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Graduate teaching assistant for the University of South Carolina pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Anthropology. Active learner, attentive researcher, and personable mentor and trainer. Passionate about research that pertains to contemporary social issues. Advocate for interdisciplinary scholarship and outreach for public health concerns.

Work Experience

2021-PRESENT

Graduate Teaching Assistant | University of South Carolina | Columbia, South Carolina

Teaching assistant for ANTH 161 (Human Origins: Introduction to Biological Anthropology). In this capacity, I teach two labs (1 hour and 30 minutes each), grade lab assignments, exams, attend bi-weekly lectures, and hold office hours. Prior assistantship for ANTH 221 (Sherlock Holmes) from August 2024-December 2024 involved teaching three labs (50 minutes each), grading lab assignments, exams, and attending bi-weekly lectures for 48 students.

2023

SGNA | University of South Carolina, Anthropology Department | Columbia, South Carolina

Updated the lab materials for three versions of ANTH 161 – Human Origins. This involved editing virtual and in-person labs (12-13 in total) and organizing teaching materials in the lab space.

2022

SGNA | University of South Carolina, Anthropology Department | Columbia, South Carolina

Updated the lab materials for two versions of ANTH 161 – Human Origins. Edited virtual and in-person labs (13-14 in total), organized teaching materials in the lab space, created a lesson plan, and created a dual virtual and in-person assignment (Lab 5: Osteometrics and Paleopathology) used in the Fall 2022 semester.

2019 – 2020

Graduate Teaching Assistant | George Mason University | Fairfax, Virginia

Attended bi-weekly lectures, graded homework assignments, and exams. Taught bi-weekly lectures for two weeks between September to early October while the professor traveled.

2019

Research/Teaching Assistant | University of Northern Colorado | Greeley, Colorado

Graded homework assignments and facilitated a cultural exchange project between Karen, Chhara, and a member of the Hopi, Meskwaki, Ojibwe, and Cherokee tribe in the United States and Gujarat, India. Facilitated concurrent cultural exchange with the Immigrant and Refugee Center of Northern Colorado (IRCNOCO), Bhasha Research Learning Center, and the Budhan Theatre in the spring semester. Aided in museum curation at the Greeley History Museum in the summer.

Related Experience

2020

Researcher | Fairfax County | Fairfax, Virginia

Interned with the Office of Women Domestic and Sexual Violence Services in Fairfax, Virginia. Created a project proposal for Engaging Men and Boys to end domestic and sexual violence against women through ally-ship. Facilitated connections between national boys and men's programs, and researched literature reviews.

2018

Collections Intern | City of Greeley Museums | Greeley, Colorado

Interned with the City of Greeley Museums Collection Department in Greeley, Colorado. Updated systems about individuals with historical ties to Greeley, researched organizations, and created collection profiles in PastPerfect. Provided a historical demonstration of manos and metates to students from neighboring elementary schools in a history event in late September.

2018

Archaeology fieldwork student | University of Northern Colorado | Greeley, Colorado

Attended a fieldwork school in Jerusalem, Israel for fulfillment of ANT 325 and ANT 408 led by Professor Andrew Creekmore. Practice GIS/GPS technologies, including magnetometry and ground penetrating radar (GPR). Participated in archaeological surveys at Tel Hatzor, Tel Dan, and Tel es-Safi/Gath for one month.

Volunteer Experience

2024

Carolina Core Rater | University of South Carolina | Columbia, South Carolina

Current Carolina CORE assessor for course materials. This involves analyzing past student submissions to interpret comprehension and completion of requirements based the "Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (GSS)" and "Scientific Literacy (SCI)" rubrics for Carolina Core learning outcomes.

2024

Volunteer | Hush No More Domestic Violence Family Walk and Health Fair | Irmo, South Carolina

Helped set up tables for the event and return items to storage after the event. Volunteered at the food station by taking food orders and collecting proceeds.

2024

Newsletter co-editor | Grace Jordan McFadden Professors Program | Columbia, South Carolina

Co-edited the yearly GJMPP newsletter distributed during the end-of-the-year ceremony and graduation celebration.

2024

Greeter | University of South Carolina Medical School | Columbia, South Carolina

Volunteered with the University of South Carolina Medical School's Gift of Body Program during a ceremony to recognize the families of individuals who donated their bodies to science for the education of students attending anatomy courses. Greeted families and directed them to seating inside the church.

2023

Cook | Ronald McDonald House Charities | Columbia, South Carolina

Prepared and purchased food items to cook stew for children and their families at the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

2023

Volunteer | Hush no More Domestic Violence 5K Walk & Run | Columbia, South Carolina

Helped set up tables for the event and managed raffle tickets.

2023

Community Engagement Coordinator | Grace Jordan McFadden Professors Program | Columbia, South Carolina

Coordinated volunteer opportunities for GJMPP scholars to fulfill community service requirements. Events included the Hush No More Domestic Violence 5K Walk & Run, and Ronald McDonald House Charities.

2022

Outreach Volunteer | CA Johnson High School | Columbia, South Carolina

Participated in outreach with the Black Science Coalition (BSC) at the University of South Carolina, to support diversity in STEM fields at C.A. Johnson High School.

2022

Outreach Volunteer | College of Arts and Sciences, HBCU Grad Open House | Columbia, South Carolina

Volunteered at an anthropology information table at an event to promote diversity at the graduate-level in the College of Arts and Sciences. Provided information to prospective students and answered questions regarding graduate school.

2022

Outreach Volunteer | SCIAA Anthropology Outreach Event | Columbia, South Carolina

Introduced biological anthropology and led an activity to conduct hominin skull comparisons.

2022

Cook | Ronald McDonald House Charities | Columbia, South Carolina

Purchased ingredients and prepared a meal of spaghetti and salad for children and their families.

2021

Donation | Food Drive, University of South Carolina | Columbia, South Carolina

Donated canned food to the University of South Carolina's Gamecock Pantry.

2018

Advocate | Assault Survivors Advocacy Program, University of Northern Colorado | Greeley, Colorado

Advocated for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking for one year. Attended meetings, facilitated informative events, educated students and faculty, and participated in two "Take Back the Night" events. Gave a presentation at the LGBTQ+ center on campus and checked licenses at three tailgate events. Provided information at a table in the Criminal Justice Fair at the University Center on the University of Northern Colorado campus.

Education

2021

Master of Arts Anthropology | George Mason University | Fairfax, VA

Thesis: "The Souls of Embodiment: Early Life Stress, Inequality, and Racism in 20th-century black and white Americans"

2018

Bachelor of Arts Anthropology | University of Northern Colorado | Greeley, CO

2018

Bachelor of Arts Criminology & Criminal Justice | University of Northern Colorado | Greeley, CO

2016

Associate of Arts Criminal Justice | Pikes Peak Community College | Colorado Springs, CO

Research Interests

Life History Theory

Black Feminist Theory

Bioethics

Early Life Stress

Publications

In Progress. L. DANIELS-HILL. 2025. War on Disease: Racialized health care at Tuomey Hospital and Santee Cooper. Grace Jordan McFadden Professor's Program Monograph Series.

2023 L. DANIELS-HILL. War on Disease: Racialized health care at Tuomey Hospital and Santee Cooper. Wood Baskets of the World Conference, Sumter, South Carolina, 2023.

2022 S.W. MALIS, M.K. ZUCKERMAN, L. DANIELS-HILL, A.J. OSTERHOLTZ, J.R. GOLIATH, N.P. HERRMANN, W. TRASK, G. HARLEY, D. BADON. Uncovering biocultural histories of marginalized individuals through osteobiography: A case study of the environmental and political-economic causes of linear enamel hypoplasia in early 20th century Mississippi. Poster presented at the American Association of Biological Anthropology, Denver, Colorado, March 2022.

Awards

University of South Carolina

SPARC Graduate Research Grant (2024)

George Mason University

Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Anthropology (2020-1)

Summer Research Grant (2019-20)

University of Northern Colorado

Outstanding Academic Achievement, Criminology & Criminal Justice (2019)

Certificate of Recognition, Criminology & Criminal Justice (2018)

Certificate of Recognition, Anthropology (2018)

Dean's Honor Role (2017-8)

Certificate of Achievement, Volunteer Note Taker (2017)

Certificate of Appreciation, Volunteer Note Taker (2016)

Memberships

Grace Jordan McFadden Professors Program (GJMPP) Fellow (2021 – present)

Anthropology Graduate Organization for Research, Action, and Ethics (AGORAE) Member (2022-23)

IDEAS Workshop Alumna (2021)

Beta Chapter of Virginia of Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society (2021 – present)

Golden Key International Honors Society (2017-21)