

Breanna D. Brock

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Education

- Current Ph.D. student in Sociology, Stony Brook University
Advisor: Crystal M. Fleming, Ph.D.
- 2019 M.A. Sociology, University of California, Merced
Thesis: Beyond Black: Exploring Self-Identification of African Americans and Afro-Caribbeans in the United States.
Committee: Dr. Whitney N. Pirtle, Dr. Zulema Valdez, Dr. Dawne M. Mouzon
- 2017 B.S. Public Health Rutgers University
Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy 2017
- B.A. Rutgers University School of Arts and Science
Double Major: Sociology and Africana Studies (Honors)
- NIH/NSF Undergraduate Research Thesis: Discrimination, Racism Related Coping Strategies, and Mental Health Among African Americans: Exploring Gender Differences
Advisor: Dawne M. Mouzon, Ph.D.
- Study Abroad: University of Cape Town
Cape Town, South Africa

Research Interests

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| Racial Identity | Quantitative Methodology |
| Race/Ethnicity | Qualitative Methodology |
| Sociology of Racism | Mental Health |
| Migration | Health Disparities |

Publications

Pirtle, Whitney N., **Breanna D. Brock**, Nonzenzele Aldonza, Kaline Leke, and Dallas Edge. 2021. "‘I Didn’t Know What Anti-Blackness Was Until I Got Here’: The Unmet Needs of Black Students at Hispanic-Serving Institutions." *Urban Education* 00420859211044948. doi: [10.1177/00420859211044948](https://doi.org/10.1177/00420859211044948).

Mouzon, Dawne M. and **Breanna D. Brock**. 2021. "“If Only They Would Make Better Choices...”: Confronting Myths About Ethnoracial Health Disparities”. *Getting Real About Race*. Edited by S. M. McClure and C. A. Harris

Mouzon, Dawne M., **Breanna D. Brock**, Ebony Johnson, Thalya Reyes, and Krim T. Lacey. 2021. “Does Ethnoracial Identity Buffer Against Poor Mental Health Among Black Americans? Examining the Nexus of Ethnicity and Nativity.” in chapter, Handbook on Society and Mental Health and Illness

Manuscripts Under Review/in Progress

Mouzon, Dawne M. and **Breanna D. Brock**. "Racial Discrimination, Racism-Related Coping, and Mental Health Among Older African Americans." Invited article for special issue of *Annual Review of Gerontology and Geriatrics*

Brock, Breanna. Beyond Black: A Historical Overview of Racial Labels Choices of Black People in the United States. Under preparation for submission to *Journal of Black Psychology*.

Presentations

- 2020 Eastern Sociological Conference – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Presentation: **Beyond Black: Exploring Self-Identification of African Americans and Afro- Caribbeans in the United States**
- 2016 Research Experiences for Undergraduate Symposium: National Science Foundation – Arlington, VA
Poster: **Racial Discrimination, Racism Related Coping Strategies, and Mental Health Among African Americans**
- 2016 Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research – New Brunswick, NJ
Presentation: **Racial Discrimination, Racism Related Coping Strategies, and Mental Health Among African Americans: Exploring Gender Differences**

Research Experience

- 2020 **Graduate Research Assistant**
Stony Brook University
Stony Brook, New York
- Diversifying mindfulness and Black meditation project
 - Compiled annotated bibliographies
 - Worked 1:1 with undergraduate research assistant
 - Developed potential in-depth interview questionnaires
- 2018-2019 **Project Management/Investigator**
University of California, Merced
Merced, California

- Conducted focus groups.
- Created survey instruments with Qualtrics program.
- Recruited participants and organize focus groups.
- Analyzed mix-methods research project using NVivo and STATA.

2016-2017

Project L/Earn Internship

Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research New Brunswick NJ

- Conducted secondary data analysis using STATA programming, participated in National Science Foundation-sponsored research training program in health and mental health research for minority undergraduates.
- Received extensive training in literature reviews, data analysis, research methods, data interpretation, project preparation and research writing techniques, as well as an overview of the field of health research.

Teaching Experience

2020

Social Problems in a Global Perspective Instructor

Stony Brook University

2019

Race and Ethnic Relations Teaching Assistant

Stony Brook University

2018-2019

Sociological Theory Teaching Assistant

University of California, Merced

- Guest lecture topics: Hill-Collins – “Black Feminist Thought”, DuBois – “On the Meaning of Progress” and Durkheim – “Suicide and Social Anomie”

2016-2017

Introduction to Sociology Teaching Assistant

University of California, Merced

2016

Research Methods Teaching Assistant

Rutgers University

Awards and Grants

2021

Ford Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Honorable Mention

2020

Turner Summer Research Grant (\$5,000)

2019

Turner Fellowship, Stony Brook University (\$50,000)

2018

SSHA (UC Merced) Dean Summer Research Award (\$800)

2018

UC Merced Sociology Summer Research Award (\$2,000)

2016 - 2017

NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Stipend Award (\$5,600)

Service

2021-Present

Graduate Assistant and Facilitator - SBU Critical Race Studies Group

2020-Present

Vice President, Black Graduate Student Organization - Stony Brook University

2017-2018

Professional Development Chair, Sociology Graduate Student Committee - University of California, Merced
