

# Oluwayomi K. Paseda, LCSW

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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D.** University of Georgia  
School of Social Work  
August 2019 – Present

**MSW** University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
School of Social Work  
Concentration: Mental Health  
2015

**BSW** Morgan State University  
School of Social Work  
2014

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

January 2023 – May 2023 **Research Assistant**

School of Social Work, University of Georgia

Assisted in modifying an established programming evaluation tool for the Georgia Department of Community Supervision (DRC). Implemented a pilot study. Provided consultation to DRC staff in program assessment instrument use.

May 2021 – August 2021 **Research Assistant**

Owens Institute of Behavioral Research, University of Georgia

Collected and managed quantitative and qualitative data on Rural Jails in Georgia.

Developed documentation for community and county stakeholder dissemination.

Co-facilitated community convenings with county stakeholders.

August 2020 – May 2021 **Research Assistant**

School of Social Work, University of Georgia

Prepared project-related reports. Prepared manuscripts. Facilitated partnership with participants enrolled in the study. Collected qualitative data via Court Watching.

Maintained a content analysis dataset for the research study.

May 2020 – August 2020 **Research Assistant**

Owens Institute of Behavioral Research, University of Georgia

Facilitated outreach and participant enrollment for Rural Jails study in Georgia. Collected and analyzed quantitative and qualitative data on Rural Jails in Georgia.

August 2019 – May 2020 **Research Assistant**

School of Social Work, University of Georgia

Completed a comprehensive literature review; Prepared project-related reports, manuscripts, and presentations. Conducted quantitative analyses of data using Stata and SAS.

## **PRACTICE EXPERIENCE:**

05/2021-04/2022

*Therapist*

**Ridgeview Institute**, Smyrna, GA

Provided crisis intervention and support to patients experiencing acute mental health crises, collaborating with psychiatrists, social workers, nurses, and other healthcare professionals to ensure a comprehensive and integrated approach to patient care. Maintain accurate and up-to-date patient records, documenting progress, treatment interventions, and relevant communications. Stayed informed about developments in mental health treatment modalities and participate in continuing education to enhance clinical skills. Lead group therapy sessions focusing on specific mental health issues.

12/2016-05/2019

*Mental Health  
Clinician*

**MHM Services/ Centurion**, Atlanta, GA

Conducted comprehensive mental health assessments to evaluate patients' emotional, psychological, and behavioral needs. Documented clinical activity presenting diagnostic and interview findings, clinical evaluations, and recommendations; performed counseling and psychotherapy with individuals, and groups; provided crisis counseling in the jail for individuals experiencing acute episodes; evaluated inmates and arrange for relocation as deemed necessary for treatment.

10/2015-09/2016

*Therapist*

**Sycamore Springs**, Lafayette, IN

Facilitate individual therapy sessions, employing evidence-based therapeutic techniques to address patients' mental health challenges. Develop and implement individualized treatment plans based on assessment findings, collaborating with interdisciplinary teams to ensure coordinated care. Led daily interdisciplinary treatment team meetings by presenting patient's case and progress towards treatment plan goals, and making treatment recommendations. Supervised MSW and BSW interns.

05/2015-08/2015

*Suicide Prevention  
Case Manager  
Intern*

**Department of Veterans Affairs**, Danville, IL

Provided individualized comprehensive case management, clinical services and crisis intervention to Veterans deemed at an increased risk for suicide. Ensured the coordination of community awareness and educational opportunities regarding suicide prevention initiatives.

Created a policy and procedure guidebook for the suicide prevention department as a guide for new interns and fulltime staff.

09/2013-05/2014  
*Social Service*  
*Intern*

**Maryland Office of the Public Defender**, Baltimore, MD  
Collaborated with Chief of Social Work to review and achieve macro level performance metrics; conducted intake evaluations, bio-psycho-social assessments; consulted with family members and treatment team to make proper aftercare recommendations and rehabilitation planning for clients with history of incarceration; co-directed peer support groups and family support groups; coordinated a national training workshop on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome for the Maryland Office of the Public Defender.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

Graves, B. D., Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., **Paseda, O.**, & Dias, C. (2023). Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/0306624X231198804>

Toledo, W., Flint, M., Sharkey, C., McCollum, S., Ferrari, B., **Paseda, O.**, Cottrell, A., & Mitchell, N., (2023). Building Community Through Feminist Collectivity: Being and Becoming Women in Academia. *Gender and Education*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09540253.2023.2193208>

Pettus, Carrie , Tripodi, Stephen , & **Paseda, Oluwayomi** (2023). Promoting Smart Decarceration as a Grand Challenge. *obo in Social Work*. doi: 10.1093/obo/9780195389678-0320

Mowbray, O., Purser, G., Tennant, E. & **Paseda, O.** (2022). Substance use related violent deaths among racial/ethnic groups in the United States. *Addictive Behaviors*. 107384.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2022.107384>

**Paseda, O. K.**, & Mowbray, O. (2021). Substance use related mortality among persons recently released from correctional facilities. *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work (2640-8066)*, 1–13.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/26408066.2021.1942371>

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

2022-2022     **Instructor**, BSW Program, University of Georgia, Athens  
SOWK 2156: Diversity Equity and Inclusion

2021-2022     **Instructor**, BSW Program, University of Georgia, Athens  
SOWK 2155: Communications as a Helping Professional

09/2020        **Guest Lecturer**, BSW Program, University of Georgia, Athens

SOWK 5836: Social Work Field Seminar  
*Social Justice and Civil Rights in Government Agencies and The Criminal Justice System*

04/2021 **Guest Lecturer**, MSW Program, University of Georgia, Athens  
SOWK 7126: Social Work Research Methods  
*Analyzing Existing Data*  
*Sampling in Research*

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

### **Peer-Reviewed**

Mowbray, O., Cooper, Z., Fatehi, M., **Paseda, O.** & O'Shields, J. (2024, January). Firearms and suicide completion among persons recently released from psychiatric hospitalization. Oral presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 28th Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

**Paseda, O.** (2024, January). A Qualitative Study of Black Women's Experiences with Community Reentry Following Incarceration. Poster Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 28th Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

Mowbray, O., Cooper, Z., Fatehi, M., **Paseda, O.** & O'Shields, J. (2023, November). Firearms and suicide completion among persons recently released from psychiatric hospitalization. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Expo, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Paseda, O.** (2023, November). A Qualitative Study of Black Women's Experiences with Community Reentry Following Incarceration. Roundtable Session at the 78th American Society of Criminology Annual Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Paseda, O.**, & Mowbray, O. (2022, August). Substance Use Related Mortality Among Recently Released Persons From Correctional Facilities. Poster Presentation at the NCCHC Correctional Mental Health Conference.

Toledo, W., Flint, M., Sharkey, C., McCollum, S., Cottrell, A, **Paseda, O.**, & Mitchell, N., (2022, April). Building Community Through Feminist Collectivity: Being and Becoming Women in Academia. Paper Presentation at the 2022 American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, California.

Graves, B., Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & **Paseda, O.** (2022, January). Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision. Oral Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 25th Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

Mowbray, O., Fatehi, M., Robinson, M., Graves, B., **Paseda, O.** (2022, January) Outcomes of Forensic Peer Support for Persons in Community Supervision Settings. Oral Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 25th Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

**Paseda, O.**, O'shields, J., Sharkey, C., Strickland, C., Schroeder, E. (2022, January). Effects of COVID-19 Related Stress on Non-Teaching University Support Staff. Symposium Presentation the Society for Social Work and Research 25th Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

O'shields, J., Schroeder, E., Strickland, C., Sharkey, C., **Paseda, O.** (2022, January). Effects of COVID-19 Related Stress on University Staff. Oral Presentation the Society for Social Work and Research 25th Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

Graves, B., Mowbray, O., Aletraris, L., & **Paseda, O.** (2021, October). Examining correlates of substance use treatment needs for adults under community supervision. Poster Presentation at the Addiction Health Services Research 2021. Virtual Conference.

**Paseda, O.** (2021, March). Reentry Programs for Women Transitioning from Incarceration to The Community: A Scoping Review. Presentation at the Southeastern Women's Studies Association 202. Virtual Conference.

**Paseda, O.** (2021, January). Suicide or Other Violent Deaths Amongst Recently Released Persons. Poster Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Virtual Conference.

**Paseda, O.**, & Mowbray, O. (2021, January). Substance Use Related Mortality Among Recently Released Persons From Correctional Facilities. Poster Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Virtual Conference.

Mowbray, O., Jennings, P., **Busari, O.**, & O'Shields, J. (2019, January). Substance Use Related Deaths Among Racial/Ethnic Groups in the United States: Findings from the National Violent Death Reporting System. Poster Presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, San Francisco, California.

## **HONORS & AWARDS:**

6/2023      **Giving Voice to the Voiceless Grant**, University of Georgia Grady College Business (\$1,220)

2023-2024      **Southeastern Conference Emerging Scholars Assistantship**, University of Georgia Graduate School (a payment of \$35,000, dispersed monthly from 8/2023-5/2024; and a reduction of tuition to \$25 per semester)

- 2022            **Outstanding Teaching Award**, University of Georgia Center for Teaching and Learning and the Office of Instruction
- 03/2022        **Alfred E. Brown Scholarship**, University of Georgia Graduate School (\$1000)
- 01/2022        **Travel Funding**, University of Georgia School of Social Work (\$1000)
- 01/2022        **Domestic Travel Grant**, University of Georgia Graduate School (\$475)
- 2021-2022     **Teaching Assistantship**, University of Georgia (Tuition & \$17,331.60/year)
- 06/2021        **Summer Mentoring Workshop for Advanced Doctoral Students**, Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research (MCUAAAR)
- 2019-2021     **Dean's Research Assistantship Award**, University of Georgia (Tuition & \$20,000/year)
- 06/2019        **Gateway to Graduate School Bridge Program Scholarship**, University of Georgia (Tuition & \$5,500)
- 08/2015        **Social Worker of the Month**, Department of Veterans Affairs Illiana Health Care System
- 2014-2015     **School of Social Work Block Fellowship**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (Tuition & \$9,900/ year)
- 2013-2014     **Thurgood Marshall Coca-Cola Scholarship**, Morgan State University (\$3,000/year)
- 2011-2014     **Morgan State University Foundation Scholarship**, Morgan State University (\$5,000/ year)
- 2012-2014     **University Honors Program**, Morgan State University
- 2012-2013     **Resident Assistant Of The Year**, Morgan State University
- 2010-2014     **University Dean's List**, Morgan State University

## **LEADERSHIP & SERVICE:**

### **University**

- 09/2019-08/2021     **PhD Student Representative**  
Social Work Doctoral Program Committee, University of Georgia

Represent PhD student interest as part of many decision-making processes for the social work doctoral program.

- 10/2020-1/2021      **Program Coordinator**  
Social Work Research in Action: Community, Policy, and Practice Colloquium, University of Georgia  
Coordinated and facilitated monthly colloquium series at University of Georgia School of Social Work.
- 10/2019-1/2021      **Programming Committee Member**  
Social Justice Symposium, University of Georgia  
Co-ordinated with other members of the committee for Annual student-organized symposium focusing on social justice and activism in the Athens, GA and neighboring communities.
- 08/2014-05/2015      **Executive Board Member**  
Graduate Social Work Association, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
Planned and implemented events and programs that promote growth and sense of community on the University of Illinois campus amongst graduate students in the School of Social Work.
- 06/2013-05/2014      **President's Leadership Circle Fellow**  
The Office of the President, Morgan State University  
Serve as global ambassador in alignment with the University President at a variety of campus and community functions. Engaged with students and University Stakeholders to help build strategies to forward the University vision and core values.
- 08/2013-05/2014      **Review Board Member**  
Office of Residence Life and Housing, Morgan State University  
Served as board member participating in hearings to collectively determine student responsibility for violations/sanctions.

## **Profession**

- 05/2022      **Ad hoc Reviewer for:** Journal of Public Health
- 05/2022      **Ad hoc Reviewer for:** The Perspectives on Social Work
- 11/2021      **Ad hoc Reviewer for:** The Perspectives on Social Work
- 09/2020-Present      **Peer Reviewer**  
The Perspectives on Social Work (PSW)

PSW is a student run social work journal that accepts submissions from social work doctoral students nationwide and internationally.

01/2020

**Conference Volunteer**

Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) 24<sup>th</sup> Conference  
Assisted with registration and conference facilitation of 5-day SSWR Annual Conference.

**Community**

09/2015-Present

**Co-Founder**

DreamIt Foundation  
Co-founded, created and implemented programs for nonprofit organization that provides tools for academic and career development amongst youth in Nigeria.

09/10/2022

**Facilitator**

Interprofessional Education Day  
Facilitated the fifth annual Fall 2022 Interprofessional Education Day

01/2015-08/2015

**Administrative Coordinator**

YMCA La Linea Helpline, Urbana IL  
Oversaw the overall administrative infrastructure to ensure the seamless operation of daily activities for a nonprofit program that is dedicated to make a positive impact on the lives of immigrants and immigrant families in Champaign County.

08/2014-05/2015

**Mentor**

YWCA Women in Leadership, Urbana IL  
Mentored and supervised University student teams who work directly with local community agencies to find solutions to the challenges they present.

06/2013-03/2014

**Youth Counselor**

Baltimore Youth Alliance, Baltimore, MD  
Volunteered working with students from Baltimore's most economically disadvantaged public schools to increase literacy, develop writing skills, and promote academic achievement and future vocational success.

**RELEVANT COURSES**

**Basics of Online Learning and Teaching**, Graduate-level CIRTL Network course



## **PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES/ LICENSES:**

**Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Georgia License No. CSW008828**  
**CITI Training for Human Subjects & Prisoners, University of Georgia**

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS:**

**Yoruba:** Native in oral communication.