

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Group 1 - **9:45 am – 10:15 am**

Cobble, Lindsey Michelle, University of North Carolina Wilmington; Mohler, Kathryn, University of North Carolina Wilmington; Smelick, Celine, University of North Carolina Wilmington. *Policy, Power, and the Store. The Human Toll of Disaster Governance During Hurricane Katrina*. Faculty Advisor: Daysja Terry, MSW, LCSW, CSI.

King-Jackson, Shannon, Auburn University at Montgomery; Grant, Jennifer, Auburn University at Montgomery; Bennett, Jamesha. *Am I Enough? Confronting Imposter Syndrome in the BSW Experience*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Angela Smith.

Wilson, Madison, Clark Atlanta University. *Love Thy Elders: A Valentine's Day Celebration*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Enchante Franklin.

Berman, Courtney, Arizona State University; Davis, Amanda, Arizona State University. Elizabeth Hayward, Arizona State University. *The Resilient Responder: Balancing Empathy and Burnout Amongst Crisis Responders*. Faculty Advisors: Cynthia Peters and Elizabeth Hayward.

Little, Markia, Tarleton State University; Rodriguez, Emily, Tarleton State University. *Language in Family Courts*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Olivarez, Emma, Tarleton State University. *The Perspective of Retention Resources for Foster Parents*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Rodriguez, Lesli, Tarleton State University; Mendoza, Daniela, Tarleton State University. *Balancing It All: A Self-Care Survey for Parents*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Ellner, Mckenna, Tarleton State University; Childs, Camdyn, Tarleton State University. *Growth at Risk: The Impact of Volunteer Deficits on Rural Nonprofit Sustainability*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang

Flores, Jordan, Austin Peay State University. *A Community-Based Digital Access Initiative for Rural Geriatric Veterans*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Dava Wilson.

Forbes, Mackenzie, Niagara University; Daun-Barnett, Valerie, Niagara University; Boydell, Jessica, Niagara University. *SWSA's Role in Community Relations within Niagara University and the Surrounding Communities*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Rolanda Ward.

Joseph, Jasmyne, Tarleton State University; Peltz, Lily, Tarleton State University; Dowdle, Audrey, Tarleton State University. *Assessing Barriers to Awareness of Social Services Available in Rural Communities*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

McGlone, Laila, Virginia Commonwealth University; Diaz, Elena, Virginia Commonwealth University; Matusiak, Autumn, Virginia Commonwealth University. *Richmond to RVA: Historical*

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Discriminatory Housing Policies and Their Enduring Consequences for Marginalized Communities. Faculty Advisor: Kristal Parada.

Ortiz-Lopez, Ruby, Tarleton State University. *Assessing Communication Between Social Service Agencies and Rural Communities. A Study in Erath County.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Palm, Renell Marie, Seton Hill University. *Cultural Beliefs, Acculturation, and Perceptions of Mental Health Among Staff at the Latino Community Center.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sarah Slates.

Almazan, Leslie Irene, Tarleton State University. *Exploring Forensic Social Work Roles and Miscarriages of Justice.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Edward Randle.

Drivanos, Hunter N., Monmouth University; McErlean, Caitlin, Monmouth University. *Supporting Social Work Students Through Change: A Support Group Intervention at Monmouth University.* Faculty Advisor:

Carter, Micaela, Avila University. *Spread Too Thin: School Social Workers' Barriers and Supports for Student Mental and Behavioral Needs.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Debra Olson-Morrison.

Thompson, Alona, Arizona State University. *Birth Behind Bars: Reproductive Justice, Incarceration, and the Role of Social Work in Restoring Dignity.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Marcos Martinez

Patton, Decoyia, Metropolitan State University of Denver. *How Mental Health Care Shapes Black Men's Re-Entry Outcomes.* Faculty Advisor: Ann Obermann

Dawson, Nyasia, Elizabeth City State University; Simmons, Tyreak, Elizabeth City State University; Wooden, Zariyah, Elizabeth City State University. *From Classroom to Practice: Integrating Resilience and Wellness in Social Work Education.* Faculty Advisor: Kim S. Downing

Beatty, Skyler, Seton Hill University; Beattie, Payton, Seton Hill University; Palm, Renell, Seton Hill University. *Rebuilding Community Pride Through Youth Engagement.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sarah Slates.

Kamilah Pasha, Stony Brook University. Noveillino, Nicholas, Stony Brook University. *Seeing the Whole Picture: Using the Liberation Health Model in Times of Transformation.* Advisor Faculty: Leah Topek-Walker

Rollman, Carissa, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. *Learning to See Through a Trauma-Informed Lens: Evaluating Training Impact.* Faculty Advisor, Dr. Jennifer Costello

Henry, Zora, Fayetteville State University; *How Political Discourse Affects Attitudes Towards Immigrants.* Faculty Advisor: Yolanda, Massey- McCullough.

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

McKelly, Deja, Fayetteville State University; Williams, Lexus, Fayetteville State University. *When Poverty Looks Like Neglect: The Criminalization of Low-Income Families in the Child Welfare System*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Tamara Woods

Williams, Nyla, Fayetteville State University; Turner, Adara, Fayetteville State University. *Potential Ramifications of the Removal of DEI Material in Public Education*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Tamara Woods

Chinn, Brittany, Fayetteville State University; *Breaking Barriers: Employment Challenges for Highly Educated Black Women*. Faculty Advisors: Dr. Tamara Woods & Professor Massey-McCullough

Calli Cranfill, Wingate University, *The School to Prison Pipeline*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Wendy Sellers

Group 2 - **10:55 am to 11:45 am**

Griffin, Cali, Tarleton State University. *Improving Social Work Education: Insights from Student Feedback on Service Learning and Internships*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Henry, Tatiana, Slippery Rock University. *Examining the Impact of Social Media Platforms and Offline Support on College Students' Mental Health*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Christopher Streidl.

Miles, Melissa, Eastern Michigan University. *Trauma to Transformation: empowering Engagement in Macro-Level Practice from the Perspective of a BSW Student*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Hailee Lauritzen.

O'Halloran, Grace O., Tarleton State University; Rogers, Nevaeh, Tarleton State University; Carson, J'Miah, Tarleton State University. *Hygiene Poverty Among University Students*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Ortiz-Lopez, R., Tarleton State University. *Enhancing Student Success in APA 7th Edition: A Data-Driven Video Project for Social Work Education*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Scott, Gianna, Azusa Pacific University. *In-Class SEL Lessons and Student Behavior: Examining Behavioral Outcomes in an Urban Elementary School*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Alina Bond Chan.

Callender, Laura, Norfolk State University. *Exploring Professional Burdens Experienced by Black Social Workers*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Stephanie Howard.

Hanson, Felicity, Azusa Pacific University. *An Exploration of Methods of Interdisciplinary Communication in the Inpatient Psychiatric Setting*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Alina Bond Chan.

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Young, Delicia, Jackson State University; Sanders, Kayla, Jackson State University. *The Influence of Wounded Healer Characteristics on Social Work Students' Empathy and Workforce Readiness*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Candace L. Riddley.

Busch, Aryauna, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire; Schimming, W., University of Wisconsin Eau Claire; Krause, Bee, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire. *Transcending Stigma: Community Resistance and Strength Among Transgender Networks*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Aaron Willis.

Cantwell, Miya, Tarleton State University; Moody, Bailey, Tarleton State University; McCaa, Clare, Tarleton State University; Griffin, Cali, Tarleton State University. *Accessibility to Self-Care Knowledge and Resources Affect on Survivors of Domestic Abuse Quality of Life*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Ebony Lang.

Carranza, Isabella, Azusa Pacific University. *Compassion Fatigue and Compassion Satisfaction Amongst Forensic Mental Health Staff: Understanding Workforce Well-Being in a Time of Accelerated Change*.

Fuller, Matthew, Virginia Commonwealth University. *Minority Stress, Social Connection, and Suicidal Ideation Among Queer Adolescents*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Jacob Fritz-Goffnett.

Glasser, Robert, Belmont University. *Post Traumatic Growth for Service Members who have Experienced Sexual Assault and/or Harassment*.

Showers, Adriel, Azusa Pacific University. *Exploring Moral Distress Among Social Workers at an Urban Pediatric Hospital*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Alina Bond Chan.

McNabb, Nora, St. Mary's College. *Reframing Suicide Prevention: Addressing Research Gaps and Practice Needs in Older Adults*, Faculty Advisor: Dr. Kathryn Lyndes.

Cabatu, Keilani, Brigham Young University–Hawaii; Strickland, Katelyn, Brigham Young University–Hawaii; Vakalahi, Lavinia, Brigham Young University–Hawaii. *Creating Belonging Together: How Third Spaces Foster Inclusion and Connection in a Culturally Diverse Student Body*. Faculty advisor: Kristina Moleni

Barbour, Tiara, Western Kentucky University. *The Impact of Library Staff Training on Human Trafficking Awareness*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Daniel Boamah.

Phornsavanh, Ameya, University of North Carolina Wilmington; Day, Rhi, University of North Carolina Wilmington; Ontiveros, Esmeralda, University of North Carolina Wilmington. *Policy, Power, and the Storm: The Human Toll of Disaster Governance During Hurricane Katrina*. Faculty Advisor: Daysja Terry

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Glover, Brittny, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. *Institutional Social Work in Collegiate Athletics: Mental Health, Wellness, and Retention Among Freshman Football Players*. Faculty Advisor, Dr. Jennifer Costello

Wilson-Cobb, Trinity, Norfolk State University; Robinson, Kayla, Hampton University. *Addressing the Holistic Needs of Athletes: Integrating Athletic Training and Social Work Practices*. Faculty advisor: Dr. Sonya Robinson

Stumpo, Nic, Virginia Commonwealth University. *Transgender, Nonbinary, and Gender Diverse People Need to Experience Belongingness in Healthcare Settings*. Faculty Advisor: Jacob Fritz-Goffnett

Beattie, Payton, Seton Hill University; Beatty, Skylar, Seton Hill University; Palm, Renell, Seton Hill University; Sanner, Benjamin, Seton Hill University; Thomas, Ally, Seton Hill University.

Group 3 - **2:15 pm to 3:15 pm.**

Porter, Paradise, University of Alaska Fairbanks. *Impacts of the Second Trump Administration on Social Service Agencies in Alaska*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Retchenda George-Bettisworth.

Ravenscraft, McKenna Jane, Western Kentucky University; Webb, Cansas, Western Kentucky University-MSW. *Navigating Intergenerational Estrangement: Implications for Social Work Practice and Policy*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Gayle Mallinger.

Vaughn, Natalie, East Tennessee State University. *“Bucks for Wheels”: A Proposed Intervention to Combat Intergenerational Poverty in Young Adults*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Donna Cherry.

Hellesto, Ingrid, Azusa Pacific University. *Job Success and Satisfaction: An Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Job Development Programs*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Alina Bond Chan.

Lambdin, Maria, University of Arkansas at Little Rock; Destefano, Casey, University of Arkansas. *Voices from the Pantry*. Faculty Advisor: Kelly Moore.

Christensen, Riley, Metropolitan State University of Denver. *“We Split Everything 50//50”: A Review of Perceived vs. Actual Gendered Divisions of Labor*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Jessica Ritter.

Moran, Millicent, Arizona State University. *Enhancing Social Work Practice Through Ethical Integration of AI Large Language Models*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Melanie O’Neil.

Abdel, Casiano, Tarleton State University. *Informal Caregiver and Dementia. A Literature Review*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Nathalie P. Jones & Dr. Ebony Lang.

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Buchholz, Arianna, Loyola University. *Community Building in Carceral Systems: A Somatic Approach to Wellness*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Marquitta Doresey.

Jimenez, Maria, Tarleton State University; Austin, Brianna, Tarleton State University; Moss, Jocelyn, Tarleton State University. *Circle of Care Program: Sustainability and Impact for Caregivers of those with Alzheimer's and Dementia*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Amanda Wilson Harper.

Barbour, Tiara, Western Kentucky University. *The Impact of Library Staff Training on Human Trafficking Awareness*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Daniel Boamah.

Campbell, Alexis, Norfolk State University. *Aging in the Era of Climate Change: A Socio-Historical Analysis*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sharon Alston.

Bourbina, Paige, Eastern Michigan University. *Measuring Staff Perceptions of Social Service Needs in Public Libraries: How Social Workers Can Help*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Margaret Ann Paauw.

Collamore, Kimberly O., Tarleton State University; Braley, Colby S., Tarleton State University. *Barriers to Participation in and Trauma Surrounding Religion for Queer Populations*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Nathalie P. Jones.

Lang, Azariah Norvell Gail. *The Impact of Gun Laws and Gun Violence on Mental Health: Implications for Social Work Practice and Policy*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Nathalie Jones.

Bare, Hayley, Radford University. *Preparing Social Workers for Telehealth Practice: Experiences and Insights*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sarah Rakes.

Densmore, Creasap, University of Alabama. *From the Classroom to the Community: How Experiential Learning in Social Work Inspired Cancer Kids First at UA*. Faculty Advisor: Keisha Pickens

Haight, Morgan, University of Pittsburgh. *A Call for Change: Rethinking American Foster Care - Literature Review*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Brooke Rawls

Palm, Renell Marie, Seton Hill University. *Cultural Beliefs, Acculturation, and Perceptions of Mental Health Among Staff at the Latino Community Center*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sarah Slates.
Allen, Kerrigan, Vermont State University-Castleton. *Serving the Unhoused in Rural Vermont: An Agency Perspective*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Michael Reeves

O'Neill, Alyson, Seton Hall University. *Safe Consumption Sites (SCS): An Effective Harm Reduction Strategy*. Faculty Advisor: Dr. Dawn Apgar

Najib, Alyssa, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University; Whitehurst, Kaiya, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. *Digital Socialization, Identity, and*

BPD Student Presentations – Group Assignments

Mentorship: A Study of Social Media Influence on Social Work Undergraduates. Faculty advisor: Dr. Kendra P. Alexander

Polk, Gabrielle, Dillard University. *Structured Environment and Stronger Outcomes: Preparing Social Work Students to Support Children with Autism.* Faculty advisor: Dalila John

Thomas, Allyson, Seton Hill University. *Personal and Professional Mental Health Stigma Among Direct Care Staff: A Gendered Perspective.* Faculty Advisor: Dr. Sarah Slates

Taylor, Kate, University of Mary Hardin- Baylor. *Evaluating the Effectiveness of an Equine-Assisted Psychoeducational Program for Veterans, Military Personnel, and First Responders: Pilot Study.* Faculty Advisor, Dr. Jennifer Costello