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## EDUCATION

**MSW, 3.96**, School Social Work

Expected May 2021

*University of North Carolina at Greensboro and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University*

**BA, 3.29**, Media and Journalism

May 2016

*University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*

**Study Abroad,**

Spring 2015

*University of Wollongong*

*Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Black Generational Trauma ● Community Healing ● Narrative Therapy ● Multicultural Social Work

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training, Grant, 2020-2021, \$10,000
- Interdisciplinary Minority Fellowship Program, Fellowship, 2020-2021, \$12,000

**Graduate Research Assistant to Yarneccia Dyson, Ph.D., MSW**

August 2019 - May 2020

*UNC Greensboro - School of Health and Human Sciences*

- Assist in literature reviews in connection to a pilot study focused on addressing the “Sexual Health Needs of African American College Students enrolled at HBCUs and MSIs”

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**School Social Work Intern**

August 2020 – Present

*The Middle College at GTCC High Point, High Point, NC*

- Identify students at risk of dropping out and implement interventions to promote retention.
- Assess attendance data to identify students who may be facing barriers to distanced learning.
- Monitor student progress and socio-emotional wellbeing to gauge effectiveness of interventions.
- Foster virtual community with students and families using technology during distanced learning.
- Advocate for and continue to serve McKinney-Vento students who have living situations that may fall outside of standard guidelines.

**Social Work Intern**

September 2019 – April 2020

*Guilford County Reentry Council, Greensboro, NC*

- Conducted needs assessments with currently and formerly incarcerated clients to determine what needs they require assistance with to better transition back into society.
- Served as a liaison between incarcerated clients, families, attorneys, and community resources.
- Raised awareness of the new organization and its services via branding on social media, print publications, and community events.
- Maintained client records including NC Department of Public Safety forms.
- Worked closely with OpenLattice software developers to build a data tracking application from scratch.

**College Adviser**

July 2016 – June 2019

*Carolina College Advising Corps, Charlotte, NC*

- Fostered a college going culture while serving as a College Adviser at West Charlotte High School in Charlotte, NC - a 100% Title 1 High School with about 1,500 students.
- Increased attendance of students and parents at FAFSA Information Sessions by 150%
- Engaged with students in nearly 1,000 one-on-one engagements in the Class of 2017.
- Grew a social media following on an Instagram account (@dubc17\_19) dedicated to providing further access to college going information from zero to over 1,000 followers.
- Twitter thread celebrating student college acceptances was quote tweeted by Michelle Obama April 30, 2019.
- Ran reports and used logged data to evaluate progress and generate infographics to inform administration, students, and staff of the state of the college going culture.

**Resident Counselor**

Summers 2013, 2014, 2016

*Project Uplift, Chapel Hill, NC*

- Served as a Resident Counselor for rising high school seniors from underrepresented populations at a two-day college access program.

- Provided participants with additional guidance from a first-hand perspective in conjunction with academic, admissions, and financial aid sessions.

#### **Counselor**

Summer 2014

*UPLIFT PLUS, Chapel Hill, NC*

- Served as a student counselor for the pilot year of an intensive 5-week summer program in which rising high school seniors from underrepresented backgrounds live on UNC's campus and are enrolled in a college course as well as an SAT/ACT prep course.
- Tutored participants and proofread work
- Helped facilitate cultural enrichment activities.

#### **Resident Advisor**

August 2013 – May 2016

*Carolina Housing, Chapel Hill, NC*

- Responsible for creating a fun, comfortable, safe living environment for up to 30 residents.
- Served as the Marketing Captain – Responsible for advertising community events via digital “signage”, printed flyers, and social media.
- Nominated for the prestigious Keith Shawn Smith Award in 2016. The award is granted to a Resident Advisor who has created a strong community, meaningful mentoring relationships, and campus connections. An RA can only be nominated by residents who must provide 3 written letters of support and 70% of hall signatures in agreement.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

*Oral Presentations*

- Vance, M., McGuire, K., Springs-Walker, S. (2020). *The Intersection of Race and Gender on Reentry: Implications for Culturally Responsive Practice*, Council on Social Work Education, Denver, Colorado.
- McGuire, K., Figueroa, S. (2019). *Give Them a Reason to Follow: Using data and research to inform use of social media in meeting program goals*, College Advising Corps - Forum East. New York City, New York.
- McGuire, K. (2016). *Separation of Church and Leadership?* The RA Drive-In. Chapel Hill, NC.

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member, National Association of Social Workers

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES**

President, *Joint Master of Social Work Student Organization*

June 2020 – Present

Historian, *Joint Master of Social Work Student Organization*

Spring 2020

Host and Organizer, JMSW Black Student Forum: in response to the murder of Ahmaud Arbery, *UNC Greensboro*

May 2020

Organizer, JMSW Student Forum: in response to the murder of Ahmaud Arbery, *UNC Greensboro*

May 2020

Volunteer, College Connector, *The Academy of Goal Achievers*

July 2018 – June 2019

Youth Team Leader, *World Overcomers Christian Church*

March 2016 – June 2016

Volunteer, *Minority Student Recruitment Committee - UNC*

January 2012 – May 2016