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EDUCATION

CUNY Queens College, New York

Expected May 2027

Master of Data Analytics & Applied Social Research

GPA: 4.0

CUNY Queens College, New York

May 2025

Bachelor of Social Science in Sociology | Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Arts | Summa Cum Laude

GPA: 3.9 • Minors: Data Analytics; Honors in the Social Sciences

Dean's List: All Semesters (Fall 2022 – Spring 2025)

Honors Thesis: "Who Gets to Be Gifted in The City of Dreams?: Rethinking the Life Trajectories of New York City's Disadvantaged and Minoritized Students"

CUNY Queensborough Community College, New York

June 2021

Associate of Arts in Arts & Design

GPA: 3.7 • Dean's List: Fall 2019, Spring 2019

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Apostolo, J. A. (2024). Who gets to be gifted in the city of dreams?: Rethinking the life trajectories of New York City's disadvantaged and minoritized students. *The Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Journal*, 8–12.
- Traver, A. E., & Apostolo, J. A. (2019). Book review: International express: New Yorkers on the 7 train. *Teaching Sociology*, 47(3), 249–252. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0092055X19853280>

Visual & Creative Publications

- Apostolo, J. A. (2020, March). Cover art and visual contributions. Annual Juried Student Exhibition. CUNY Queensborough Community College.
- Apostolo, J. A. (2019, May; 2020, March). Cover art and visual contributions. Queensborough Community College Annual Student Literary Journal.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Office of Institutional Effectiveness, CUNY Queens College

December 2024 – Present

Research Assistant • Advisor: Prof. Lizandra Friedland

- Organize and curate 3,000 pieces of institutional evidence on SharePoint, fulfilling re-accreditation standards of Middle States and ensuring accuracy and quality of CUNY Queens College's Self-Study documentation.

- Transform complex alumni data and research findings into clear, effective deliverables by designing 33 data-driven infographics using Adobe InDesign, facilitating communication to diverse stakeholders.
- Contribute to institutional reporting by maintaining crucial data and document libraries aligned with accreditation requirements.

Department of Sociology, CUNY Queens College

September 2024 – Present

Research Assistant • Advisor: Prof. Peter Ore

- Transcribe approximately 8,000 historical images into digital text and produce a metadata database using qualitative coding methods.
- Design and maintain more than 20 spreadsheets to systematically extract and categorize variables for social network analysis.
- Develop and implement new hire onboarding handbook, training templates, and demonstration materials for undergraduate researchers.

Department of Sociology, CUNY Queens College

May 2025 – August 2025

Research Assistant • Advisor: Prof. Kristine Rosales

- Provided critical support for book manuscript review, evaluating evidence quality and conclusions to inform revision needs for academic publication.
- Managed 80 sources using Zotero to maintain accurate and well-organized reference records across book chapters.

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Summer Research Training Program

Summer 2024

Graduate Student Researcher • University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

- Participated in an intensive research training program, developing graduate-level research skills in methodology, academic writing, and scholarly communication.
- Advanced independent thesis research culminating in a presented paper at the MMUF Summer Research Symposium.

Department of Sociology, CUNY Queens College

August 2023 – December 2023

Undergraduate Student Researcher • Advisor: Prof. Kristine Rosales

- Managed and implemented a campus-wide evaluation project examining student involvement and its effect on educational experience and sense of belonging among urban college students.
- Collaboratively designed and deployed a survey using Microsoft Forms; executed systematic random sampling with approximately 1,800 participants.
- Conducted three 15-minute qualitative semi-structured interviews to develop 25 validated survey questions.
- Translated research findings into deliverables presented at the Borough of Queens CUNY Undergraduate Research Symposium (April 2024).

CUNY Research Scholars Program, CUNY Queensborough Community College October 2019 – September 2020

Undergraduate Student Researcher • Advisor: Prof. Amy Traver

- Applied modern frameworks of migration to collect and qualitatively code data from over 26 historical novels, connecting sociological mechanisms of movement across eras.
- Co-authored a peer-reviewed book review published in *Teaching Sociology* (SAGE, 2019).
- Translated research findings into deliverables presented at two regional symposia (December 2019; July 2020).

PRESENTATIONS

- “Who Gets to Be Gifted in The City of Dreams?: Rethinking the Life Trajectories of New York City’s Disadvantaged and Minoritized Students.” Paper presented at the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Summer Research Symposium. University of Chicago, Chicago, IL. August 2024.
- “Who Gets to Be Gifted?: How Segregation in New York City Public School Admissions Constructs the ‘High Performing’ and ‘Talented.’” Paper presented at the Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Regional Conference. Queens, NY. April 2024.
- “Wanting to Be Involved: How Urban College Students Across Queens, New York, Define Engagement on Campus.” Poster presented at the Borough of Queens CUNY Undergraduate Research Symposium. Queens, NY. April 2024.
- “Child Emigration & Material Culture: A Sociological Analysis of Horatio Alger, Jr.’s Young Adult Novels.” Paper presented at the CUNY Research Scholar Program’s Virtual Undergraduate Research Symposium. Remote. July 2020.
- “Consuming Prose, Passage, and Place in Horatio Alger, Jr.’s Young Adult Novels.” Poster presented at the CUNY Research Scholar Program’s Undergraduate Research and Creative Works Day. Queens, NY. December 2019.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Paul Klapper Award, CUNY Queens College	May 2025
Donald I. Brownstein/John McDermott Scholarship in Humanities	May 2025
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF)	June 2023
Beverly Baker Scholarship Endowment	May 2023
Patricia Kendall Lazarsfeld Undergraduate Award	May 2023
John S. and Yorka C. Linakis Scholarship	March 2023
Transfer Honors Program Scholarship, CUNY Queens College	August 2021
Arts & Design Scholarship, CUNY Queensborough Community College	January 2021
P.H. Steckler Jr. Memorial Scholarship	January 2021
SOA Abeles Scholarship	January 2021
Art and Photography General Fund Award	March 2020
Smithline Trefman Memorial Endowment Award	August 2019

SERVICE & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Petey Greene Program / Getting Out and Staying Out June 2022 – December 2024

Educational Tutor

- Created scope and sequence, lesson plans, worksheets, and curricular materials for Foundations courses in preparation for the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) exam.
- Supported the learning goals of over 36 formerly and currently incarcerated adults, demonstrating sustained commitment to issues of access and equity in postsecondary education and workforce development.

Queens Public Library

June 2021 – August 2021

Data & Visualization Assistant

- Provided analytical support and assisted in the creation of PowerPoint presentations effectively communicating findings from census data analyses to library stakeholders.

LEADERSHIP

Student Government Association, CUNY Queensborough Community College May 2019 – June 2020

Administrative Vice President & Vice President of Part-Time Students

- Led planning, funding allocation, and execution of three student-centered events, coordinating logistics with on-campus and external vendors.
- Budgeted and documented event objectives for departmental archives; advocated on behalf of part-time student constituents.

Art & Design Department, CUNY Queensborough Community College December 2018 – May 2019

United Nations Student Representative

- Authored a creative article promoting empathetic introspection, published in departmental communications.
- Reviewed past and present UN panels and engaged in mentored discussions to develop scholarly interests in global issues.

CERTIFICATIONS

Human Subject Research for Undergraduate Studies, CITI Program September 2023 – September 2026

Responsible Conduct of Research for CUNY Researchers, CITI Program February 2024 – February 2028

SKILLS

Technical Tools

R • Tableau • Adobe InDesign • Adobe Suite • Canva • Microsoft Office Suite • Google Workspace • SharePoint • Microsoft Forms • Zotero

Research Methods

Qualitative & Quantitative Methods • Survey Design • Semi-Structured Interviewing • Content & Qualitative Coding • Social Network Analysis • Data Visualization • Academic Writing • Metadata & Database Management

Professional Competencies

Attention to Detail • Mentoring & Training • Documentation & Reporting • Project Management • Stakeholder Communication • Multitasking & Organization

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Association for Institutional Research	September 2024 – Present
Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society	February 2024 – Present
American Sociological Association (Student Member)	May 2022 – Present
The National Society of Leadership and Success	September 2022 – Present
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society	April 2019 – Present

EXHIBITIONS

Annual Senior's Thesis Showcase, CUNY Queens College	December 2024
Thomas Chen Family Crystal Windows Foundation Juried Competition, CUNY Queens College	October 2023
POM – Student Digital Photography Display, CUNY Queens College	March 2023 – March 2024
Annual Juried Student Exhibition, CUNY Queensborough Community College	March 2020
The Portrait Show, CUNY Queensborough Community College	May 2019 – August 2019

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