**Madison R. Aponte**

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**Education:**

**Castleton University**, Castleton, VT 05735 May 2019

*B.A. in Criminal Justice with Minors in Women and Gender Studies and Communications*

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln,** Lincoln, Nebraska 68588 Expected May 2021

*MA in Sociology*

*Thesis: Forthcoming*

**Research Interests:**

The intersectionality of race, class, sexuality, and gender as it relates to sexual assault and representation in the media with the long-term goal of prevention.

**Research Experience:**

Sociology Department, Castleton University Summer 2018

Adviser: Dr. Linda Olson

* Research conducted as a qualitative analysis of *The New York Times* articles on sexual assault committed by collegiate football players
* Developed a coding method to analyze each article
* Analyzed football culture and rape culture to be able to break down the feminist and masculine perspective in regards to the articles
* Produced journal-length paper and presented orally at two conferences

Sociology Department, Castleton University Fall 2018

Adviser: Dr. Jennifer Turchi

* Research conducted to test the efficacy of the Safety Team Program, a program located in Burlington, Vermont to educate and teach women self defense skills in order to defend themselves from sexual assault
* Created a survey and conducted phone interviews of participants of the program
* Produced a journal-length paper

**Research and Presentations:**

*Heartland Conference*

Kansas City, MO Fall 2018

Oral Presentation: *A Look at the New York Times Articles on Sexual Assault Committed by Football Players*

*McNair Research Symposium*

Castleton University, Fall 2018

Oral Presentation: *A Look at the New York Times Articles on Sexual Assault Committed by Football Players*

**Teaching Experience:**

Intro to Sociology Recitation Instructor Fall 2019

*2 Sections with Dr. Kelsy Burke as the instructor*

Intro to Sociology Recitation Instructor Spring 2020

*2 Sections with Dr. Julia McQuillian as the instructor*

**Honors and Awards:**

Holyoke Catholic Booster Club Scholarship Holyoke Catholic High School, 2015

Massachusetts Police Association Scholarship 2015

Western Massachusetts Community Foundation Scholarships 2015-2017

First Responders Children’s Foundation Scholarship 2015-2018

Women in Federal Law Enforcement Scholarship 2016

Women in Federal Law Enforcement Membership 2016-present

Western Massachusetts Community Foundation Awards 2015-2017

Brian Terry Foundation Scholarship 2018

Hispanic Scholar 2016-2018

American Fighter Aces Association Scholarship 2015-2018

National Scholars Award 2015-2018

Women in Sports Honor 2015

Castleton University Dean’s List Castleton University, 2015-2016

Castleton University Honors Program Castleton University, 2015-2019

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**Professional Memberships:**

McNair Scholar

Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society

Iota Iota Iota Honor Society

Sociological Women in Society Member

American Sociology Association Member

**Programming Languages**

SAS 9.4

Microsoft Excel

**Professional Experience:**

**Park Street Program, Howard Center,** Rutland, VT

Residential Counselor

April 2018 – May 2019

* Provides supervision and treatment to 12-17 year old male sex offenders who are also victims

Summer Program Residential Teacher

May 2019 - August 2019

* Provides supervision and treatment to 12-17 year old male sex offenders while teaching basic schooling and life skills in a summer school environment

**College Service Activities:**

Fall 2015 - Fall 2019

* Castleton University Women’s Soccer Team
* Women’s Captain for Junior and Senior Year