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EDUCATION

- 2001 University of Missouri ~ Columbia
Ph.D. Human Development and Family Studies
Dissertation: Normative Obligations to Provide Assistance to Older Persons
Advisor: Lawrence H. Ganong, Ph.D.
- 1995 Wheaton College
M.A. Educational Ministries
Advisor: Carla Waterman, Ph.D.
- 1992 Central Bible College
B.A. Biblical Studies

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2006 - Present
Associate Professor
Human Development, Family Sciences, and Rural Sociology
University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, Arkansas
- 2001 - 2006
Assistant Professor
Human Development, Family Sciences, and Rural Sociology
University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, Arkansas
- 1998 – 2000
Senior Research Specialist
Student Life Studies
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri
Director: Gary R. Pike, Ph.D., Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs
- 1996 – 1997
Graduate Instructor
Human Development and Family Studies
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri
Courses: Adolescence and Young Adulthood; Close Relationships in
Families; Introduction to the Study of Families; Research Methods in Human
Development and Family Studies

PUBLICATIONS

- Weintraub, A. P. C., & Killian, T. S. (2007). Intergenerational programming: Older persons' perceptions of its impact. *Journal of Applied Gerontology, 26*, 370-384.
- Killian, T. S., Ferrel, J. (2005). Perceived Obligations of Remarried Households to Provide Financial Assistance to Younger Family Members. *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships, 3*, 23 – 43.
- Killian, T. S., Turner, M. J., & Cain, R. (2005). Depressive symptoms among caregiving women in midlife. *Journal of Women and Aging, 17*, 115 – 128.
- Killian, T. S. (2004). Intergenerational monetary transfers to adult children and stepchildren: A household level analysis. *Journal of Divorce and Remarriage, 42*, 105 - 130.
- Turner, M. J., Killian, T. S., & Cain, R. (2004). Lifecourse transitions and depression among women in midlife. *International Journal of Aging and Human Development, 58*, 241 – 265.
- Killian, T. S., & Ganong, L., H. (2002). Ideology, context, and obligations to assist older persons. *Journal of Marriage and the Family, 64*, 1080 – 1088.
- Pike, G. R., & Killian, T. S. (2001). Reported gains in student learning: Do disciplines make a difference? *Research in Higher Education, 42*, 429 - 454.
- Coleman, M., Ganong, L., Killian, T. S., & McDaniel, A. K. (1999). Child support obligations: Attitudes and rationale. *Journal of Family Issues, 20*(1), 46-68.
- Arnett, J. J., & Killian, T. S. (1998). Adolescents and the proposed tobacco settlement. *The University of Toledo Law Review, 29*(4), 653-665.
- Coleman, M., Ganong, L., Killian, T. S., & McDaniel, A. K. (1998). Mom's house? Dad's house? Attitudes toward physical custody changes. *Families in Society, 79*, 112-122.
- Ganong, L. H., Coleman, M., McDaniel, A. K., & Killian, T. S. (1998). Attitudes regarding obligations to assist an elderly parent or stepparent after later-life remarriage. *Journal of Marriage and the Family, 60*, 595-610.

PRESENTATIONS

- Sheng, X., & Killian, T. S. (2007, May). *The over time dynamics of intergenerational monetary exchanges*. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Sociological Association, Toronto, Canada.
- Killian, T. S. (2007, November). *Rural differences in longitudinal trajectories of monetary transfers from parents to adult non-coresident children*. Presented at the National Research Initiative Project Directors Meeting, Santa Clara, CA.
- Killian, T. S. (2007, November). *Rural differences in longitudinal trajectories of monetary transfers from parents to adult non-coresident children*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, Santa Clara, CA.

- Sheng, X., & Killian, T. S. (2007, November). *Intergenerational monetary transfers and relations with depression and health*. Presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
- Weintraub, A. & Killian, T. S. (2006, November). *Day service recipients' perspectives on their interactions with children in the context of an intergenerational center*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX.
- Killian, T.S. (2005, November). *Monetary transfers from older persons to their adult children or stepchildren across rural contexts*. Presented at the National Council on Family Relations, Phoenix, AZ.
- Turner, M.J., & Killian, T.S. (2005, November). *Predicting instrumental assistance and emotional support by children-in-law*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, Florida.
- Killian, T. S. (2004, November). *Household monetary transfers to adult children and stepchildren*. Presented at the National Council of Family Relations, Orlando, Florida.
- Turner, M. J., & Killian, T. S. (2004, November). *Motivations of daughters- and sons-in-law to assume caregiving roles*. Presented at the National Council on Family Relations, Orlando Florida.
- Turner, M. J., & Killian, T. S. (2004, November). *Caring for mothers and mothers-in-law: Does motivation differ?* Presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.
- Killian, T. S., Turner, M. J., Tanaka, H., & Cain, R. (2003, April). *Intergenerational relationships and well-being of young adolescents*. Presented at the Southern Gerontological Society, Richmond, VA.
- Turner, M. J., Killian, T. S. (2003, November). *Factors related to the quality of relationships between sons- and daughters-in-law and mothers- and fathers-in-law*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.
- Killian, T. S., Turner, M. J. (2003, November). *Depressive symptoms, caregiving, and physical health of women in midlife*. Presented at the National Council of Family Relations, Vancouver, British Columbia.
- Turner, M. J., Killian, T. S., Cain, R. (2002, November). *Depression among midlife adults: The role of caregiving and health*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA.
- Killian, T. S., & Ganong, L. H. (2001, November). *Ideology, context, and obligations to older family members*. Presented at the National Council on Family Relations, Rochester, NY.
- Killian, T. S., Ganong, L. H., Sharp, E., & Hardesty, J. L. (2000, November). *Obligations in romantic relationships*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.
- Pike, G. R., & Killian, T. S. (1999, November). *Reported gains in student learning: Do disciplines make a difference?* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Higher Education, San Antonio, TX.
- Li, G., & Killian, T. S. (1999, May). *An examination of students who left college: Their characteristics and reasons for leaving*. Paper presented at the annual forum of the Association for Institutional Research, Seattle, WA.

GRANTS (Funded)

2005. *Assistance that Older Persons Received from Adult Children: Longitudinal Differences Across the Rural Continuum*. United States Department of Agriculture, National Research Initiative. 3 Years. \$252,000.

GRANTS (Submitted but Not Funded)

2007. *Normative Obligations for Supporting Aging Parents: A Comparative Study Between the United States and the Peoples' Republic of China*. National Science Foundation. 3 years. \$442,819. Drs. Killian and X. Sheng were co-principle investigators on this proposal.

2005. *Rural Status of Families and Intergenerational Transfers*, National Institute of Health, \$31,544. Dr. Killian was fully responsible for this proposal.

2003. *Health Influences on Well-being and Marital Relationships of Midlife Spouses*, National Institutes of Health, \$50,000. Dr. J. Turner was the principle investigator. Assistance was also provided by Dr. K. Roberto. Dr. Killian wrote the methods section and provided editorial feedback throughout the process.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Spring, 2007

Adjunct Professor
University of Missouri ~ Columbia
Responsible for teaching Adult Development and Aging.

2003 – Present

Board of Directors
Family Network
Springdale, AR
2003 – Chair of Programming Committee
2004 – Chair of Board of Directors

Summer, 2003

Institute for Summer Research
University of Michigan
Completed One-Week Workshop
Examining the Health and Retirement Study