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ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Degree	Year	University	Major	Minor
B.S.	Expected	Texas State	Applied	Psychology
	December 2017	University	Sociology	
High School	2012	Coronado High		
Diploma		School		

PRESENTATIONS

- Allies of Texas State for faculty and staff in partnership with Alliance of Texas State and Office of Professional Development –Spring 2015 Spring 2017
- Allies of Texas State for students in partnership with AdvoCats Coordinating Committee and Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion multiple times as needed since Spring 2015
- Supporting Transgender/Non-binary Students in College in partnership with Alliance of Texas State, Transcend at Texas State and Office of Professional Development February 2015
- Transgender Awareness for U.S. 1100 Seminar at Texas State University multiple times as needed per semester since 2015
- Kessinger, R.C. (2015). Transgender and Diversity awareness in Sports Medicine for Undergraduate Athletic Training Majors at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L. (2015). Transgender Awareness and Inclusion in Bobcat Village Resident Hall, Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L. (2015). Transgender and LGBTQIA Diversity Awareness in Higher Education, Adult Education Graduate Studies at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L., Bow, C.M., & Transcend at Texas State (2015). How Transcend at Texas State provides an inclusive space for transgender and non-binary students. Hays High School GSA, Buda, TX, November 5, 2015.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L, & Transcend at Texas State (2015). Gender Panel for Sociology of Sexuality, Texas State University. May and October 2015.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L. (2015). Transgender Inclusion in Schools, Education Graduate Students at Texas State University.

- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L., Bow, C.M. (2015). Transgender Inclusion in Middle Schools, Dobie Middle School, Austin TX.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L. (2015). Transgender Inclusion for Peer Mentors at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transgender and Non-binary Awareness for Peer Mentors at Texas State University. January and August 2016.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transgender and Non-binary resident awareness for Resident Assistants at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transgender and Diversity awareness in Sports Medicine for Undergraduate Athletic Training Majors at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L, & Transcend at Texas State (2016). Gender Panel for Sociology of Sexuality, Texas State University. May and October 2016.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transgender Awareness and Intersectionality for S.C.O.P.E. student organization at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Hart, O., & Bough, E.R. (2016). Transgender Inclusion in Your Organization, Psi Sigma Psi Honor Society at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Soukup, J., Silva, J. (2016). Transgender and Non-binary Inclusion and Awareness for the Student Health Center staff at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transgender Awareness for Healthy Cats student organization at Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2017). Texas State University World Cancer Day Observation hosted by the Office of Disability Services. Panel member discussing the Trans experience with biological sex related cancers.
- Kessinger, R.C. (2017). Transgender Awareness in Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence for Men Against Violence student organization at Texas State University.

CONFERENCES

- Kessinger, R.C. (2017) Transcending Masculinity: Depictions of Queer Masculinity in Transgender Magazines. Women and Gender Research Collaborative, Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Al-Dhahi, Boyd II, R., F., Ramirez Vazquez, H. (2017). Activism and the Student Leader. 7th Annual Leadership Institute Conference, Texas State University.
- Kessinger, R.C., Transcend at Texas State Officers (2016). Growing Your Transgender and Non-binary Organization. 8th Annual Texas Transgender Nondiscrimination Summit, A&M Central.
- Kessinger, R.C., Beck, B.L., Croteau, S., Lewis, K., Transcend at Texas State Officers (2015). Achieving "Transcned"ence: Best Practices in Providing Support for Transgender Students. 7th Annual Texas Transgender Nondiscrimination Summit, UT Dallas.

WORKS

Kessinger, R.C. (2016). Transcending Masculinity: Depictions of Masculinity in Transgender Magazines. Submitted for Women & Gender Research Collaborative at Texas State University.

LEADERSHIP

President of Transcend at Texas State University Spring 2015 – Spring 2017

• A registered student organization for Transgender, non-binary, and gender diverse students and their allies at Texas State University.

AdvoCats Peer Educator: Allys Training, Texas State University 2015-present

• Co-facilitated a 4 hour a student ally training about the LGBTQIA community and allyship

AdvoCats Coordinating Board Member, Texas State University Spring 2015-Spring 2017

• Office of Students Diversity and Inclusion task force to support Allies Student Trainings and LGBTQIA programming for students.

Trans Inclusion Team at Student Health Center, Texas State University – Fall 2016

• Task force working on inclusive policy changes at the Student Health Center for Transgender and Non-binary students.

Texas State Leadership Capstone Program: Step Forward, Give Back – Fall 2015

• Seven-week leadership development program hosted by the Leadership Institute at Texas State University.

LeaderShape Institute by the Leadership Institute at Texas State, Participant – Spring 2016

• Six-day leadership development camp by the Leadership Institute at Texas State.

LeaderShape Institute by the Leadership Institute at Texas State, Undergraduate Onsite Coordinator – Spring 2017

• Oversaw \$45,000 program, as well as consistently coordinating throughout the event for changes. Coordinated trainings for staff

VOLUNTEERING

OutYouth Trans* Social – Serve as an adult volunteer to connect and build community with Transgender youth in Austin, TX.

LeaderShape at Texas State, Undergraduate Onsite Coordinator – see above. Spring 2017

AdvoCats Peer Educator: Allys Training, Texas State University – Educating Texas State students on the LGBTQIA community and providing resources.

INTERNSHIP

Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion and the Underrepresented Student Advisory Council at Texas State University, San Marcos TX – Fall 2017

- Coordinated and programed the Native American and Indigenous Student Welcome Reception
- Mentored students in the re-establishment of the Native American and Indigenous Student Association
- Researched and created curriculum for a certified Diversity Training with the Underrepresented Student Advisory Council

RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE

Desk Assistant, Bexar Hall Texas State University August 2016-May 2017

 Assisted Hall residents with equipment check out, package distribution, and room key lockouts.

Team Member, Auntie Ann's Pretzels Tanger Outlets June 2015-August 2015

• Worked on register, taking customers' orders, and providing customer service.

AWARDS, HONORS

Bobcat Pride Scholarship Fund Academic Scholarship for academic achievement and community involvement, Fall 2017

Leadership Institute and the Dean of Students Office at Texas State University Medal of Hope for commitment to development as a student Leader, May 2017

Texas State University Office of Diversity and Inclusion Lavender Award for long-time commitment to Texas State LGBTQIA community, May 2017

Alliance of Texas State University Outstanding Intersectional Inclusion Student Leader of the Year for transforming Texas State University's inclusion, education, and dedication to LGBTQIA lives, May 2017

Underrepresented Student Advisory Council and Student Diversity and Inclusion Student Leadership Award, April 2017

Texas State University Student Organization Council Boko Awards, Student Organization Leader of the Year, April 2017

Clarence Schultz Sociology Scholarship in the Department of Sociology at Texas State University, April 2017

Bobcat Pride Scholarship Fund Leadership Scholarship to attend Camp Pride in Charlotte North Carolina, May 2016

Texas State University Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion Undergraduate Megan Curran Advocacy Award for outstanding dedication and contributions to the LGBTQIA+community at Texas State University, May 2016

Newsom Scholars in the Sociology Department at Texas State University, May 2016 &~2017

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Alpha Kappa Delta – international sociology honor society

Delta Alpha Pi - academic honor society for students with disabilities in colleges and universities.

PFLAG San Marcos

Transcend at Texas State University