

Taylor Geyton

Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

- 2017- 2021 **Ph.D.** Social Work
Morgan State University School of Social Work,
Baltimore, MD
- 2013-2015 **MSW**, Social Work
University of Maryland School of Social Work at Baltimore,
Baltimore, MD
- 2006-2011 **BSW**, Social Work
Mary Baldwin University,
Staunton, VA

RESEARCH FOCUS

Health Equity & Disparities • Social Movements & Activism • Social Justice • Policy Evaluation and Advocacy • Economic Disparities • Mental and Behavioral Health • Intervention Development • Racialized and Gendered Experiences • Family and Relational Dynamics • Healing Through Resistance • Community Based Participatory Action

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Founder: Research for Health Equity and Resistance Lab (Research for HER)

Geyton, T. (2022)

The research for health equity and resistance lab is dedicated to the investigation of alleviating health disparities through stories of resistance. Projects employ critical and intersectional lenses in qualitative exploration of resistance stories and their impact on wellbeing. The research lab employed five students in its first year and graduated two social work researchers. Research for HER in collaboration with another health equity scholar became The Center for Scholarship-Praxis on Health and Embodiment of Resistance and Equity. (SPHERE)

The Center for Scholarship-Praxis on Health and Embodiment of Resistance and Equity (SPHERE)

Geyton, T. & Sevillano, L. (2023)

The SPHERE Research Lab is a collaborative learning community intended for undergraduate, graduate and professional level student researchers. We actively cultivate partnerships with diverse stakeholders, including minoritized communities, healthcare providers, policymakers, and advocacy organizations, to actively participate in research and to co-create equitable solutions. Through interdisciplinary collaboration and community engagement, our lab strives to generate evidence-based solutions and translate research findings into actionable strategies that drive meaningful change at local, national, and global levels.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- August 2024-Pres **Tenure-Track Assistant Professor**
San Diego State University
School of Social Work
- August 2021-June 2024 **Tenure-Track Assistant Professor**
Portland State University
School of Social Work
- May 2021-August 2021 **Adjunct Professor of Social Work**
Mary Baldwin University
School of Social Work
- August 2020-May 2021 **Faculty Fellow**
James Madison University

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Department of Social Work

EXTRAMURAL FUNDING

BREATHE Intervention Pilot (K01)

Taylor Geyton (PI)
National Institute of Mental Health
KMH142757A (under review)
\$500,000

Increasing the Youth Behavioral health Workforce

Taylor Geyton & Natasha Bliss (Co-PI)
Conrad Prebys Foundation
5B423A
\$1,244,400
Aug. 2024-Dec.2025

Build EXITO Pilot Project Grant

Taylor Geyton (PI)
National Institutes of Health
5RL5GM118963 (sub-award)
\$50,000
Nov. 2022-Nov. 2023
Examining the Conserved Transcriptional Response to Adversity Among Activists

Gun Violence Prevention Program Evaluation

Taylor Geyton (PI)
\$63,000
Jan. 2023-Dec. 2023
Multnomah County Health Department
Gun Violence Impacted Families Behavioral Health Response Team Program Evaluation

APPLIED FUNDING

SDSU HealthLINK Pilot Award (2025)

Taylor Geyton (PI)
San Diego State University
Activism or Armor? Differentiating between Activist Identity and the Strong Black Woman Schema
\$50,000

Course Hero Teaching Grant (2023)

Taylor Geyton (PI)

Faculty Development Grant (2021)

Taylor Geyton (PI)
Portland State University
Exploring Biomarkers of Allostatic Load among Black Women Activists
\$15,000

Collaborative Research Program (2021)

Taylor Geyton (Co-I)
National Endowment for the Humanities
RZ-286930- When the World Moved
\$100,000

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RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

SDSU HealthLINK Grant Writing Workshop

San Diego State University
Fall/Winter 2024-2025

Addictions Scientists Strengthened through Education and Training (ASSET)

San Diego State University
Summer Session 2024

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

University of Michigan
Summer Session 2022

Intersectional Qualitative Methods Research Institute (IQMRI)

University of Maryland, College Park
Consortium for Race Gender and Ethnicity
Summer Session 2022

Faculty Success Program

National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity
Summer Session, 2022

Decolonizing Therapy for Black Folks

University of Maryland, Baltimore
Shawna Murray-Browne
Summer Session, 2019

Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL)

Mary Baldwin University
2006-2010

PUBLICATIONS

- Geyton, T.A.**, Rhodes, D., Wallace, D., Slay, Z. Wilson, A., Evans, M. (In press), Examining the impact of the CROWN act on black women's mental health: A scoping review. *Health & Social Work*.
- Rhodes, D., Smith, J., **Geyton, T.A.**, Gandarilla Javier, S., Antwi, K. (In Press), A secondary qualitative analysis of U.S. social workers' perspectives on a post-2020 policing era. *Families in society*.
- Geyton, T.A.** (2025). *Radical Praxis: Black Women's Activism as a Blueprint for Critical Social Work Praxis*. In L. G. Van Sluytman (Ed.), *Advancing social work practice: Critical Race Theory in the global African diaspora* (in press). Cognella, Inc.
- Geyton, T.A.**, Sevillano, L., Connaught, G.K. & Mabrouk, F. (2024). L. ADVANCE Journal November. <https://doi.org/10.5399/osu/ADVJRN1.5.3.2>.
- Sevillano, L., La Torre, J. C., & **Geyton, T. A.** (2024). "I Was Determined to Fulfill This Image of Myself That I Wanted of a 'Good Asian Student'": A Photovoice Study of Asian American College Student Mental Health. *Youth* 2024, 4(2), 405-426; <https://doi.org/10.3390/youth4020029>
- Rhodes, D., **Geyton, T.**, Ost, J. (2023) The integration of social work values and principles in police work. *Journal of Forensic Social Work*. <https://doi.org/10.15763/issn.1936-9298.2023.7.2.43-58>

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- Geyton, T.,** & Sevillano, L. (2023). EEO policy efficacy analysis for racialized and gendered populations. *Open Science Foundation*. Retrieved from osf.io/t
- Geyton, T.A.,** Town, M., Hunte, R. & Johnson, N. (2022) Magnifying inequality: How Black women found safety in the midst of dual pandemics. *Journal of Social Issues*, 00, 1– 19. <https://doi.org/10.1111/josi.12565>
- Geyton, T.,** Johnson, N., Ross, K. (2022). I'm fine: examining the internalization of the strong black woman archetype. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*. DOI: 10.1080/10911359.2020.1844838
- Geyton, T.** (2021). Shattered resilience: The identity formation of Black women activists. *ProQuest Dissertations Database*.
- Wells-Wilbon, R., Porter, R., **Geyton, T.,** Estreet, A. (2021) Mental health disparities. *Encyclopedia of Social Work*, Oxford Research Encyclopedias.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

- Geyton, T.A.** (Under Review), Radical Praxis: Black Women's Activism as a Blueprint for Transforming Social Work. *Affilia*. Submitted August 14, 2025.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

- Geyton, TA.** (In Progress). Examining the conserved transcriptional response to adversity among Black women engaged in directed activism.
- Geyton, TA** (In Progress), Mother's daughters: A critical race feminist study of activist emergence among black diasporic daughters of non-black mothers.

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

- Geyton, T.,** Weber, J., Chang, W. (2025, Mar 15). *How to Proactively Manage Civility in the Courtroom by Being Mindful of Trauma*. [Conference]. CJA Spring Conference, 2025, Monterey, CA, United States
- Geyton, T.,** Saturn, S. (2024, July 16). *Trauma in the Courtroom Education Program*. [Webinar]. San Diego Superior Court Education Committee, Online, United States
- Geyton, T.,** Saturn, S. (2023, September 22). *Secondary Trauma Among Judicial And Court Officers*. [Conference]. CJA, 2023, San Diego, CA, United States
- Sevillano, L., **Geyton, T.** (2023, June 2). *Radical Self-care as a Political Form of Resistance*. [Conference]. NCORE, 2023, New Orleans, LA, United States
- Geyton, T.** (2023, June 2). *Invisible Change Agents: Black Women's Activism in the Academy*. [Conference]. NCORE 2023, New Orleans, LA, United States
- Geyton, T.,** Williamson, A. (2022, June 1). *Systemic Silencing in Higher Education*. [Conference]. NCORE 2022, Portland, OR, United States (Invited)
- Geyton, T.,** Jones, J. (2022, June 2). *Phenomenological Methods in Social Work*. [Panel Presentation]. Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists Conference. (Invited)
- Geyton, T.,** (2021, November 6). *Shattered Resilience: The experiences of Black Women Activists*. [Conference]. CSWE Annual Program Meeting 2021, Orlando, FL, United States
- Geyton, T.,** Rhodes, D., Holmes, R., Grandpre, L. (2021, April 7). *B'more Just US - Organizing, policing, and identity in social justice organizing*. [Panel Presentation]. Urban Social Work Day 2021 at Morgan State University, Baltimore MD, United States
- Geyton, T.,** Lewis, A., Walker, N. (2021, February, 170. *Black women movements: The legacy of uplift*. [Panel Presentation]. Fifth Annual Black Women in Academia Conference, Virtual
- Geyton, T.,** Johnson, N., Ross, K. (2020, November 16-19). *I'm fine: examining the internalization of the strong black woman archetype*. [Conference]. CSWE Annual Program Meeting 2020, Virtual
- Johnson, N., **Geyton, T.,** (2019, April 19). *Evolving the Social Work Identity*. [Conference]. Urban Social Work Day 2019 at Morgan State University, Baltimore MD, United States

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Research Methods

James Madison University
BSW Online: Synchronous

Social Work with Diverse Populations

Mary Baldwin University
MSW Online: Asynchronous

Social Work Practice with Individuals & Families I: Theory and Beginning Engagement

Portland State University
MSW Online: Asynchronous

Social Work Practice with Individuals & Families II: Theory Assessment & Intervention

Portland State University
MSW Online: Asynchronous

Advocacy & Empowerment

Portland State University
MSW Online: Synchronous

Social Work Perspectives on Mental Health Disorders

Portland State University
MSW, Online: Asynchronous

Social Justice in Social Work

Portland State University
MSW, In-Person

Research for Racial Justice

Portland State University
MSW, In-Person

Advanced Seminar in Evidence-Based Models

San Diego State University
MSW, In-Person

Human Behavior in the Social Environment

San Diego State University
MSW, In-Person

HONORS, AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Council on Racial, Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Doctoral Student Award

Shattered Resilience: The identity formation of Black women activists
Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting
2022

Preparing Future Faculty Fellowship

James Madison University Department of Social Work
2020-2021

Ajani

Mary Baldwin College Office of Multicultural Affairs
2011

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SERVICE

Reviewing Activities:

Journal of Social Work

Affilia

Journal of Social Issues

Academic Service Appointments:

San Diego State University, Employee Resource Group, Black Women in Academia, Secretary (2025-Current)

San Diego State University, School of Social Work, HBSE Curriculum Task Group (2024-Current)

San Diego State University, School of Social Work, MSW Admissions Committee (2024-Current)

Portland State University Institutional Review Board (2023-2024)

Equity, Partnership, and Inclusion Committee (2022-2024)

Portland State University School of Social Work Strategic Planning Committee on Equity and Diversity (2023-2024)

Portland State University Ph.D. Program Committee (2023-2024)

Portland State University MSW Program Committee (2021-2024)

Portland State University School of Social Work MSW Admissions Committee (2022-2024)

Portland State University MSW Program Director Search Committee (2022)

Morgan State University Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Committee (2018- 2021)

Morgan State University 2018-2019

Morgan State University Ph.D. Committee 2018-2019

Non-Academic Appointments:

Activist San Diego Elected Board Member (2024-current)

Oregon Health Policy Advisory Board: Health Equity Committee (2022-2024)

Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods Institute Cohort 2022-Coordinator

Council on Social Work Education -Member

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People- Member

Black Therapists Rock

Black Girls in Social Work

National Association of Social Work

MENTORSHIP

Doctoral Student Mentees:

Davida Robinson

Ph.D. Candidate (Morgan State University)

Theoretical Application, Dissertation advising

Committee Member (Expected S 26' completion)

Danielle Fitzbugh

Ph.D. Student (Morgan State University)

Navigating the doctoral process, collaborations, preparing for comprehensive exams, challenging the status quo, career trajectories.

Fatima Mabrouk

Ph.D. Candidate (New York University)

Preparing to enter the academy as a WOC, securing a fellowship/faculty position, research methods and theoretical grounding. Collaboration and translational methods in social work.

Gerri Connaught

Ph.D. (New York University)

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Preparing to enter the academy as a woman of color, securing a fellowship/faculty position, research methods and theoretical grounding. Graduated with Ph.D. Secured position in Clinical Social Work.

Master's Student Mentees:

Lauren Traumbach

Psychology (San Diego State University)

Graduated (2025)

Master's Thesis Committee member, Theoretical framework, stress and coping profiles, academic/career guidance.

Claire Grimes

MSW (San Diego State University)

Graduated (2025)

Publishable paper committee member, theoretical framework, critical social work lens.

John Edwards

MSW (San Diego State University)

Graduated (2025)

Publishable paper committee member, research methods, critical social work lens, social work and research ethics.

Glavee Glavee

MSW (San Diego State University)

Graduated (2025)

Publishable paper committee member, theoretical framework. Critical social work lens.

Mykia Hernandez-Richards

MSW/MPH (Portland State University)

Qualitative research methods, data collection and analysis, pathways to the doctorate, integrating public health models into social work practice.

Jingyi Luan

MSW (Portland State University)

Qualitative research methods, data collection and analysis, pathways to the doctorate, integrating public health models into social work practice.

Sean Fisher

MSW (Portland State University)

Surviving the MSW program as a POC with other minoritized identities. Pathways to the doctorate, research conceptualization, organizing and activism.

Evelyn Kanguire

MSW (Portland State University)

Praxis, surviving graduate school, time management. Pathways to the doctorate. **Graduated with employment.**

Undergraduate Student Mentees:

Yoselin Aguirre

BSW/MSW (Portland State University)

Qualitative research methods, data collection, cleaning, and analysis, social work research informing social work practice. **Completed honors thesis. Graduated and Accepted to MSW program.**

Karisa Yuasa

BSW (Portland State University)

Topics: Qualitative research methods, quantitative research methods, content analysis, data collection and analysis. Career opportunities and planning post-graduation. **Graduated with employment opportunity.**

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Ashanti Peredo

BSW (Portland State University)

PROA Scholar

Qualitative and quantitative research methods, project development, data collection and analysis, acclimating to the social landscape of the US and the university.

Sade Robinson

BSW (Portland State University)

McNair Scholar

Qualitative and quantitative research methods, project development, data collection and analysis, acclimating to the social landscape of the US and the university.

Jasmin Alvarez

BA Cultural Anthropology (Portland State University)

McNair Scholar

Qualitative and quantitative research methods, project development, data collection and analysis, acclimating to the social landscape of the US and the university.

Amen Zelalem

BA Criminal Justice (Portland State University)

Navigating high education, career aspirations, time management and prioritization, finding balance as a first gen student, acclimating to PWI environment after attending an HBCU

Promise Funches

Navigating personal and academic responsibilities, ethical use of AI in academic spaces. Career planning and graduation projections

CLINICAL TRAINING

Dialectical Behavioral Therapy

Sheppard Pratt Health Systems- Baltimore, MD

Gottman Method Lvl 1

The Gottman Institute

Multi-Systemic Therapy

Community Solutions Inc

LICENSES

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Oregon Board of Licensed Social Workers

Licensed Certified Social Worker-Clinical

Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE (POST-MSW)

Sept 2019-Present

Owner/Therapist

Soliloquy Therapeutic Services in MD and OR

Oct 2018-Oct 2019

Rehabilitation Specialist

Sarah's House Mental Health System, Baltimore, MD

Dec 2017-Oct 2018

Multi-Systemic Therapist- Emerging Adults

Community Solutions, Inc., Towson, MD

Oct 2015-Dec2017

Clinical Therapist

Woodbourne Center, Baltimore, MD

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May 2016-Sep 2016 **Clinical Therapist**
Optimum Health Systems, Baltimore, MD

May 2015-Sep 2015 **Clinical Case Manager**
Seraaj Family Homes, Towson, MD

GENERALIST EXPERIENCE (PRE-MSW)

Nov 2011-Jun 2015 **Residential Counselor**
Sheppard and Enoch Pratt Health System, Towson, MD

Dec 2013-May 2015 **Resident Advocate**
House of Ruth Maryland, Baltimore, MD

Sep 2014-Apr 2015 **Intern**
Maryland Office of the Public Defender, Baltimore, MD

Sep 2013-Apr 2014 **Intern**
Baltimore County Department of Social Services, Family Services Division, Towson, MD

July 2011-Nov 2011 **Mental Health Worker**
Sheppard and Enoch Pratt Health System, Towson, MD

Jan 2011- Apr 2011 **Intern**
New Directions, Staunton, VA