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**EDUCATION**

**Doctoral Student in School Psychology**

University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

August 2011 – present

- G.P.A. 4.00

**Doctoral Student in Educational Psychology (School Psychology focus)**

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

August 2010 – May 2011

- G.P.A. 4.00

**Bachelor of Arts in Psychology**

Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

August 2006 – December 2009

- Minor in Family and Human Development
- Graduated Summa Cum Laude “highest honors”
- G.P.A 4.00

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**Research Assistant** – University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Supervised by David Wodrich, Ph.D.

August 2011 – present

- Assisting with the development of a website designed to disseminate empirically-based factual and supportive information to teachers of students with chronic illnesses.
- Developing behavioral observation forms, daily report cards, release of information forms, and example letters to school personnel designed to aid teachers instructing students with chronic illness.
- Assisting with locating and applying for grants.

**Research Assistant** – Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

Supervised by Margaret Camarena, Ph.D.

June 2011 – August 2011

- Assisted with data collection and data management for several federally funded projects currently underway at the Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy.
- Conducted evaluation activities and performed support functions for the Arizona Network for the Study of Implementation Effectiveness on the implementation of substance abuse treatment programs and HIV continuum of care programs in criminal justice settings.

**Research Assistant** – Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

Supervised by Juliet Hart, Ph.D.

January 2011 – May 2011

- Assisted with a literature review of social initiations in autistic children.
- Worked on a research study examining the effects of video self modeling on academic engagement in students with autism.
- Assisted with a literature review studying asynchronous computer mediated communication in teacher education (submitted to *Journal of Teacher Education* in April 2011 - undergoing review process).
- Assisting with a descriptive report of children with same-sex parents (accept to the Brief Report section of *Educational Studies* in April 2011).

**Research Assistant** - Arizona State University Family Systems Lab, Tempe, AZ

Supervised by Keith A. Crnic, Ph.D.

July 2009 – December 2009

- Helped develop and implement a new coding system used to examine dimensions of warmth, cohesion, organization, conflict and control for recorded families working on a task in an NICHD-supported longitudinal study.
- Observed and coded children in the study who were divided into typically developing and developmentally delayed groups.
- Maintained consistent reliability in the coding system.
- Assisted with various lab operations.

**Research Assistant** - Arizona State University Prejudice and Stereotyping Lab, Tempe, AZ

Supervised by Steven Neuberg, Ph.D.

August 2007 – December 2007

- Ran college age study participants through research trials examining the effect of stereotype threat on college age women using math tasks.
- Read and studied scholarly research articles to broaden knowledge about social psychology.
- Recruited study participants.
- Did data entry on a weekly basis to maintain study findings.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**School Psychology Practicum** – Pistor Middle School, Tucson, AZ

Supervised by Noreen Tirrell, MA

September 2011-December 2011

- Conducted formal observations students who were referred to the school psychologist and wrote reports of observations.
- Gave psychoeducational assessments to students in order to help determine individual strengths and weaknesses and to help determine eligibility for special education.
- Started a social skills lunch group for three boys who were having social problems with peers.
- Assisted the school psychologist with various other duties such as record review, scoring psychoeducational assessment protocols, and interpreting assessment results.

**Psychoeducational Assessment Lab Graduate Assistant** -Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ  
Supervised by Marley Watkins, Ph.D.

August 2010 – May 2011

- Documented student and faculty check-out of various psychoeducational assessments and protocols from the lab.
- Maintained an inventory of psychoeducational assessments and protocols.

**FRIENDS Program Intern** - Scottsdale Unified School District, Scottsdale, AZ

Supervised by John Balles, Ph.D.

January 2010 - May 2010

- Worked with school psychologists to help promote social skills and positive interactions with children in grades K-6 who have various disorders or delays such autism, emotional disorders, and/or learning disorders.
- Collected data to monitor the progress of social skills coaching.
- Participated in bi-weekly supervisions meetings to track progress of data collection and share ideas for the improvement of social skills coaching.
- Gained experience working with children from diverse ethnic backgrounds and socio-economic statuses.

**REFEERED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Hart, J. E., Mourot, J. E., & **Aros, M. N.** (2011). Children of same-sex parents: In and out of the closet. *Educational Studies*. Available online:

<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/03055698.2011.598677>

**REFEERED PRESENTATIONS**

Wodrich, D.L., **Aros, M.N.**, & Tesoro, A. (August 2012). *The EdMedKids website: An internet support for students with chronic illness*. Poster will be presented at the American Psychological Association 2012 annual convention.

Farrow, M.L., **Aros, M.N.**, Gerstein, E.D., & Crnic, K.A. (April 2010). *Relations of parent protectiveness and developmental status to social competence*. Poster presented at Western Psychological Association 2010 annual convention.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)

American Psychological Association (APA)

University of Arizona Student Affiliates in School Psychology (SASP)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2010-2011 NASP Arizona State University Student Leader

## **AWARDS & HONORS**

- 2010-2011 Arizona State University Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College Graduate Fellowship
- 2006-2009 Arizona State University Provost Scholarship
- 2006-2009 Arizona State University Deans List Scholar (All Semesters)