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Professional Summary

I am a Ph.D. and M.P.H. Candidate with over eight years of mixed-methods research experience and professional experience working in the non-profit sector. I have expertise in qualitative data collection and analysis (semi-structured interviews, focus groups, ethnography, MAXQDA). I also have three years of experience working professionally in non-profit (non-academic) settings as a Program Coordinator and Domestic Violence Victim Advocate. As an Applied Anthropologist and Public Health professional specializing in Maternal and Child Health, child welfare, and violence prevention, I have been professionally trained to work with individuals with a vast array of life experiences, including vulnerable populations, those experiencing substance misuse, women, Hispanic/Latino community members, and trauma survivors. I am fluent in both English and Spanish.

Education

University of South Florida (Fall 2017-Present)

Ph.D. Candidate (Applied Anthropology: Medical Anthropology track)

M.P.H. Candidate (Public Health: Maternal and Child Health)

Washington State University 2016

M.A. Anthropology

University of Cincinnati 2013

B.A. Anthropology

B.A. Spanish (with Honors, Phi Beta Kappa)

Certificate in Latin American Studies

Research Interests

My research foci and professional interests include Guatemala, human rights, women's rights, gender-based violence (GBV), trauma, intimate partner violence (IPV), femicide, civil society, transformative justice, legal anthropology, and Maternal and Child Health.

My M.A. thesis, "*Estoy Luchando: Machismo and Idioms of Distress among Rural Guatemalan Women,*" focused on the relationship between machismo ideology, mental

health and distress among adult women in Chocoma, Guatemala, with an emphasis on gender-based violence.

My dissertation research employs a multi-level, engaged anthropological approach to gender-based violence resources in Guatemala. Specifically, I am interested in the effectiveness of formal GBV resources; GBV in the public and private spheres, how perspectives regarding GBV differ at the international, national/governmental, and local levels; and how ideological views of GBV are changing across the societal and cultural landscape.

Publications

Published

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Armstrong, Anna Torrens, J. Azero, C. C. Carr, C. King, S. Burke. 2020. "Teaching Old-Fashioned Professionalism to the Modern-Day MPH Student." *Public Health Reports*.

M.A. Thesis

Carr, Caitlynn. 2016. "Estoy Luchando (I am Fighting/Struggling): Machismo and Distress among Rural Guatemalan Women." Washington State University.

Academic Newsletters

Carr, Caitlynn. 2021. "Reflections of a Pandemic: A Glimpse into the Effects of COVID-19 on Guatemala's Indigenous Population and Gender-based Violence (GBV) Survivors." Newsletter reviewed and published online by the Society for Applied Anthropology Gender-based Violence Topical Interest Group (SfAA GBV TIG).

Submitted

Maxwell, Haley, V. Chandran, B. Yusuf, B. Dorjulus, L. Kihlström, S. Vereen, C. Carr, and J. Marshall. 2021. "Home Visiting Staff Perceptions of the Benefits of Fatherhood Engagement in the Florida MIECHV Program." *Journal of Child and Family Studies*.

Reports

Chandran, V., Toluhi, D., Dorjulus, B., Yusuf, B., Stein Elger, R., Carr, C., Darnal, S., Maxwell, H. & Marshall, J. (2020). Florida Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Initiative Evaluation: Father Engagement Focus Group Report 2019-2020. Available at <https://health.usf.edu/publichealth/chiles/miechv/state-evaluation>.

L. Kihlstrom, S. Vereen, C. Carr, J.F. Mackie, J. Marshall. (2021). Early Childhood Court Evaluation: Effectiveness of Therapeutic Modalities.

Peer Reviewer

Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology (2020)

Violence and Gender (2021)

Academic Positions

Graduate Assistant/Study Coordinator: Harrell Center for Family and Community Violence

January 2021-Present

Serving as Project Coordinator for study sponsored by the Women's Health Collaborative (USF Foundation) entitled, "COVID-19 and African American Teen Mothers." Duties include completing IRB approval process, designing study materials, coordinating team meetings, coordinating recruitment process and data collection, conducting "tele" focus groups and digital survey dissemination, assisting with data analysis and reporting. Also assisting with hiring employees for the Harrell Center and completing other tasks as needed.

Graduate Research Assistant

Capacity Assessment of Prenatal Health Care and Dependency Services Access in Florida "Secret Shopper" Research Study for the Florida Department of Health

February 2021-Present

Assisting with valuation tool development; conducting data collection and analysis; reporting and data dissemination

Graduate Research Assistant

Florida Early Childhood Court Statewide Evaluation (Funded by Zero-to-Three)

February 2021-August 2021

Conducting semi-structured interviews with parents/caregivers in Florida's Early Childhood Court System; designing data collection materials (interview script, questionnaire); conducting qualitative data analysis with MAXQDA; summarizing qualitative data and writing the final project report.

Data Abstractor/Graduate Assistant

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Violent Death Reporting System

August 2020-December 2020

Duties include assisting the principal investigator, project director, and abstractors with data collection and analysis, conducting background literature reviews, assisting with the generation of project reports, and developing peer-reviewed publications and professional presentations.

Instructor of Record

University of South Florida Department of Anthropology

ANT 4401: Exploring Cross-Cultural Diversity (Spring 2020)

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Research Assistant: University of South Florida College of Public Health

Facilitated focus groups, conducted semi-structured interviews, transcript evaluation, and data analysis on fatherhood involvement in the Florida Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) home visiting program (Summer 2019-Fall 2020)

Research Assistant: University of South Florida College of Public Health

Conducted research-related tasks (protocol development, transcript verification, and literature reviews) for an NIH-funded R01 grant funded focused on smoking cessation for those living with HIV/AIDS (Summer 2019)

Instructor of Record

University of South Florida Department of Anthropology
ANT 4401: Exploring Cross-Cultural Diversity (Spring 2019)

Research Assistant: University of South Florida College of Public Health

Career-planning and professional development research assistant (June 2018-August 2018)

Teaching and Graduate Assistantships

University of South Florida Department of Anthropology

GA for Dr. Tara Deubel	(Summer 2020)
GA for Dr. Christian Wells	(Spring 2020)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	(Fall 2019)
GA for Dr. Roberta Baer	(Spring 2019)
Linguistic Anthropology	(Fall 2018)
Oral Histories	(Fall 2018)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	(Summer 2018)
GA for Dr. Roberta Baer	(Spring 2018)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	(Spring 2018)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	(Fall 2017)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	(Fall 2017)

Washington State University Department of Anthropology

Peoples of the World: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Spring 2016, Fall 2014)
Anthropology 101 (Fall 2015)
Sex, Evolution, & Human Nature (Spring 2015)

Research

Ethnographic Fieldwork

July 2019

Conducted semi-structured interviews in Spanish on child marriage and teen pregnancy in Panama City, Panama.

May-June 2019

Conducted data collection on gender roles in the tourism industry in Placencia, Belize as part of the Food, Energy, and Water Systems field-based graduate-level course offered through the University of South Florida College of Engineering/Strong Coasts Program.

August 2018

Preliminary dissertation research conducted in August 2018 in non-profit and governmental organizations working with women's rights and initiatives to counteract gender-based violence.

May-August 2015

Master's thesis fieldwork conducted in Chocoma, Guatemala concerning Indigenous women's distress symptoms, women's empowerment, and the machismo ideology.

Contractor/Research Assistant

National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), (8/12-12/12)

Training NIOSH employees on using the EndNote program, creating and Organizing PDF research libraries, data entry, transcribing interviews and translating them from Spanish to English

Research Assistant/Student Worker

Department of Family and Community Medicine, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine (7/11-6/12)

Conducted observations and collected data in seven local family practices for the Behaviors to Decrease Respiratory Infections by Family Physicians and Staff project involving skin-borne illness prevention in the healthcare environment; trained extensively in survey data collection and entry and assisted with data analysis.

Research Assistant

Metro Health Medical Center, Cleveland, OH (06/10-11/10)

Survey data collection and entry for a quantitative research study for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Department quantitative study on post-stroke shoulder pain.

Professional Conference Participation

Spiritual Divides: Debating the Role of Religion in Gender-Based Violence

Virtual Debate. American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting (Online).
November 14, 2021.

Embodying Applied Solutions for Gender-based Violence in Guatemala

Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting (Online). March 25, 2021.

**“This Makes You Realize That You Need to Spend More Time with Your Children:”
Perceptions of COVID-19 Impacts on Father Involvement and Engagement in
Perinatal Home Visiting.** Vereen, S., Kihlstrom, L., Carr, C., Alastre, S., Stein Elger, R.,
Toluhi, D., & Marshall, J. USF Health Research Day. February 2021.

**Drivers for Father’s Involvement in the Child’s Life and Engagement in Florida
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program.**

Association of Maternal Child Health Programs (AMCHP). Chandran, V., Toluhi, D., Yusuf,
B., Carr, C. & Marshall, J. (2020). Poster. Arlington, VA. (Virtual Conference)

**The Political Economy of Healing from GBV: Transnational Perspectives of
Embodiment, Trauma, and Gender-Based Violence in Guatemala**

Southeastern Women’s Studies Association Annual Meeting. St. Petersburg, FL. March
27, 2020.

Embodying Applied Solutions to Gender-Based Violence (GBV) in Guatemala

Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, NM. March 18, 2020.

**Using the Guatemala Demographic Health Survey (DHS) to Identify Social
Determinants Associated with Recent Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) among
Guatemalan Women**

USF Health Research Day, University of South Florida, February 21, 2020

**Drivers for Father’s Involvement in the Child’s Life and Engagement in Florida
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Programs.**

Toluhi, D., Chandran, V., Carr, C., Yusuf, B., Stein Elger, R. & Marshall, J. (2020,
accepted). Poster. University of South Florida Health Research Day. Tampa, FL.

Fatherhood and Farm Workers in Florida

State of the Science Annual Meeting. “Stress and Resilience among Agricultural Workers
in Rural Communities. St. Petersburg, FL. September 26-27, 2019.

Society for Public Health Education 70th Annual Conference

Torrens Armstrong, A., Carr, C., King, C. & Burke, S. Teaching Old-Fashioned
Professionalism to the Modern-Day MPH student. Salt Lake City, UT, March 26-29, 2019.

“No es Taboo, es Miedo y Temor/It’s Not Taboo, It’s Fear:” Navigating Gender-Based Violence Resources in a Changing Guatemalan Society.

Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) Annual Meeting. Portland, Oregon. March 23, 2019.

“No es Taboo, es Miedo y Temor/It’s Not Taboo, It’s Fear:” Navigating Gender-Based Violence Resources in a Changing Guatemalan Society.

Poster Presentation for University of South Florida Health Research Day. February 22, 2019.

Putting Our Passion into Practice: Introducing Advocacy Topics and the USF College of Public Health Activist Lab

Poster Presentation for University of South Florida Health Research Day. February 22, 2019.

American Mock World Health Organization National Conference

January 25-27, 2019. Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Role: Ambassador to Mexico.

Gender-Based Violence in the Public and Private Sphere

American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. November 16, 2018. San Jose, California.

Domestic Labor, Penny Capitalism and Social Suffering in a Rural Guatemalan Community

Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) Annual Meeting, April 2, 2018. Philadelphia, PA.

***Machismo* and Distress among Indigenous K’iche’ Women in Rural Guatemala**

Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) Annual Meeting, April 1, 2016. Vancouver, B.C.

***Machismo* and Mental Health among Guatemalan K’iche’ Women**

Graduate and Professional Student Association Graduate Student Research Exposition
March 25, 2016

***Machismo* and Distress among Indigenous K’iche’ Women in Rural Guatemala**

Society for Cross-Cultural Research (SCCR), February 26, 2016

Other Presentations

Machismo and Idioms of Distress among Rural Guatemalan Women

Guest lecture conducted in Dr. Tara Deubel's Introduction to Cultural Anthropology class.
University of South Florida, October 2017

Women's Mental Health in Rural Guatemala

Guest lecture conducted in Dr. Erin Thornton's Anthropology 101 class at Washington State University, November 2015

Structural Violence and Women's Mental Health in Chocoma, Guatemala

Guest lecture conducted in Dr. Cara Monroe's Sex, Evolution and Human Nature course,
May 2015

**Cultural Competency Training and the Hispanic/Latino Population Proposal
Presentation for Ohio Medicaid Officers**

Caitlynn Carr for the Ohio Hispanic Coalition, April 16, 2014

**Cultural Change, Adaption, and Depression among Hispanic Immigrants Living in
Cincinnati**

Ribbon awarded by Honors Fraternity Sigma XI UC Chapter for Great Research 6/2012,
Cincinnati, OH

**University of Cincinnati Department of Romance Languages and Literatures
Conference (05/2012, Cincinnati, OH)**

Informed prospective Service-Learning students about the role of Service Learning in the
Foreign Language Curriculum

**University of Cincinnati Urban Health Research Center Proposal Meeting
(03/2012, Cincinnati, OH)**

Informed health administrator/prospective funder of personal research experience,
informed committee of the benefits of implementing an Urban Health Research Center at
the University of Cincinnati

**NAPCRG Program Committee Presentation: North American Primary Research
Group's Practice-Based Research Network Annual Conference
(06/12, Bethesda, MD)**

Behaviors to Decrease Respiratory Infections by Family Physicians and Staff: A Cincinnati
Area Research Group (CARING) Network Study

Nancy Elder MD, MSPH, Will Sawyer MD, Harini Pallerla MS, Sara Khaja MD, Monica
Blacker BS, Caitlynn Carr BA

**NAPCRG Program Committee Presentation: 2012 NAPCRG 40th Annual Meeting
(12/12)**

Behaviors to Decrease Respiratory Infections by Family Physicians and Staff: A Cincinnati Area Research Group (CARING) Network Study. December 1-5. New Orleans, LA. Nancy Elder MD, MSPH, Will Sawyer MD, Harini Pallerla MS, Sara Khaja MD, Monica Blacker BS, Caitlynn Carr BA

Awards

Grants

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship 2020 (\$26,700)
WSU Graduate & Professional Student Association Travel Award 2015 (\$1,300)
Meyer Grant for Field Research (Co-PI), 2015 (\$3,000)
National Council of La Raza (NCLR) Community Organization Grant, 2014 (\$75,000)
Taft Undergraduate Enrichment Award 2011, 2012 (\$5,000; \$6,000)
University of Cincinnati International Grant 2011, 2012 (\$800)
Academic Competitiveness Grant 2009 (\$2,000)

Scholarships

Pat O'Connor Study Abroad Grant 2012 (\$1,500)
Lena K. Suter Scholarship for Undergraduate Spanish Majors, 2009, 2012 (\$800; \$900)
McMicken College of Arts and Sciences Alumni Scholarship for One Exceptional Undergraduate Student 2011 (\$11,000)
Edward Coughlin Scholarship for Studying Abroad 2009 (\$1,400)

McMicken College of Arts and Sciences Dean's List

Consecutively awarded Fall 2008-Spring 2013

Additional Work Experience

Teaching **Montessori Instructor**

Oxford Bilingual Montessori School, Antigua, Guatemala (1/13-4/13)

Full-time Montessori Instructor for kindergarten through second grade. Responsibilities include creating materials, conducting instruction of language, science, theater and children's yoga classes, designing academic curriculum

ESL Instructor

Oxford Language Center, Antigua, Guatemala (1/13-4/13)

Teaching weekly group ESL classes to elementary students, designing curriculum, creating classroom materials

ESL Instructor/Bilingual Volunteer

The Healing Center Cincinnati (09/10-02/12)

Teaching weekly ESL (English as a Second Language) courses to international adults, providing Spanish translation for taxes, food, and clothing services

Professional Organization Memberships

American Anthropological Association (2018-Present)

United Nations Association (2017-Present)

Society for Public Health Education (2018-Present)

Society for Applied Anthropology (09/2015-Present)

Society for Cross-Cultural Research (09/2015-Present)

Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society Member, University of Cincinnati Chapter (April 2013-Present)

Positions Held

Student Representative (Elected Position)

Society for Applied Anthropology Gender-Based Violence Topical Interest Group.
December 2019-Present.

Director of Applied Research/Consultant

The Ohio Hispanic Coalition, Columbus, OH (06/16-present)

Internal and external research development, research project planning, data collection, and analysis, conducting needs assessment of Hispanics/Latinos in Central Ohio, researching best practices, editing policies and procedures of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program, grant writing.

AmeriCorps VISTA

The Ohio Hispanic Coalition, Columbus, OH (08/13-08/14)

Grant writing, supervising *Comprando Rico y Sano* Hispanic/Latino nutrition education project, grant writing, coordinating health fairs, providing cultural competency training, facilitating other social service-related needs

Interpreter

As Green as It Gets Non-Profit Organization (coffee plantation and bean processing). *San Miguel Escobar, Guatemala* (6/13)

English-Spanish Translator

Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Intern/Volunteer (08/09-06/10)

Student Intern (Interpretation and teaching Spanish literacy and English as a Second Language to Guatemalans)

The Church of Our Saviour/La Iglesia de Nuestra Salvador (07/11-03/12)

Volunteer (Translation for health fair eye exams)

Su Casa Hispanic Center (09/10)

Service

University of South Florida College of Public Health Pipeline Program
Research mentor for undergraduate student majoring in Public Health, Spring 2019

Florida Democratic Party
Canvasser for Andrew Gillum campaign, November 2018

University of South Florida College of Public Health Activist Lab
Student Board Member, Fall 2018-Present

Washington State University Graduate and Professional Student Association
Senator, Anthropology; member of Program Committee, Fall 2015-May 2016

Elementary School Science Fair Judge
Sunnyside Elementary, Pullman, Washington; March 2016

Training

Intensive Domestic Violence Training Sponsored by Ohio Governor Mike DeWine
Attended a 72-hour training on laws and identifying signs pertaining to domestic violence and intimate partner violence (IPV). Training certificate received July 2016.

Podcasts

University of South Florida's College of Public Health Activist Lab
Advocation: Change it Up! Podcast Series: Structural Racism and the Social Construction of Race; Host: Dr. Karen Liller, Guest: Dr. Antoinette Jackson; Student Co-host: Caitlynn Carr, M.A. Date: October 19, 2020.

Rollins College Department of International Student & Scholar Services
Immigration and Advocacy Podcast
Guests: Caitlynn Carr, M.A. and Dr. Nolan Kline, Date: February 7, 2021.

University of South Florida's College of Public Health Activist Lab
Advocation: Change it Up! Podcast Series: Environmental Health, Climate Change, and Advocacy Podcast Series. Host: Dr. Karen Liller, Guest: U.S. House Representative Kathy Castor, Student Co-hosts: Caitlynn Carr and Nick Cropper, April 2, 2021

Study Abroad

University of South Florida College of Public Health International Perspectives on Women's Health Course
Panamá City, Panamá (07/19)

University of South Florida Strong Coasts Program: Food, Energy, and Water Systems Field Course
Placencia, Belize (05-06/19)

University of Cincinnati Madrid Summer Program (06/12-07-12)
Don Quixote Language School, Madrid, Spain

Habitat for Humanity Global Village Program Volunteer (03/11)
Rabinal, Guatemala

Languages Spanish-fluent proficiency

Other Training Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Excel, MAXQDA, SPSS, PowerPoint, EndNote, Stata Statistical Software, and N-Vivo computer programs; experience transcribing interviews and translating them from Spanish to English; extensive training in ethnographic research methods, including participant observation and semi-structured interviews.

References References available upon request