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**EDUCATION**

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2007	PhD, Human Sexuality Widener University, Chester, PA
2005	MEd, Human Sexuality Widener University, Chester, PA
1995	BS, Applied Social Sciences ( <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ) State University of New York at Binghamton, Binghamton, NY
1992	AAS, Liberal Arts Broome Community College, Binghamton, NY

**POSTDOCTORAL EDUCATION**

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2012	Fellow, Dr. M Alfred Haynes Research Training Institute for Social Equity (MAHRTISE), NIH/National Center on Minority Health Disparities-funded research training project (2P20MD000516-05A1). Meharry Medical College, Nashville, TN. (Competitive selection).
2007-2008	Fellow, Advanced Rehabilitation Research and Disability Policy Training. Syracuse University, NY. Nine month-long, Department of Education NIDDR-funded research training project (H133P070004). (Competitive selection).

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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2014-present	Associate Professor (tenured), Addictions Studies & Behavioral Health; Governors State University (GSU), University Park, IL.
2008-2014	Assistant professor (tenure-track), Addictions Studies & Behavioral Health; Governors State University, University Park, IL.
2011-present	Adjunct Professor, Addiction Studies Department; RioSalado College, Tempe, AZ.
2009-2013	Adjunct Professor, Community Counseling Program; Argosy University, Schaumburg, IL.
2012	Adjunct Professor, Adler School of Professional Psychology, Chicago, IL.
2008	Adjunct Professor, Human Sexuality Program; Widener University, Chester, PA.
2006-2008	Instructor, HIV/AIDS; David M. Hall Associates, LLC., Newton, PA.
2006-2007	Adjunct Professor, Health Sciences; Keuka College, Penn Yan, NY.
2005	Adjunct Professor, Health Sciences; State University of New York, Cortland NY.

**ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

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2011-2013	Coordinator: Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center. Governors State University.
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## RECOGNITION, HONORS, AND AWARDS

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2014	First Tracks Award for Innovation in Sexology: Recipient. Awarded through Melanie Davis, PhD, Certified Sexuality Educator. Honest Exchange, LLC.
2014	Dr. C. Vincent Bakeman Memorial Award: Nominee.
2012	Faculty Excellence Award: Recipient. Governors State University.
2012	Dr. M Alfred Haynes Research Training Institute for Social Equity Scholar Award: Recipient. Meharry Medical College.
2011	Faculty Excellence Award: Nominee. Governors State University.
2010	Alpha Eta Society, National Scholastic Honor Society for Allied Health Professionals: Honorary Inductee. Gamma Psi Upsilon Chapter.
2010	Gamma Eta Rho: Honorary Inductee. A National Honor Society in Human Sexuality.
2010	New Investigator Award: Nominee. International Conference for the Treatment of Addictive Behaviors.
2008	Woman of Distinction Award: Nominee. Syracuse University.
2007	The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Conference, Emerging Professional Award: Recipient.
2007	Kappa Delta Pi (Chi Gamma Chapter), International Education Honor Society: Honorary Member.
2007	William R. Stayton Award – Recipient: In recognition of outstanding leadership in the field of human sexuality as a student, a scholar, and a practitioner. Widener University.

## RESEARCH SUPPORT

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In Revision	National Institute for Drug Abuse: Pilot Testing: Women's Sexual Health in Substance Abuse Treatment; re-submission planned for October 2014 (R03). Level of funding: \$100,000 (\$50,000 per year for two years). <b>Role: Co-PI.</b>
In Review	SAMHSA FY 2014 Program Supplement for Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC): Center of Excellence (CoE) on Behavioral Health for Racial/Ethnic Minority Young Men Who Have Sex with Men (YMSM) and Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender Populations (LGBT). <b>Role: Content Expert.</b>
2011-2012	Developing a Sexuality Intervention for Women in Drug and Alcohol Treatment: Behavioral intervention development, <b>(PI: R. James)</b> University Research Grant, Governors State University. \$1600.
2010-2011	Developing a Behavioral Intervention for Women in Drug and Alcohol Treatment: Acquired pilot data, <b>(PI: R. James)</b> . University Research Grant, Governors State University. \$1600.
2009-2010	Examined Student Attitudes toward Research in an Addictions Studies Program <b>(PI: R. James)</b> . University Research Grant, Governors State University. \$1200.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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### Published Manuscripts

- James, R.** (2014). Women's Sexual Health and Substance Abuse Treatment. *Paradigm Magazine*.
- James, R.,** Simons, L. (2011). Exploring Addiction Studies Students' Attitudes toward Research in a Graduate Program. *Journal of Alcohol and Drug Education*, 55(2).
- James, R.** (2011). Correlates of sexual self-esteem in a sample of substance-abusing women. *Journal of Psychoactive Drugs*. 43(3), 220-228.
- James, R.** (2007). Strategies for incorporating women-specific sexuality education into addiction treatment models. *American Journal of Sexuality Education*, 2(3), 3-25.

### Manuscripts Under Review

- James, R.,** Simons, L. (2014). Development of a shortened sexual self-esteem measure.
- James, R.,** Wadhwa, S. (2014). Women's Substance Abuse as Sexual Shame Management: A Grounded Theory Approach.

### Books

- James, R.** (Under contract). *Encyclopedia of Sex and Sexuality*, Editor. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishers.
- James, R.** (2012). *Sexuality and Addiction: Making Connections, Enhancing Recovery*. Westport, CT: Praeger Publishers.

### Book Chapters

- James, R.** (In press). Social Influences and Stress. In S. Wadhwa (Ed.), *Stress in the Modern World: Vol. 2. Sources of Stress*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishers.
- James, R.** (In press). Sex and Stress. In S. Wadhwa (Ed.), *Stress in the Modern World: Vol. 2. Sources of Stress*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishers.
- James, R.** (In press). Writing as a Method for Stress Coping. In S. Wadhwa (Ed.), *Stress in the Modern World: Vol. 3. Stress Coping*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishers.
- James, R.** (2006). Sexually transmitted infections. In A. Owens & M. Tepper (Eds.), *Sexual Health: Vol.4. State of the art treatment and research*. Westport, CT: Praeger Publishers.

## **PAPER PRESENTATIONS** (Since 2000; Peer reviewed<sup>1</sup>, Data-based<sup>2</sup>, Mentored Student<sup>3</sup>)

### International

- James, R.,** Wadhwa, S., & Simons, L. (2012). The Relationship of Shame and Sexual Self-Esteem to Substance Abuse. *The International Association of Relationship Research (IARR)*. Chicago, IL.<sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2010, February). Correlates of sexual self-esteem in a sample of substance-abusing women. *The International Conference on Treatment of Addictive Behaviors*. Santa Fe, NM.<sup>1,2</sup>

## National

- James, R.** (2014, August). Examining the Relationship between Sexual Self-Esteem and Sexual Orientation for Women in Substance Abuse Treatment. *National Conference of Addictive Disorders (NCAD)*. St. Louis, MO. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2014, July). Sex, Drugs, Rock & Recovery. *Rutgers Summer School for Addictions Studies*. New Brunswick, NJ. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2014, April). Sexual Health & Wellness. *Invited speaker for VoiceAmerica Health and Wellness Channel internet talk show*. Moving Forward: Wellness One Step at a Time.
- James, R.** (2013, October). Sexuality and Substance Abuse: Connections to Women's Recovery. *The National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) Annual Conference*. Atlanta, GA. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2013, September). What's Sex Got to do with it? *The National Conference of Addictive Disorders (NCAD)*. Anaheim, CA. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, August). Sexuality and addiction: Making connections, enhancing recovery. *Invited speaker on GSHRadio.com*. Rainbow Show. <sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, May). Sexual Health and Women in Substance Abuse Treatment: A Health Disparity Perspective. *The Dr. M Alfred Haynes Research Training Institute for Social Equity; Meharry Medical College*. Nashville, TN. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, November). A Stage Model of Behavioral and Integrative Treatment Research: Getting Started. *The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Conference*. Tampa, FL. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R., Smith, J., & Thompson, T.** (2011, April). Health Disparities and Gender: A Panel Presentation; *Gender Matters Annual Conference*. University Park, IL.
- James, R. & Braun-Harvey, D.** (2011, November). Bridging Sexual Science and Principles of Addiction Treatment: A Grounded Theory Approach for Defining Sex/Drug Linked Patterns of Addiction. *The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Conference*. Houston, TX. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2010, November). Exploring sexual self-esteem in female college students using a brief measure. *The Society for the Scientific Study for Sexuality Annual Meeting*. Las Vegas, NV. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2010, November). Developing a brief sexual self-esteem inventory for women (BSSEI-W). *The Society for the Scientific Study for Sexuality Annual Meeting*. Las Vegas, NV. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R. & Wray, C.** (2009, October). Working with LGBTI clients in substance abuse treatment. *The National LGBTI Health Summit*. Chicago, IL. <sup>1,3</sup>
- James, R.** (2007, November). Sexual self-esteem and women in substance abuse treatment. *The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Conference*. Indianapolis, IN. <sup>1,2</sup>

## Regional

- James, R.** (2014, June). Sex, Drugs, Rock & Recovery. *Keynote Speaker for the Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse*. Kansas City, MO. <sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2014, June). Providing Gender Specific Treatment: Strategies for Implementing Effective Approaches. *The Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse*. Iowa City, IA. <sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2013, September). Research to Practice: Developing Evidence-Based Treatment for Women. *The Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association Annual Conference*. Lisle Illinois. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, April). Developing a Sexual Health Intervention for Women in Substance Abuse Treatment. *Gender Matters Annual Conference*. University Park, IL. <sup>1,2</sup>

- James, R.** (2012, September). Sexuality and Addiction: Making Connections, Enhancing Recovery. *The Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association Annual Conference (IADDA)*. Lisle Illinois.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2011, March). Developmental Issues Impacting Adolescent Substance Abuse. *Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association (IAODAPCA) Spring Conference*. Lisle, IL.
- James, R. & Wray, C.** (2011, April). Teaching About Gender in an Addictions Studies Program. *Gender Matters Annual Conference*. University Park, IL.<sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R. & Wadhwa, S.** (2011, April). Developing a Sexual Health Intervention for Women in Substance Abuse Treatment. *The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Western Region Conference*. San Francisco, CA.<sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R. & Wadhwa, S.** (2011, September). Sexual Health for Women in Substance Abuse Treatment. *The Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association Annual Conference (IADDA)*. Lisle Illinois.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2010). The bisexual client: We aren't who you think we are. *The Illinois Association of Multicultural Counseling (IAMC) Annual Conference: Promoting Multicultural Counseling and Education for the New Millennium*. Chicago, IL.
- Bayer, A., **James, R.**, & Rodriguez, E. (2001). Hepatitis C infected client in substance abuse treatment. Speaker for Statewide OASAS videoconference, Albany, NY.

#### Local

- James, R.** (2014, June). What's Sex Got to do with It? *Haymarket Center's Summer Institute on Addictions 20th Annual Conference*. Elmhurst, IL.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2013, June). Women, Sexuality and Addiction. *Haymarket Center's Summer Institute on Addictions 19th Annual Conference*. Elmhurst IL.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, April). Breaking into Print: A Book Panel of Experts. *Faculty Development Conference, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.
- James, R.** (2012, September). *Sexuality and addiction: Integrating sexual health research to practice*. Invited speaker for the *Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association Board, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, November). Women's Sexual Health: A Developing Research Agenda. *Rapid Fire Research Event, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.<sup>2</sup>
- James, R.** (2012, December). *World AIDS Day, AIDS and Addiction workshop, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.
- James, R.** (2011, June & July). Working with LGBT clients in substance abuse settings. *Two-part workshop presented to the South Suburban Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse*. Chicago, IL.
- James, R.** (2011, April & May). Working with lesbian and bisexual women in substance abuse treatment. *Two-part workshop presented to the Women's Treatment Center*. Chicago, IL
- James, R.** (2011, December). *World AIDS Day, panelist, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.
- James, R. & Osten, K.** (2010, February). Current Strategies for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment in the LGBT Community. *Workshop presented at Governors State University*. University Park, IL.
- James, R.** (2009, December). *Panelist for World AIDS Day, Governors State University*. University Park, IL.

## **POSTER PRESENTATIONS** (Since 2000; Peer reviewed<sup>1</sup>, Data-based<sup>2</sup>, Mentored Student<sup>3</sup>)

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- James, R.**, Wadhwa, S. (2013, November). Examining the relationship between female sexual self-esteem and sexual orientation in substance abuse treatment. Poster presented at *The LGBTQ Health and Wellness Conference*. Chicago, IL. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.**, Williams, J. (2012, April). Working with LGBT clients in substance abuse treatment. Poster presented at *The Annual GSU Student Research Conference*. University Park, IL. <sup>1,3</sup>
- James, R.** (2010, February). Correlates of sexual self-esteem in a sample of substance-abusing women. Poster presented at *The International Conference on Treatment of Addictive Behaviors*. Santa Fe, NM. <sup>1,2</sup>
- James, R.** (2008, May). Domestic violence and disability: Integrative approaches. Poster presented at *The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Mid-continent and Eastern Region Joint Conference*. Cleveland, OH. <sup>1</sup>
- James, R.** (2007, November). Strategies for incorporating women-specific sexuality education into addiction treatment models. Poster presented at the *University Consortium for Sexuality Research and Training Conference at the Kinsey Institute*. Bloomington, IN. <sup>1</sup>

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### Courses Taught at GSU

- 2009-present Instructor of record, ADDS 6900, Etiology and Epidemiology of Substance Abuse. Required course in Master of Health Sciences, taught online and face to face. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2009-present Instructor of record, ADDS 6600, Substance Abuse Prevention. Required course in Master of Health Sciences, taught online and face to face. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2009-present Instructor of record, ADDS 8200, Seminar in Substance Abuse. Required course in Master of Health Sciences, taught in hybrid format. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2013-present Instructor of record, ADDS 6400, Behavioral Health across the Lifespan. Required course in Counseling Concentration, taught in face to face format, developed by Instructor of record. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2013 Instructor, HLSC 3300, Cultural Attunement. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2010-present Instructor of record, ADDS 6869, Sex, Drugs, Rock and Recovery. Elective course, taught in face to face format, developed by Instructor of record. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2010-present Instructor, ADDS 6200, Gender and Addictions. Elective course, taught in face to face format, developed by instructor of record. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2009-2011 Instructor, Society and Drugs: Controversial Issues. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2009-2010 Instructor, Changing Health Behaviors. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2008-2010 Instructor, ADDS 500, Substance Abuse, Current Concepts. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.
- 2008 Instructor, ADDS 501, Addictions Counseling, A Multicultural Approach. College of Health and Human Services, Governors State University.

## Master Thesis Committees

- 2011-2013 Atyemi Fatoki, Addictions Studies and Behavioral Health, Governors State University, **Chair**
- 2011 Cynthia Schroeder, Addictions Studies and Behavioral Health, Governors State University, **Chair**
- 2010 Edward Fitzgerald, Addictions Studies and Behavioral Health, Governors State University, **Chair**

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

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### National Research

- 2011-present Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality: Student Research Awards, Chair.
- 2014 Grant Reviewer. OASH Mobilization for Health: National Prevention Partnership Grant Awards (NPPA) Program Objective Peer Review Committee (ORC).
- 2011, 2013 Scientific Reviewer. Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality Annual Conference
- 2009, 2011 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, Grant reviewer.

### International/National/Regional Advisory

- 2014-present International Coalition of Addictions Studies Education (INCASE), Co-Editor, Newsletter.
- 2013-present International Coalition of Addictions Studies Education (INCASE), Board Member.
- 2013-present National Association of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Addictions Professionals (NALGAP). Board Member.
- 2013-present International Journal of Sexual Health, Reviewer.
- 2012 Addiction, Research and Therapy, Reviewer.
- 2010-present Choice Book Reviews for Academic Libraries, Reviewer.
- 2009-present Electronic Journal of Human Sexuality, Consulting Editor.
- 2008-present The Journal of Sex Research, Reviewer.
- 2010 Widener-Penn Human Sexuality Alumni Association. Ad hoc Nominating Committee, Member.
- 2010 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, Mid-Western Region. Ad hoc Conference Committee, Chairperson.
- 2008 Intellectual and Developmental Disability, Reviewer.
- 2005-2009 Sexual Health Network, Consulting Expert
- 1993-1994 Golden Key National Honor Society, President. Binghamton University.

### University

- 2013-present Member, Gender Matters Conference planning committee. Governors State University.
- 2012-present Member, Addiction Studies and Behavioral Health, Department Personnel Committee. Governors State University.
- 2011-2013 Member, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program Development Committee. Governors State University.
- 2011-2013 Coordinator, Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center. Governors State University.
- 2010-2011 Member, Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Governors State University.

2009-2014 Senator At Large, Faculty Senate. Governors State University.  
2009-2011 Co-Chair, Faculty Development Steering Committee. Governors State University.  
2009-2011 Appointed Member, Enrollment Management Committee. Governors State University.  
2008-2011 Member, Academic Program Review Committee. Governors State University.

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### **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

2013-present National Association of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Addictions Professionals (NALGAP)  
2012-present International Association of Relationship Research (IARR)  
2011-present International Coalition of Addictions Studies Education (INCASE)  
2005-present Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (SSSS)  
1992-1994 Golden Key National Honor Society

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2004 LGBT Consultant, Cayuga Addiction Recovery Services (CARS). Ithaca, NY.  
2002-2003 Sexuality Consultant, Planned Parenthood of the Southern Finger Lakes. Ithaca NY.  
2001-2002 Peer Program Director, Alcohol & Drug Council of Tompkins County. Ithaca. NY.  
2000-2001 Assistant Director of Education, Southern Tier AIDS Program, (STAP). Johnson City, NY.  
1994-2000 OASAS HIV Coordinator & Master Trainer, Southern Tier AIDS Program, (Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services). Johnson City, NY.