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EDUCATION AND HONORS

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK | Licensed Masters in Social Work | LMSW

August 2024 - May, 2026

- **Specialization:** Leadership, Management, & Entrepreneurship with Health Care Systems
- **GPA:** 3.97/4.00
- **Relevant Coursework:** Foundations in Social Work, Human Behavior and the Social Environment, Human Sexuality, Program Planning and Development, Macro Community Practice, Human Resource Management, Financial Management, Program Evaluation.
- **Practicum in Data Analysis II:** Quantitative Methods in the Social Science (QMSS) - Columbia University January, 2026 - May, 2026
- **Specialized Practicum:** Social Intervention Group - Columbia School of Social Work | *September, 2024 - May, 2026*
- **Generalist Practicum:** Partnership with Children - Boys Prep Bronx Middle School | *September, 2024 - May, 2025*

COLGATE UNIVERSITY | Bachelor of Arts, Hamilton, NY | *May, 2024*

- **Majors:** Psychology and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies | **GPA:** 3.71
- **Relevant Coursework:** Social, Biological, Attachment, and Developmental Psychology, LGBT Health, Psych Research Methods and Statistics, Human Relationships, WGSS Research Methods
- **Honors:** Magna Cum Laude, Academic Excellence (Fall 2020-Fall 2023), with Distinction (Fall 2021-Fall 2023), George W. Cobb Fellows Award (Fall 2022-Spring 2023)

SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING (SIT) | Amsterdam, Netherlands |

January, 2023- May, 2023

- **Relevant Coursework:** Independent Study on Advancements in Human Intimacies and Health Education Methodologies, Adv. Theory of Migration, Gender, Sexuality, and Research

WINDWARD SCHOOL | Culver City, Los Angeles | May, 2020 | High School Diploma

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: LMSW AND HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES

Wise Therapy: *LMSW, Psychotherapist, Sex Therapist* | New York, NY | *August, 2026 - Present*

- Provide individual, couples, and relationship therapy under clinical supervision, specializing in intimacy, sexuality, identity, and relationship structure across LGBTQ+, kink, and polyamorous populations.
- Apply an integrative, non-pathologizing clinical approach drawing from narrative therapy, cognitive behavioral therapy, Acceptance and Commitment Therapy, psychodynamic work, and somatic therapy.
- Pursuing AASECT certification as a sex therapist while supporting clients navigating digital intimacy, adult content, and sexual technologies.

Social Intervention Group | **gAyI Research Lab** | **Data Analysis Practicum II:** Graduate Student Researcher, *Project Leader, and Assistant* | Columbia University School for Social Work and Quantitative Methods in the Social Science NY | *Sep. 2025 - May, 2026*

- Supported applied research on health equity, HIV prevention, digital interventions, and emerging technologies within SIG, contributing to faculty-led initiatives through literature reviews, archival research, and synthesis of findings across social work and human intimacy topics, building expertise in academic and community-based research environments.
- Designed and led an independent QMSS practicum evaluating LLMs in health education for LGBTQ+ youth, youth of color, and disabled youth via a Cultural Red Teaming Protocol — constructing a 33-scenario dataset (66 outputs) across ChatGPT-4o and Gemini 2.0 Flash using LLM-assisted data collection and mixed qualitative/quantitative coding.
- Developed a five-dimensional failure taxonomy assessing cultural competence, safety, developmental fit, epistemic fidelity, and equity framing in AI-generated health guidance; identified population-specific biases and hidden safety failures obscured by aggregate benchmarks.
- Translated findings into recommendations for AI governance, ethical evaluation, and community-informed accountability in social work and public health; authored an independent research paper extending SIG's work at the intersection of digital health innovation and structural inequity.

Acquaint Education | *CEO* | Los Angeles, California | *January 2023 - December 2025*

- Established an LLC delivering comprehensive support to organizations and agents at the intersection of health, human connection, sexuality, technology, attachment theory, developmental psychology, and education through generating materials for research and deeper understanding.
- Bridged network gaps between technology companies, counselors, psychologists, social workers, and educators to address health, wellness, and advancements in human connection wellbeing alongside technology via a centralized platform.

Partnerships with Children, *Social Work Intern*, Bronx, NY | *September 2024 - May 2025*

- Developed foundational social work skills Initiating emotional psychosocial, and cognitive services to students at a Bronx, NY Middle School to help them succeed in academics, society, and their goals.
- Advocated for at risk scholars in individual and group counseling sessions in efforts to guide students towards accountability and confidence that ensures strong integration into secondary school.
- Located health education curriculums for scholars to utilize for better emotional, social, and biological health and wellness – especially pertaining to subjects like puberty, healthy relationships, and hygiene.

Colgate University Office of LGBTQ+ Initiatives, *Student Ambassador*, Hamilton, NY | *September 2023-May 2024*

- Spearheaded 10+ large (100+ persons) events a year (social mixers, creative workshops, seminars, and activities) focused on supporting LGBTQIA+ students locally on campus with information and resources.
- Cultivated reports and analyses on community praxis to ensure implementation of reliable methods for facilitation of events and activities to run enthusiastically, effectively, and equitably.
- Coordinated and led weekly meetings to personally assist the director of LGBTQ+ initiatives and map out projects, goals, and resources ensuring maximum engagement with ourselves and community in projects.

Haven Center for Sexual Violence Survivor Support, *Sex Educator, Student Counselor, and Ambassador* | Colgate University, Hamilton, NY | *January 2021-May 2024*

- Facilitated a seven week sexual health education curriculum to 100+ university students over a span of 3 years to ensure safety and knowledge of sexual climate on campus and in broader society.
- Briefed 300+ incoming first year students on Title IX policy, consent practices in corporate settings, and bystander intervention to ensure base knowledge amongst the broader student body, faculty, and admin.

Shaw Wellness Center, *Bystander Facilitator and Ambassador*, Hamilton, NY | *January 2021-May 2023*

- Partnered with ambassadors for interpersonal and intimacy violence prevention in order to develop positive discourse around sex and sexuality that is sensitive to the domain of survivor and victim experiences.
- Reinforced bystander intervention techniques via facilitation of 20+ orientation classes to incoming freshmen to ensure confidence in intervening during preventable problematic situations.

HEALTH EDUCATOR, INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH LEADER, AND PROJECT MANAGER

Sex, Sex Therapy, and Research Caucus, Co-Leader | Columbia University School for Social Work | *Sep. 2024 - Present*

- Enhanced relationships with students, faculty, and Columbia University programs through education and platforms for human sexuality domains, providing social workers with tools to foster safe discourse through clinical practice, community organizing, and policy critiques.
- Created a Columbia University based archive for research in topics of human sexuality, health education, and sex therapy to preserve and legitimize research and grow university CSSW's resources for collective benefit.

Sextech School, New York, New York and Australia | *May. 2024-May, 2025*

- Gained knowledge of the intersection between technology and sexuality, focusing on innovative developments and applications in sextech to inform targeted project management strategies.
- Acquired practical skills in designing and evaluating sextech products, with a focus on user experience, ethics, and inclusivity to ensure stakeholders are uniquely attached to an organization's mission, vision, and values.
- Developed expertise in the latest AI advancements and their integration into industries of human connection and health benchmarks, enhancing interactive and personalized user experiences to inform research and development.

Red Cheeks Academy, Intimacy Coordinator | Amsterdam, Netherlands | *Jan. 2024-March 2024*

- Developed knowledge on the history, stigma, and evolution of adult film and media to identify broader ethics and principles relevant for ethical prevention and intervention.
- Cultivated skills for defining brand attributes and effective communication strategies by delving into establishing boundaries, understanding consent, and marketing strategies to better equip for the role..
- Grasped at psychology safety on media sets, addressing nuances of intimate scenes, navigating industry challenges, and concluding with guidance on networking, and project finalization for any intimate scene.

xoafterglow, Production and Content Consultant, Austin, Texas (Remote) | *April 2022-August 2022*

- Consulted on adult film productions with research conducted on consensual ethical pornographic content being a leading educator in sexual development to employ informed and conscious content.
- Submitted copyright, restructured productions, and licensed content for better customer service via backend platforms and tools for organizing content accessible on platform and by customer service protocols.
- Delivered creative written content backed in research on current SEO trends and academia to generate positive brand traffic and expand the mission of affirmative sexuality and pleasure rooted in theory.

Sex With Emily, Content Production Intern, Los Angeles, California | *June 2021-August 2021*

- Boosted traffic to a podcast to reach 1.8 million downloads per month for a health and wellness brand researching current trends on intimacy, sexuality, and pleasure to spark empathetic conversations between people.
- Balanced the executive's brand and daily priorities with talent acquisition and marketing goals spanning by assisting the executive assistant in communication, marketing, planning and development, and delivering.

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH ARTICLES:

Available at Acquaintedu.com or <https://orcid.org/0009-0009-5215-8604>

Psychedelics and Intimacy Defined as Closeness, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY (2026)

- Bradford, A., Freedman, E., & Dinero, R. E. (2025). Psychedelic Use and Intimacy: A Systematic Review of Experimental and Naturalistic Research. *Journal of Psychoactive Drugs*, 1–12.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02791072.2025.2577311>

Sex Education Methodologies and Advancements to Sexual Technologies, NY and Netherlands (2025)

- Concerned in topics of historical tensions relating to sex education, highlighting deficiencies and a focus on abstinence-only approaches and comprehensive methodologies
- Assessed and worked first hand with adult industries, human intimacy organizations, and sexual technology companies to think critically about incorporation of human intimacy topics in their industry.

- Presented at Love, Sex, and Robots Congress at University of Quebec, Montreal (2025)

Parasocial Relationships and the Only Fans Platform, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY (2024)

- Reviewed literature centering around the role that the OnlyFans platform plays in creating and facilitating parasocial relationships with content creators and their clients – but specifically in the context of interpersonal dynamics with sex workers and adult content.

Sex Education Methodologies and Pornography, *Hamilton, NY and Amsterdam, Netherlands* (2023)

- Concerned in topics of historical tensions relating to sex education, highlighting deficiencies and a focus on abstinence-only approaches.
- Assessed and worked first hand with adult film companies to generate inquiry and question the incorporation of comprehensive sex ed. curriculums to navigate discourse on intimacy.
- Presented at New York Six Liberal Arts Consortium (Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2023)

SKILLS

Technical: LLMs / Artificial Intelligence, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PP), Google Suite, WordPress, Overleaf, Search Engine Optimization, Canva, Figma, Photoshop, systematic review, meta analysis, SPSS, Git

Social: Talent Communications and HR Management, Marketing Connections, Creative Scouting, Social Media (reddit, TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, etc.)

Leadership: Sex ed. Facilitator, Camp Harmony counselor, and Collegiate Level Rowing Team Captain

Languages: Elementary Dutch, Intermediate Spanish