

KENYATTA PHELPS
Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH

Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology/Social Psychology, 2007

Cognate: Criminology

Dissertation: *Romantic Partners, Parents, and Peers' Effects on African American Youths' School Achievement. Successfully Defended: July 18, 2007.*

Wright State University, Dayton, OH

Master of Arts, Sociology/Applied Behavioral Science, 2001

Thesis: *Black and White Differences in Levels of Confidence in Education*

Wright State University, Dayton, OH

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, 2000

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH

Research Assistant, Fall 2004 to Summer 2006

- Performed qualitative and quantitative data analyses using multiple waves of the Toledo Adolescent Relationships Study (TARS), the Ohio Life Course Study (OLS), and the Spiritual Transformation and Desistance from Crime Study for Drs. Peggy Giordano, Wendy Manning, and Monica Longmore. Funded by National Institute of Child Health and Development (NIH), and Department of Health and Human Services, and the Templeton Foundation.

Wright State University, Dayton, OH

Research Assistant, Fall 2000 to Spring 2001

- Performed qualitative and quantitative data analyses for the Marysville Prison Research Project - Women's Criminal Involvement and Inmate Attitudes toward Capital Punishment for Drs. Tracy Steele and Norma Wilcox.

Wright State University, Dayton, OH

Research Assistant, Fall 2000 to Spring 2001

- Assisted in the development of the Service Learning Division for the Center for Urban and Public Affairs (CUPA).

STATISTICAL EXPERIENCE & COMPUTER SKILLS

- Trained and proficient in multivariate regression techniques and statistical packages (SPSS, SAS, and Minitab).

- Proficient in the following software packages: BlackBoard, Microsoft Products (Excel, Powerpoint, & Word), Macromedia Dreamweaver, and Adobe Products (Acrobat, InDesign, & Photoshop). Currently being trained for GIS software (ArcGIS and GeoDa).

PUBLICATIONS

Giordano, Peggy, Kenyatta Phelps, Wendy Manning, and Monica Longmore. (Forthcoming). "The Influence of Dating Partners on Adolescents' Academic Achievement." *Social Science Research*.

Ballantine, Jeanne and Kenyatta D. Phelps. 2002. "What Can I do? Applying Classroom Knowledge to Service Work, or Doing Practice Sociology." *Sociological Practice* 4(2):41-52.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES & PAPER PRESENTATIONS

Phelps, Kenyatta. "The Influence of Dating Partners and Romantic Relationship Qualities on African American Adolescents' Academic Success." Poster Presentation at 10th Annual Black Graduate and Professional Conference, Chicago, IL. April, 2006.

Phelps, Kenyatta D., Peggy C. Giordano, Wendy D. Manning, and Monica A. Longmore. "The Influence of Dating Partners on Adolescents' Academic Achievement." Presented at the North Central Sociological Association Conference, Pittsburgh, PA. April, 2005.

Phelps, Kenyatta D. "Differences in the Satisfaction of Education between Black and White Graduate Students." Presented at the African American Graduate Student Association Spring Colloquia. Bowling Green State University, Spring 2003.

Phelps, Kenyatta D. "Issues Facing African American Students Attending Predominately White Institutions," Panelist at the Black Student Union Fall Symposium. Bowling Green State University, Fall 2002.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- *Funded Participant*, NIH-supported GIS and Population Science Training Program, The Center for Spatially Integrated Social Science at The Ohio State University, Ohio June 18 - 23, 2007 (Received \$1,100 Scholarship from NIH).
- SAS topics and Grant Writing Workshop Series, Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University, Spring 2007, Fall 2006, July 2004, Fall 2003, & July 2001.
- Benin & Ghana Seminar, African Studies Program Study Abroad Program, Summer 2006.
- Graduate Learning Community, Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology, Bowling Green State University, Fall 2001 to Spring 2002.
- Recruitment and Retention of Students of Color Symposium, Ohio Association for College Admissions and Counseling, Bowling Green State University, Fall 2003.
- Teaching Introductory Sociology, Graduate Course. Bowling Green State University, Fall 2001.
- Program Evaluation Course, Graduate Course. Wright State University, Spring 2001.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Greene County Children Services, Xenia, Ohio, Summer 2000 to Summer 2001

- Responsible for the care and supervision of residents (adolescent and MRDD) placed in the agency-operated group home.

Community Service

- *Tutor* for Introductory Statistics Course, Fall 2002 to Summer 2003.
- *Tutor* for Study Skills Lab for Introduction to Sociology, Fall 2001.
- *Instructor* for Computer Basics 101 for Rural Opportunities, Inc., Bowling Green, Ohio, Summer 2004.
- *Intern* with Family Services for the Wright Patt Air Force Base, Fall 2000.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Sociological Association
- National Association of Black Sociologists
- National Association of Black Graduate Students
- African American Graduate Student Association
- Sociology Graduate Student Association
- Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology
- Graduate Student Affiliate, Center for Family and Demographic Research