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Assistant Professor

Counselor Education & Supervision | Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Austin Peay State University

EDUCATION

North Carolina Agricultural and Technological State University Doctor of Philosophy , Counselor Education and Supervision	2026
Clark Atlanta University Master of Arts , Clinical Mental Health Counseling	2023
Clark Atlanta University Bachelor of Arts , Psychology - Religion (Minor)	2020

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS/ FELLOWSHIPS

Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) on Research and Capacity Building for Minority Entities (NIH Funded) Pre- Doctoral Research Fellowship	08/23-05/26
Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) on Advancing Employment Equity for Multiple Marginalized People with Disabilities (NIDILRR Funded) Post- Doctoral Research Fellowship	Present
North Carolina Agricultural and Technological University Graduate Research Assistantship	08/23-05/24
Clark Atlanta University Graduate Teaching Assistantship	10/21-05/23
Clark Atlanta University, Humanities Dept. Interprofessional Collaboration Education Fellowship	02/21-05/23

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

Simpson, J. (2026). *The narrative (counter-story) of Black religious individuals who resist professional mental health counseling* [Doctoral dissertation, In press]. North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. ProQuest Dissertation & Theses.

Moore, C., Peterson, G., Wang, P., Webb, K., **Simpson, J.**, Manyibe, E., Khan, I., Muhammad A. (2026, under review) Comparative Machine Learning Analysis of Multifaceted Predictors of Self-Employment Among Transition-Age Entrepreneurs with Disabilities. *The Journal of Rehabilitation*

Moore, C., Webb, K., Wang, P., Peterson, G., **Simpson, J.**, Manyibe, E., Khan, I. (2026, under review) Disability, Demographics, Economic, and Geographic Factors and Employment: A National Trend Analysis. *The Journal of Rehabilitation*

Lewis, A., Davis-Washington, D., **Simpson, J.**, Lewis, A. (September, 2025) The Effect of Race/Ethnicity and Disability Status Concordance between Counselors and Clients on Vocational Rehabilitation Process and Employment Outcomes: A Scoping Review. *The Journal of Rehabilitation*

Brooks, M., Williams, T., James, B., **Simpson, J.**, Chen, Y. (August, 2025) Salaries of Counselor Educators at Public Institutions in the United States: A Multilevel Analysis. *Teaching and Supervision in Counseling*

Brooks, M., Williams, T., Wyatt, M., **Simpson, J.**, Clervoix-Frank, M., Rowe, D. (July, 2025) Lived Experiences of Black HBCU PhD Counselor Education Students in a Culturally Affirming Study-Abroad Program. *Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development*

Simpson, J., Cureton, N., Sung, S., Vazquez, M. (2025, in progress) Emerging HBCU Counselor Educators: Unknown Future of Multicultural Courses. *Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development*

Brooks, M., Wyatt, M., **Simpson, J.**, Rowe, D., Moore, R., Butler, K. (August, 2024). Creating Strength-Based Routes for Black Males to Survive and Thrive in Counselor Education Spaces. *In Counseling Black Males with Excellence: Exploring Career, Clinical and School Context*

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Simpson, J., Ducksworth, R. (November, 2026) *Religious Trauma & Spiritual Abuse: Training Counselors to Address Fractured Meaning Systems*. Accepted at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Webb, K., Peterson, G., Khan, I., **Simpson, J.** (February, 2026) *Exploring Telework Access Across Demographic, Economic, and Geographic Factors for People with Disabilities*. Presented at the Association for Rehabilitation, Research, Policy, and Education

Peterson, G., **Simpson, J.**, Webb, K., Muhammad, A. (February, 2026) *At the Intersections of Race, Poverty, and Geography: Predicting Self-Employment Outcomes Among People with Disabilities*. Presented at the Association for Rehabilitation, Research, Policy, and Education

Simpson, J., Wyatt, M., Rowe, D., Brooks, M., Moore, R., Butler, K. (October, 2025) *Creating Strength-Based Routes for Black Male to Survive and Thrive in Counselor Education Spaces*. Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Brooks, M., Williams, T., James, B., **Simpson, J.**, Chen, Y. (October, 2025) *Salaries of Counselor Educators at Public Institutions in the United States: A Multilevel Analysis*. Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Simpson, J. (October, 2025) *Counseling the Religious: Exploring the Lived Experiences of Black Intrinsically Religious Oriented Individuals During Socio-political Stress.*
Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Brooks, M., Williams, T., James, B., **Simpson, J.**, Chen, Y. (July, 2025) *Salaries of Counselor Educators at Public Institutions in the United States: A Multilevel Analysis.*
Presented at the Mental Health Academy: National Board for Certified Counselors Foundation Symposium

Simpson, J. (December, 2024) *The Psychology of Social Justice.* Presented at the Forward Promise Foundation

Rowe, R., Johnson, K., **Simpson, J.**, Adams, J. (November, 2024) *Wellness versus Guilt: Engaging Intentional Wellness Practices Among BIPOC Counselor Education PhD Students.* Presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Simpson, J. (June, 2024) *Social Justice and Self Efficacy.* Presented at the Forward Promise Foundation

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

United Methodist Church- North Georgia 2024
Religious Trauma and Spiritual Abuse

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

COUN 708. Professional Ethics in Rehabilitation Counseling 2024

COUN 786. Clinical Internship II 2024
(Teaching Assistantship)

COUN 512. Cognitive-Behavior Theory & Application 2024
(Teaching Assistant)

GUEST LECTURES

Clark Atlanta University 2024

COUN 536. Trauma and Grief

Nicholls State University 2024
COUN 512. Cognitive Behavior Theory & Application

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North Carolina Agricultural and Technological University 2024
COUN 758 Psychopathology Diagnosis and Treatment

SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

North Carolina Agricultural and Technological University 2024
COUN 786 - Internship II (Dyadic and Triadic Supervision)

Clinical Skills Lab (Establishmentarian) 2023

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

The Attached Counseling Collective
Therapist Present

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Therapist Present

Rising Hope Clinical Assistance of Georgia
Therapist 11/22-12/25

Office of Congregational Care, Director
Atlanta Global Hub Church 06/22-03/24

Office of Congregation Counseling, Co-Director
All Nations Worship Assembly 02/19-05/21

Inner Harbor, Youth Villages
Senior Behavior Specialist/ Supervisor 06/19-01/22

LEADERSHIP

ACES- Social Justice and Human Rights Committee Member Present

Graduate Student Association, School of Education Liaison 2022-2023

Licensed Professional Counselors Association of GA, Student Vice President 2022

MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES) Present

Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Honor Society, Member Present

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., General Member Present

NAACP, Atlanta Metropolitan Present

AWARDS

Whitney E. Young Educational Scholar of the Year Award	2023
7th Annual Center for Graduate Research Symposium, Presenter	2022
Interprofessional Collaboration Education Fellowship	2022
100 Black Men of America, Atlanta- Metro Chapter	2017