

## Kayla D. R. Pierce

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### Education

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Current	Ph.D.	Sociology, University of Notre Dame <i>Qualifying exams:</i> Social Psychology; Statistics and Methods <i>Advisor:</i> Jessica Collett
2015	M.A.	Sociology, University of North Carolina at Charlotte <i>Thesis:</i> "Response Latency as a Status Cue" <i>Committee:</i> Lisa Slattery Walker (Advisor), Murray Webster, Joseph Dippong
2013	B.A.	Sociology, Auburn University <i>summa cum laude</i>

### Publications

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#### *Forthcoming*

Collett, Jessica, Kelcie Vercel, and **Kayla Pierce**. "The Role of Others in Shaping the Father Identity." in *Identities in Everyday Life*, edited by J. Stets and R. Serpe. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

### Works in Progress

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#### *Revise and Resubmit*

**Pierce, Kayla**, and Christopher Quiroz. "Who Matters Most? Social Support, Social Strain and Emotions."

Ahlgrim-Delzell, Lynn, Tina Heafner, and **Kayla Pierce**. "A Comparison of Three Methods of Retrospective Self-reported Change."

#### *In Progress*

**Pierce, Kayla**. "Response Latency as a Status Cue."

**Pierce, Kayla**. "The Social Life of the Deceased: Collective Grieving for Robin Williams."

### Research Experience

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2015-Present	Research Assistant to Jessica Collett, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame
2013-2015	Group Processes Lab Manager and Research Assistant to Murray Webster and Lisa Walker, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

2012-2013            Research Assistant to Greg Pettit and Stephen Erath,  
Department of Human Development and Family Studies,  
Auburn University

### **Research and Teaching Interests**

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Social Psychology, Group Processes, Emotions, Family, Statistics and Methods

### **Teaching Experience**

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2017-2018            Teaching Assistant to Jessica Collett, “Social Psychology”; University  
of Notre Dame, Spring Semester

2014                    Teaching Assistant to Kendra Jason, “Sociology of Work”; University  
of North Carolina at Charlotte, Summer Semester

2014                    Teaching Assistant to Teresa Scheid, “Sociology of Mental Health  
and Illness”; University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Summer  
Semester

2012                    Guest Lecturer, “Social Psychology” undergraduate course;  
Department of Sociology, Auburn University

### **Other Relevant Experience and Qualifications**

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2016-2017            Social Responsibilities of Researchers Program of the National  
Science Foundation

2014                    Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) requirements for  
conducting social/behavioral research with human subjects

### **Conference Presentations**

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2017            “Understanding Ambiguous Events” (With Jessica Collett) at Modeling Social  
Interactions: New Directions in Affect Control Theory Conference, Hanover, NH.

2017            “Clickbait and Cognitive Processes: Using Affect Control Theory to Understand  
Media Interest” (With Jessica Collett) at the Southern Sociological Society Annual  
Meeting, Greenville, SC

2016            “Role Models, Anti-Models, and Reflected Appraisals: Sources of Variations in  
Identity Meanings” (with Jessica Collett and Kelcie Vercel) at the Bi-Annual  
Identity Conference, Kent, OH

2016            “The Social Life of the Deceased: Impression Management and the Dead Self” at  
the American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA

- 2015 “Response Latency as a Status Cue” at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA
- 2015 “Hesitancy in Task Groups” at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New York, NY
- 2014 “Theoretical Implications of ACT on Online Grieving Practices” at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Charlotte, NC
- 2014 “Grieving on Facebook” at the UNC Charlotte Graduate Research Symposium, Charlotte, NC
- 2013 “Peer Relationship Stressors, Coping Style, and Preadolescents' Physical Health” (with Shannon McDaniel, Gregory Pettit, Stephen Erath, and Corrie Bergentry) at the 37th Annual Quint State Symposium, Auburn, AL
- 2013 “Parental Social Coaching and Preadolescents' Social Self-efficacy” (with Shu Su, Gregory Pettit, Stephen Erath, and Corrie Bergentry) at the 37th Annual Quint State Symposium, Auburn, AL

### **Awards and Honors**

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- 2016-2017 Doctoral Student Affiliate, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame
- 2015 University Presidential Fellowship, University of Notre Dame
- 2015 Graduate Student Research Award, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- 2011-2013 Dean's List, Auburn University
- 2011-2012 Charles E Pannell Scholarship
- 2011 National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Auburn University
- 2010-2013 Avon Foundation for Women Scholarship
- 2009-2011 President's List, Southern Union State Community College
- 2009 Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Southern Union State Community College

### **Service**

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- 2017-2018 Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Sociology, University of

Notre Dame

- 2016-2017 Mentor, STEMentorship Program, University of Notre Dame
- 2016-2017 Membership Committee, Emotions Section of the American Sociological Association
- 2016-2017 Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Notre Dame
- 2014-2015 Vice President, Sociology Graduate Student Association at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte

**Memberships**

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- American Sociological Association
  - Section Member- Social Psychology
  - Section Member- Emotions
- Southern Sociological Society
- Eastern Sociological Society
- Midwest Sociological Association