

CURRICULUM VITA

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EDUCATION

- May 2005 Doctor of Philosophy, Social Work Policy and Administration, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA. Dissertation Title: *Moving to Self-Sufficiency: The Psychosocial Factors That Affect Women in Public Housing*
- May 1995 Master of Social Work, Advanced Standing Program, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA.
- May 1993 Bachelor of Social Work, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- 2020 Selected for *Institute on Pedagogy and Technology for Online Courses*, Columbia University
- 2020 Appointment to *Full Graduate Faculty Status*, University of Alabama
- 2020 Appointment as member of the *CSWE Council on the Role and Status of Women in Social Work Education* (3-year term)
- 2019 Selected for *CSWE Program Director's Leadership Academy*
- 2018 Selected *Innovation Team Scholar*, University of Alabama, College of Continuing Studies Online Education Initiative
- 2017 Awarded *Social Worker of the Year*, National Association of Social Workers, Alabama Chapter
- 2017 Selected *Innovation Scholar in Residence*, University of Alabama, College of Continuing Studies Online Education Initiative
- 2016-2017 Selected Junior Investigator's Program, University of Alabama
- 2009 Awarded *Social Worker of the Year*, National Association of Social Workers, Georgia Chapter
- 2002-2004 Selected for *Minority Fellowship Program (MFP) Clinical Fellow*, CSWE

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION

- 2016-Present University of Alabama School of Social Work, Tuscaloosa, AL
MSW Program Director (Campus and Distance Program)
- Oversee all facets of campus and online program, including addressing student issues, of over 450 students
 - Oversee distance learning staff including program coordinator and program assistant
 - Co-produced MSW self-study for CSWE accreditation with Associate Dean of Student Services & Academic Programs
 - Chair, MSW program committee (largest within School of Social Work)
 - Oversee revision of MSW curriculum
 - Recruit students in collaboration with student services
 - Oversee the development of online courses
 - Identify and supervise part-time faculty to teach MSW courses
- 2015-2016 Walden University Barbara Solomon School of Social Work and Human Services, Minneapolis, MN
Academic Program Director, BSW Online Program
- Hired as inaugural academic program director
 - Wrote initial letter of intent to launch the program
- 2013-2016 **Director of Field Experience, MSW Program**
- Oversaw field education in first CSWE accredited MSW program at a fully online institution
 - Supervised 2 field coordinators and a program assistant
 - Supervised faculty members serving as field liaisons
 - Developed and facilitated online training
 - Co-founded online field director's consortium
- 2010-2011 Georgia State University School of Social Work, Atlanta, GA
Director of Field Education
- Coordinated the placement of BSW and MSW students
 - Developed and facilitated training for field instructors
 - Initiated new placement sites
- 2007-2008 Albany State University Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work, Albany, GA
BSW Program Coordinator/Title IV-E Coordinator – Waycross Campus
- Coordinated and led the expansion of the BSW program to satellite campus
 - Collaborated with university staff to develop marketing and recruitment materials
 - Developed relationships with new field placement sites

TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS

- 2016-Present University of Alabama School of Social Work, Tuscaloosa, AL
Assistant Professor
Social Work Education, Doctoral
Models & Methods of Social Work Practice in Child Welfare and Family Services, Graduate
- 2008-2013 Georgia State University School of Social Work, Atlanta, GA
Clinical Assistant Professor
Families in Contemporary Society, Undergraduate/Graduate
Child Welfare, Undergraduate
Field Seminar, Undergraduate
Introduction to Social Work, Undergraduate
- 2007-2008 Albany State University Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work, Albany, GA
BSW Program Coordinator/Title IV-E Coordinator
Careers in Social Work, Undergraduate
Introduction to Social Work, Undergraduate
Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II, Undergraduate
Interviewing and Recording, Undergraduate
Research I, Undergraduate
Social Work with Families, Undergraduate
Self-Awareness, Undergraduate
- 2001-2002 Clark Atlanta University Whitney M. Young, Jr. School of Social Work, Atlanta, GA
Instructor
Social Welfare Policy & Services, Undergraduate
Issues in Child Welfare: Abuse, Neglect, & Investigation, Undergraduate

GRANTS AND OTHER FUNDING

- Jackson, M.S.** (Principal) Fall 2020. The National Social Work Enrichment Program (NSEP) Transportation Initiative. Alabama Transportation Institute, \$67,381 (Awarded).
- Jackson, M.S.** (Principal) Fall 2019 Social Workers on the Frontlines of the Opioid Epidemic. CSWE and National Council for Behavioral Health, \$5,000. (Not Awarded).
- National Social Work Enrichment Program (NSEP), **Jackson, M.S.** (Program Director). 2010-2019, \$1,646,688, Alabama Department of Human Resources (Awarded)

Jackson, M.S. (Principal) 2018-2019. The National Social Work Enrichment Program (NSEP) Transportation Initiative. Alabama Transportation Institute, \$12,687.45. (Awarded).

Cheatham, L. (Principal), **Jackson, M.S.** (Co-Principal). May 2017
Submission of a pilot-project proposal for inclusion with the University of Alabama's U54 Grant Proposal (Center for Rural and Minority Health Across the Life Course), submitted by Dr. Martha Crowler, Exploring perceptions of health access for older youth with disabilities in rural foster care settings, \$25,000, (Not Awarded)

Jackson, M.S. (Principal) Fall 2017. Preparing foster youth for college: Youth voices from a summer program experience, Research Grants Committee, University of Alabama, \$6,000 (Awarded)

Albright, D. L. (Principal), Curington, A. M. (Co-Principal), Drolen, C. S. (Co-Principal), **Jackson, M. S.** (Co-Principal), Jarrett, M. A. (Co-Principal), Lawson, M. A. (Co-Principal), "Alabama BHWET," U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - HHS, Federal \$1,869,178.00. Proposal Number: 18-0357. (Not Awarded)

PUBLICATIONS

Published

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A. & Bullock, A., Li, Q. (2020). Teaching practice skills to MSW online students: An examination of a blended skills lab model. *Advances in Social Work*, 20(1), 172-183. DOI: 10.18060/23614

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A., & Dozier, K. (2020). Foster youth pre-college programs: Advantages of building community partnerships. *Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship*, 12(2), 44-54.

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., & Bullock, A. (2019). Development of a pre-college program for foster youth: Opportunities and challenges of program implementation. *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*. DOI: 10.1007/s10560-019-00639-2

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., & Bullock, A. (2019). Strategies to address mental health challenges of foster youth transitioning to college. *Best Practices in Mental Health*.

Williams, J., **Jackson, M.S.**, Thomas, M., & Pressley, T., Barnett, T. (2019). Black mega churches and the provision of social services: An examination of regional differences in America. *Journal of Religion & Spirituality in Social Work: Social Thought*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15426432.2019.1577786>.

Schiele, J.H., **Jackson, M.S.**, & Fairfax, C.N. (2005). Maggie Lena Walker and African American Community Development. *Affilia*, 20(1), pp. 21-38.

In press

Schiele, J.H. & **Jackson, M.S.** (Accepted). The Atlanta School of Social Work and the professionalization of “race work.” *Phylon: The Clark Atlanta University Review of Race and Culture*.

Under review

Jackson, M.S., Nelson-Gardell, D., Williams, J., & Yang, F. (Under Review). International collaboration for mutual benefit: Southwest China and Southeast U.S. partnership. Submitted to *China Journal of Social Work* Special Issue.

Sage, M., **Jackson, M.S.** (Under Review). A systematic narrative review of internet communication technology use by youth in foster care. Submitted to *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*.

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A., & Jackson, R. (Under Review). Exploring the college self-efficacy of foster youth participating in a pre-college program. Submitted to *Journal of Public Child Welfare*.

Colvin, A., Bullock, A., **Jackson, M.S.** (Under Review). Exploring the integration of the ENHANCE learning model in supporting social work program utilization of technology in the COVID-19 pandemic era. Submitted to *Advances in Social Work*.

Hopson, L. M., Lidbe, A., **Jackson, M. S.**, Adanu, E., Li, X., Penmetsa, P., Lee, H., Anderson, A., & Obuya, C. (Under Review). Transportation to school and academic outcomes: A systematic review. Submitted to *Journal of School Health*.

Jackson, M.S., Reyes, M., Schwartz, R., Cummings, S., (Under Review). Developing a successful online program: Lessons learned from four administrators. Submitted to *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Lee, H.Y., Luo, Y., Li, Q., Nam, H.E., Baik, J.W., & **Jackson, M.S.** (Under Review). Health literacy among Minnesotans: Are annual health check-ups and education playing a role? Submitted to *Social Work in Public Health*.

In progress

Jackson, M.S., Suntai, Z., Kubanga, K., Lidbe, A., & Adanu, E. (In progress). Transportation barriers experienced by transition age foster youth: A systematic review of the literature. Will be submitted to *Children & Youth Services Review*.

Carlson, C., Lou, Y., **Jackson, M.S.**, Nelson-Gardell, D., Curington, A. (In progress). Undergraduate and graduate students’ interests and barriers to international social work education. Will be submitted to *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Jackson, M.S., Kubanga, K., Suntai, Z., Williams, J. (In progress). Making proud choices: Exploring the sexual health knowledge of foster youth in a pre-college summer program. Will be submitted to *Social Work in Public Health*.

Book Chapters

Schiele, J.H., Green, K., **Jackson, M.S.** (2020). Racial control and resistance among African Americans in the aftermath of The Welfare Reform Act of 1996. In J.H. Schiele (Ed.) *Social welfare policy: Regulation and resistance among people of color*.

Jackson, M. S. & Lyons, P. (2019). Child Maltreatment. In J.S. Wodarski and L. M. Hopson (Eds.), *Empirically-based Interventions Targeting Social Problems*. NY: Springer.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Refereed

Dozier, K. *, **Jackson, M.S.** (2020). Championing first generation college students: A critical conversation for higher education equity. CSWE APM. Virtual. Poster

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A. (2020). Opportunities to build higher education equity: A pre-college model for foster youth. CSWE APM. Virtual.

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A., (2020). Teaching practice skills to MSW online students: An examination of a blended skills lab model. Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX. (Conference canceled and rescheduled for 2021).

Jackson, M.S., Welker, K., Blackmon, C. (2020). Recruiting, training, and supporting adjunct faculty to teach online. Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX. (Conference canceled and rescheduled for 2021).

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A., (2020). Development of a pre-college program for foster youth: Opportunities and challenges of program implementation. International Foster Care Organization (IFCO). Montreal, Canada. (Conference canceled and rescheduled for 2021).

Cheatham, L., Bertram, J., Luo, Y., Dozier, **Jackson, M.S.** (2020). Supporting former foster youth in college: Lessons from students and stakeholders. SSWR, Washington, DC.

Jackson, M.S., Colvin, A., Bullock, A., (2019). Exploring pathways to college for transition age foster youth. CSWE APM. Denver, Co.

- Jackson, M.S.,** Colvin, A., Bullock, A., (2019). College is possible: Maximizing resources to address mental health issues of youth. Daniel Memorial Independent Living Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Dozier, K. **Jackson, M.S.** (2018). Social Work's Role in Championing First Generation College Students. Alabama-Mississippi Social Work Conference. Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Jackson, M.S.,** Jones, E. Boyd, M. (2018). Preparing foster youth for college: Youth voices from a summer program experience. Fall Child Welfare Conference. Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Jackson, M.S.,** Cheatham, L. (2018). *Breaking down barriers to college: A report of 2 strategies for Alabama's foster youth.* European Scientific Association on Residential & Family Care for Children and Adolescents (EUSARF). Porto, Portugal.
- Jackson, M.S.,** Williams, J., & Green, S. (2018). *Using skills labs to teach social work practice to distance students.* Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.
- Jackson, M.S.** (2017). *Preparing foster youth for college: Youth voices from a summer program experience.* CSWE APM. Dallas, TX.
- Jackson, M.S. &** Hubbard, S. (2017). *Breaking Down Barriers to College: Fostering Hope and Success for Our Youth.* National Independent Living Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Jackson, M.S. &** Hubbard, S. (2017). *Breaking Down Barriers to College: A Foster Care Perspective.* National Association of Social Work-Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Jackson, M.S. &** King, C. (2017). *Self-care Matters in the Pursuit of Helping Humanity.* National Association of Social Work-Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL.
- William, J. & **Jackson, M.S.** (2017). *Teaching Social Justice in a Distance Environment.* Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.
- Jackson, M. S. &** Corcoran, K. (2017). *Up in smoke: A longitudinal study of the impact of tobacco tax on health, 2003 to 2014.* SSWR, New Orleans, LA.
- Jackson, C., Moon, L. & **Jackson, M.S.** (2016). *Problem solving in an online field education setting.* CSWE APM, Atlanta, GA.
- Jackson, M.S. &** Bullock, A. (2016). *Utilizing technology to conduct site visits in a fully online environment.* Social Work Distance Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Jackson, M.S. &** Brandt, M. (2016). *Development of an on-line field consortium.* Social Work Distance Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- Rice, D. & **Jackson, M.S.** (October 2015). *Utilizing technology to conduct site visits in a fully online environment.* CSWE APM, Denver, CO.

Jackson, M.S. (2015). *Increased competition for field placements: Opportunities and challenges for MSW programs*. Presented at the CSWE APM, Denver, CO.

Jackson, M.S. (2015). *Building strong partnerships to prepare youth for college: NSEP and Alabama DHR*. Presented at the Daniel Memorial Independent Living Conference, Orlando, FL.

Jackson, M.S. (2015). *Online training for field instructors: Opportunities and challenges*. Presented at the Social Work Distance Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Jackson, M.S. (2015). *Developing a successful field program in an online environment: Lessons learned*. Presented at the Social Work Distance Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Jackson, M.S. (2014). *Online training for field instructors: The demand for creativity and flexibility*. Presented at the CSWE Annual Program Meeting, Tampa, FL.

Jackson, M.S., McElveen, D. & Meagher, P. (2014). *Supporting field education in an online environment*. Presented at the CSWE Annual Program Meeting, Tampa, FL.

Jackson, M.S. (2010). *Was I called or chosen for this profession: Inspiring hope in those who serve others*. Presented at the NASW Georgia Chapter 22nd Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Jackson, M.S. (2009). *What about me? Impacting the lives of life changers*. Presented at the NASW Georgia Chapter 21st Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, October 2009.

Jackson, M.S. (2008). *Expanding social work programs to serve rural communities: Lessons learned*. Presented at the 33rd National Institute on Social Work and Human Services in Rural Areas, Boise, Idaho

Jackson, M.S. (2006). *Moving to self-sufficiency: The psychosocial factors that affect women in public housing*. Presented at the CSWE Annual Program Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Jackson, M.S. (2003). *Maggie Lena Walker: A Social Welfare Legacy of African American Community Development*. Presented at the CSWE Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA

Invited

Jackson, M.S. (2020). *Making self-care a priority: An ethical imperative*. Tuscaloosa Veterans Affairs Medical Center Social Workers. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). *Was I called or chosen for this profession?* Talladega College Social Work Department, Title IV-E Program. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). *Providing trauma-informed services: Micro, mezzo, and macro levels of social work practice*. Talladega College Social Work Department, Title IV-E Program. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). Breaking down barriers to college: Fostering hope and success for youth transitioning from foster care. Talladega College Social Work Department, Title IV-E Program. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). Making self-care a priority: An ethical imperative. Talladega College Social Work Department, Title IV-E Program. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). Teaching opportunities in the academy. CSWE Minority Fellowship Program. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2020). Preparing foster youth for higher education-Panel Speaker. Love Local Luncheon benefiting Tuscaloosa Angels, Tuscaloosa, AL.

Jackson, M.S. (2019). *Developing and sustaining strategies to diversify graduate and professional school pipelines*. Student panel moderator. The Alabama Alliance for Equity in Graduate & Professional Education. Tuscaloosa, AL.

Jackson, M.S. (2019). *Preparing foster youth for college: A pre-college summer program experience*. National Research Collaborative for Foster Alumni and Higher Education. Webinar.

Jackson, M.S. (2017). *Social work distance education: Opportunities and challenges*. Presented at the National Association of Black Social Workers' (NABSW) 40th International Education Conference (IEC), Accra, Ghana.

Jackson, M.S. (2017). *Online social work education: Opportunities and challenges for schools of social work*. China-US Conference on Social work Collaboration in Education, Theories, and Practice, Beijing, China.

Jackson, M.S. (2016). *Preparing older foster youth for college: A summer bridge model*. Foster Care in Higher Education Summit, Montgomery, AL.

Jackson, M.S. (2015). *Supporting foster youth in college: Strategies for success*. Foster Care in Higher Education Summit, Tuscaloosa, AL.

Selected Trainings (Developed and Facilitated)

Jackson, M.S. (2013-2016), Online MSW Field Instructor Orientation, Walden University

Jackson, M.S. (2013-2016), Online Supervision for Field Instructors, Walden University

Jackson, M.S. (2013-2016), Online Student Safety in the Field: The Role of the Field Instructor, Walden University

SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

- 2008-Present National Social Work Enrichment Program (NSEP), Tuscaloosa, AL
Founder and Director
- Coordinating 6-week summer program to expose rising high school juniors and seniors to social work
 - Collaborating with social service agencies to provide job shadowing opportunities for students
 - Collaborating with universities to provide on campus housing and meals during summer experience
 - Coordinating research and evaluation of program
 - Supervising Program Coordinator and other program staff
- 2011-2013 Apple Educational and Counseling Services, McDonough, Georgia
Founder and Therapist
- Provided therapy services to individuals and families
 - Conducted educational and therapeutic groups
 - Provided family assessments for GA Department of Human Services, DFCS
 - Conducted professional trainings and workshops
- 2005-2007 Athens Technical College, Institute for Online Instructional Systems (IOTIS), Athens, Georgia
E-Learning Coordinator for Social Services
- Developed online training courses for GA Department of Family & Children Services (DFCS) new hires: Child Protective Services Workers (CPS), Foster Care Workers
 - Provided supervision to CPS online instructor and Foster Care online instructor
 - Revised and updated online course content as needed
 - Coordinated with computer programmers and flash developers to insure functionality of course content on web site
 - Provided ongoing collaboration with DFCS Education and Training Services Section to ensure that social services online courses met agency needs
 - Collaborated with Georgia State's Professional Excellence Program to develop online course for entire DHR staff
- 2002-2005 Vision Design Consulting, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia
Trainer and Consultant
- Conducted self-sufficiency and leadership training for adults and youth served by public housing agencies and job corps centers
 - Provided staff development training for DFCS

- Developed curriculum designed to meet participant needs in the areas of career planning, employment/self-sufficiency, parenting and leadership
- 2002-2002 Clark Atlanta University Community and Family Life Center, Atlanta, GA.
- Activities Coordinator**
- Planned and coordinated activities for youth in the “From Boyhood to Manhood & Sisters Too Summer Program”
 - Coordinated visits to area universities, agencies, and businesses for career exploration
- 2001-2002 Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA
- Residence Hall Director**
- Initiated, implemented, maintained, and evaluated a total residence life program in freshmen, female residence hall
 - Monitored, trained, supervised, and provided on-going development and evaluation of 4 residence hall staff
- 1998-2000 Living Water Outreach Services, Inc., Cordele, GA
- Executive Director**
- Supervised Family Service Coordinators and Family Service Workers
 - Negotiated and obtained contracts with the Department of Family & Children Services (DFCS) in 12 counties to provide family preservation and family reunification services
 - Conducted comprehensive family assessments for the First Placement Best Placement Program
 - Performed crisis intervention counseling through Homestead/Parent Aid programs
- 1996-1998 America’s Counseling Service, Cordele, Georgia
- Therapist**
- Contracted to provide group therapy to children with emotional and behavioral problems
- 1995-1998 Crisp Regional Hospital, Cordele, Georgia
- Social Services Director**
- Conducted home visits to provide counseling to Hospice patients
 - Developed and conducted Bereavement Support Groups
 - Linked home health clients to community resources
 - Conducted home visits to provide counseling to home health clients
 - Provided discharge planning to hospital inpatients
 - Developed annual budget for Social Services Department

SERVICE

Profession

2020, Session Chair, Online Learning Consortium Accelerate 2020, Virtual
2020, Reviewer, Children and Youth Services Review
2020, Guest Co-Editor, *Child Abuse & Neglect* Special Issue
2020, Reviewer, *Advances in Social Work*
2020, Reviewer, CSWE 66th Annual Program Meeting, Denver, CO
2020, Reviewer, Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio, TX
2019, Reviewer, *Best Practices in Mental Health*
2019, Reviewer, *Journal of Public Child Welfare*
2019, Reviewer, CSWE 65th Annual Program Meeting, Denver, CO
2019, Reviewer, Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio, TX
2018, Reviewer, Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio, TX
2017-Present, Board Member, Advisor to NASW-AL Student Representatives

University of Alabama

2019-Present, Member, Youth Protection Program Committee
2019, Member, College of Continuing Studies, Director of Academic Outreach Search Committee
2018-Present, Member, Graduate Council
2017-Present, Member, Technology and Learning Committee
2016-Present, Member, Online Learning Innovation Summit (OLIS), University of Alabama
2016-2017, Member, Department of Psychology, Assistant Professor Search Committee
2017, Member, College of Continuing Studies, Program Manager Search Committee

Dissertation Committees and Advisees

Taylor Ellis, (Social Work Member, 2018-2020) Dissertation Committee
Tracy Pressley, (Social Work Member, 2017-Present) Dissertation Committee
Krystal Dozier (Social Work Chair, 2018-Present) Dissertation Committee

School of Social Work

2020, Member, Chief Diversity Officer Search Committee
2020, Member, Ad Hoc Policy and Procedure Review Committee
2018-Present, Member, Field Program Committee
2017-Present, Member, Evaluation Committee
2016-Present, Advisor, Graduate Social Work Organization
2016-Present, Member, Executive Committee
2016-Present, Chair, MSW Committee
2016-2019, Member, Strategic Planning Committee-Pillar 1, (need name of pillar 1)
2018-2019, Member, DSW Committee
2016-2018, Member, Field Advisory Committee
Fall 2016, Member, Search Committee

Community

2010-Present, Community Partner, Alabama Department of Human Resources
2019, Provisional Member, Junior League of Tuscaloosa

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker, 4160C, State of Alabama
Licensed Clinical Social Worker, CSW004250, State of Georgia

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)
Fostering Academic Achievement Nationwide (FAAN)
International Research Network on Transitions to Adulthood from Care (INTRAC)
National Research Collaborative for Foster Alumni and Higher Education (NRC-FAHE)