personnel Committee, 2024-*present*
Rubric Review Committee, 2024-*present*
Director, Sociology Statistics Tutoring Office, 2019-2025
Introduction to Sociology Assessment Committee, 2017
Technology Outreach Committee, 2016-2017; 2021-*present*
Alumni Outreach Committee (Chair), 2016-2020

Research Associate, Center for Social Inquiry, 2014-2016