

ARIEL M. COOKSEY, M.A.

EDUCATION:

Texas Woman's University 2012-2014
Ph.D. in Sociology: Social Psychology & Family, A.B.D.
Earned Master of Arts in Sociology; Cumulative GPA: 3.875 2010-2012
-Emphasis on Gender and Sexuality, Theory, Identity, Qualitative Methods
University of North Texas 2004-2009
Interdisciplinary B.A. program at the University of North Texas

WORK EXPERIENCE:

First3Years 2016-present
Safe Babies Coordinator

Oversee the planning and implementation of the Safe Babies Tarrant County pilot program; coordinate service providers and care for infants and toddlers in the child welfare system as well as their birth and foster families; mentor birth parents in Attachment Biobehavioral Catch Up Visitation; train Child Placement Agencies and other community stakeholders involved in the child welfare system in ABC-V; coordinate and present trainings and conference presentations; other tasks, events and trainings as necessary

Texas A&M University Central Texas 2013-present
Adjunct, Department of Sociology

Texas Woman's University 2011-2014
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Social Work

Serve as the instructor of record for undergraduate courses. Design syllabi, develop and execute curriculum and administrative duties, grade student work, field student questions, handle disciplinary issues, and keep up daily progress of courses.

Courses Taught:

Sociology of Gender: Senior level overview of the theories and dynamics of gender.
Environmental Sociology: Junior level overview of Environmental and Disaster Sociology.
Sociology of the Family: Junior level overview of Sociology of Family Dynamics
Introduction to Sociological Theory: Junior level overview of Classical and Contemporary Sociological Theory
Individual & Self: Senior level overview of Social Psychological Theory and applications
Deviant Behavior and Social Control: Junior level overview of Theories of Deviance and applications
Juvenile Delinquency: Junior level overview of theories of juvenile delinquency
Crime in America: Sophomore level overview of theories of crime and criminology

PUBLICATIONS:

Cooksey, Ariel. 2015. In press. "Queering Motherhood: Critical Social Intersections of Gender, Sex and Maternal Identity." *Men, Motherhood and Mothering*. Toronto: Demeter Press.

Gullion, Jessica Smartt, and Ariel Cooksey. 2013. "Social Representations of Motherhood Through the Practice of Art Journaling." *Motherhood and Literacies*, edited by Amanda Richie. Toronto: Demeter Press.

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND ACADEMIC SERVICE:

<i>Named Provost's Scholar, Saybrook Graduate University</i>	<i>2015</i>
<i>BTAC National Ally of the Year</i>	<i>2013-14</i>
<i>Ethelyn Davis Graduate Fellowship in Sociology</i>	<i>2014</i>
<i>Recognized by Phi Kappa Phi for Academic Excellence in Doctoral Program</i>	<i>2014</i>
<i>Organizer and Moderator: AKD Global Connections Documentary Screening & Discussion Panel</i>	<i>2013</i>
<i>Appointed AKD Liason for TWU Global Connections Initiative</i>	<i>2013-2014</i>
<i>Nomination for Student Favorite Faculty & Staff</i>	<i>2013</i>
<i>TWU Tuition Grant for Academic Excellence</i>	<i>2012-2013</i>
<i>Organizer: AKD Student Development Workshop: Choosing a Dissertation Topic</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>
<i>Organizer: AKD Student Development: Brown Bag Guest Speaker Series</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>
<i>TWU Bertha and Morris Endowed Scholarship</i>	<i>2012</i>
<i>TWU Chapter Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society President</i>	<i>2011-present</i>
<i>Golden Key Honor Recipient</i>	<i>2011</i>
<i>Phi Kappa Phi Honor Recipient for Outstanding Graduate GPA</i>	<i>2011</i>
<i>TWU Graduate Council Student Representative</i>	<i>2011-2012</i>
<i>TWU Graduate Council Research Committee</i>	<i>2011-2012</i>
<i>TWU Ethelyn Davis Graduate Fellowship in Sociology</i>	<i>2011</i>
<u>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:</u>	
<i>First3Years Food for Thought Series: Healthy Eating Behaviors Nurturing The Parent/Child Feeding Relationship</i>	<i>May 2016</i>
<i>First3Years Food for Thought Series: Homelessness and Early Childhood Intervention: Health Education Intervention Utilizing Music Training</i>	<i>April 2016</i>
<i>First3Years Food for Thought Series: Infant Cues and Toddler Clues Training</i>	<i>April 2016</i>
<i>Quality Parenting Initiative National Conference</i>	<i>March 2016</i>
<i>Trust-Based Relational Intervention One-Day Overview</i>	<i>March 2016</i>
<i>First3Years The Medically Fragile Child, Self-Care for Professionals Training</i>	<i>March 2016</i>
<i>First3Years Food for Thought Series: Cultural Sensitivity</i>	<i>February 2016</i>
<i>First3Years Transitions in Child Welfare Training</i>	<i>February 2016</i>

<i>Widener University Annual Careers in Sexuality Conference: Panel Discussant</i>	<i>October 2014</i>
<i>Presenter at International Sociological Association World Congress</i>	<i>July 2014</i>
<i>3rd Annual BTA Conference: Featured Speaker</i>	<i>April 2014</i>
<i>Southwestern Social Science Association Conference: Presenter</i>	<i>April 2014</i>
<i>American Sociological Association Annual Conference: Presenter</i>	<i>August 2013</i>
<i>Southwestern Social Science Association Conference: Presenter</i>	<i>March 2013</i>
<i>Proposed and created procedural structure for new student Mentorship Program</i>	<i>Spring 2013</i>
<i>2nd Annual BTA Conference: Presenter</i>	<i>March 2013</i>
<i>Proposed new course on Sociology of Gender; Collaborating on curriculum building and course design with Faculty Advisor</i>	<i>2012- 2013</i>
<i>Lecture Series on Qualitative Research</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>
<i>Awareness, Equality, Advocacy, Empowerment: Panel Discussion on Transgender Issues with Black Transmen, Inc.</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>
<i>AKD Brown Bag Lecture Series: Visual Sociology by James L. Williams, Ph.D.</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>
<i>AKD Student Development Workshop: Choosing a Dissertation Topic</i>	<i>Fall 2012</i>

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

<i>RESULTS Tarrant County Chapter Leader</i>	<i>2016</i>
<i>RESULTS Global Action Network</i>	<i>2016</i>
<i>Pawsitive Works</i>	<i>2014-16</i>
Volunteer Director of Development	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing and securing sustained financial support by creating relationships with major donors including individuals, foundations, and corporations • Beginning outreach to build partnerships in new markets, establish relationships with funders and political and community leaders at each expansion site • Effectively communicating ideas and outcomes with board, volunteers and staff • Publicizing the activities of the organization and its programs and goals • Developing marketing strategies and implementing tactics using social networking sites • Developing and tracking proposals and reports for all foundation and corporate fundraising • Developing and maintaining social responsibility campaigns with Corporate America • Overseeing the organization of special events including developing and executing the Pawsitive Works annual fundraising plan • Using effective systems to track progress, measure outcomes, and overall program evaluation with results reported back to the board, funders, and other stakeholders 	
<i>Sponsor for BTAC Attendance Scholarship</i>	<i>2014</i>
<i>Co-Originator and Endowment Benefactor for Disenfranchised Youth</i>	<i>2012-2014</i>

Educational Scholarship Program-- Nationwide

AKD Food and Donation Drive for Social Work Food Pantry

2012-2014

AKD Food and Donation Drive to benefit Health Services of North Texas

2011-2013

Organizing drive through Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society to benefit the HIV+ homeless and indigent populations of Denton County.

Health Services of North Texas

December 2010

Organized and conducted a drive for supplies and money for an HIV+ mother of two and victim of domestic violence. Over \$5000 worth of cash and materials was raised in aide.