

Curriculum Vitae  
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## Education

*Ph.D. in Sociology* Expected Graduation: 2025  
West Virginia University  
Dissertation Chair: Dr. Katie E. Corcoran

*Master of Sociology* December 2022  
West Virginia University  
*Thesis:* “Where Does Your Christ Come From?’ Exploring the Significance and the Prevalence Of The White Jesus Phenomenon Among Black Baptist Women and Men”  
Chair: Dr. Katie E. Corcoran

*Master of Public Administration* May 2017  
*Graduate Certificate, Higher Education*  
*Graduate Certificate, Women’s and Gender Studies*  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

*Bachelor of Business Administration, Marketing* May 2012  
Radford University

## Research Interests

Power; Inequality; Racial Identity Development; Gender Studies/Womanism/Womanist Theology; The Black Church; Qualitative and Quantitative Methods

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

Woods, Joshua, Leah Oldham, **Stephanie M. House-Niamke**, & Matthew Hartwell. January 2024. “The Popularity Gap: Effects of Social Status on the Visibility of Lifestyle Sports Stars on Instagram.”  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/21674795231225620>

Woods, Josh, Matthew Hartwell, Leah Oldham, & **Stephanie M. House-Niamke**. December 2022. “Centering the Self, Doing the Sport and Being the Brand: The Self-Branding of Lifestyle Athletes on Instagram.” *International Journal of Sport Communication*. <https://doi.org/10.1123/ijsc.2022-0168>

Corcoran, Katie E. **Stephanie M. House-Niamke**, Warren Bird, & Scott Thumma. December 2022. “Eating Your Cake and Having It Too: US Megachurches and Factors Associated with Attending Multiple Congregations.” *Review of Religious Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13644-022-00518-w>

Scheitle, Christopher P., Lisa F. Platt, & **Stephanie M. House-Niamke**. October 2022.  
Graduate Student Preferences for Demographic Matching on an Advisor’s Gender, Race, and Religion. *Innov High Educ* 48, 477–499 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10755-022-09632-7>

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** June 2022. “Hannah’s Suffering: The Power of Voice.” *Soc. Sci. II*(6), 254. [doi:10.3390/socsci11060254](https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci11060254)

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** & Adam Eckerd. December 2020. “Institutional Injustice: How Public Administration has Fostered and can Ameliorate Racial Disparities.” *Administration & Society*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0095399720979182>

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M. & Takumi Sato.** September 2018. "Resistance to Systemic Oppression by Students of Color in a Diversity Course for Pre-Service Teachers." *Journal of Educational Studies*, 55, 160-179.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/00131946.2018.1501567>

## Other Publications

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** August 2024. "When Black Women Enter...Towards a Sociology of Womanism". Manuscript forthcoming in an edited volume.

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** July 2023. "Book Review: Online Misogyny As A Hate Crime: A Challenge for Legal Regulation?" in *Critical Criminology*. doi: 10.1007/s10612-023-09724-6.

## Papers Under Review

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** September 2024. "Black Liberation Theology." Encyclopedia Entry submitted for review.

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** September 2024. Womanism. Encyclopedia Entry submitted for review.

## Media Contributions

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Invited Speaker. "Society for the Study of Social Problems Student Spotlight." Society for the Study of Social Problems. February 10, 2023.  
[https://www.sssp1.org/index/m/934/Student\\_Member\\_Spotlight](https://www.sssp1.org/index/m/934/Student_Member_Spotlight)

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Invited Speaker. "Power, Access, and Choice with Stephanie M. House-Niamke." GradLife 601: Research and Beyond Podcast. March 11, 2022.  
[https://www.thedaonline.com/podcasts/gradlife\\_601\\_podcast/gradlife-601-power-access-and-choice-with-stephanie-m-house-niamke/article\\_8abd6c7e-9f21-11ec-98d6-6b1dda0e08c0.html](https://www.thedaonline.com/podcasts/gradlife_601_podcast/gradlife-601-power-access-and-choice-with-stephanie-m-house-niamke/article_8abd6c7e-9f21-11ec-98d6-6b1dda0e08c0.html)

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Interviewed Contributor. "Immersion Program." Ex Libris: The West Virginia University Libraries Magazine. Fall 2022. <https://exlibris.lib.wvu.edu/news/2022/11/15/immersion-program>

## Research Grants

**Association for the Sociology of Religion: Joseph H. Fichter Grant.** Principle Investigator, "The Sociocultural Effects of a White Jesus on Black Christians." \$2,932. (2021-2022)

**American Sociological Association: Korie Little Edwards Grant.** Principal Investigator, "The Sociocultural Effects of a White Jesus on Black Christians." \$500. (2021-2022)

**American Sociological Association: Sociology of Religion Section.** Principal Investigator, "The Sociocultural Effects of a White Jesus on Black Christians." \$500. (2021-2022)

## Research Experience

*Graduate Research Assistant*  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
West Virginia University

Morgantown, WV  
December 2021-May 2022

*Interviewer*  
Social Justice Sexuality Project  
Graduate Center, City University of New York

City University of New York  
September 2020-April 2021

*Graduate Research Assistant*  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
West Virginia University  
Morgantown, WV  
Summer 2020

*Diversity Scholar*  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Blacksburg, VA  
February 2016- May 2017

### **Honors/Awards/Fellowships**

*Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Dissertation Fellowship*  
West Virginia University  
Morgantown, WV  
Fall 2023-Present

*Honorable Mention, Graduate Student Paper Competition*  
Society for the Study of Social Problems  
Knoxville, TN  
Summer 2023

*Butler A. Jones Award*  
North Central Sociological Association Conference  
Indianapolis, IN  
Spring 2022

*Carl del Signore Scholarship*  
West Virginia University  
Morgantown, WV  
November 2021

*W.E.B. Du Bois Graduate Fellow*  
West Virginia University  
Morgantown, WV  
August 2020-May 2023

*Recipient of the Innovative Collaborators Award for Facilitation, AU Connects*  
The American University  
Washington, DC  
May 2020

*First Master's student in the history of Virginia Tech's Center of Public Administration and Policy to pass the oral defense with distinction*  
Blacksburg, VA  
May 2017

### **Teaching Experience**

*Pre-Doctoral Teaching Sociology Fellow*  
Ferrum College  
Ferrum, VA  
Fall 2023-Present

- Fellowship consists of Teaching a 3:3 course load teaching Intro to Sociology (SOC 101), Social Problems (SOC 202), Social Movements/Collective Behavior (SOC 340), and Deviance and Social Control (SOC 320)

*Aspects of Leadership Facilitator, Leadership for a Diverse America*  
Princeton University  
Princeton, NJ  
Summer 2022-Present

- Summer Institute Faculty: Course curriculum emphasizes leadership skills via scholarship of historical activist/minoritized thinkers, ending with a final project that allows students to build/create a community impact project utilizing their lived experiences and the curriculum.

*Instructor of Record, Aux2 Experience (CORE 200)*  
The American University  
Washington, DC  
Spring 2019-Spring 2020

- Course objectives were to engage issues within varying social identity groups and systems of power and oppression to first year students

*Graduate Co-Instructor (EDCI 4024)*  
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Blacksburg, VA  
Spring 2017

- Humanizing the K12 Classroom: Course emphasis concerned incorporating Critical Race Theory in the K12 classroom to graduate and undergraduate students.

## Professional Development

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| Critical Race Consultant   | 2016-Present                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Contractor for Bookend Consulting, LLC since Fall 2020. Recent clients include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Virginia Tech, Center for Enhancing Engineering Diversity (2023 &amp; 2024)</li><li>University of Georgia's Multicultural Services and Programs (2022)</li><li>Small Business Development Center, Virginia (2021)</li></ul></li></ul> |                               |
| Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative Human Subjects Training  | Certified Through 2024        |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research</li><li>Social and Behavioral Research Investigators</li></ul>   |                               |
| National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement 4-Day Workshop<br>Hosted by University of Tennessee-Knoxville   | Morgantown, WV<br>Summer 2020 |
| VTIntercom Human Facilitation Dialogue Certification<br>Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  | Blacksburg, VA<br>Fall 2015   |
| VTAction Organizer Certification<br>Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  | Blacksburg, VA<br>Fall 2014   |

## Service

Association of Black Sociologists, Relationship and Mentoring Program (2024-2025 Mentor)  
American Sociological Association, Student Paper Competition Award Committee (2024)  
Reviewer, *Sociological Focus* Journal (2022)  
Student Section Chair, North Central Sociological Association (April 2021-April 2023)  
Student Section Panelist, *Demystifying Academic Conferences Workshop*, North Central Sociological Association (Nov. 2020)  
Student Section Committee, North Central Sociological Association (2020-2021)  
Program Reviewer for the American Educational Research Association (2020-2021)  
Program Reviewer for the Critical Race Studies in Education Association (2019-2020)

## Professional Memberships

Association of Black Sociologists (2021-Present)  
American Sociological Association (2021-Present)

- Culture Section
- Race, Gender, and Class Section
- Religion Section
- Sex and Gender Section

Association for the Sociology of Religion (2021-present)  
Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society (2022-present)  
Black Women's Studies Association (2021-present)  
Society for the Scientific Study of Social Problems (2022-present)  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated (2009-Present)

## Selected Conference Presentations and Invited Panels

**House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** "Nigrescence and White Jesus: Mixed Methodological Analysis of Black American Identity and Their Perceptions of the White Jesus Phenomenon". Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Pittsburgh, PA. (October 2024).

- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** “When Black Women Enter...Towards a Sociology of Womanism.” Association for Black Sociologists Conference. Philadelphia, PA. (August 2023).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Faculty Justice Network Invited Talk. “Where Did Your Christ Come From?” Exploring the Significance and Prevalence of the White Jesus Phenomenon on Black Baptist Women and Men. Virtual. Morgantown, West Virginia. (April 2023).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.,** Lisa F. Platt, & Christopher P. Scheitle. Graduate Student Preferences for Demographic Matching on an Advisor’s Gender, Race, and Religion. Council of University Directors of Clinical Psychology Midwinter Meeting Virtual Poster Sessions. (January 2023).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Kingdom-Minded or Pro-Black?: Exploring The Significance of the White Jesus Phenomenon on Black Christian Women and Men. American Sociological Association. Los Angeles, California. (August 2022).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Hot Girls and Heaux Tales: A Media Analysis of Megan Thee Stallion’s and Jazmine Sullivan’s Public Discourse Influence on Black Women’s Sexuality. The Global Conference on Women and Gender. Virtual. (March 2022).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** & Leah Oldham. What’s Bitch Got to Do With It? Gendered Differences on Misogynistic Language. American Sociological Association. Virtual. (August 2021).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Hannah’s Suffering: The Power of Voice. The Global Conference on Women and Gender. Virtual. (March 2021).
- House-Niamke, Stephanie M.** Invited Panel: Addressing Systemic Racism. Women and Technology Conference. Institute, West Virginia. (October 2020).

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**References Upon Request**