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**Education and Training**

Ph.D. Sociology, University of Central Florida, 2019

Concentration: Medical Sociology

Predocctoral Fellow, Health Policy Research Scholars, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 2017-2019

M.A. Sociology, Lehigh University, 2016

B.A. Sociology, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, 2012

**Research Interests**

Race, ethnicity, population health, health disparities, substance use, social stratification, political attitudes/perceptions

**Academic Positions**

University of Florida (tenure-track), August 2019-present

Assistant Professor

Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law

Valencia College, May 2017-August 2017

Adjunct Professor

Department of Behavioral and Social Sciences

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

- First author on 4 of 7 articles (57%)
- IF = Impact Factor (most recent IF available when article was published from Journal Citations Reports)
- Listed below starting with most recent publications

1. **Nicholson Jr, H. L.**, Carter, J. S., & Restar, A. (in press). Strength in Numbers: Perceptions of Political Commonality with Black Americans among Asians and Asian Americans in the United States. *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. [online ahead of print] Doi: 2332649218785648

2. Rigg, K and **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** (2019). Nonmedical Prescription Opioid Use among Black Adults: A Rural-Urban Comparison of Prevalence and Risk. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. [IF:3.32]

3. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** & Vincent, J. (2019). Gender Differences in Prescription Opioid Misuse among Black Adults. *Substance Use & Misuse*. [IF: 1.13]
4. **Nicholson Jr, H. L.,** & Ford, J. A. (2019). Sociodemographic, Neighborhood, Psychosocial, and Substance Use Correlates of Cocaine Use among Black Adults: Findings from a Pooled Analysis of National Data. *Addictive Behaviors*. 88, 182-186. [IF:2.69]
5. Donley, A. & **Nicholson Jr, H.L.** (2019). Comparing the Health of Relocated Public Housing Residents and Current Residents of a Historically Black Community: The Moderating Role of Social Cohesion. *Journal of Black Studies*. [online ahead of print] Doi: 0021934718799029. [IF:0.57]
6. Ford, J. A., Hinojosa, M. S., & **Nicholson Jr, H. L.** (2018). Disability Status and Prescription Drug Misuse among US Adults. *Addictive Behaviors*. 85, 64-69. [IF:2.69]
7. **Nicholson Jr, H. L.,** & Ford, J. A. (2018). Correlates of Prescription Opioid Misuse among Black Adults: Findings from the 2015 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 186, 264-267. [IF:3.32]

#### Under Review

1. Hinojosa-Sberna, M., Sikorska-Simmons, E. Hinojosa, R. & **Nicholson Jr., H. L.** Identifying Barriers to College Success Among College Student Caregivers. Under review at *Research in Higher Education*.
2. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** & Mei, D. Microaggressions and Self-Rated Health among Asians and Asian Americans. Under review at *Race and Social Problems*.

#### Works in Progress

1. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** & Wheeler P. Ethnicity and Prescription Drug Misuse among US Black Adults.
2. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** & Ford, J.A. Health Insurance and Prescription Drug Misuse.
3. Hill T. D., Ford, J.A., & **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** Education and Pharm-Accumulation: A National Study of Race/Ethnic Variations.
4. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** Major Discrimination and Self-Reported Health among Asians and Asian Americans in the US.
5. **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** Education, Race/Ethnicity, and Disability: Differential Effects of Education on Disability Status Across Racial/Ethnic Groups.

6. Smith, N. & **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** Psychological and Psychosocial Mechanisms Linking Perceived Discrimination and Health among Black American and Caribbean Black Adolescents.

### **Conference Presentations**

Ford, Jason A., Hinojosa-Sberna M., & **Nicholson Jr., H.L.** Disability status and prescription drug misuse among U.S. adults. August 2018. Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, PA.

Restar, Arjee, Kenneth Pass, **Harvey L. Nicholson**, Gary W. Harper, and Don Operario. A systematic review of HIV research targeting men who are intimate with transgender women (MITW) in the United States: An emerging field of study. November 2017. American Public Health Association. Atlanta, GA

**Nicholson, Harvey L. (presider)** and Amy Donley. “Do Perceptions of Neighborhood Safety, Social Cohesion, and Infrastructural Quality Among Relocated Public-Housing Residents and Current Residents within a Historically Black Community Affect Residents’ Physical and Mental Health Status?” August 2017. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, CA

**Nicholson, Harvey L.** and Angela Vergara. “Factors Affecting Telemedicine Provision in Mental Health Facilities.” Graduate Research Symposium, April 2017. University of Central Florida, Orlando FL

**Nicholson, Harvey L.** “Environmental Inequalities within Low-Income and Minority Neighborhoods.” Eastern Sociological Conference, February 2014. Baltimore, MD

### **Fellowships and Awards**

#### **Fellow, Health Policy Research Scholars, 2017-Present**

Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Amount: \$30,000/per year (four years)

- Awarded a highly competitive funded fellowship focused on training in the social determinants of health and social policy. Health Policy Research Scholars is a national leadership program supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to build equity by investing in scholars from populations traditionally underrepresented in graduate programs whose research, connections, and leadership will inform and influence policy toward a Culture of Health.

#### **Social Science Research Fellowship, 2015**

Funder: Lehigh University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Amount: \$1,075

**Sherman Fairchild Fellowship, 2014**

Funder: Lehigh University, College of Arts and Sciences  
Amount: \$9,750

**Multicultural Academic Achievement Award, 2013**

West Chester University

**Professional Service**

*Peer-Reviewer*

Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse

Addictive Behaviors

Drug and Alcohol Dependence

**Media Exposure**

90.7 WMFE: “UCF researchers look at opioid abuse in black adults”

<http://www.wmfe.org/ucf-researchers-look-at-opioid-abuse-in-black-adults/85024>

March 2018

UCF Today: “Opioid Misuse Isn't White or Black Issue”

<https://today.ucf.edu/opioid-misuse-isnt-white-black-issue/>

March 2018

College of Science News: “Ph.D. Candidate Closing the Health Gap”

<https://sciences.ucf.edu/news/ph-d-candidate-closing-health-gap/>

November 2017

**Professional Affiliations**

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

American Sociological Association