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Education

University of Colorado, Boulder 2018 – present

* M.A., Sociology, in progress
* PhD, Sociology, in progress

University of Vermont 2010-2014

* B.A., Sociology, *Magna Cum Laude*
* Cumulative GPA: 3.85; Major GPA: 3.95

La Universidad de Belgrano, Buenos Aires Fall 2013

* Spanish-conducted courses in Sociology and Latin American History

Areas of Interest

Sexuality, Gender, Health, Qualitative Methods

publications

Mercer, Katie H. 2024. “How Was That For You?: Aftercare, Impression Management and Gender in BDSM.” *Journal of Sex Research* (forthcoming).

Mercer, Katie H. and Stefanie Mollborn. 2023. “Distinction through Distancing: Social Expectations and Boundary Work during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Social Science and Medicine*. 338(7), DOI: [10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116334](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.116334)

Mollborn, Stefanie, Katie H. Mercer and Theresa Edwards-Capen. 2021. “Everything Is Connected”: Health Lifestyles and Teenagers’ Social Distancing Behaviors in the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Sociological Perspectives*, *64*(5): 920-938, <https://doi.org/10.1177/07311214211005488>.

Works in progress

Steinberg, Hillary, Theresa Edwards-Capen and Katie H. Mercer. “Gender Differences in Teenage Autonomy During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” To be submitted to an academic journal in the spring of 2025.

Teaching experience

*Positions as Instructor of Record (all positions at University of Colorado, Boulder)*

Fall 2024 Social Problems

Fall 2024 US Race/Ethnic Relations

Fall 2023 Sex, Gender and Society

Summer 2023 Social Problems

Spring 2023 Social Problems

Spring 2023 US Race/Ethnic Relations

Summer 2021 Social Problems

*Positions as Teaching Assistant (all positions at University of Colorado, Boulder)*

Created content for and instructed three hourly weekly recitation sections for all courses below.

Spring 2022 Deviance in U.S. Society

Fall 2021 Social Construction of Sexuality

Spring 2021 Deviance in U.S. Society

Fall 2020 Social Construction of Sexuality

Spring 2020 Deviance in U.S. Society

Fall 2019 Deviance in U.S. Society

Spring 2019 Introduction to Sociology

Fall 2018 Sex, Gender and Society

Guest lectures

*Gender and Consent Negotiations,* guest lecture presented in:

* Sex, Gender, and Society (Summer 2019)
* The Social Construction of Sexuality (Summer 2019; Fall 2019; Spring 2020; Summer 2020; Fall 2020)
* The Social Construction of Sexuality (Spring 2020)

*Non-Monogamous Perspectives,* guest lecture presented in:

* The Social Construction of Sexuality (Spring 2020)

Research Experience

University of Colorado at Boulder Spring 2023 – January 2024

*Research Assistant*

Code interview data and write memos on data in NVivo for Professor Robert Wyrod’s research on Chinese development in Uganda.

University of Colorado at Boulder Summer 2019 – present

*Research Assistant*

Assisted with recruitment for interviews, conducted interviews, coded interview data, wrote memos on data in MAXQDA, and submitted grant proposals for Professor Stefanie Mollborn’s research on the social construction of health practices.

Currently write academic papers based on the data collected.

University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2021

*Editing Assistant*

Assisted in editing chapters contributed to Professor Janet Jacob’s and Professor Thomas DeGloma’s volume of essays titled *Interpreting Contentious Memory: Counter-memories and Conflicts over the Past.*

University of Colorado at Boulder August 2019-Spring 2020

*Research Assistant*

Located articles, books, and provided written summaries of existing research for Professor Janet Jacob’s research on the experiences of Jewish college students today.

University of Texas at Austin April 2017 – June 2018

*Research Associate at the Child and Family Research Partnership*

Created written and visual quantitative and qualitative data summaries for memos to clients. Coded qualitative data for reports. Created, distributed, and tracked electronic and paper surveys. Took notes during interviews and focus groups. Specific focus on projects geared towards child welfare, adolescent sexual education, and adolescent reproductive health.

Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility Jan. – May 2014

*Research Intern*

Co-created and distributed a survey to female inmates on domestic violence. Created quantitative report on gender differences in parenting from Vermont state prisons. Submitted final report to the Vermont Department of Corrections.

University of Vermont May – June 2013

*Research Assistant*

Located articles and provided written summaries of existing research for Professor Jennifer Strickler’s project “Outsourcing of Family Life”.

Research presentations

Mercer, Katie H. (2022, August). *What Comes After Consent: Aftercare in BDSM.* American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Los Angeles, CA.

Mercer, Katie H. (2021, November). *You Can't Consent to That: The DSM, Sexual Sadism and the Deployment of Consent.* CARAS-CLAW Conference: Leather-Kink Research and Clinical Knowledge. Los Angeles, CA.

Mercer, Katie H. (2020, August). *Everything is Connected: Health Lifestyles and Teenagers’ Social Distancing Behaviors in the COVID-19 Pandemic.* American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Virtual.

Mercer, Katie H. (2019, May). *Strategies of Disclosure for BDSM Participation*. Multiplicity of the Erotic Research Conference. Chicago, IL.

Mercer, Katie H. (2014, April). *Parenting Behind Gendered Bars*. UVM Student Research Conference. Burlington, VT.

service

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2022-Spring 2024

*Graduate Teaching Program Lead*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2021-Fall 2024

*Student Coordinator for Culture, Power and Inequality Workshop*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2022-Spring 2023

*Social Committee Organizer*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2022-Spring 2023

*Faculty Meeting Liaison*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2022-Spring 2023

*Open House Committee Member*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2021-Spring 2022

*Faculty Mentor Award Organizer*

Sociology Department, University of Colorado at Boulder Fall 2019-Spring 2020

*Ketchum Space Committee Organizer*

CARAS May 2020 - present

Community-Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities

*CARAS Reading Group Creator and Facilitator*

Awards and honors

* GPTI Teaching Recognition Award 2023

*University of Colorado, Boulder*

* Vaughn-Tardiff Fellowship ($10,000) 2022

*Sociology Department, University of Colorado, Boulder*

* Marinus Smith Teaching Award (student nominated) 2019

*University of Colorado, Boulder*

* Magna Cum Laude 2014

*University of Vermont*

* Valerie Anne Moore Teaching Assistant Award 2014

*University of Vermont*

* Dean’s List every semester 2010-2014

*University of Vermont*

* A.L. Kelly Scholarship 2013-2014

*University of Vermont*

* Trustees Scholarship 2010-2013

*University of Vermont*

* Member of Phi Beta Kappa, Academic Honor Society
* Member of Alpha Kappa Delta, International Sociology Honor Society

Software Proficiencies and trainings

* Basic Course in Human Research (Citi Program, June 2023)
* MAXQDA
* NVivo
* SPSS
* STATA
* Qualtrics