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## **EDUCATION**

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### **PhD University of West Georgia [In Progress]**

Psychology/Consciousness & Society

Dissertation: *Nonbinary and Genderqueer Millennials' Use of Symbolic Resources and Gender Discourse*

### **M.S. Chatham University 2013**

Counseling Psychology

### **B.A. Duquesne University 2010**

Psychology, Journalism

Minor: Art History

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Gender identity, history of sex and gender, critical psychology, liminalities, emerging subjectivities, popular media and cultural resource use among gender minorities

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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### **California Institute of Integral Studies**

Gender and Sexualities Research Fellow (2021)

### **University of West Georgia**

Graduate Research Assistant (2015 – 2018)

### **Chatham University**

Psychology of Gender Research Team (2011 – 2013)

## **ACADEMIC CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS**

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**Brashear, B.** (2022, Feb. 16). "A safe-to-fail kind of place": *Genderqueer and nonbinary Millennials' use of games in gender identity exploration*. Prepared talk presented at Queering Game Studies Online Symposium.

**Brashear, B.** (2021, Aug. 13). *Working with LGBTQ youth as an academic coach*. Prepared talk presented at Creating Positive Futures team meeting.

**Brashear, B.** (2021, Apr. 26). *Genderqueer and nonbinary Millennials' use of symbolic resources*. Research presentation given at the University of West Georgia Department of Anthropology, Psychology, and Sociology (DAPS) Colloquium.

**Brashear, B.** (2020). *From Toby to Pat: An exploration of media representation of gender ambiguity in the 1990s*. Individual paper accepted to Pop Culture Association of the South (PCAS) 2020 Conference - *cancelled due to COVID 19*.

**Brashear B.** (2020). *Kids [gender] policing kids: A stumbling block for parents*. Interactive discussion accepted to Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI) 2020 Conference - *cancelled due to COVID 19*.

**Brashear, B.** (2019, Oct 5). *Saying no to the binary: What role does intentionality play?* Poster presented at Psychology and the Other Conference.

**Brashear, B.** (2019, Sept. 26). *From fan to stan: A closer look at adolescent parasocial relationships*. Individual paper presented at Pop Culture Association of the South (PCAS) 2019 Conference. [Chair: Fandom Panel]

**Brashear, B.** (2018, Oct. 26). *Embodiment and its role in navigating liminal spaces: A look at transition in adolescence*. Individual paper presented at the UWG Interdisciplinary Conference in the Humanities: Intersectionalities/Interconnections/Liminalities.

**Brashear, B.** (2018, Oct. 5). *Politics of the family in Ari Aster's Hereditary: Looking at a family's experience of grief, horror, and mental illness through a Laingian lens*. Individual paper presented at Pop Culture Association of the South (PCAS) 2018 Conference.

**Brashear, B.** (2018, Apr. 12). *Developing a gendered lifeworld: The phenomenology of the tween girl*. Individual paper presented at the Student Psychology And Research Conference (SPARC) hosted by UWG psychology department.

**Brashear, B.** (2016, Nov. 12). *Dahomean Women Warriors: A psychoanalytic approach to Victorian era Europeans' perceptions of the Dahomey tribe*. Individual paper presentation for Women and War in World History hosted by UWG history department.

Fereidouni, R., Isacco, A., St Jean, M., **Brashear, B.**, Baum, C., & Peer, J. (2013). *The experience of male graduate students in a female-concentrated higher education setting*. Poster presented at 2013 APA Convention.

## **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

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**Human Sexualities Research Fellowship** (Summer 2021)  
California Institute of Integral Studies  
Dr. Penny Harvey  
Research Fellow

**UWG Graduate Student Travel Grant:** \$500 (Fall 2019)

**UWG Graduate Student Travel Grant:** \$500 (Fall 2018)

**Affordable Learning Georgia (ALG) Grant:** \$1500 (Summer 2017)  
University of West Georgia

Dr. Mark Kunkel  
Textbook Coauthor/Writer/Editor

## **PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS**

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American Psychological Association, Division 44: Society for the Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity

Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI)

Pop Culture Association of the South (PCAS)

### **Review Activity:**

**SPSSI Essay Contest: Decolonial Perspectives in Psychology** (Summer 2021)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **West Georgia Technical College**

Adjunct Instructor (2019 - Present)

Introduction to Psychology – in-person, online, and dual-enrollment sections

### **University of West Georgia**

Instructor (2016 - 2019)

Introduction to Psychology

### **Chatham University**

Graduate Teaching Assistant (2013)

Group Counseling (Spring 2013)/ Environmental Psychology (Summer 2013)

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

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### **Southwestern Pennsylvania Human Services (SPHS)**

Mental Health Counselor/Substance Abuse Counselor (2014 - 2015)

### **Family Behavioral Resources**

BSC - Behavior Specialist Consultant (2014)

MT – Mobile Therapist (2014)

### **Connellsville Counseling and Psychological Services**

Intern Therapist (2013)

### **Three Rivers Youth**

Intern Therapist (2013)

**Southwestern Human Services**  
Therapeutic Staff Support (2010 - 2013)

## **OTHER SKILLS AND RELATED EXPERIENCE**

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### **Creating Positive Futures**

Academic Coach (2019 - Present)

LGBTQ Inclusivity Consultant (2021 – Present)

### **Gender Spectrum**

Online Discussion Facilitator/Volunteer (2019)

### **Lindamood-Bell**

Tutor: Summer Reading Program (2017)

### **Girls Incorporated of Greater Atlanta**

Classroom instructor: Girls Inc. Summer Program (2016)