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## **Education and Academic Qualifications**

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*Masters of Science in Social Work*

University of Louisville Kent School of Social Work Advanced Standing Program

Graduation Date May 2009

*Bachelors of Arts in Social Work*

Kentucky State University

Concentration on Public Child Welfare Certification through the KY Cabinet for Health & Family Services

Graduation Date May 2008

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## **Academic Appointments**

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MSW Field Coordinator (re-appointed each year since 2016 by IU School of Social Work)

Present position

School of Social Work, Indiana University Bloomington

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## **Indiana University Courses Taught**

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Fall 2016	SSW 423- Organizations, Theory, and Practice	3 Credit Hours
Spring 2017	SSW 102- Diversity in a Pluralistic Society	3 Credit Hours
Fall 2017	SSW 423- Organizations, Theory, and Practice	3 Credit Hours
Spring 2018	SSW 102- Diversity in a Pluralistic Society	3 Credit Hours
Fall 2018	SSW 423- Organizations, Theory, and Practice	3 Credit Hours

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## **Professional Experience**

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August 2016- Present                      Indiana University School of Social Work                      Bloomington, IN

*MSW Field Coordinator*

Responsible for recruiting, developing, and assessing field placement agencies in locations where students are engaged in the program. Primary placements in Clinical and Community Practice: Focus Area in Mental Health and Addictions. Currently act as an advisor throughout the student's placement process and as ongoing consultants to faculty liaisons, field instructors, and agency directors. Monitor the electronic filing system used to document student work. Appointed to teach one course per calendar year. Previously taught 2 courses per year. Also serve as faculty mentor to MSW students each year. Serve on various committees and tasks force groups in the community.

July 2015 to July 2016                      Youth Services Bureau of Monroe County                      Bloomington, IN  
*Clinical Coordinator*

This was a promoted position from Counselor to Clinical Coordinator. Supervised all clinical services for the youth in the emergency shelter, aftercare, and community based clients served. Facilitated clinical team meetings with a goal setting around professional development and training opportunities. Serves as the project lead on Clinical Workgroup with the team. Developed shelter programming with the Program Coordinator. Maintained caseload of youth. Reviewed referrals from various programs and agencies to determine appropriateness based on the youth's needs. Rotated a 24 hour on call schedule to respond to youth in crisis in shelter setting and Safe Place needs. CPR Training; CPI Non-Violent Safe Crisis Management Trained.

May 2014- July 2015                      Youth Services Bureau of Monroe County                      Bloomington, IN  
*Counselor*

Advocated for youth in need of emergency shelter care. Provided youth with individual counseling addressing youth needs with shelter care, aftercare, and community based services. Collaborated with parents, Indiana Department of Child Services, Juvenile Probation, and other community partners to develop plans with the youth and family. Trained in Trauma Focused Therapy to provide treatment to youth.

October 2013- May 2014                      South Central Community Action Program                      Bloomington, IN  
*Energy Assistance Program Case Manager*

Assisted clients with financial help towards their utility bills. Handled confidential records and filed completed applications. Collaborated with members of the EAP team including Executive Director to ensure accuracy of case management. Communicated areas of improvement and sought assistance when needed. Provided quality services to customers.

February 2013- August 2013                      Youth Villages of Indiana                      Bloomington, IN  
*Family Intervention Specialist*

Provided therapeutic interventions to youth in the home setting. Conducted family sessions with clients three times per week. Participated in professional development trainings. Completed weekly treatment plans. Trained in Trauma Focused Therapy and ACRA Substance Abuse Program for Youth. Served in on call rotation for family crisis. Recognized for quality session notes and case- management and received the Shooting Star Award for Professional Work Ethics.

April 2009- February 2013                      KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services                      Lexington, KY  
*Social Service Clinician*

Provided case management to youth in foster care whose parental rights had been terminated. Managed at least 30 cases monthly. Worked with youth in foster homes, residential and independent living programs, and psychiatric hospitals. Partnered with KY Family Courts System report permanency planning to judges and Guardian et Litem for the youth. Consulted with supervisors, adult protective services, and Adult Protective Services to establish services for youth venturing into their adulthood needing additional services after being in care. Collaborated with the Independent Living Coordinator and Youth Transition Plans. Facilitated cases with Family Finding through Project Match of the University of Kentucky to identify adult life-long connections for youth. Provided support to students in the Child Welfare Certification Program through their practicums. This position was a promotion in 2011 after being a Social Service Worker from 2009-2011. Selected as Employee of the Month in 2012. High scores on Employee Performance Evaluations in 2010 and 2011. Served on various committees within the agency.

September 2008-May 2009 Chrysalis House, Incorporated

Lexington, KY

*Student Therapist for Masters Practicum*

Provided counseling to female clients and youth with substance abuse. Facilitated Relapse Prevention and Parenting groups in the program. Implemented research for prevention on adolescents raised in homes with parents who are seeking substance abuse treatment.

### **Indiana University Service**

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Indiana University Mentoring Services & Leadership Development	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University School Social Work Recruitment Team	Bloomington, IN
Career Spotlight Graduate Fair Recruitment for IUSSW (2018 and 2019)	Lexington, KY
Indiana University Health Hospital Pediatric and Teens Planning Group	Bloomington, IN
Mental Health Task Force with area agencies	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University Family Mediation Planning with Maurer School of Law	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University Black Faculty Committee	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University SSW Faculty Senate Committee	Statewide
Indiana University SSW MSW Committee	Statewide
Indiana University Bloomington SSW Field Team	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University SSW MSW Graduation Coordinator (2 years)	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University SSW Field Advisory Council Co-Facilitator	Bloomington, IN
Indiana University SSW Search and Screen Committee 2018	System Wide
IUSSW Recruitment Fair Fall 2018	Indianapolis, IN
IUSSW DCS Scholars Interview Team Fall 2018	Bloomington, IN
IUSSW Recruitment/Welcome Booth CSWE APM 2018	Lake Buena Vista, FL
IUSSW Search and Screen Committee Fall 2018	Systemwide

### **Community Affiliations/Leadership**

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2014-Present	Induction Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc Graduate Chapter	Bloomington, IN
2017- 2018	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc Financial Officer	Bloomington, IN
2017- 2017	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc Finer Womanhood Tea Chair	Bloomington, IN
2014- 2014	City of Bloomington Citizen’s Academy	Bloomington, IN
2017- 2018	Bloomington Black Leaders Strategic Alliance	Bloomington, IN
2017- Present	Kids with Absent Parents Initiative	Bloomington, IN
2018- Present	Thriving Connections of South Central Community Action	Bloomington, IN

### **Community and Volunteer Work**

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Community Kitchen	2016	Bloomington, IN
Bethel AME Bloomington Youth GLOW Program	2016	Bloomington, IN
Kids with Absent Parents Initiative- Adults Program	2017	Bloomington, IN

## Invited Talks

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- Gordon, S. (2018) South Central Region Opioid Summit Presentation “Barriers to Treatment among Minority Groups.” Bloomington, IN
- Gordon, S. (2017) MLK Summit Facilitator IU Neal Marshal Cultural Center Bloomington, IN
- Gordon, S. (2010) Kentucky State University School of Social Work PCWCP Frankfort, KY

## Professional Trainings and Conferences

- 2018 CSWE APM Annual Conference Buena Vista, FL
- 2018 Masters/Clinical Level Social Work Exam Prep Course Lexington, KY
- 2017 Council on Social Work Education Conference Dallas, TX
- 2017 City of Bloomington Opioid Summit Bloomington, IN
- 2017 “Take Action Indiana” HealthLINC Conference Bloomington, IN
- 2017 IU Course Development Institute Bloomington, IN
- 2017 IARCA Leadership Symposium Nashville, IN
- 2016 Susie’s Place Darkness to Light Training on Sexual Abuse Bloomington, IN
- 2016 IARCA Training on Clinical Supervisors and Leadership Indianapolis, IN
- 2016 Fred Pryor Staff to Supervisor Training Indianapolis, IN
- 2015 DSM-V Changing Diagnosis Training Indianapolis, IN
- 2015 Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Indianapolis, IN
- 2011 KY School for Alcohol and other Drug Studies Conference Covington, KY
- 2010 Understanding and Assessing Adolescents Training Bowling Green, KY
- 2009 Joining Hands Together for Medically Fragile Children Lexington, KY
- 2009 Family Finding Project Match Lexington, KY
- 2007 Council on Social Work Education Conference San Francisco, CA

## Accomplishments and Awards

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- 2008 KSU Ethel McClendon Social Work Award Frankfort, KY
- 2008 Study Abroad for English Study to London and Dublin England
- 2007 Induction into Phi Alpha National Honors Society Frankfort, KY
- 2006 March of Remembrance Voyage for Holocaust Studies Poland, England