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### **Education/Employment History**

#### Education

- 2011-2017    **Ph.D., Florida State University**, Tallahassee FL  
*Graduation:* August 2017  
*Dissertation Title:* A lower glass ceiling: Understanding employment among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness  
*Dissertation Chair:* Melissa Radey, Ph.D
- 2009-2011    **Master of Social Work, Florida State University**, Tallahassee, FL  
Social Policy & Administration  
Awarded the Leadership in Executive and Administrative Development certificate
- Master of Public Administration, Florida State University**, Tallahassee, FL  
Concentration on Non-Governmental Organizations
- 2009            **Bachelor of Social Work**, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL.

#### Employment

##### *Academic Appointments*

- 05/2023-present    **Florida Atlantic University**, Associate Professor
- 07/2021-present    **Florida Atlantic University**, DSW Coordinator
- 08/2017-5/2023    **Florida Atlantic University**, Assistant Professor

##### *Practice Experience*

- 01/2015-01/2017    **The Kearney Center (formerly Tallahassee-Leon Shelter)**, Tallahassee, FL.  
03/2016-01/2017 Director of Daytime Programs (Promotion)
- Managed the following departments: case management, partner programming, daytime operations, weekend operations (~ 25 personnel)

- Acted as Field Educator for three internship programs (generalist case management, MSW Clinical, MSW Policy & Leadership)
- Created customized reports in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Facilitated weekly networking meeting (~20 agencies participating)
- Collaborated on grant writing and reporting; presented to community grant panels
- Developed policies & procedures including annual evaluations, training protocols, and creating job descriptions and employee handbook

10/2015-02/2016 Shelter Operations Manager (Promotion)

- Managed the staffing for day, evening, and overnight operations for the Shelter program
- Completed data quality checks and trainings on the ServicePoint system

01/2015-10/2015 Case Manager & Data Specialist

- Completed assessments and individualized service plans for clients
- Specialized in permanent supportive housing placements
- Completed data quality checks and trainings on the ServicePoint system
- Assisted with The Tallahassee-Leon Shelter's move into The Kearney Center and integration with the Renaissance Community Center

01/2011-08/2011 **Information & Referral Specialist, Big Bend Homeless Coalition, Tallahassee, FL.**

- Designed and managed website for community on homeless-related services
- Coordinated with 15+ homeless-serving agencies to update referral information
- Coordinated homeless Point in Time Count

08/2010-12/2010 **Policy and Administrative Intern, Big Bend Homeless Coalition, Tallahassee, FL.**

- Responsible for event coordination, grant preparation, and client satisfaction reporting

## Scholarship/Research/Creative Activity

### Publications in Print

\*Indicates data based

^Indicates undergraduate student

### *Refereed Journal Articles*

\*Patterson, M. & Groton, D.B. (2024). A Picture of Resiliency: Students Attending College while Homeless. *Journal of Social Distress and Homelessness*, 1-6.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/10530789.2024.2308493>

\*Spadola, C. E., Groton, D., Raval, M., Hilditch, C. J., Littlewood, K., Baiden, P., ... & Zhou, E. S. (2024). A Sleep Health Education Intervention Improves Sleep Knowledge in Social Work Students. *Social Sciences (2076-0760)*, 13(7).

<https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci13070364>

- \*Barsky, A. E., **Groton, D.B.**, & Spadola, C. E. (2023). Impacts of viewpoint diversity law on teaching and learning in Florida's State Universities. *Educational Policy*, 39(1), 1-28.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/08959048231215485>
- \***Groton, D.B.**, Barsky, A., & Spadola, C.S. (2023). Perceived Impacts of a Viewpoint Diversity Law in Florida's State Universities. *Journal of Higher Education Policy and Management*, 45(5),  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/1360080X.2023.2191071>
- Spadola, C.S., **Groton, D.B.**, Cosenzo, L.G., Fantus, S., Hilditch, C.J., Burke, S.L., Littlewood, K., & Zhou, E.S. (2023). Sleep and sleep knowledge among social work students: Implications for mental health and self-care education. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 1-16,  
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/10911359.2023.2204125>
- \*Spadola, C.E., **Groton, D.B.**, Littlewood, K., Hilditch, C.J., Burke, S.L., & Bertisch, S.M. (2022) Sleep health education to promote public health: Attitudes and desired learning goals among social work students. In press (published early online) at the *Journal of Social Work in Public Health*  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/19371918.2022.2093304>
- \***Groton, Danielle, B.** & Spadola, Christine E. (2021). "I ain't getting enough rest": A Qualitative Exploration of Sleep among Women Experiencing Homelessness. *Journal of Social Distress and Homelessness*,  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10530789.2021.1961991>
- \***Groton, Danielle** & Radey, Melissa. (2021) "I've been through it": Assessing barriers to employment among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness. *Social Work Research*, 45(2), 88-100.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10530789.2019.1598606>
- \*Opalinski, Andra.S., **Groton, Danielle.**, Linette, Donna., Newman, David., Leavitt, Mary. A., Pratt, Beth., & D'Avolio, Deborah. (2021). Impact of immersion experiences about homelessness on psychological processes of nursing students: a pilot study. *Journal of Nursing Education*, 60(4).  
<https://doi.org/10.3928/01484834-20210322-06>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.** & Gomory, Tomi. (2020). Emergency housing services for youth survivors of sexual exploitation: current approaches, their challenges, and future opportunities. *National Youth At Risk Journal*, 4(2), 1-21. <https://doi.org/10.20429/nyarj.2021.040204>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.**, Opalinski, Andra. & Leavitt, Mary A. (2020). "You got to eat, but what you eat is going to kill you": Managing hypertension while experiencing homelessness. *Journal of Public Health Nursing*, 00, 1-7. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/phn.12799>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.** & Spadola, Christine E. (2020). Variability, Visuals, & Interaction: Online Learning Recommendations from Social Work Students. *Social Work Education*, 1-10.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2020.1806997>
- Opalinski, Andra., D'Avolio, Deborah, Stein, Nancy, **Groton, Danielle B.**, Fox, Valerie, Saiswick, Kim, & Newman, David. (2019). Psychometric Testing of the Human Connection Scale with People Experiencing Homelessness. *International Journal for Human Caring*, 23(3), 205-212.  
<https://doi.org/10.20467/1091-5710.23.3.205>

- \*Gomory, Tomi., Gromer, Jill, **Groton, Danielle**, Groff, Sara, Ellsworth, Monique, Duncan, Meghan, Harris, Rachel. (2019). What clients report about services offered at an innovative one-stop service center for people experiencing homelessness: A case study. *American Journal of Psychiatric Rehabilitation*, 21 (3-4). <https://www.muse.jhu.edu/article/759947>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.**, & Radey, Melissa. (2019). Employment among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness. *Journal of Social Distress and the Homeless*, 28 (2), 1-9. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10530789.2019.1598606>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.**, & Radey, Melissa. (2019). Social networks of unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness. *Journal of Community Psychology*, 47(1), 34-48. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jcop.22097>
- Randolph, Karen., Schelbe, Lisa., Yelick, Anna, Cheatham, Leah P, & **Groton, Danielle B** (2018). Systems theory as a framework for examining a college campus-based support program for former foster youth. *Journal of Evidence-Informed Social Work*, 15(3), 277-295. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23761407.2018.1436110>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.**, Gromer, Jill, Mennicke, Annelise G., Lee, Jungup., & Gul, Mehnaz. (2017). Give us a chance: Job-seeking among women experiencing homelessness. *Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 54(3), 115-131. <https://doi.org/10.1002/joec.12060>
- Groton, Danielle B.** (2013). Are housing first programs effective? A review. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 40(1), 51-60. <https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/jssw/vol40/iss1/4>
- \***Groton, Danielle B.**, Teasley, Martell L., & Canfield, James P. (2013). Working with homeless school children: Barriers to school social work practice. *School Social Work Journal*, 37(2), 37-51.

### Works in Press

- \*Fogel, S.J., **Groton, D.**, Gurdak, K. (in press). Understanding what makes them stay: Retention of the frontline workforce for those unhoused. *Journal of Social Service Research*.
- \*Barsky, A., Spadola, C.S., & **Groton, D.** (in press). Intellectual Freedom and Viewpoint Diversity: Impacts of an Annual Assessment Law. *eJournal of Education Policy*.

### Works under Review

- Groton, D.B.**, Spadola, C.S., & Alford, N. Lessons Learned from the inter-disciplinary development of an online sleep education module. Manuscript under review at *Social Work Education*

### Non-refereed Works

**Groton, D.B.**, Crichlow, V., Atkin-Plunk, C., Fallik, S., & Rodriguez, A. (July, 2023). *Trauma-Informed Training Evaluation: Year Two Semi-Annual Update*. Submitted to the Palm Beach County's Criminal Justice Commission.

Gomory, T. & **Groton, D.** (2019, August). *Emergency housing options for commercially sexually exploited children: A report prepared for Voices for Florida*.

Randolph, K., Ross-Donaldson, S., Schelbe, L., Cheatham, L.P., **Groton, D.**, Millsap, K., Yelick, A. (2015, January). *Stakeholder interview report: Fostering Achievement Fellowship Program*. Tallahassee, FL: Florida State University

## Presentations

### Refereed Presentations

\*Data based presentation

^Indicates undergraduate student

+Indicates publication resulted

### *National Presentations*

\*Spadola, C., **Groton, D.**, Freeman, K., Burke, S., Hilditch, C., Pandey, A., ... & Bertisch, S. (2022). 0374 A sleep health educational module for social work students is associated with improvements in sleep knowledge and sleep quality. *Sleep*, 45(Supplement 1), A168-A168. Sleep 2022: Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies. Charlotte, NC. <https://doi.org/10.1093/sleep/zsac079.371.2>.

**Groton, D.** Spadola, C., Alford N. (2022) Developing an Online Sleep Education Training- Lessons Learned & Future Directions. Podium Presentation at Sleep 2022: Annual Meeting of the Associated Professional Sleep Societies. Charlotte, NC.

\*Spadola, C.E., **Groton, D.B.**, Freeman, K., Burke, S.L., Hilditch, C.J., Pandey, A., Littlewood, K., Zhou, E.S., & Bertisch, S.M. (2022, June). A sleep health educational module for social work students is associated with improvements in sleep knowledge and sleep quality. Poster presented at SLEEP 2022 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Spadola, C.E., **Groton, D.B.**, & Alford, Nicole. (2022, June). Developing an Online Sleep Education Training- Lessons Learned & Future Directions. Poster presented at SLEEP 2022 in Charlotte, North Carolina.

**Groton, D.** & Patterson, M.^ (2021, November). *Benefits of Student-led Research: College Students experiencing homelessness*. Poster presented at the Annual Program Meeting for the Council on Social Work Education in Orlando, Florida

\*\*Spadola, C. E., **Groton, D.**, Lopez, R., Burke, S. L., Hilditch, C., Pandey, A., ... & Bertisch, S. M. (2020, June). 1166 Investigating Social Workers' Sleep Health Knowledge: Opportunities to Promote Sleep Health Among Underserved Populations. *Sleep*, 43(Supplement\_1), A445-A445.

\*\*Spadola, C., **Groton, D.**, Lopez, R., Burke, S.L., Hilditch, C.J., Pandey, A., Littlewood, K., Zhou, E.S., Bertisch, S.M. (2020, June). Preliminary Impact of a Sleep Health Educational Module for Social Work Students. *Sleep*, 43(Supplement\_1), A446-A446.

\*\*Conference presentation disrupted due to covid-19 pandemic

- \***Groton, D.**, Spadola, C., & Lopez, R. (2020, January). *Reducing racial and economic health disparities through healthy sleep promotion: Preferences for a sleep health training module among social work students*. Presented at the Society for Social Work Research Conference in D.C.
- \*\***Groton, D.** (2019, March). *Emergency housing options and social service options for youth who have been commercially sexually exploited*. Presented at the National Youth At-Risk Conference in Savannah, GA.
- Mennicke, A., Kennedy, S., Conner, L., **Groton, D.**, & Langenderfer-Magruder, L. (2019, January). *Wonderful Women Who Write: The development of a peer mentoring mechanism for early women scholars researching gender-based violence*. Presented at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference in San Francisco, CA.
- \***Groton, D.** (2018, June). *Employment barriers among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness*. Presented at the National Association of Social Workers in Washington, D.C.
- Groton, D.**, Yelick, A., & Cheatham, L. (2014, October). *A strategy for incorporating qualitative data analysis software into research studies*. Poster presented at the Annual Program Meeting for the Council on Social Work Education, Tampa.
- Groton, D.**, Mennicke, A., & Lee, J. (2014, October). *Qualitative study through the classroom: Benefits and challenges of experiential learning*. Presented at the Annual Program Meeting for the Council on Social Work Education, Tampa.
- \*+Gromer, J., Gomory, T., & **Groton, D.** (2014, October). *Evaluating an innovative self-organizing one-stop model for delivering comprehensive homeless services*. Paper presented at the Annual Program Meeting for the Council on Social Work Education, Tampa.
- Thyer, B., Nelson, R., Gromer, J., **Groton, D.**, & Lee, J. (2013, January). *Systematic reviews as a doctoral seminar*. Symposium presented at the meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Diego.
- \*+Canfield, J.P., Teasley, M.L., & **Groton, D.** (2012, March). *School accessibility for homeless children*. Presented at the meeting of the School Social Work Association of America, Boston.

### *Regional Conferences*

- Patterson, M. & **Groton, D.** (2022, June). *Supporting College Students Experiencing Homelessness*. Poster presented at the annual meeting for the National Association of Social Work-Florida Chapter, Orlando, FL.
- Rondina, E., **Groton, D.**, & Skinner-Osei, P. (2022, June). *Decolonizing the classroom: Strategies and lessons learned*. Poster presented at the annual meeting for the National Association of Social Work-Florida Chapter, Orlando, FL.

### Invited Presentations

- Groton, D.B.** & Colvin, M. (October, 2024). Preliminary Results of Year 1 of the *Housing as an Intervention to Fight HIV/AIDS* grant. Presented at the Annual Housing Opportunities for Persons living With HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) Institute.

**Groton, D.B.** (October, 2021). *Helping her find her way home: Ending homelessness among women*. Research in Action presented with FAU's Division of Research.

**Spadola, C.S. & Groton, D.B.** (2021, May). *Empowering social workers to promote sleep health among underserved populations*. Presentation presented at the American Academy of Sleep Medicine Foundation Virtual Reception.

**Groton, D. & Radey, M.** (2019, September). *Employment among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness*. Poster presented at the Research Showcase at Florida Atlantic University.

\*Opalinski, A., D'Avoilo, D., Stein, N., **Groton, D.**, Newman, D., Fox, V & Saiswick (2019, September). *Therapeutic alliance: Testing the Human Connection Scale with people experiencing homelessness*. Poster presented at the Research Showcase at Florida Atlantic University.

**Groton, D.** (2017, August). *Understanding employment among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness*. Presented at board meeting for the Big Bend Continuum of Care, Tallahassee, Fl.

Wilke, A. & **Groton, D.** (2015, September). *Comprehensive emergency services center strategies & workflow*. Presented at Bowman's Collaborate 2015, San Diego.

**Groton, D.**, Gromer, J., Martin, A., Lee, J, Gul, M., & Munn, J. (2012). Understanding job-seeking among women experiencing homelessness. Poster presented at the Research Showcase at the College of Social Work, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL.

### Creative Activity (not competitively funded)

#### *Projects*

2023-

Patterson, M., Witkowski, K., and Groton, D.

*Housing Insecurity in Paradise*

The goal of this participatory action project is to better understand the experiences and needs of college students who are experiencing housing insecurity.

2018-2023

Fogel, Duffus, Groton, Gomory, Rosado, Nourie, & Gilyard

*Promoting leadership and engagement in homeless-serving agencies.*

The goal of this project is to understand reluctance among social work students to engage with the homeless population, and investigate strategies to increase student leadership in addressing homelessness across the state of Florida.

2018-2020

Opalinski, Stein, N., Groton, D, & D'Avolio

*Health and Social Connection among People experiencing homelessness*

The goal of this interdisciplinary project with the School of Anthropology and College of Nursing is to understand health and social needs of individuals experiencing homelessness by organizing and collecting data at an annual foot health service day, and using this information to better prepare social and medical service providers in engaging this population. Recurring data collection has been suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2017-2018

No number (Gomory, Groton)

Voices for Florida, Contracted Project:

*Emergency Housing and Services for Youth Survivors of Sexual Exploitation: Current Approaches, Their Challenges, and Future Opportunities.* The goal of this project was to further the understanding and knowledge about treatment and housing programs for youth survivors of sexual exploitation in the U.S. and provide recommendations for implementing and evaluating housing programs.

## **Grant Awards**

### External

#### *Funded*

#### **Trauma Informed Training Evaluation**

Vaughn J. Crichlow (Co-PI), Cassandra Atkin-Plunk (Co-PI), Seth W. Fallik (Co-PI), & **Danielle B Groton** (Co-PI)

Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission

\$149,589

June 2022-July 2025

This project will conduct a process and outcome evaluation of the PBC Criminal Justice Commission's (CJC) new Trauma-Informed Training Initiative. In collaboration with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO), the CJC is seeking to provide trauma-informed training to local law enforcement, court personnel, and institutional and community corrections officers. To provide the trauma-informed training, it is anticipated that Policy Research Associates will conduct multiple train-the-trainer sessions with leaders who are reflective of the target population for the training delivery. These leaders/trainers will then go on to facilitate the trauma-informed training to their colleagues. This will be a 31-month evaluation.

#### **Empowering Social Work Students to Promote Sleep Health among Underserved Populations**

Christine Spadola (Co-Principal Investigator) & **Danielle Groton (Co-Principal Investigator)**

Award #196-FP-18

American Academy of Sleep Medicine

\$19,689.00

March 2019-March 2022

This project used formative research with social work students to develop and pilot an online sleep health training for social work students. Our overarching goal is to improve sleep health among marginalized populations who are under the care of social workers. The main aim of this project was to empower social workers, through an online educational module, with the knowledge and resources to effectively promote healthy sleep practices among their patients.



*Not Funded*

**A Multimedia Educational Program to Address Vaccine Hesitancies in medically underserved, and racial/ ethnic minority populations.**

Pfizer (Feb 2021)

Michael DeDonno (Principal Investigator), **Danielle Groton** (Co-Principal Investigator, 7% effort proposed) Christine Spadola (Co-Principal Investigator), Naelys Luna (Co-Principal Investigator), Allison Ferris (Co-Investigator), Henry Haire (Co-Investigator)

\$61,638.00.

The goal of the proposal was to educate and effect a change in vaccine hesitancy with a focus on two groups, 1) typically uninsured individuals visiting community clinics, and 2) individuals not likely to engage in traditional medical care settings.

**Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Exploring Socioeconomic mobility among unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness.**

Russell Sage Foundation- Pipeline Competition

Role: Danielle Groton (**Principle Investigator, 6.11% effort proposed**)

\$13,117

This proposal aimed to address a gap in the research related to women experiencing homelessness while not accompanied by dependent children. The descriptive mixed methods investigation would gather further insights into the patterns of employment among unaccompanied women and what strategies or factors may lead to successful employment.

Internal

*Funded*

**Sleep Health among Law Enforcement Personnel**

Christine E Spadola (Co-Principal Investigator), **Danielle B Groton** (Co-Principal Investigator, 8% summer effort), Wendy Guastaferrero (Co-Investigator), & Seth Fallik (Co-Investigator)

College of Social Work & Criminal Justice Seed Funding (February, 2022)

\$9,920

This proposal addresses sleep disturbances and suboptimal sleep among law enforcement. The PIs propose to leverage their existing sleep training and an interdisciplinary team to tailor and pilot test the sleep health educational training for law enforcement personnel.

**Examining the HIV Housing Care Continuum Model**

**Groton, D.B.** (PI), Colvin, M.L. (Co-PI), George, S.D. (Co-I).

CSWCJ Seed Funding

\$10,000

July 2023-June 2024

The proposed study examines the relationship between different housing and ancillary service programs and (a) client receipt of care, (b) client retention in care, and (c) viral load suppression among people living with HIV. Characteristics of housing programs (e.g., location, years of program delivery experience, etc.) will also be explored and we will examine the strengths, challenges, and perceived outcomes of different program designs/strategies reported by program implementers. This project will use data gathered by HUD HOPWA (*Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS/HIV*) after the first year of a housing intervention grant with a national sample of agencies.

**FAU National Science Foundation ADVANCE IT Catalyst Grant**

Summer Research Mentoring Award

**Danielle Groton (Mentee) & Safiya George (Mentor)**

\$2,000

June 1<sup>st</sup>- July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020

The purpose of this mentoring award was to explore funding strategies and opportunities with a research mentor. As a result of this mentorship, I identified and submitted my proposal to the Russell Sage Foundation and identified additional funding sources.

**COURSES TAUGHT****Inclusive Social Work Practice** (Graduate and Undergraduate)

Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work, Florida Atlantic University

*Instructor*

\*Developed Course

**Human Behavior and the Social Environment I** (Graduate and Undergraduate)

Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work, Florida Atlantic University

*Instructor***Social Work Practice with Communities & Organizations** (Graduate)

Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work, Florida Atlantic University

*Instructor***Social Work Research Methods** (Graduate)

Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work, Florida Atlantic University

*Instructor***Social Welfare Policies and Programs** (Undergraduate)

College of Social Work, Florida State University

*Adjunct* (doctoral student)**Human Behavior and Social Environment** (Undergraduate)

College of Social Work, Florida State University

*Adjunct* (doctoral student)**Grant Writing and Grant Management** (Graduate and Undergraduate)

College of Social Work, Florida State University

*Doctoral Teaching Assistant*

## ***Graduate Advising***

Katina Hill-Thompson

*The Relationship between Spirituality and Severity of Conduct Disorder in Male Juvenile Offenders*  
Capstone Committee Chair through August 2023

## **SERVICE AND DEVELOPMENT**

### Service to the Institution

#### *School*

- Students of Social Work (Faculty Co-Chair)
- LEAD Committee (Faculty Co-Chaperone)
- Curriculum committee (Member)
- MSW Admissions Committee (Member)
- Reaffirmation Committee (Member)
- Macro Certificate Committee (Member)
- MSW Orientation (Attendee)
- DSW Orientation (Attendee)
- Heart of Social Work (Attendee)
- Justice, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion committee (Member)

#### *College*

- Faculty Assembly (Member)
- College By-Laws Committee (Member)
- Community Engagement Liaison
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (Chair)
- University Graduate Programs Council (Rep)

#### *University*

- Graduation ceremony (Attendee/Marshall)
- Undergraduate Research (Mentor)
- Champions Empowering Champions (Research Team Member)

### Community & Discipline

- Palm Beach County Grant Review Panelist (Reviewer)
- Palm Beach County Health & Housing Alliance Executive Committee (Member)
- Families in Society, Ad hoc reviewer
- Journal of Community Psychology, Ad Hoc reviewer
- Journal of Social Distress and Homelessness, Ad hoc reviewer
- Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal, Ad hoc reviewer
- Progress in Community Health Partnerships, Ad hoc reviewer

## HONORS & AWARDS

- 2024            **NASW Educator of the Year**, Palm Beach County
- 2023            **Scholar of the Year**, Associate Professor rank, Florida Atlantic University
- 2020            **Distinguished Teacher of the Year**, Florida Atlantic University
- 2020            **Nominee: Scholar of the Year**, College-level
- 2019            **NASW Educator of the Year**, Palm Beach County
- 2019            **Awarded “Winning Poster”** for college at FAU Research Showcase
- 2016            **Cheryl Rowland Endowed Scholarship** (\$750)  
College of Social Work, Florida State University
- 2016            **Viola Crook Scholarship** (\$500)  
College of Social Work, Florida State University
- 2015            **Instructor of the Year**, Florida State University College of Social Work
- 2014            **Viola Crook Scholarship** (\$1,000)  
College of Social Work, Florida State University