**Meagan Kunitzer**

**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Education**

PhD | Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln *Expected* May 2024

Women and Gender Studies Specialization

Dissertation: TBD

Comprehensive Exam:

Advisor: Dr. Kim Tyler

MA | Sociology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln May 2021

Thesis: “Protective Factors Against Dating Violence Perpetration and Victimization”

Advisor: Dr. Kim Tyler

BA | Sociology, University of Northern Colorado May 2019

Minor: Gender Studies

Major GPA: 4.0 | Minor GPA: 4.0 | GPA: 3.97 | Summa Cum Laude

McNair Scholar, “Examining the Impact of Sexual Assault Definitions on Reporting Behaviors of College Students.”

AA | Sociology, Aims Community College                                                               May 2017

Major GPA: 4.0 | GPA: 3.77

**Research Interests**

Gender and Masculinities | Institutions and Inequalities | Reproductive Justice & Rights Criminology | Commercial Sex Economy | Sexuality

**Research Experience**

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE**

Methodology Evaluation Research Core (MERC)

**Graduate Research Intern 2021**

* Transcribed and coded qualitative interview using MAXDQA
* Compared qualitative data for similarities and differences

**University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO**

**Research Assistant**, Dr. Rebecca Beals   **2018, 2019**

* Transcribed and coded qualitative interviews
* Cleaned, analyzed, and interpreted quantitative data using data software SPSS
* Analyzed, and coded transcripts using data software Dedoose
* Summarized qualitative themes
* Reviewed relevant literature of underrepresented minority students in higher education
* Contributed to research team’s annotated bibliography
* Analyzed data themes and collaborated as part of a research team

**Data Analyst**, Dr. Angie Henderson           **2018**

* Analyzed survey data (N=50) from sex trafficking survivors and victims, and sex workers conducting descriptive statistics, correlations, regression analysis.

**Manuscripts Under Review**

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.**, and Kimberly A. Tyler. “Protective Factors Against Dating Violence Perpetration and Victimization among College Students.” Under review, *Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment & Trauma* July 1st, 2021.

**Presentations**

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.** and Kimberly A. Tyler. “*Protective Factors Against Dating Violence Perpetration and Victimization among College Students.”* Presented at the 2021 Midwest Sociological Society Meeting, Omaha, NE.

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.** and Kimberly A. Tyler. “*Protective Factors Against Dating Violence Perpetration and Victimization among College Students.”* Presented at the 2020 Midwest Sociological Society Meeting, Omaha, NE. (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19)

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.** “*The Perfect Storm: Culminating Factors that Lead to Commercial Sexual Exploitation.*”Presented Dr. Angie Henderson’s data at the 2019 International Conference on Human Trafficking Research, Omaha, NE.

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.** “*Examining the Impact of Sexual Assault Definitions on Reporting Behaviors of College Students*.” Paper presented at the 2019 Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Oakland, California.

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L. “***Examining the Impact of Sexual Assault Definitions on Reporting Behaviors of College Students*.” Paper presented at the 2019 McNair Research Conference at the University of Buffalo – Buffalo, New York.

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L.** “*Examining the Impact of Sexual Assault Definitions on Reporting Behaviors of College Students*.” Poster presented at the 2019 Research Day at the University of Northern Colorado – Greeley, Colorado.

**Kunitzer, Meagan, L***.* “*Student Perceptions of Sexual Assault on College Campuses.”* Poster presented as the department of Sociology Research Day 2019 at the University of Northern Colorado – Greeley, Colorado.

**Teaching Experience**

**Sociology 180: Social Problems****Summer 2021**

Instructor of Record (1 section)

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

* Knowledge: Define and illustrate core sociological concepts related to social problems. Demonstrate a global perspective of key social problems within the U.S. as well as the world.
* Application: Show critical thinking in confronting theoretical arguments, research methodologies, and alternative viewpoints on social problems.
* Analysis: Examine and analyze human behavior and social structure from a sociological perspective.
* Evaluation: Summarize and critique key classical and contemporary theoretical perspectives of social problems and solutions to social problems.

**Sociology 309: Drugs & Society**

Teaching Assistant (2 sections)

* Graded discussion posts, writing assignments, essays, and short answer and essay test questions.
* Prepared course materials such as supplemental research journal articles complimenting weekly course topics.
* Facilitated student learning by holding offices hours and answering questions.

**Sociology 101: Introduction to Sociology**

Recitation Instructor (5 sections)

* Graded discussion posts and essays.
* Prepared course materials.
* Facilitated student learning via activities that complimented lecture.

**Teaching Professional Development**

* AKD Virtual Teaching Workshop - Methods **January 2021**
* AKD Virtual Teaching Workshop - Introduction to Sociology **May 2021**

**Funding & Awards**

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Othmer Fellowship 2019 - 2022

Amount: $4,000

University of Northern Colorado

Office of Undergraduate Research – Academic Conference Funding for Travel and Conducting Research

Award Amount: $1,000

University of Northern Colorado

McNair Conference Grant

Award Amount: $500

University of Northern Colorado – Sociology Club

Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society – Academic Conference Funding for Travel Award Amount: $400

University of Northern Colorado

Student Senate – Academic Conference Funding for Travel

Award Amount: $100

**Skills and Professional Training**

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**Social Statistics & Research Methods**

* Developed ability to conduct statistical analysis of quantitative data at the graduate level.
* Quantitative Data analysis: Increased understanding of appropriate use of analytical techniques in both descriptive and inferential methods, including hypothesis testing, ordinary least squares regression, and multiple regression (binary, ordinal, nominal and count).
* Qualitative Data Analysis: Participant observation of homeless communities, in-depth interviewing, thematic coding.
* Interpret statistical results involving univariate, bivariate, and multivariate statistical analysis.
* Increased proficiency with database software such as SPSS, SAS, and Stata.
* Experience working with secondary data to prepare to conduct original research.
* CITI Training (Current).
* Completed and presented two mixed-methods research projects.
* Analyzed data and composed multiple quantitative and mixed-methods lab reports.

**Honors and Awards**

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**Scott C. Whiteford 2021**

**Ogle Fellowship 2020**

**Stryker Leadership Institute for Leadership Development**  **2017 - 2019**

**Award of Excellence 2018, 2019**

Outstanding Achievement in Sociology

Outstanding Achievement in Gender Studies

**Salute Honor Society**   **2018, 2019**

Military veteran with high cumulative GPA: 3.97

**Professional Affiliations**

Midwest Sociological Society **2019 – Present**

American Sociological Association **2021 – Present**

Sociologists for Women in Society **2021 – Present**

National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity **2020 – Present**

Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program **June 2018 - 2019**

Alpha Kappa Delta **2017 – Present**

**service**

**Unruly Co-Chair 2021 – 2020**

* Lead and facilitate monthly NASGS meetings
* Emphasize the praxis of sociology

**FAC Coordinator 2020 – 2021**

* Organizes social activities for the members of Nebraska Association of Sociology Graduate Students (NASGS) as well as departmental festivities.

**Undergraduate Committee 2020 – 2021**

* Intermediary between NASGS and departmental committee members.

**UNL McNair Scholars Guest Judge**  **2020, 2021**

* Provided oral presentation feedback in preparation for a national conference.

**Volunteerism 2017**

* Assisted in fundraising efforts for the non-profit agency Free Our Girls, a local agency providing direct services to survivors and victims of sex trafficking.

**References**

**Dr. Kimberly Tyler,**

Willa Cather Professor of Sociology and Graduate Chair

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