

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Sociology, Texas Woman's University, 2023
Dissertation: *Replacing Identity: Evangelical Christianity's Role in Identity Restoration*
Area of Concentrations: Criminology and Religion
Faculty Advisor/Committee Chair: Dr. Jessica Smartt Gullion

Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.), Hardin-Simmons University, 2017
Dissertation: *A Spiritual Formation Model for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities*
Dissertation Committee Chair: Dr. Dan Stiver

Master of Science (M.S.), Sociology, Texas A&M University-Commerce, 2020

Master of Divinity (M.Div.), Liberty University, 2009

Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Religion, Liberty University, 2007

Areas of Specialization

Criminology, Religion, Clinical Sociology, and Disability

Professional Experience

2023-Present	Assistant Professor , Midwestern State University
2022-Present	Consultant/Owner , SoVerge Consulting
2022-2023	Adjunct Faculty , Texas Christian University
2022-2023	Graduate Research/Teaching Assist , Texas Woman's University

2023-2023	Adjunct Faculty , Texas Wesleyan University
2013-2023	Director of Chaplaincy , Texas Health & Human Services
2012-2015	Chaplain , Baylor All Saints Medical Center
2011-2013	Minister of Pastoral Care , Bear Valley Community Church
2010-2012	Chaplain Resident , Dallas VA Medical Center
2010-2010	Chaplain Resident , Methodist Dallas Medical Center
2009-2011	Senior Pastor/Church Planter , Broken Church

Teaching Experience

Courses taught at Midwestern State University

SOCL 1133: Introductory Sociology (4)
 SOCL 1143: Social Inquiry (2)
 SOCL 4733: Sociology of Religion (1)
 SOCL 3633: Research Methods (1)

Courses taught at Texas Christian University

SOCI 20213: Introductory Sociology (2)
 SOCI 20223: Social Problems (2)

Courses taught at Texas Wesleyan University

PHI 1313: Introduction to Ethics (1)
 SOC 2301: Introduction to Sociology (1)
 SOC 3325: Deviant Behavior (1)
 SOC 4324: Social Science Research Methods (1)

Courses taught at Texas Woman's University

SOCI 2023: Marriage, Family, and Intimate Relationships (1)
 SOCI 3113: Juvenile Delinquency (1)

Publications

Cphoon, Wesley. 2023. "Evangelical Christianity and Criminal Rehabilitation: A Clinical Sociological Approach to Stigma and Identity Management." *Clinical Sociology Review* 18(2):48-82.

Cohoon, Wesley. 2023. "Managing Identity When Worlds Collide: Stigma Management at the Intersection of Socioeconomic Class, Incarceration, Vocation, and Religion." *Journal of Autoethnography* 4(3): 456-473.

Cohoon, Wesley and Jessica Gullion. 2023. "'Maybe I'm Just Too Damaged' Revisiting Clergy Reasons for Leaving the Profession." *Discernment: Theology and the Practice of Ministry* 9(1): 38-60.

Cohoon, Wesley. 2021. "Research Beyond the Ivory Tower: A Book Review of Researching With: A Decolonizing Approach to Community Based-Action Research." *The Qualitative Report* 26(7): 2265-2267.

Cohoon, Wesley. 2013. "Religious Peace and Disability." *Peace Studies Journal* 6(4): 37-44.

Cohoon, Wesley. 2013. "Infant Baptism: An Evangelical Chaplain's Enlightenment." *Journal of Pastoral Care & Counseling* 67(2): 7:1-2.

Upcoming Publications

Cohoon, Wesley. 2024. "Villain to Hero: An Autoethnographic Exploration of Damaged Identity Reconstruction, World-Building, and World-Maintaining." *Journal of Autoethnography*. This article was accepted and should be published in early or mid-2024.

Gullion, Jessica, **Wesley Cohoon**, Elizabeth Toombs, and Lisa Schafer. *In Press*. "Chapter 27: An Overview of Arts-Based Research in Sociology, Anthropology, and Psychology." in *Handbook of Arts-Based Research: Second Edition*, edited by Patricia Leavy.

University and Community Service

2023-Present **Certification Committee**, Association for Applied & Clinical Sociology

2023-Present **Sociology Department Library Representative**, MSU

Sept 2023 **Faculty Ice Cream Social**, MSU Family Weekend

Article Reviewer

2024-Present **Editorial Board**, *Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling*

2023-Present **Editorial Board**, *Journal of Psychology and Theology*

Presentations

- 2023, October 5. "George Herbert Mead and Symbolic Interactionism." Lecture given to undergraduate students at Dr. Christiansen's SOCL 4153: Sociological Theory class at Midwestern State University.
- 2023, October 15. "Individual and Community Responsibilities for Identity Creation and Redemption: A Practical Guide for Churches." A community presentation given at Doxology Church.
- 2023, April 25. "Recidivism and Religion: A Sociological Examination for Successful Reentry." Presentation given at the Spring 2023 SOAS Lecture Series at Texas Wesleyan University.
- 2022, October 8. "Using Clinical Sociology to Build Relationships and Clarify Meaning." Presentation given at The 2022 Annual Meeting of the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology.
- 2022, June 22. "Chaplaincy from a Disability Perspective." Lecture to graduate students at Respect Graduate School for a Clinical Pastoral Education class through the College of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy.
- 2021, September 15. "The American Religion of Patriotism." Webinar presented at the Spiritual Grand Grounds for the Healthcare Chaplaincy Network.
- 2021, January 14. "Chaplaincy in a Mental Health Setting." Lecture to faculty and graduate students at Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary, Waco, Texas.
- 2020, January 9. "Chaplaincy in a Mental Health Setting." Lecture to faculty and graduate students at Baylor University's Truett Theological Seminary, Waco, Texas.
- 2018, September 21. "Pastoral Care to People with Intellectual Disabilities." Presentation at the 2018 Chaplaincy Workshop for the Baptist General Convention of Texas in Galveston, Texas.
- 2018, September 12. "Spiritual Care for People with Intellectual Disabilities." Webinar presented at the Spiritual Grand Rounds for the Healthcare Chaplaincy Network.
- 2017, March 4. "Developing a Pastoral Relationship in Disability Community." Lecture to faculty and graduate students at The Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, Texas.

2014, February 6. “Listening to Those without a Voice.” Presentation to faculty and graduate students at SMU’s Perkins School of Theology: Pastoral Care Luncheon, Dallas, Texas.

2013, November 26. “Offering Spiritual Care to Adults with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities.” Presentation to faculty and graduate students at SMU’s Perkins School of Theology: CHAP Session, Dallas, Texas.

Certifications

2022-Present	Certified Clinical Sociologist, AACCS
2021-2026	Social & Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research, CITI
2021-2026	Social and Behavioral Research – Basic/Refresher, CITI
2021-2027	Conflict of Interest, CITI
2018-2023	Board-Certified Chaplain, Spiritual Care Association
2015-2018	Board-Certified Clinical Chaplain, The CPSP
2010-2012	8 Units of CPE, Association of Clinical Pastoral Education
2010-2023	Chaplaincy Endorsement, Baptist General Convention of Texas
2009-Present	Ordination, The Crossroad Church

Awards and Honors

April 2023	Outstanding Sociology Graduate Student Award in Scholarship
April 2016	The Bratton Family Ministry Award, Hardin-Simmons University
May 2009	Graduated <i>magna cum laude</i> from Liberty University

Professional Affiliations

Association of Applied and Clinical Sociology (AACCS)

American Sociological Association
(Sections: Sociology of Religion; Crime, Law, and Deviance)