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Education

- 2014 Ph.D., Sociology, University of South Florida
Dissertation: *More to Love: Obesity and Romantic Relationships in the Transition to Adulthood*
Committee: Elizabeth Vaquera (co-chair), Sara Green (co-chair), Elizabeth Aranda and Solveig Cunningham
- 2009 M.A., Applied Sociology, University of Central Florida
- 2007 B.A., Sociology, University of Central Florida

Research and Teaching Interests

Sociology of Health and Illness	Racial Inequality & Intersectionality
Sociology of the Family	Transition to Adulthood
Childhood and Youth	Mixed Methods

Employment

- 2014 – 2015 Visiting Instructor, Department of Sociology, University of South Florida
- 2012 Adjunct Instructor, Hillsborough Community College, Ruskin, FL
- 2011 – 2014 Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Sociology, University of South Florida
- 2009 – 2011 Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of South Florida
- 2008 – 2009 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of Central Florida

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Dotson, Hilary M., Elizabeth Vaquera, and Solveig A. Cunningham. In press. "Sandwiches and Subversion: Teachers' Mealtime Strategies and Preschoolers' Agency." *Childhood*. doi: 10.1177/0907568214539711
- Ford, Jason A., Ryan D. Schroeder, and Hilary M. Dotson. 2014. "Weight Strain and Binge Drinking among Adolescents." *Deviant Behavior* 35(9): 742-757.

Dotson, Hilary M. and J. Scott Carter. 2012. "Changing Views Toward the Death Penalty? The Intersecting Impact of Race and Gender on Attitudes, 1974-2006." *Justice System Journal* 33(1): 1-20.

Dotson, Hilary M. 2011. "Homeless Women, Parents and Children: A Triangulation Approach Analyzing Factors Influencing Homelessness and Child Separation." *Journal of Poverty* 15(3): 241-258.

Other Publications

Castañeda, Heide, Nolan Kline, Mackenzie Rapp, Nicole Demetriou, Naheed Ahmed, Isabella Chan, Theresa Crocker, Nathaniel Dickey, Patrick Dillon, Hilary Dotson, Jordana Frost, Natalie Hobbs, Emily Koby Nowicki, Philip McNab, Francisco Montiel-Ishino and Colleen Timmons. 2011. "Assessing the US Affordable Care Act: Perspectives from Future Health Care Professionals." *Practicing Anthropology* 33(4): 44-48.

Works in Progress

In Preparation

Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. "Someone Who Cares: Can Informal Mentoring Be Protective Against Disconnectedness?"

Dotson, Hilary M. and Heidi E. Ross. "Colorblind Care: Ideal Care Arrangements and Racial Preferences for Caregivers."

Dotson, Hilary M. and Sara Green. "Learning Disabilities and Depression: A Social Model Approach on Depression Among Learning Disabled Young Adults."

Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. "Obesity Histories and Disconnectedness among Emerging Adults: Weight-Based Pathways to Disconnectedness."

Dotson, Hilary M. "Obesity Histories and Romantic Relationship Statuses in Young Adulthood."

Conference Presentations

Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2014. "The Weight of Relationships: Obesity Histories and Romantic Relationship Involvement Near the Third Decade of Life." Under consideration for the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California, August.

Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2014. "Enduring Stigma? Obesity Histories and Romantic Relationship Involvement in the Transition to Adulthood." *Population Association of America, Boston, Massachusetts, May.*

- Dotson, Hilary M., Elizabeth Vaquera and Solveig A. Cunningham. 2013. "Directing Mealtime: Understanding Pre-School Teachers' Food Parenting Styles." *American Sociological Association, New York, New York, August.*
- Ross, Heidi E. and Hilary M. Dotson. 2013. "Understanding Caregiving: Diverse Graduate Students' Perspectives on Elder and Child Care." *Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, Georgia, April.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2012. "What's Health Got To Do with It? Chronic Health Issues and Romantic Relationship Trajectories in the Transition to Adulthood." *Themed Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development: Transitions from Adolescence to Adulthood, Tampa, Florida, October.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2012. "Unengaged Young Adults: The Effects of Informal Mentorship on Disconnectedness." *American Sociological Association, Denver, Colorado, August.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2012. "Sick and Stuck: The Legacy of Obesity and Disconnectedness among Transitioning Adults." *Population Association of America, San Francisco, California, May.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2012. "Gender, Obesity and Perceived Popularity in Young Adulthood." *American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, Nevada, August.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2011. "Growing Out of It: Depressive Symptomology Among Learning Disabled Youth Transitioning to Adulthood." *Southern Sociological Society, Jacksonville, Florida, April.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. and Elizabeth Vaquera. 2010. "Your Sunday Best: Religious Tradition and Body Mass Index Among Young Adults." *American Sociological Association, Atlanta, Georgia, August.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2009. "Posting your Goodbye for the World to See: An Examination of Expressions of Loss on Social Networking Sites." *Mid-South Sociological Association, Lafayette, Louisiana, November.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2009. "Fundamentalists and Feminists in Bed Together: A Comparison of Attitudes Towards Pornography." *Southern Sociological Society, New Orleans, Louisiana, April.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2009. "Homeless Women Separated from Children: A Focus Group." *Southwestern Social Science Association, Denver, Colorado, April.*
- Arrastia, Meagan C. and Hilary M. Dotson. 2008. "Omnisexuals, Not Omnivores: An Examination of Sexual Orientation, Authoritarianism and Dietary Preference among College Students." *Mid-South Sociological Association, Huntsville, Alabama, October.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2008. "God and Gun Control: A Repeated Cross-Sectional Analysis." *Mid-South Sociological Association, Huntsville, Alabama, October.*
- Dotson, Hilary M. 2007. "Women and Straightedge." *Mid-South Sociological Association, Mobile, Alabama, October.*
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Additional Research Experience

- 2014** Graduate Research Assistant, Emory University
- PI: Solveig Cunningham
 - Manuscripts prepared using secondary data analysis of the *National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health*
- 2012 – 2013** Consultant, University of South Florida
- PI: Elizabeth Aranda
 - Quantitative analysis for the *Multi-Ethnic Miami: Searching for Security and Belonging in a Global City* study
- 2009 – 2011** Graduate Research Assistant, University of South Florida
- NIH-NIDDK Grant 1R21DK081878-01A1
 - PI: Elizabeth Vaquera
 - Manuscripts prepared using secondary data analysis of the *National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health*
 - Manuscripts prepared using data collected from ethnographic fieldwork in preschools

Specialized Research Skills

- Statistical data analysis using SPSS, SAS, and Stata
 - Multivariate statistics
 - Complex survey data
 - Longitudinal data
- Qualitative interviews, ethnographic fieldwork, and data analysis

Independent Teaching Experience

Introduction to Sociology (5 sections), Contemporary Social Problems (2 sections), Social Science Statistics (1 section face-to-face; 1 online section in progress), Medical Sociology (5 sections completed; 1 in progress Spring 2015), Research Methods (1 section completed; 1 in progress)

Professional Service

Service to the Discipline

- 2012** Chair for *Parental Influences on Childhood Obesity* Session. Population Association of America Annual Meeting, 2012
- 2009** Chair for *Poverty and Homelessness II* Session. Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting, 2009

Occasional Reviewer: *Appetite; Children & Society; Sociology of Health and Illness; Youth & Society*

Departmental Service

2014 – 2015 Colloquium Committee, Member, Department of Sociology, USF

2009 Doctoral Student Representative. Department of Sociology, USF

Honors and Awards

2013 Selected and Funded Participant at the Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop

2008 Alpha Kappa Delta, The International Sociology Honor Society

2007 – 2008 Provost Fellowship, University of Central Florida

Specialized Training

2013 Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop, July 8 – 10

- Hosted by Department of Social Work at Columbia University
- Training to work with the Fragile Families data

2013 Preparing for College Teaching Workshop, May 28 – July 16

- Hosted by the Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence at USF
- Training for designing, building, and instructing college courses effectively

Professional Memberships

2009 - American Sociological Association

2010 - Population Association of America

2013 - Sociologists for Women in Society

2008 - Southern Sociological Society

References

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