Civil Rights and Intersecting Identities: Social Movements for Equality and Justice



on Marriage and Family

Society has a tumultuous history with regard to human rights and civil rights. Despite progress, the contemporary revisiting of previously held rights is placing intense pressure on families, individuals, and communities. As family scientists, it is imperative that we respond by learning, engaging, and acting with intentionality. The appropriate response is not to rescue, but to amplify voices and experiences, moving beyond mere allyship. The 2024 conference program will serve to center the primary mission of Groves Conference on Marriage and Family within the current landscape of social justice movements.

The primary mission of Groves is to foster critical thinking about issues in the area of family science and to promote social action and social justice. A variety of session formats are used (e.g., workshops, roundtable discussions, immersion experiences, field trips, plenaries, seminars, posters, etc.) designed to generate reconceptualizations of family-related issues. They are ultimately intended to hone a social tapestry that will improve the quality of life within and among families of the world.

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Wednesday June 12th		
7:00pm-7:30pm	Cocktails	
7:30рт	Welcome and Opening Remarks Sharon Ballard, East Carolina University	
Thursday June 13th		
7:00am-8:00am	Registration/Breakfast on your own	
8:00am-8:10am	Welcome	
8:10am-9:40am	 Session 1: Social Justice Pedagogy Roundtable Creating accountable learning spaces: Teaching and holding discussions about racism, race, and anti-racism through a liberatory consciousness lens - Tawanda Hubbard, Montclair State University Teaching family diversity as social justice - Kari Adamson, University of Connecticut Social justice for all: Using children's literature to teach and empower children - Sandy Lookabaugh, East Carolina University; Lisa Godwin, East Carolina University; Emma Breakey, East Carolina University Trauma-informed training in service-learning courses - Karen Lee Doneker, Towson University; Emily Margolis, Towson University; Linda Oravecz - Towson University 	
9:20am-10:50am	 Do many hammers make lighter work? The role of family science and practice in countering systemic forces of grind culture and John Henryism in Black communities – Denzel Jones, Antioch University New England; Pia Alexander, Antioch University New England; Danielle Samuel, California State University Community across the tracks – Carrie Bergeson, East Carolina University Black families during COVID - Relationship satisfaction and mental load – Shannon Weaver, University of Connecticut Black queer motherhood: A Black feminist-informed thematic analysis and photovoice examining experiences of motherwork and navigating informal support – Steph Cooke, East Carolina University Black transgender women's college experience: A philanthorpic praxis project – Yanira Amadeo, Montclair State University; Estefanie Ceballo, Montclair State University 	
10:50am-11:50am	Panel Discussion The case for Black girls: Sustaining scholarship and community partnerships from an asset perspective – Nadine Verna, Montclair State	

	University; Andrea Smith- Morgan, Mindful Awareness Academy for Children; Nneka Nwaifejokwu, Grantmakers for Girls
11:50ат-12:00рт	Break/transition
12:00рт-12:30рт	Interactive Poster Session 1: Identity and Familial Experiences
	 Love as defiance: Reconceptualizing attachment and intimacy in Black couples as seeds of systemic change – Paula Smith, Antioch University New England How do adolescents define trauma? A qualitative study with a primarily Hispanic sample – Mary Cate Komoski, East Carolina University Mana na Kababaihan: Exploring the inherited intersecting identities of Filipina/x American women – Krista Parker, Antioch University New England; Abbey Ronquillo, private practice
12:30рт-12:45рт	Break/transition
12:45pm-2:15pm	Lunch and Keynote Plenary Session #1: Interrogating Power Dynamics in Research: Why Black Voices Matter- Jason Williams, Montclair State University
	This presentation will unpack various epistemological frameworks to argue for more intentional research methodologies that best address white supremacy and racial-ethnic marginalization. It will critique mainstream frameworks and suggest new ones for moving forward.
2:15pm-2:30pm	Break/transition
2:30рт-3:00рт	Interactive Poster Session 2: The Case for Equity in Practice
	 Voices at the intersection of race, disability & trauma: Centering Black neurodiversity in couple and family therapy models – Pia Alexander, Antioch University New England; Judy Collin, Antioch University New

	 England University, Karen Neri, Antioch University New England; Rose Amaker, Antioch University New England Pink penalties in the ivory tower: Sexism experiences of older female academics – Elizabeth Wroten, University of Delaware Equity in higher ed: Breaking down barriers for student parent retention – Sharon Ballard, East Carolina University; Eboni Baugh, East Carolina University
3:00рт-3:30рт	Presidential Address
·	Sharon Ballard, East Carolina University
4:00рт-5:00рт	Groves Board Meeting
6:30pm	Day 1 Excursion: Dinner at Sylvia's Queen of Soul Food Restaurant
	(50 seats available) https://sylviasrestaurant.com/

Friday June 14 Registration/Breakfast on your own 7:30am-8:30am Opening remarks 8:30am-8:40am Plenary Session 2: Striving for Thriving: One Administrator's Reflection 8:40am-9:40am on Using Institutional Power and Privilege to Create Change-

Ramona Faith Oswald, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign



9:40am-10:35am

Session 3: Justice in Clinical Practice

- The role of the activist-therapist in an anti-transgender political climate - Coltan Schoenike, Antioch University New England
- Race and LMFT licensure exam Kevin Lyness, Antioch University New England; Diane Gehart, California State University Northridge; Brian Hannigan, private practice; Barrie Birge, private practice; Sheiketha Ross, Antioch University New England
- Culturally inclusive supervision: Nurturing authentic voices in couples and family therapy – Alyssa Young, Antioch University New England; Shanika Torres, Antioch University New England
- Is the field of mental health paying attention? Inadequate and harmful clinical supervision with marginalized supervisees – Danielle Gomez, Antioch University New England; Krista Parker, Antioch University New England; Alyssa Young, Antioch University New England; Ari Bonagofski, Antioch University New England

10:35am-10:45am

Break/transition

10:45am-11:45am	Panel Discussion 2: Ellen Swallow Richards: Lessons for contemporary feminist leadership and activism in HDFS Anisa Zvonkovic, University of Georgia; Dana Weiser, Texas Tech University; Elizabeth Sharp, Texas Tech University
11:45ам-12:45рм	Lunch & Networking
12:45рм-1:00рм	Break/transition
1:00рм-2:30рм	Panel Discussion 3: Where do we go from here? Activism in Action Veronica Barrios, Miami University; Jess Fish, University of Maryland; Janis Henderson, private practice, NCFR; Tawanda Hubbard, Montclair State University; Shalonda Curtis-Hackett, Neighborhood Defender Service
4:00pm (Group 1) 5:00pm (Group 2)	Day 2 Excursion: Pride Walking Tours https://pridetoursnyc.com/pride-walking-tour/ Learn About the Revolution for LGBTQ Civil Rights with our Walking Tour in NYC!