

# Cleo Morris

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## **EDUCATION**

PH.D. University of South Florida, Expected Graduation Summer 2026  
Behavioral and Community Sciences

M.T. Virginia Commonwealth University, 2021  
Master of Teaching in Early and Elementary Education

B.A. Virginia Commonwealth University, 2020  
Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

### **I. Position:** Graduate Research Assistant

**Date Range:** August 21, 2023- Present

**Study Title:** Pragmatic RCT of a multi-level mechanistically informed community intervention to prevent the onset of behavioral health symptoms among socioeconomically disadvantaged pandemic-affected children.

Protocol Number 21906; Funded by the National Institute of Mental Health [1R01MH131248-01

Principal Investigator: Tara Leytham Powell, Ph.D., University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Site PIs: Alison Salloum, Ph.D., University of South Florida and Jodi Berger Cardosa, Ph.D., University of Houston

### **Duties include:**

- Complete all research study related study protocol and Institutional Review Board required trainings
- Complete the Good Clinical Practice Social and Behavioral Research Best Practices for Clinical Research Course
- Assist with obtaining parent consent and obtain child assent
- Assist with the implementation of the group prevention program as needed
- Collect child-related study data
- Support the research team in outreach and retention of the children and parents to obtain the survey assessments that will measure children's individual and interpersonal well-being

### **II. Name of Employer:** SEQL

**Position & Title:** Events Manager

**Date Range:** November 1, 2022- January 4, 2023

**Skills Summary:** Established connections within the Austin community and maintained relationships with business partners, investors, vendors, and stakeholders. Implemented acquisition initiatives to educate individuals on company products and provide educational resources. Strategized the planning and execution of company educational goals from conception to execution. Built out project plans, including cost, value, deliverables, and collaboration efforts. Identified creative solutions to improve business functions through educational product development and sales. Created pitch decks to secure funding for business deals totaling over \$1 million and engaged in collaboration expertise with cross-functional project teams to develop company standards.

**III. Name of Employer:** SEQL

**Position & Title:** Curriculum Strategist

**Date Range:** January 31, 2022- January 4, 2023

**Skills Summary:** Created educational resources focused on mental health initiatives for students. Developed advanced curricula for diverse populations through various electronic platforms using multiple learning theories and instructional design methods. Directed and managed teams on the establishment of company curriculum standards and principles. Designed culturally responsive educational pillars implemented through various content styles. Conducted virtual training programs. Supervised the educational content productions to ensure academic delivery of curriculum was achieved.

**IV. Name of Employer:** Richmond Public School System

**Position & Title:** Teaching Intern

**Date Range:** August 9, 2021- December 17, 2021

**Skills Summary:** Conducted data collection on the effectiveness of the curriculum. Created lesson plans to incorporate mandated topics and included immersive student engagement activities. Offered students personalized educational, behavioral, and emotional support. Developed an engaging curriculum with multimedia learning tools to meet student's academic, intellectual, and social needs.

**V. Name of Employer:** Monument Heights Day School

**Position & Title:** Teacher

**Date Range:** August 13, 2018- March 13, 2020

**Skills Summary:** Implemented hands-on, play-based strategies for experiential learning. Incorporated music, art, and theater into lesson planning. Enhanced sensory abilities by giving access to numerous textures and shapes.

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING & Certifications**

- Virginia Professional Teaching License
- Behavior Intervention and Support

- Child Abuse and Neglect
- Virginia State and Local Civic Education  
First Aid, CPR, and AED
- Dyslexia Awareness
- Social / Behavioral Investigators and Key Personnel
- Social and Behavioral Research Best Practices for Clinical Research

### **COMPUTER SOFTWARE**

- Microsoft Suite
- IAAS
- Learning Management Systems
  - Canvas, Blackboard, Google Classroom, Moodle, Schoology, Quizlet

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Deans List Honoree Fall 2018- Spring 2020- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Academic Achievement Award Scholarship- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Summa Cum Laude Graduate (Bachelor's degree)- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Dean's List Honoree Fall 2020-Fall 2021- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Ann Elizabeth Marston Scholarship- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Thomas Louis Wright Scholarship- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Department of Teaching and Learning Scholarship- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Summa Cum Laude Graduate (Master's degree)- Virginia Commonwealth University
- University Graduate Fellowship- University of South Florida 2023-2024