

AJ Guerrero

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Education

- Masters of Science, Mental Health Counseling 2017 (Anticipated)
University of Massachusetts Boston (UMB), Boston, MA
Advisor: Dr. Sharon Horne
- Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, Cum Laude May 2014
University of North Texas (UNT), Denton, TX
Minors: Women's Studies; Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Studies

Research Experience

- LGBTQ UMass Boston Advocacy and Research Collaborative Research Team September 2015 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Sharon Horne, Director
Project LGB Parenting: Sexual Minority and Parental Stress in Same-Sex Parents Data analyses
Prepare reviews of literature and conference submissions
- UMB Division for Curriculum and Instruction September 2015 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Lisa Gonsalves, Director
Project Racial and Teaching identity
Data analyses
- UMB Special Education Department, College of Education & Human Development September 2015 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Dr. Kristin Murphy, Assistant Professor
Project Graduate students with Disabilities
Prepare reviews of the literature
Investigate recruitment accessibilities
- Center for Psychosocial Health Research at UNT August 2011 – March 2015
Research Manager
Facilitate communication between professors, undergraduate and graduate students
Recruit and Interview potential new members
Conduct orientation and mentor new Research Assistants
Research Assistant for Dr. Mark Vosvick, Director
Project Gray Pride: Psychosocial Health survey for Aging LGBT population
Observed, collected and transcribed Qualitative data
Healthcare Needs Assessment of LGBT people living in Dallas County
Transcribed Qualitative data and observed key informant interviews
Focus group for African American Men Who Have Sex with Men; Community Based Participatory Research Observed and collected Qualitative data

Research Projects

Simons, P., Reeves, T., Wadler, B., **Guerrero, A.**, Wheeler, E., Peters, S., Horne, S., Levitt, H., Maroney, M., and Roberts, T. *Impact of Legal Parenting Rights in Same Sex Couples*

- Poster presentation at Association for Women in Psychology (2016 National Conference, Pittsburgh, PA) – March 2016
- Maroney, M., Wheeler, E., Peters, S., Horne, S., Levitt, H., Wadler, B., Simons, P., **Guerrero, A.** *“Homophobia Knows No Border:” The Development of an LGBTQ Activist Identity in International Contexts*
- Poster presentation at Association for Women in Psychology (2016 National Conference, Pittsburgh, PA) – March 2016
- Ramos, S., **Guerrero, A.** and Vosvick, M. *Daily hassles, HIV Stigma and Positive States of Mind Stress Perception in People Living with HIV*
- Poster presentation at American Psychological Association (123rd Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada) – August 2015
- Palmer, S., Stem, W., **Guerrero, A.** and Vosvick, M. *Forgiveness of Self, HIV-Related Stigma and Social Support: Correlates of Psychological Quality of Life in HIV+ Adults*
- Paper presentation at Society of Behavioral Medicine (26th annual meeting, San Antonio, TX) – April 2015
- Guerrero, A.** and Vosvick, M. *Queer Blues! Depression in the LGBT communities: Self-Esteem, Guilt and Perceived Stress*
- Paper presentation at Society of Behavioral Medicine (26th annual meeting, San Antonio, TX) – April 2015
- Clubb, S., Wike, A., **Guerrero, A.**, Bonds, S. and Vosvick, M. *Behavioral Disengagement in Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Communities: Avoidant Attachment, Forgiveness and Optimism*
- Paper presentation at the American Public Health Association (142nd Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA) – November, 2014
- Guerrero, A.**, Wike, A., Prybutok, V. and Vosvick, M. *Psychological Quality of Life in Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Communities: State Anxiety, Self-Esteem and Adaptive Forms of Coping*
- Poster presentation at Association for Psychological Science (26th Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA) – May, 2014
- Guerrero, A.**, Fritz, S. and Vosvick, M. *Correlates of Self-Esteem in Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Communities: Heterosexism and Adaptive Forms of Coping*
- Poster presentation at Association for Psychological Science (25th Annual Convention, Washington, DC) – May, 2013
- Guerrero, A.**, Fritz, S., Chng, C. and Vosvick, M., *Correlates of Perceived Stress in the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Communities: Heterosexism, Self-esteem and Depression*
- Paper presentation at American Public Health Association (140th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA) – October, 2012

Community Presentations

- Queer and Asian Conference at University of California, Berkeley April 2014
- Que(e)ries of Academia: Navigating through College and Graduate School as an LGBTQ+ Student of Color
- Massachusetts Substance Abuse Counselors April 2014
- Clinical Work with Transgender Individuals: Substance Use in the Community
- Denton Unitarian Universalist Fellowship January 2012
- Coming out: Uniting local Gay Straight Alliance organizations
- Texas Network of Youth Services August 2011
- Queerying Safer Schools & Communities: Being an Ally to LGBTQ Youth
- The Evangelical Network Conference June 2011
- Anti LGBT Youth Bullying (Press Conference)
- Austin Independent School District February 2011
- Safer schools for LGBTQ youth (in elementary schools)
- Parents and Families of Lesbians and Gays (Austin chapter) Youth August 2010
- Panel on creating safer homes

Texas Network of Youth Services Sex, Gender, Sexuality and Power	August 2010
Texas School of Social Workers Conference Youth Panel on creating safe spaces for LGBTQ youth	February 2010
Live Oak Unitarian Universalist Church Youth Panel on coming out experiences	February 2010

Volunteer Work

Resource Center Nelson Tebedo Clinic Front desk Volunteer Client intake, schedule appointments, answer questions regarding STDs	January 2014-June 2014
AIDS ARMS LifeWalk in Dallas, TX Fundraiser/Walker Assisted in raising over \$8000 in donations for people living with HIV/AIDS	Fall 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014
Out Youth in Austin, TX Youth Volunteer Assist in drop-in programming and youth leadership development	August 2009-August 2011

Work Experience

University of Massachusetts Boston in Boston, MA Graduate Research Assistant Prepare literature reviews and conference submissions, analyze data, and recruit participants	September, 2015 – Present
University of North Texas in Denton, TX Teaching Assistant (HLTH 2200: Family Life and Human Sexuality) Assist professor in supervising students, check attendance, and administer and grade exams	January 2012 – May 2014
Texas Gay Straight Alliance Network in Austin, TX Summer Survey Analyst Analyzed the Texas Climate Surveys and report results	June 2011 – August 2011

Management and Mentoring Experience

University of North Texas in Denton, TX LGBT Studies Program Assistant Office Manager/Volunteer Coordinator Work on university programs and panels, find guest lecturers, and recruit volunteers for programs	January 2011 – May 2014
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Certifications

Protecting Human Research Participants NIH Certified	2011
Applied Suicide Intervention Skill Training Certified	2014

Clinical Experience

Texas Gay Straight Alliance Network in Austin, TX North Texas Regional Intern Provide support Gay Straight Alliance clubs in Texas and advise school administration, teachers and sponsors	July 2010 – November 2013
Queer Youth Activist Camp Staff & Facilitator Teach workshops involving community organizing, leadership and activism	

Youth Council Advisor

Worked with youth leaders around Texas (from Corpus Christi, El Paso, Austin and Dallas) during the school year to work on school activism campaigns

Mentored 15 high school students total (2010-2012)

Awards and Honors

UNT President's List	Spring 2011
UNT Dean's List	Fall 2010; Fall 2011-Spring 2014
UNT GLBTA Scholarship	Fall 2010-Spring 2012
Hugg Trust Scholarship	Fall 2010-Spring 2012; Fall 2013-Spring 2014
UNT Multicultural Scholarship Award	Fall 2011-Spring 2014
UNT Student Government Association Raupe Travel Grant	Fall 2012-Spring 2014
Empress Emeritus Mona little More Memorial Scholarship	Fall 2012- Spring 2013
UNT Women's Studies Scholarship	Fall 2013- Spring 2014
Traub Dicker Rainbow Scholarship	Fall 2013- Spring 2014
GLBT Leadership Education & Advocacy Program Scholarship	Fall 2013-Spring 2014

Skills

Fluent in English and Tagalog

Proficient with IBM SPSS software

Trained in Questionnaire Development System software

Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite

Experience with Adobe Creative Suite

Proficient with Windows, Mac OSX and Linux operating systems

Professional Service

UMB Department of Counseling and School Psychology	Fall 2015
Student Member of Search Committee for Non Tenure Track Faculty Interviewed and evaluated candidates	
UNT Multicultural Center	Spring 2011-May 2014
Ally Training Panelist	
Spoke for a panel to raise awareness for the LGBT students in the university	

Professional Organizations/Affiliation

American Psychological Association	July 2015 – Present
Graduate Student Affiliate	
Division 44 Affiliate	
Society for Behavioral Medicine	December 2014 – December 2015
Transitional Member	
Association of Psychological Science	March 2013 – Present
Student Member	
American Public Health Association	July 2012 – July 2013
Student Member, Mental Health Section	
Psi Chi: International Honor Society in Psychology	Spring 2013-Present
Student Member	
Iota Iota Iota: Women's Studies Honor Society	Spring 2013 – Present

Student Member

Professional References

Sharon Horne, Ph.D.

Professor

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Kristin Murphy, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor

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Chwee-Lye Chng, Ph.D.

Regents Professor

Department of Kinesiology, Health Promotion, and Recreation, University of North Texas

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Mark Vosvick, Ph.D.

Associate Professor

Department of Psychology, University of North Texas

Director - Center for Psychosocial Health Research, University of North Texas

Co-Director - LGBT Studies Program, University of North Texas

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