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EDUCATION

Ph.D.

Projected 2031

Florida State University

Program: Clinical Psychology

Mentor: Thomas Joiner, Ph.D.

M.A.

May 2025

Teachers College, Columbia University

Program: Clinical Psychology (Formally: Psychology in Education)

Department: Clinical and Counseling Psychology

GPA: 4.0

B.S.

August 2023

University of Florida

Cum Laude

Major: Psychology

GPA: 3.66

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Ph.D. Student

2025-Present

Florida State University

Joiner Lab

Mentor: Thomas Joiner, Ph.D.

Research Assistant

2024-2025

Teachers College, Columbia University

Behavioral Health Equity Advancement Lab

Mentor: Ayorkor Gaba, Psy.D.

Research Assistant

2024-2025

Teachers College, Columbia University

Development, Ecopsychology, and Wellness Lab

Mentor: Susan Bodnar, Ph.D. and John Park, Ph.D.

Co-Investigator

2023-2025

University of Florida

Klimenko Lab

Mentor: Marina Klimenko, Ph.D.

Research Assistant 2023-2025
Teachers College, Columbia University
Global Mental Health Lab
Mentor: Helen Verdeli, Ph.D.

Project Assistant 2024
Teachers College, Columbia University
LEADERSProject
Mentor: Catherine Crowley, J.D., Ph.D., CCC-SLP

Research Assistant 2022-2023
University of Florida
Klimenko Lab
Mentor: Marina Klimenko, Ph.D.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Group Therapy Facilitator 2023-2025
Dr. Tripp & Associates
Supervisor: Shardae Tripp, Ph.D., LMHC

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mental Health Coordinator 2023-2024
Dr. Tripp & Associates
Supervisor: Shardae Tripp, Ph.D., LMHC

Administrative Assistant 2021-2022
SequelCare of Florida
Supervisor: Carlos Escobar, Psy.D.

PUBLICATIONS

1. Klimenko, M.A., & Williams, K.W. (2025) Can engagement in a research project increase online undergraduate students' science self-efficacy? A quasi-experimental study of online students in a Research Methods class. *SAGE Research Methods Data and Scientific Literacy*. SAGE Publications Ltd. <https://doi.org/10.4135/9781036215644>

PRESENTATIONS

Poster Presentations

1. Sikora, M., Fueyo-Gomez, I., Siegel, J., Viteri-Fernandez, A., Crites, A., Daly, R., Alrawi, D., Dong, M., Yao, J., Gentry, J., Williams, K., Bautista, L., Kanemitsu, C., Butnaru-Pedroza, C., Lee, T., Park, J., Bodnar, S. (2025, May). *Clinical geography: exploring the relationship between the environment and mental health*. Poster presented

at the Teachers College Institute of Psychological Science and Practice Research Conference, New York, NY.

2. **Williams, K., & Klimenko, M.** (2025, April). *Exploring academic and non-academic achievements in relation to imposter syndrome among university students of color*. Poster presented at the 2025 Teachers College Integrative Project Showcase, New York, NY.
3. **Williams, K., Melgar, L., Klimenko, M.** (2024, October). *Academic and non-academic achievements in relation to imposter syndrome in university students*. Poster presented at the 2024 Association for Psychological Science Global Psychological Science Summit, Virtual Conference.
4. **Williams, K., Hamilton, C., Klimenko, M.** (2023, November). *Friendships on screen: investigating the cultural and gender dynamics in television*. Poster presented at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference for Undergraduate Research, Lynchburg, VA.
5. **Williams, K., Degracia, G., Grossman, R., Marton E., Pezoldt, A., Klimenko, M.** (2023, November). *Unveiling the generational, cultural, and gender interactions of friendships on television*. Poster presented at the University of Florida Research Symposium, Gainesville, FL.

Oral Presentations

1. Harper, J., **Williams, K., Klimenko, M.** (2024, June). *The effects of academic and non-academic achievements on imposter syndrome in college students*. Oral presentation presented at the 2024 Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel McNair/SSS Scholar Research Conference, Atlanta, GA.

HONORS & AWARDS

Teachers College, Columbia University

- Teachers College Black Student Network Exemplary Impact Award 2024
- Outstanding Community Program (AAPI Courageous Award) 2024
- Teachers College Scholar Award 2023-2024

University of Florida

- Dean's List 2022-2023
- Florida Medallion Scholar 2021-2023

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer 2022-2024

Metropolitan Ministries
Tampa, Florida

Volunteer 2021-2022

Tampa Youth Missions
Tampa, Florida

Volunteer 2021

Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center
Safety Harbor, Florida

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certification in Interpersonal Group Therapy (IPT-G) Level A