

# ALEXANDER HILL (he/they)

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## EDUCATION

- 2024- **Ph.D. Sociology**, Certificate in Community Engaged Scholarship  
Department of Sociology, Michigan State University  
Advisor: stef shuster, PhD
- 2021-2022 **M.A. Social Sciences**, Certificate in Gender and Sexuality Studies  
Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago  
Advisor: Brianne Painia, PhD; S. Simmons, PhD  
Thesis: [How parents and researchers perceive the needs of trans\\* youth](#)
- 2017-2021 **B.A. Sociology**, Minor in Sexuality, Women and Gender Studies  
Department of Sociology, Rollins College  
Advisor: Amy McClure, PhD; Amy Armenia, PhD

## PUBLICATIONS

### “Powerlessness, Gratitude, Shame, and Dignity: Emotional Experiences of Food Pantry Clients”

2023, *Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition* 18:2

Alexander E.C. Hill & Stephanie Gonzalez-Guittar

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/19320248.2022.2052782>

## ACADEMIC AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

### *Fellowships & Funded Awards*

- 2025 Graduate Office Fellowship, MSU (\$2,240)
- 2024 Graduate Student Funding for Conference Presentations, GenSen, MSU (\$500)
- 2024 Academic Achievement Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate School, MSU (\$11,900)
- 2024 Early Start Fellowship, College of Social Science, MSU (\$8,500)
- 2021 Director’s Fund for Applied Research, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago (\$3,000)
- 2021 Phoenix Research Award Scholarship, Division of Social Sciences, University of Chicago (\$20,000)
- 2017 Centennial Merit Scholarship, Rollins College (\$80,000)
- 2017 Florida Bright Futures Medallion Scholarship (\$22,000)

### *Academic Awards*

- 2021 C. Wright Mills Research Award, Sociology Department, Rollins College
- 2021 Marie Curie Research Award, Sexuality, Women, and Gender Studies Department, Rollins College

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 **Hill, Alexander E.C.** *We Do It For Us: Diagnostic knowledge exchange in trans community care networks*. Paper presentation, special session on Innovative Scholarship in the Sociology of Trans Studies, ASA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2024 **Hill, Alexander E.C.** *Family, education, and safety: How parents and researchers perceive the needs of trans youth*. Paper presentation, 2nd International Trans Studies Conference at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
- 2021 **Hill, Alexander E.C. & Gonzalez-Guittar, Stephanie.** *Powerlessness, Gratitude, Shame, and Dignity: Emotional Experiences of Food Pantry Clients*. Poster presentation, 2021 Summer Research Symposium at Rollins College, Winter Park, FL (online).

- 2021 **Hill, Alexander E.C.**, Sarwat, Sarah & Recci, C. *Advocating for Transgender Incarcerated Persons*. Policy fact sheet presentation, Rollins College Foundation in Liberal Arts Annual Capstone Symposium, Winter Park, FL (hybrid).

### **CONFERENCE-RELATED SERVICE**

- 2025 **Presider**, “Feminites and Masculinities” roundtable, ASA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2024 - Present Graduate Research Assistant, Michigan State University  
*PI: Dr. stefshuster*  
 Assisting in the collection of oral histories from transgender and nonbinary individuals on their health experiences and decisions related to reproductive health and family planning.
- 2020 - 2021 Undergraduate Student Researcher, Rollins College  
*Advisor: Dr. Stephanie Gonzalez-Guittar*  
 Worked in collaboration with Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, local food pantries to evaluate the needs of food assistance recipients and identify barriers to accessing assistance.
- 2020 - 2021 Undergraduate Student Researcher, Rollins College  
*Advisor: Dr. Stephanie Gonzalez-Guittar*  
 Completed independent qualitative research through multi-modal interviews, exploring the impact of queer role models on identity development in LGBTQ+ young adults.
- 2019 - 2020 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Rollins College  
*PI: Dr. Nolan Kline*  
 Assisted in the developing and recruitment stages of research on an NSF funded project researching the impact of biopolitics on the oppression of the Latinx and LGBTQ+ communities in Central Florida following the Pulse massacre.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Michigan State University, Department of Sociology

- 2025 Instructor of Record – Sex, Gender, and Sexuality (Summer Session [online])

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & AFFILIATION**

- 2024 American Sociological Association (ASA)  
 Sections: Sociology of Sex & Gender
- 2020 Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society (AKD)

### **RESEARCH SKILLS & METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING**

*Computer:* Stata, SPSS, Qualtrics, NVivo, Zotero, G-Suite, D2L, Canvas

*Research:* Qualitative interviews, Interview guide develop, Survey design,