

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

**In Progress: PH.D. in Community Psychology** Anticipated: May 2012      Wichita State University  
*Pursuing a PH.D. In Community Psychology*

**Bachelor of Arts**      May 1998      MidAmerica Nazarene University  
*BA in Psychology with a minor in Spanish*

## Research/Work Experience

**Behavioral Research and Action Lab**      Wichita State University Department of Psychology  
2008-Present  
*Work with Dr. Lewis-Moss and team to conduct research and community action.*

**Books for Life Evaluation Project**      Trees for Life  
2009-Present  
*Evaluating the Books for Life Project in rural Nicaragua.*

**Aso Fenix Project**      Green Empowerment  
March 2009  
*Traveled with team led by Dr. Tod Sloan to El Corozo in rural Nicaragua to evaluate the social justice impact of renewable energy projects.*

**Site Coordinator**      Communities in Schools  
2007-2008  
*Led program at large high school, connecting referred students to resources within the community.*

**Home Based Counselor**      National Counseling Group  
2005-2007  
*Conducted home-based counselling with youth and their families.*

**High School Pastor**      Salem Fields Community Church  
2003-2005  
*Led large ministry to high school students in Fredericksburg, Virginia.*

**Secondary Teacher** Harvest Christian School  
2002-2003  
*Taught a variety of classes to secondary students.*

**Associate Pastor of Youth** Woodland Lakes Community Church  
1998-2002  
*Led ministry to youth at a church in Wichita, Kansas.*

## Teaching Experience

**General Psychology** Wichita State University  
Fall 2009  
*Taught two sections of General Psychology to undergraduate students*

**Cooperative Education** Wichita State University  
Summer 2009  
*Supervised students working in a community setting.*

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** Wichita State University  
Fall 2008, Spring 2009  
*Assist with indirect instruction of Introduction to Community Psychology course*

## Publications

### *Peer-Reviewed Journals*

Kirk, Chris M. Giving Psychology Away for the Common Good: Reflections of a Novice Community Psychologist (2009). *The Australian Community Psychologist*, 21(1), 75-83.

### *Manuscripts in Preparation*

Kirk, Chris M., Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, Corrine, & Colvin, D.Q. Foster Care and College: The Educational Aspirations and Expectations of Youth in Foster Care. (Manuscript in Preparation)

Kirk, Chris M., Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, C., & Colvin, D.Q. College Access for Youth in Foster Care: An evaluation of the Kansas Kids @ GEAR UP Program. (Manuscript in Preparation)

Kirk, Chris M., Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, C., & Colvin, D.Q. The Role of Parent Expectations on Adolescent Educational Aspirations. (Manuscript in Preparation)

Kirk, Chris M., Lewis-Moss, R.K., & Lee, F. Educational Aspirations and Risk Behaviors in Adolescence. (Manuscript in Preparation)

Kirk, Chris M., Lewis-Moss, R.K., Kimble, D., & Mathur, B. Empowering Settings in Nicaragua. (Manuscript in Preparation)

## Professional Conference Presentations

Lewis-Moss, R.K., Sly, J., Roberts, S., Wernick, S., Lee, F., & **Kirk, Chris M.** (August, 2009). Examining the Relationship between Racial Identity and Well-being Among African American Emerging Adults. Poster presentation at the 41st Annual Convention of the Association of Black Psychologists, Atlanta Georgia.

**Kirk, Chris M.**, Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, Corrine, Colvin, Deltha (June 2009). *Empowering the Disenfranchised: Creating College Access for Foster Care Youth*. Poster presentation at the SCRA Biennial Conference. Montclair, NJ.

Sly, JR, Lewis-Moss, R.K., Roberts, S, Wernick, S., Lee, F., **Kirk, C.M.** (June 2009). *The Relationship Between Racial Identity and Well-Being Among African-American Emerging Adults*. Poster presentation at the SCRA Biennial Conference. Montclair, NJ.

**Kirk, Chris M.**, Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, Corrine, Colvin, Deltha (May 2009). *Evaluating the Kansas Kids at GEAR UP Program*. Poster presentation at the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.

**Kirk, Chris M.**, Lewis-Moss, R.K., Nilsen, Corrine, Colvin, Deltha (May 2009). *Empowering the Disenfranchised: Creating College Access for Foster Care Youth*. GRASP Symposium Wichita, KS.

## Public Service

Volunteer/Consultant - Books for Life Program, Trees for Life (2007-present) Consult organization and lead a team with the responsibility for scaling capacity for volunteers and financial assets by using technological tools to build connection to the program among adolescents and youth adults.

Committee Member- Recruitment Ambassadors, Community Psychology Program, Wichita State University (2008-present). Serve on committee to increase awareness of the Ph.D Community Psychology program.

Team Member - Orientation Committee, Wichita State University (2009). Serve on committee to plan orientation and integration for new students.

## Professional and Societal Memberships

Student Affiliate of the Society for Community Research & Action: Division of Community Psychology (2008 - present)

## References

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