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EDUCATION

- 2022 **Ph.D. Candidate, Learning Sciences**
Concentration: Human Development Across the Lifespan
Dissertation Title: Examining Intergenerational Relationships in the Family
Dissertation Advisor: Dr. Faiza Jamil
College of Education
Clemson University | Clemson, SC
- 2017 **B.A., Language and International Trade (Summa Cum Laude)**
Minor: Cultural Anthropology
College of Architecture, Arts, and Humanities
Clemson University | Clemson, SC

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION

- May 2017 – Present Graduate Administrative & Research Assistant and Instructor of Record
General Engineering Learning Community | General Engineering
College of Engineering, Computing, and Applied Science
Clemson University | Clemson, SC

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- McKown, G., & **Stephan, A.** (under review). Wellbeing outcomes for youth and home caregivers: A comparative case study of families facing separation.
- Freed, S., Sprague, B.N., **Stephan, A.**, Tian, J., Phillips, C.B., Doyle, C., & Ross, L.A. (under review). Feasibility and enjoyment of exercise video games in older adults for social connectedness.
- Jamil, F., Emerson, A., McKown, G., & **Stephan, A.** (under review). The struggle is real: An investigation of preschool teachers' perceptions of students' challenging behaviors through reflective writing.
- Stephan, A.** (under review). Custodial grandparent wellbeing: A strengths-based approach utilizing the PERMA framework.
- Stephan, A.** (2020). Intergenerational learning in the family as an informal learning

process: A review of the literature. *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships*, 19(4), <https://doi.org/10.1080/15350770.2020.1817830>. Advanced Online Publication:<https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/SGNEPJTCCEK3AZHB8RYD/ull?target=10.1080/15350770.2020.1817830>

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

- Minor, J., Stephan, E.A., **Stephan, A.**, & Neptune, A. (July, 2021). *Implementing an Engineering Math Curriculum Sequence: Preliminary Results and Lessons Learned*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Long Beach, CA.*
- Stephan, A.**, Harcum, J., Whisler, L., & Stephan, E.A. (July, 2021). *Using the Learning and Study Skills Inventory (LASSI) to Track Students' Growth and Evaluate the Effectiveness of a Learning Strategies Course*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Long Beach, CA.
- Stephan, E.A., **Stephan, A.**, Martin, B., & Miller, M.K. (July, 2021). *Exploring Engineering: Peer Sharing Presentations in First-Year Engineering Curriculum*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Long Beach, CA.
- Whisler, L., Stephan, E.A., & **Stephan, A.** (2020). *Continuing to Promote Metacognitive Awareness in a First-Year Learning Strategies Course*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Montreal, Canada.*
- Stephan, A.**, Stephan, E.A., & Miller, M.K. (2020). *Extended Exam Wrappers: A Comparison of Approaches in a Learning Strategies Course*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Montreal, Canada.
- Stephan, A.**, Whisler, L., Stephan, E.A., & Neptune, A.I. (2020). *Peer Sharing Presentations in a First-Year Engineering Learning Strategies Course*. American Society for Engineering Education Conference Proceedings. Montreal, Canada.
- Stephan, E.A., **Stephan, A.**, Whisler, L., Miller, M.K., & Neptune, A.I. (2020). *Engineering Learning Strategies Course Supports Student Retention*. Proceedings of the American Society for Engineering Education Southeast Annual Conference. Auburn, AL.
- Whisler, L., & **Stephan, A.** (2020). *Impact of Entangled Learning on First-Year Undergraduate Engineering Student Readiness for Self-Directed Learning*. Proceedings of the International Society of Self-Directed Learning. Cocoa Beach, FL.
- Stephan, A.**, Bolding, C., & McKown, G. (2019). *Familial Influence on Engineering*

Student Sense of Belonging and Engineering Identity. Proceedings of the International Conference on Social and Education Science. Denver, CO.

Stephan, A., Whisler, L., Stephan, E.A., & Trogden, B. (2019). *Using Exam Wrappers in a Self-Directed First-Year Learning Strategies Course*. Proceedings of the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition. Tampa, FL.*

Whisler, L., **Stephan, A.**, & Stephan, E.A. (2019). *Promoting Metacognitive Awareness in a First-Year Learning Strategies Course for Cohorted General Engineering Students*. Proceedings of the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition. Tampa, FL.

Stephan, E.A., Whisler, L., & **Stephan, A.** (2018). *Work in progress: Strategic, Translational retention initiatives to promote engineering success*. Proceedings of the ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition. Salt Lake City, UT.

*Indicates paper received award or other recognition

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Stephan, A., Tian, J., & Ross, L.A. (November, 2021). *Multitasking in Older Adults' Daily Activities: A Preliminary Investigation*. Abstract accepted to Gerontological Society of America 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting, Phoenix, AZ.

Stephan, A. (November, 2021). *Well-being during Emerging Adulthood: Challenges and Opportunities*. Abstract accepted to the Society for the Study of Emerging Adulthood's 10th Annual Conference on Emerging Adulthood. [online conference format].

Stephan, E.A., Miller, M.K., & **Stephan, A.** (July, 2021). *Strategic, Translational Retention Initiative to Promote Engineering Success of Underprepared Students*. Abstract accepted to the American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference. Long Beach, CA.

Stephan, A. (June, 2021). *Taking Lessons from Grandparents Along for the Journey: How Grandparents Influence the Transition into Adulthood*. Poster presented at Generations United's 2021 Virtual Intergenerational Conference.

McKown, G., & **Stephan, A.** (April, 2021). *A Discussion on Enhancing Teachers' Understanding of Students' Diverse Family Systems*. Symposium session moderated at American Educational Research Association 2021 Annual Meeting. [online conference format].

Stephan, A. (April, 2021). *Intergenerational Play within the Workplace: A Powerful*

Mechanism for Informal Learning. Presented at the 2021 Conference on the Value of Play. [online conference format].

Stephan, A. (March, 2021). *Finding Oneself in the Modern World: The Influence of Intergenerational Relationships on Youth Identity Development*. Poster presented at Society for Research on Adolescence Virtual Meeting [online conference format].

Stephan, A. (November, 2020). *The Role of Technology in Intergenerational Learning Experiences*. Poster presented at Learning Sciences Graduate Student Conference, Madison, WI. [online conference format].

Stephan, A., Baker, A., & Bennett, A. (April, 2020). *The Influence of Preschool Educators' Beliefs About Play-Based Learning on Instructional Delivery*. Proposal accepted to the PLAY Conference: 2020 Conference on the Value of Play, Clemson, SC. [online conference format].

Stephan, A. (March, 2020). *Finding Oneself in the Modern World: The Influence of Intergenerational Relationships on Youth Identity Development*. Poster accepted to Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting, San Diego, CA.* [conference cancelled].

Stephan, A. (October, 2019). *Transferring Learning in the Family and Community to the Classroom: A Review of Intergenerational Learning Experiences for Marginalized Youth*. Poster presented at The Scholarly Consortium for Innovative Psychology in Education Biennial Conference, Savannah, GA.*

Stephan, A. (May, 2019). *Exploring Contemporary Intergenerational Learning for Marginalized Populations: A Review of the Literature*. Paper accepted to HASTAC, Vancouver, Canada.

Stephan, A., & Bennett, A. (April, 2019). *Play across Generations: A Literature Review of Intergenerational Learning Experiences*. Paper presented at PLAY Conference, Clemson, SC.

Baker, A., Bennett, A., & **Stephan, A.** (March, 2019). *Examining Kindergarten Readiness Skills Using a Play-Based, Nature-Focused Preschool Curriculum*. Paper presented at PLAY Conference, Clemson, SC.

Whisler, L., **Stephan, A.**, Stephan, E.A. (November, 2018). *Learning Support for Underserved Engineering Students: Creating an Entangled Learning Community of Scholars*. Paper presented at the Association of American Colleges and Universities Transforming STEM Higher Education Conference, Atlanta, GA.

*Indicates presentation received award or other recognition

LOCAL AND REGIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Stephan, A., & McKown, G. (February, 2021). *The Comparison of Two Family Units Facing Separation: A Preliminary Investigation*. Presented at the Clemson University Connected Learning in Education and Research (CLEaR) Lab Virtual Poster Session Event. [online conference format].

Stephan, A. (March, 2020). *Intergenerational Relationships and Youth Identity Development: A Review of the Literature*. Poster accepted to Clemson University Graduate Research and Discovery Symposium, Clemson, SC. [conference cancelled].

Whisler, L., **Stephan, A.**, & Stephan, E.A. (March, 2020). *Boost Your Students' Success with a Learning and Professional Development Strategies Course*. Workshop presented at the American Society for Engineering Education Southeast Section Conference, Auburn, AL.

Stephan, E.A., **Stephan, A.**, Whisler, L., Miller, M.K., & Neptune, A.I. (March, 2020). *Engineering Learning Strategies Course Supports Student Retention*. Paper presented at the American Society for Engineering Education Southeast Section Conference, Auburn, AL.

Stephan, A. (April, 2019). *Using Exam Wrappers in a Self-Directed First-Year Learning Strategies Course*. Poster presented at the Clemson University Graduate Research and Discovery Symposium, Clemson, SC.

Stephan, A., & McKown, G. (March, 2019). *Intergenerational Learning Opportunities Among Military-Connected Families: A Review of the Literature*. Paper presented at South Carolina Educators for the Practical Use of Research Annual Conference, Columbia, SC.

Stephan, A. (April, 2018). *Bolstering Academic Success through the General Engineering Learning Community*. Poster presented at the Clemson University College of Education Research Symposium, Clemson, SC.

Stephan, A. (April, 2018). *The impact of community learning on academic achievement for first-year engineering students*. Poster presented at the Clemson University Graduate Research and Discovery Symposium, Clemson, SC. *

Stephan, A. (March, 2018). *The impact of community learning on academic achievement for first-year engineering students*. Poster presented at the South Carolina Educators for the Practical Use of Research Annual Conference, Columbia, SC.

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INVITED TALKS AND KEYNOTES

Thinking Outside the Box: Alternative Assessment Methods. Invited Speaker. American Society for Engineering Education. Live Webinar, October 2020.

GRANTS

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| April 2021 | Graduate Travel Grant for the American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting [\$250] |
| June 2020 | Graduate Travel Grant for the International Conference of the Learning Sciences [\$750] |
| October 2019 | Graduate Travel Grant for The Scholarly Consortium for Innovative Psychology in Education Conference [\$472] |
| June 2019 | Graduate Travel Grant for American Society for Engineering Education Conference [\$750] |
| May 2019 | Graduate Travel Grant for HASTAC Conference [\$1000] |

HONORS & AWARDS

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| October 2020 | Association of American Colleges and Universities K. Patricia Cross Future Leaders Award Nominee |
| June 2020 | First Year Programs 2020 Best of First-Year Programs Division Paper Award for the American Society of Engineering Education Annual Conference |
| April 2020 | College of Engineering Student Assistant of the Year [\$250] |
| March 2020 | Society for Research on Adolescence Special Poster Session Participant in Adolescence in the Context of Domestic and Global Diversity |
| October 2019 | Scholarly Consortium for Innovative Psychology in Education Graduate Student Poster Award 2019 [\$100] |
| June 2019 | First-Year Programs 2019 Best Student Presentation Award for the American Society of Engineering Education Annual Conference [\$250] |
| April 2018 | Graduate Research and Discovery Symposium 2018, 1 st Place for College of Education [\$250] |

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

COMMITTEE MEMBER

- Fall 2020 – Spring 2021 Clemson University Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP) Team
Exploratory Group Member
- Fall 2019 – Fall 2020 Clemson Learning Sciences Student Organization
Founder, President
- Fall 2018 – Spring 2020 Clemson University College of Education Graduate Student
Advisory Board
Advisory Board Member
- May 2018 Bring Your Daughter to Clemson: Gender Identity in STEM Fields
Session Facilitator

AD-HOC REVIEWER

- American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting
American Society for Engineering Education Conference
The Assembly
Emerging Voices in Education
Family Relations
International Conference of the Learning Sciences
International Society of the Learning Sciences
Learning Sciences Graduate Student Conference

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Educational Research Association (AERA) | Division C/E
Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
Society for Research on Adolescents (SRA)
Generations United's Shared Site Learning Network

RESEARCH TEAM MEMBERSHIP

- Fall 2020 – Present The Study of Healthy Aging and Applied Research Programs
(SHAARP) Lab
Pennsylvania State University & Clemson University
- Fall 2017 – Present Contexts of Learning and Development (CLAD) Lab
Clemson University

CERTIFICATIONS

June 2020 International Certificate in Intergenerational Learning

TEACHING AND COURSE DESIGN EXPERIENCE

Spring 2021 Creative Inquiry in Education (ED 1970) | Clemson University
Teaching Assistant

Fall 2020, 2021 Engineering Success Skills (ENGR 1100) | Clemson University
Course Designer

Spring 2020 Child Learning and Development (EDF 3340) | Clemson University
Teaching Assistant

Fall 2019 Learning Coach Creative Inquiry (ED 3970) | Clemson University
Instructor of Record

Fall 2018, 2019 University Success Skills (CU 1010) | Clemson University
Instructor of Record