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EDUCATION

2010, Ph.D., Social-Personality Psychology, Graduate Center, City University of New York
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016

2005, M.A., Psychology, Graduate Center, City University of New York
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016

2001, B.A., Psychology, University of California, Davis
One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616

CURRENT POSITION

2015 – Current, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, San Diego State University, Graduate School of Public Health, Institute for Behavioral and Community Health

2015 – Current, Adjunct Assistant Professor, San Diego State University, Graduate School of Public Health

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My broad research interests involve social/personality psychological processes that contribute to health disparities among ethnic sexual minority populations. I am particularly interested in mental health, substance use and abuse, and HIV sexual risk behaviors among ethnic minority LGB populations, using intersectionality and minority stress perspectives. Currently, my research is on the role of sexual identities on HIV sexual risk and testing behaviors among African American and Asian/Pacific Islander MSM (men who have sex with men).

QUALITATIVE/QUANTITATIVE PROGRAM AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Dedoose, Atlas.ti, SAS, SPSS, GIS, Word, Power Point, Excel, Blackboard, Moodle.

QUALITATIVE/QUANTITATIVE METHODS SKILLS

Focus groups, semi-structured interviews, life studies, survey, pile sorting.

STATISTICAL SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

Multiple hierarchical regression, survival analysis, multi-level modeling, structural equation modeling, hierarchical linear modeling.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Rosenberg, N., **Truong, N. L.**, Russell, T., Abdul-Haqq, D., Gipson, J. A., Hickson, D. A., et al. (2014). Farmers' perceptions of local food procurement, Mississippi, 2013. *Preventing Chronic Diseases*. 11:140004. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.5888/pcd11.140004>.

Sussman, N. M., & **Truong, N.** (2011). "Please extinguish all cigarettes": The effects of acculturation on smoking attitudes and prevalence of Chinese and Russian immigrants. *International Journal of Intercultural Relations*, 35, 163-178.

Biel, M. G., Klein, R. G., Mannuzza, S., Roizen, E. R., **Truong, N. L.**, Roberson-Nay, R., & Pine, D. S. (2008). Does major depressive disorder in parents predict specific fears and phobias in offspring? *Depression and Anxiety*, 25, 379-382.

Mannuzza, S., Klein, R. G., **Truong, N. L.**, Moulton, J. L., Roizen, E. R., Howell, K. H., & Castellanos, F. X. (2008). Age of methylphenidate treatment initiation in children with ADHD and later substance abuse: Prospective follow-up into adulthood. *American Journal of Psychiatry*, 165 (5), 604-409.

Sussman, N. M., **Truong, N.**, & Lim, J. (2007). Who experiences 'America the beautiful'? Ethnicity moderating the effect of acculturation on body image and risks for eating disorders among immigrant women. *International Journal of Intercultural Relations*, 31(1), 29-49.

Truong, N. (2006). Constructing masculinities and experiencing loss: What the writings of two Chinese-American men tell. *Men and Masculinities*, 8, 321-330.

Russell, S. T., Driscoll, A. K., & **Truong, N.** (2002). Adolescent same-sex romantic attractions and relationships: Implications for substance use and abuse. *American Journal of Public Health*, 92, 198-202.

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Russell, S. T., Seif, H., & **Truong, N.** (2001). School outcomes of sexual minority youth in the United States: Evidence from a national study. *Journal of Adolescence*, 24, 111-127.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Sussman, N. M. & **Truong, N.** (2011). Body image and eating disorders among immigrants. In V.R. Preedy, R.R. Watson, & C.R. Martin (Eds.), *The Handbook of Behavior, Food and Nutrition* (pp. 3241-3254). London: Springer Science & Business Media.

Russell, S. T., & **Truong, N.** (2001). Adolescent sexual orientation, race and ethnicity, and school environments: A national study of sexual minority youth of color (pp. 113-130). In K. Kumashiro (Ed.), *Troubling Intersections of Race and Sexuality*. New York: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.

ACCEPTED MANUSCRIPTS

Hickson, D. A., **Truong, N. L.**, Smith-Bankhead, N., Sturdevant, N., Duncan, D. T., Schnorr, J., Gipson, J. A., & Mena, L. A. (accepted, 2015). Rationale, design and methods of the Ecological Study of Sexual Behaviors and HIV/STI among African American men who have sex with men in the Southeastern United States (The MARI Study). *PLOS ONE*.

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER-REVIEW (* indicates mentored graduate students)

Truong, N., Perez-Brumer, A., *Burton, M., Hickson, D., & Gipson, J. (provisionally accepted). What's in a label?: Multiple meanings of 'MSM' among Black sexual minority men in Mississippi. *Global Public Health*.

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

2013 – 2015, *Research Scientist*, My Brother's Keeper, Inc., Center for Research, Evaluation and Environmental & Policy Change (CREEP)

May 2013 – September 2013, *Research Biostatistician*, Mississippi State Department of Health, HIV/STD Office

2011 – 2013, *Assistant Professor*, Department of Psychology, Tougaloo College

2011, *Adjunct Faculty*, Department of Psychology, Brooklyn College

2011, *Adjunct Faculty*, Department of Social Sciences and Human Services, Borough of Manhattan Community College

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2010 (Fall), Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Dickinson College

2006 – 2008, Adjunct Faculty, Department of Social Sciences and Human Services, Borough of Manhattan Community College

2005 – 2008, Data Coordinator and Manager, Child Study Center, New York University School of Medicine

2005 – 2008, Research Consultant

2005 – 2006, SPSS Trainer, New York Interactive Media

2005, Data Manager and Statistical Analyst, Mount Sinai School of Medicine

2004 – 2005, Graduate Research Coordinator and Data Manager, Kids Weight Down Program, Maimonides Medical Center

2003, Adjunct Faculty, Department of Social Sciences, New York City College of Technology

2003, Graduate Teaching Fellow, Department of Psychology, College of Staten Island

2002-2003 Graduate Research Assistant and Data Manager, Dept. of Psychology, College of Staten Island

2002, Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of Sociomedical Sciences, Columbia University

1999 – 2001, Research Assistant, Dept. of Human and Community Development, University of California, Davis

1999 – 2000, Research Assistant, Dept. of Education, University of California, Davis

RESEARCH GRANT FUNDING AWARDS

*2013, Grant-In-Aid Program, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), American Psychological Association, Principal Investigator
Awarded \$1,000 grant funding to conduct the ongoing MSM Identities Study in Jackson, MS.*

*2012, Promoting Psychological Research and Training on Health Disparities Issues at Ethnic Minority Serving Institutions Grants (ProDIGs) Program, Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs, American Psychological Association, Principal Investigator
Awarded \$6,500 grant funding to conduct the ongoing MSM Identities Study in Jackson, MS.*

*2012, Grants-In-Aid Program, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), American Psychological Association, Principal Investigator
Awarded \$2,000 grant funding to conduct the ongoing MSM Identities Study in Jackson, MS.*

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2012, *Minority HIV/AIDS Research Initiative (MARI)*, Center for Disease and Control Prevention (CDC) (Award Number U01 PS003315-01), Co-Investigator
Co-Investigator on a \$1,040,172 study entitled, “Ecological Study of Sexual Behavior and HIV/STI in AA MSM in the Southeastern U.S.” (PI: DeMarc Hickson, Ph.D.).

2010, *Faculty Research Grant (Research and Development)*, Dickinson College
Awarded \$1,500 grant funding to complete a manuscript for a smoking attitudes study entitled, “‘Please extinguish all cigarettes’: The effects of acculturation on smoking attitudes and prevalence of Chinese and Russian immigrants.”

2007, *Graduate Research Grants Program*, Graduate Center, City University of New York,
Principal Investigator
Awarded \$700 grant funding for my dissertation study entitled, “The role of masculinity-based stress and minority stress in the mental health of Asian and Pacific Islander gay and bisexual men in the US.”

PENDING RESEARCH GRANT FUNDING AWARDS

2015, *University Grants Program (UGP)*, San Diego State University, Principal Investigator
“Exploring men who have sex with men identities and HIV sexual risk behaviors among African American men who have sex with men in Los Angeles, CA”
\$10,000 to conduct pilot data in Los Angeles, CA for the ongoing MSM Identities Study

2015, *Grants-In-Aid Program*, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI),
American Psychological Association, Principal Investigator
“Exploring men who have sex with men identities and HIV sexual risk behaviors among African American men who have sex with men in Los Angeles, CA”
\$2,000 to conduct pilot data in Los Angeles, CA for the ongoing MSM Identities Study

HONORS AND AWARDS

2012 – 2014, *National Institutes of Health (NIH) R25 Research Fellow*, Brown University

2012, *Psychology Summer Institute (PSI) Fellow*, ProDIGs Program, Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs, American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

2012, *Summer Institute for Clinical and Translational Research*, Brown University

2000, *Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Summer Research Program*, Pennsylvania State University.

2000, *Mentorship for Undergraduate Research in Agriculture and Letters in Science (MURALS)*, University of California, Davis.

2000, *McNair Scholars Program*, University of California, Davis.

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1999 – 2000, *Psi Chi National Honor Society*, University of California, Davis.

1996 – 2000, *Davis Honors Challenge Program*, University of California, Davis.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2013 - *Current, Socio-ecological Study of Sexual Behaviors and HIV/STI among African American Men Who Have Sex with Men in the Southeastern U.S., Co-Investigator, My Brother's Keeper, Inc., Center for Research, Evaluation, and Environmental & Policy Change*

Served as the expert in social psychological factors (including perceived body image and body satisfaction) that contribute to mental health and sexual risk behaviors in ethnic sexual minority populations as well as exploring the role of minority stressors in AA MSM. Managed and analyzed data, submitted abstracts for conference presentations, and co-authored in papers for publication.

2012 – *Current, MSM Identities Study, Principal Investigator, Tougaloo College*

Principal Investigator for a research project funded by the American Psychological Association's Grants-In-Aid Program (SPSSI) and ProDIGs (Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs). Using focus group and in-depth interview methods to explore how African American MSM in Jackson, MS socially construct and define identities/labels within the broad category of 'MSM' in relation to HIV sexual risk behaviors.

2005 – 2009, *Dissertation, Graduate Center, City University of New York*

Examined the role of minority stress and masculinity-related stress on the mental health of gay and bisexual Asian/Pacific Islander men residing in the U.S. Conducted pilot semi-structured interviews on gay and bisexual Asian/Pacific Islander men's body image. Administered an online web-designed survey to gay and bisexual Asian/Pacific Islander men. Analyzed the pilot interviews, and the survey data using SPSS.

2002 – 2009, *Graduate Research Assistant and Data Manager, Dept. of Psychology, College of Staten Island*

Assisted Professor Sussman on two research projects involving Chinese and Russian immigrants' smoking attitudes, and Chinese, Eastern European, and Caribbean immigrant women's body image ideals. Involved in supervision of undergraduate research assistants, data collection, data analysis using SPSS, and manuscript writing. Data analysis included t-tests, chi-squares, correlations, ANOVAs, multiple regressions, and hierarchical multiple regressions. Guest speaker for Sussman's Cross-Cultural Psychology class.

2005 – 2008, *Data Coordinator and Manager, Child Study Center, New York University School of Medicine*

Organized datasets, wrote syntax, and analyzed data using SPSS on longitudinal data of adults who had ADHD during childhood and adolescence. Analysis includes performing t-tests, chi-squares, correlations, ANOVAs, regressions, and survival analysis.

2005 – 2008, *Research Consultant*

Served as a survey design and data analysis consultant on dissertations from students in the fields of learning and cognition, clinical psychology, education, and psychoanalysis. Also cleaned datasets and performed statistical analyses for the Center for the Study of Boys' Lives in

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Haverford, Pennsylvania. The objective was to begin to understand the psychological processes of kids who underperform.

2005 – 2006, SPSS Trainer, New York Interactive Media

Trained clients how to use SPSS, including its features and performing statistical procedures and interpreting output (e.g. descriptive statistics, correlations, t-tests, chi-square test of independence and goodness of fit, One-Way and Two-Way ANOVAs, repeated measures ANOVA, multiple and logistic regressions).

2005, Data Manager and Statistical Analyst, Mount Sinai School of Medicine

Organized datasets, wrote syntax, and analyzed data using SPSS and SAS from several research studies concerning family history and breast cancer. Analyses included performing multi-level modeling using PROC MIXED.

2004 – 2005, Graduate Research Coordinator and Data Manager, Kids Weight Down Program, Maimonides Medical Center

Research coordinator of a three-year evaluation study assessing the effectiveness of the Healthy Body Image program in Orthodox Jewish elementary schools. Duties and responsibilities included contacting schools to set up dates to administer questionnaires and monitor classes, visiting participating schools and administering questionnaires, keeping a detailed log of activities, managing and cleaning datasets, writing syntax, and performing preliminary data analyses using SPSS. Conducted a literature review and drafted a conference poster presentation.

2002, Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of Sociomedical Sciences, Columbia University

Assisted Professor Meyer in Project Scope, a cross-sectional study examining minority stress among different minority populations (lesbian/gay/bisexuals, women, and ethnic minorities). Translated interview questionnaire onto a design form using SPSS Data Entry Builder. Conducted one interview, which also included rating assessment on the narrative portion of the interviews.

2002, Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of Psychology, Graduate Center, City University of New York

Assisted Professor Ouellette in a qualitative study on community gardens. Examined newsletters and preliminary themes for content analysis.

2001, Research Assistant, Dept. of Human and Community Development, University of California, Davis

Conducted literature reviews on queer adolescents in the context of the family and queer and transgendered employment discrimination. Received further training in data analysis with SAS and Sudaan.

2000, Research Assistant, Dept. of Human Development and Family Studies, Pennsylvania State University

Assisted Professor D'Augelli in research on a five-year longitudinal study investigating the ways in which gay/lesbian/bisexual youths cope with critical challenges and stressors, particularly victimization. Worked on an individual study examining sexual identity development among gay/lesbian/bisexual youths of color.

1999 – 2000, Research Assistant, Dept. of Human and Community Development, University of California, Davis

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Assisted Professor Russell in studies on sexual minorities and their mental health using the Add Health data. Worked on literature searches, literature reviews, and data analysis employing SAS. Prepared a fact sheet with supervisor on gay/lesbian/bisexual youths in school to be included in the Sacramento Police Dept. training curriculum.

1999 – 2000, Research Assistant, Dept. of Education, University of California, Davis

Assisted in conducting a study on coping among adolescents with neuromuscular diseases. Organized a standard script used to call families who have children afflicted with neuromuscular diseases, recruited families by telephone, and sent questionnaire packets. Assisted in scoring questionnaires.

1999 – 2000, Research Assistant Intern, National Research Center for Asian American Mental Health, Department of Psychology, University of California, Davis

Assisted in conducting an experimental psychology study on the influence of peer dialogue on male gender identity and feelings toward women. Acted as a confederate in the study, encoded questionnaires, and conducted literature searches. Engaged in discussions on research methods, statistics, and adolescent sexuality.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Truong, N., Perez-Brumer, A., Burton, M., & Hickson, D. (November, 2015). *What's in a label?: Multiple meanings and associated identities of 'MSM' among African American men in Mississippi*. Poster presentation at American Public Health Association (APHA), Chicago, IL.

Truong, N., Hickson, D. A., Sturdevant, N., Johnson, W., Johnson, A., & Mena, L. (November, 2015). *Psychosocial vulnerabilities associated with HIV infection among Black MSM in the deep South*. Paper presentation at American Public Health Association (APHA), Chicago, IL.

Truong, N., Myers, G., Operario, D., & Choi, K-H. (November, 2015). *Exploring vulnerability and protective factors to HIV sexual risk behaviors among young Asian/Pacific Islander MSM substance users and abusers in San Francisco, California*. Roundtable presentation at American Public Health Association (APHA), Chicago, IL.

Hickson, D. A., Mena, L., Truong, N., Sturdevant, N., Smith-Bankhead, N., Gipson, J., Gaul, Z., & Sutton, M. (November, 2015). *Social context and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) risk for Black men who have sex with men (BMSM) in the Southeastern United States (U.S.), 2014*. Poster presentation at American Public Health Association (APHA), Chicago, IL.

Hickson, D. A., Mena, L. A., Sturdevant, N., Smith-Bankhead, N., Truong, N., Gipson, J., Elmore, K., Willis, L. A., & Sutton, M. (November, 2014). *Understanding the HIV 'Riskscapes' of Black men who have sex with men (BMSM) in the Southeastern U.S.* Oral Presentation at the 142nd Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, New Orleans, LA.

Truong, N. & Williams, W. (February, 2013). *HIV sexual behaviors and barriers to HIV testing among gay-identified and nongay-identified African American men who have sex with men living in Jackson, Mississippi*. Paper presentation at the Mississippi Academy of Sciences (MAS), Hattiesburg, MS.

Truong, N. & Sussman, N. (April, 2011). "*Who experiences 'America the beautiful'?: Ethnicity moderating the effect of acculturation on body image and risks for eating disorders among immigrant women.*" Paper presentation at the International Conference on Body Image and Identity in Contemporary Society. New York, NY.

Truong, N. & Sussman, N. (March, 2010). "*Please extinguish all cigarettes": The effects of acculturation on smoking attitudes and prevalence of Chinese and Russian immigrants.*" Poster presentation at Eastern Psychological Association (EPA), Brooklyn, NY.

Hutchison, J. A., Mannuzza, S., Klein, R. G., Roizen, E. R., Lashua, E. C., Howell, K. H., Truong, N. L., & Castellanos, F. X. (March, 2008). *Middle adult outcome of children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder: a preliminary report of a 33-year prospective follow-up study.* Poster presentation at the American Psychopathological Association's Annual Meeting, New York, NY.

Truong, N. (June, 2004). *The hazards of becoming American: Ethnicity, acculturation, and the psychological health consequences of immigrant groups.* Paper presentation at the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), Washington, DC.

Sussman, N., Truong, N., Lim, J., & Cornacchio, C. (March, 2003). *Cultural transitions and acculturation style: Effects on body satisfaction and eating disorders among immigrant women in the United States.* Poster presentation at Eastern Psychological Association (EPA), Baltimore, MD.

Russell, S. & Truong, N. (April, 2002). *Adolescent sexual orientation, ethnicity, and school achievement.* Paper presentation at Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA), New Orleans, LA.

Russell, S. & Truong, N. (April, 2002). *Adolescent sexual orientation, family relationships, and emotional health.* Poster presentation at Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA), New Orleans, LA.

Russell, S. T., Driscoll, A. K., & Truong, N. L. (Spring, 2001). *Adolescent sexual orientation and substance use and abuse.* Poster presentation at National Council on Family Relations, Rochester, NY.

Truong, N. (Spring, 2001). *Asians' attitudes toward homosexuality compared to other ethnic groups.* Undergraduate Research Conference, University of California, Davis. Also presented at *Stanford Undergraduate Research Conference*, Stanford University, (Spring, 2001); Poster presentation at *National Conference for Undergraduate Research*, (Spring, 2001).

Truong, N. (Summer, 2000). *Ethnicity as a predictor of sexual identity development.* MARC Summer Research Symposium, Pennsylvania State University. Also presented at *McNair National Conference*, Pennsylvania State University (Summer, 2000).

Truong, N. (Spring, 2000). *Queer youth of color.* Gender and Sexuality Symposium, University of California, Davis. Also presented at *Gender and Sexuality Symposium*, Women's Research and Resource Center, University of California, Davis, (Spring, 2000); *Undergraduate Research Conference*, University of California, Davis, (Spring, 2000); *Psychology Undergraduate Research*

November, 2015
Conference, University of California, Los Angeles, (Spring, 2000).

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Truong, N. (Spring, 1999). *Gender identity*. Gender and Sexuality Symposium, University of California, Davis.

AD HOC JOURNAL REVIEWER

2015-present, Global Public Health

2007, Men and Masculinities

ACADEMIC SERVICE

2012 – 2013, Institutional Review Board Committee Member, Tougaloo College

2012 – 2013, Health Disparities Undergraduate Psychology Research Traineeship (Funded by American Psychology Association's Office of Ethnic Minority Affairs ProDIGs Program), Tougaloo College

2011 – 2013, Psychology Club Advisor, Tougaloo College

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2012-Present, American Psychological Association (APA) member

2004 and 2012-Present, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI) member

2012-2013, Mississippi Academy of Sciences (MAS) member

2003 and 2010, Eastern Psychological Association (EPA) member

2001, Sigma Xi International Research Society, University of California, Davis

SOCIAL ACTION

2011, Volunteer, Mississippians for Healthy Families, the "No on Initiative 26" campaign, Ridgeland, MS

2003, Peer Educator, Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Project, Asian/Pacific Islander Coalition for HIV/AIDS (APICHA), New York, NY

2000, Asian/Pacific Islander Queers (APIQ), Founder and Coordinator, University of California, Davis

1997 – 1999, *Volunteer*, Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Resource Center, University of California, Davis.

STATISTICS, METHODS, AND RESEARCH ETHICS COURSES

2013 (September), *Arc-GIS I: Introduction to GIS*, ESRI authorized course, Holmes Community College, Ridgeland, MS

2012 (Summer), *Research Methods in Clinical, Translational, and Health Services Research*, Brown University

2012 (Summer), *Scientific Writing, Research Presentation, and Proposal Development*, Brown University

2005, *Psychometrics*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2003, *Qualitative Research Interviewing Methods*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2003, *Evaluation Methods*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2003, *Ethical Issues in Psychological Research*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2002, *Qualitative Research Methods*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2001, *Quantitative Research Methods*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2001 – 2002, *Statistics and Computer Programming*, Graduate Center, City University of New York

2000, *Regression Analysis*, University of California, Davis

2000, *Intermediate Social Statistics*, University of California, Davis

2000, *Analysis of Variance*, University of California, Davis

2000, *Applied Psychometrics*, University of California, Davis

1999, *Advanced Research Design*, University of California, Davis

1998, *Research Methods in Psychology*, University of California, Davis

1998, *Applied Statistics for Biological Sciences*, University of California, Davis