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## Education

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- 2020 Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)** | Recreation, Park & Tourism Management | Pennsylvania State University  
*Dissertation Title:* Coaches as gatekeepers: An exploration of the mental health literacy of Black male youth football coaches  
*Advisor:* Dr. Andrew Mowen
- 2015 Master of Science in Education (M.S.Ed.)** | Mental Health Counseling | University of Miami |
- 2012 Master of Science (M.S.)** | Sport and Exercise Science | University of Central Florida |
- 2010 Bachelor of Science (B.S.)** | Psychology | *Minor:* Sport Administration | Howard University |

## Academic Positions

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- 2021-Current Research Consultant**  
Jerrica Oliver Peets-Sole Proprietor
- 2021- Current Research Fellow**  
U.S Center for Mental Health and Sport
- 2018- 2020 Research Assistant – Dr. Andrew Mowen**  
Department of Recreation, Park, and Tourism Management  
Penn State University, State College, PA
- 2010-2012 Graduate Assistant**  
Department of Sport and Exercise Science  
University of Central Florida
- 2009- 2010 McNair Scholar – Dr. Jules Harrell**  
Howard University, Washington, D.C

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

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Layland, E. K., **Peets, J. O.**, Hodge, C. J., & Glaza, M. (2021). Sibling relationship quality in the context of digital leisure and geographic distance for college-attending emerging adults. *Journal of Leisure Research*, 52:3, 307-329, DOI:10.1080/00222216.2021.1899778

Layland, E. K., Hodge, C., J., Glaza, M., & **Peets, J.** (2019). Rethinking leisure time use metrics: Greater diversity in shared sibling leisure is associated with higher relationship quality during emerging adulthood. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, online first, 1-22. DOI: 10.1177/0265407519867771

## Peer- Reviewed Papers- Under Review and Works in Progress

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Park, S.Y., Mahlobo, C.T., **Peets, J.C.**, (under review). Flourishing through Traveling While Black: Unfiltered Voices of Black Travelers

**Peets, J.O.**, Mowen, A.J., Agans, J.P., Webster, N., Ingram, P.D., (In Progress) Coaches as gatekeepers: A qualitative exploration of the mental health literacy of Black male youth football coaches.

**Peets, J.O.**, (In Progress) Parks, S.Y. Research Note: The erasure of race and ethnicity in Tourism Research

## Academic Presentations

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Park, S. Y., Mahlobo, C., & **Peets, J.** (2021, June). Flourishing through Travel: Unfiltered Voices of Black Travelers. Paper presented at the 51st TTRA International Conference, Uncharted Territory: Reimagining Tourism for a New Era. Virtual.

Agans, J. P., Ettekal, A. V., **Peets, J. O.**, Budziszewski, R. (2020, March). Segregation in youth sport: Implications for equity in positive development. Poster accepted for presentation at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, San Diego, CA (canceled due to pandemic).

Powers, S.M., Pitas, N.A., **Peets, J.O.**, Hickerson, B., Baker, B.L., Mullenbach, L.E., Mowen, A.J. (2020). Impacts of Park Renovations Over Time and Across Neighborhoods. Research presented at The National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD.

**Oliver, J.C.**, Baker, B., & Mowen, A. J (2019). "The love and unity that you give out, it will come back.": An exploration of coaches' perception of mental health in youth sport. Poster presented at the North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity Conference, Baltimore, MD.

**Oliver, J.C** (2010). "Exploration of the Validity and Reliability of the Situational Motivation Scale." Research presented at Delaware McNair Conference and Howard University College of Arts and Science conference and Howard University McNair Conference.

## Non-Peer Reviewed Reports and Book Reviews

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Mowen, A., & Benfield, J., & Baker, B., & Hickerson, B., & Powers, S., & Mullenbach, L., & **Peets, J.O.**, (2020). A Systematic Evaluation of West Fairmount Park Renovations and East Parkside Engagement. Penn State University.

Mowen, A., & Benfield, J., & Baker, B., & Hickerson, B., & Powers, S., & Mullenbach, L., & **Peets, J.O.**, (2020). A Systematic Evaluation of the Rail Park: Post-Opening (2018 and 2019) Study Results. Penn State University.

**Peets, J.O.** (2020). Book Review: No Fame for Boys to Play: The History of Youth Football and the Origins of a Public Health Crisis. *Journal of Sport History*, 47(3), 297-299.

**Oliver, J.C.** (2018). Book Review: Best Practices for Youth Sport. *Applied Recreational Research and Programming Annual*, 6.

## Teaching Experience

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### Primary Instructor

Penn State University

2017 RPTM 433 – Program Evaluation and Research in Recreation Services

### Teaching Assistant

Penn State University

2019-2020 RPTM 456 – Programming in Recreation Services

2018 RPTM 120 – Leisure and Human Behavior

2016-2019 RPTM 433 – Program Evaluation and Research in Recreation Services

### Teaching Assistant

Louisiana State University

2015-2016 KIN 3502 – Tests and Measurements in Kinesiology

### Strategy Tutor

Louisiana State University

2016-2017 Cox Athletic Center

## Professional and Public Service

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2018-2019 Member | RPTM Graduate & Professional Student Association | PSU  
2017-2019 Member | Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANRRS) | PSU  
2017-2020 Volunteer | Center County Women's Resource Center – Hotline Advocate  
2016-2019 Member | Black Graduate & Professional Student Association | PSU

## Certifications

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**CPR & First Aid** | American Red Cross | *Exp. June 2021*

**Certified Youth Football Coach** | National Alliance for Youth Sports | *Exp. 2022*

**Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the Workplace Certificate** | University of South Florida Muma College of Business

**Licensed Associate Professional Counselor** | Georgia Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists

## Clinical Experience

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**2020- Current School-Based Therapist** | Highland Rivers Health, Hiram, GA

**2019-2020 Intake Admission Counselor** | The Meadows Psychiatric Center, Centre Hall, PA

**2015-2016 Mental Health Professional** | Biltmore Health Services, Lafayette, LA

**2013-2014 Psychometrist** | University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

## Non-Academic Clinical Internships

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**2014-2015 Therapist** | Institute for Individual and Family Counseling | University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL

**2014-2015 Therapist** | Fort Lauderdale Behavioral Health Center, Fort Lauderdale, FL

**2012-2013 Athletic Intern** | University of North Texas, Denton, TX