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Education

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Maryland in College Park, MD December 2017
*Dissertation: "*Coming Home as 'Wounded Warriors':
Identity, Stigma, and Status among Post-9/11 Wounded Veterans"
Comprehensive Exams: Military Sociology; Gender, Work and Family

M.A., Sociology, University of Maryland in College Park, MD May 2011
Thesis: "Who Embraces the Role of "Military Spouse"?
An Analysis of Factors Related to the Traditional Military Spouse Role"

B.A., Sociology, Beloit College in Beloit, WI May 2009
Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

Montgomery, Sidra. (*Forthcoming*) "Why 'Wounded Warriors' Aren't Created Equal." *Contexts.*

Kleykamp, Meredith and Sidra Montgomery. 2013. "Young Single Veterans and the Transition to the Civilian Employment: Does Marital Status Matter?" *Stress in U.S. Military Families.* Shelley MacDermid Wadsworth, ed. Springer, pp. 193-218.

Montgomery, Sidra. 2010. "Watching the Watchers: An Examination of the Portrayal of Facebook and MySpace in the Print Media." *Sociological Imagination* 46(1): 24-43.

Reports

Montgomery, Sidra. 2012. "Characteristics of Rural Veterans 2010: Data from the American Community Survey", National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics, Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC.

Holder, Kelly and Sidra Montgomery. 2011. "America's Women Veterans: Military Service History and VA Benefit Utilization Statistics", National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics, Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, DC.

Works in Progress

Kleykamp, Meredith, Sidra Montgomery, Alexis Pang and Kristin Schrader. "Military Identity and The Transition Out of the Military" (in preparation for *Military Psychology*).

Montgomery, Sidra. "Who is a Wounded Warrior? Authenticity, Boundaries, and Identity Among Post-9/11 Wounded Veterans" (in preparation).

Montgomery, Sidra. "Fakers: PTSD Stigma Among Iraq and Afghanistan Wounded Veterans." (in preparation).

Blog

Regular Blogger at Veteran Scholars (https://veteranscholars.com)

Grants and Awards

2015 National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant
Sidra Montgomery (Ph.D. Candidate), and Meredith Kleykamp (Advisor, PI)
"Identity Work, Stigma, and Status among Wounded Warriors"
Proposal #1518894; $11,164

2015 Recipient of the Charles H. Coates Graduate Research Award
University of Maryland, Department of Sociology

Research and Professional Experience

Research Assistantship, University of Maryland 2013-2016
Dr. Meredith Kleykamp

- Conducted 57 qualitative interviews with service members transitioning out of the military across two time-points (pre-separation and post-separation)
- Served as a project manager responsible for oversight of two graduate assistants
- Transcription, coding, and analysis of interviews
- Conducted 14 qualitative interviews with military spouses transitioning out of the military

Research Assistantship, University of California-San Diego Spring 2013
Dr. Mary Blair-Loy

- Coding and analyzing qualitative interviews for longitudinal NSF funded project on STEM faculty and cumulative disadvantage

Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington DC 2011-2012
Program Analyst
Office of Policy and Planning, National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics

- Demographic analysis on veterans using the American Community Survey (ACS), including the creation of an annual highlight profile report based on subpopulations of veterans.
- Main contributing author on women veterans report and rural veterans report; responsibilities included: data analysis, writing, background research, literature review, and formatting
- Assist in preparing analysis and statistics for Assistant Secretary policy and planning briefs

Research Assistantship, University of Maryland 2010-2011
Dr. Meredith Kleykamp

- Data analysis using Current Population Survey (CPS) on young veterans and the transition to the civilian labor force
- Collected, synthesized, and drafted literature review on young veterans transitions to the civilian labor force by gender and marital status
- Transcribed qualitative interviews from employers on hiring veterans

U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, DC Summer 2010
Summer Internship, Industry and Occupation Branch, Veterans Statistics

- Updated and reorganized "Veterans Statistics" webpage
- Compiled historical data on the veteran status question throughout all decennial census questions
- Data analysis using American Community Survey (ACS)

Presentations

*Invited

2018 Montgomery, Sidra. "How Wounded Are You? Examining Social Stratification in the "Wounded Warrior" Community." Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD.

2017 Montgomery, Sidra. "Not All 'Wounded Warriors' are Created Equal: Injury Visibility, Stigma, and Status." Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Reston, VA.

2017 Montgomery, Sidra. "Authentic 'Wounded Warriors"?: How Post-9/11 Wounded Veterans Use Group Boundaries to Challenge Stigma." American Sociological Association, Montréal, Québec, Canada.

2017* Montgomery, Sidra. *Meredith Kleykamp (advisor)*. Coalition for National Science Foundation (CNSF) Capitol Hill Exhibition. "Coming Home as 'Wounded Warriors': Examining the Experiences of Post-9/11 Wounded, Injured, and Ill Veterans." Representing American Sociological Association. U.S. Capitol, Washington D.C.

2017 Montgomery, Sidra, and Meredith Kleykamp. "You're Welcome: The Emotion Work of Accepting Others' Gratitude for Iraq and Afghanistan Wounded Veterans." Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.

2016* Montgomery, Sidra. "Coming Home as 'Wounded Warriors.'" Advising Practicum. Beloit College.

2016 Montgomery, Sidra. "But You Look Fine?!?: Comparing the Everyday Lived Experiences of Post-9/11 Visibly and Invisibly Injured Veterans." 4th Annual Military Social Work Conference, Austin, TX.

2016 Montgomery, Sidra. "PTSD Stigma among Iraq and Afghanistan Wounded Veterans." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.

2016 Kleykamp, Meredith and Sidra Montgomery. "Who's Getting Out? How Spouses Experience the Transition Out of the Military." Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA.

2016* Montgomery, Sidra. "Coming Home as 'Wounded Warriors.'" Spring Symposium. Lycoming College.

2015 Montgomery, Sidra. "Protecting What's Ours: Examining Identity Work and Status among Post-9/11 'Wounded Warriors'" Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Chicago IL.

2015 Kleykamp, Meredith, Sidra Montgomery, Alexis Pang, and Kristin Schrader. "Planning the Means and Ends of Post-Service Life: Examining How Servicemembers Transition Out of the Military." Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Chicago IL.

2015 Montgomery, Sidra. "Protecting What's Ours: Examining Identity Work and Status among Post-9/11 'Wounded Warriors'" American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL. *Roundtable Presentation*.

2015 Kleykamp, Meredith, Sidra Montgomery, Alexis Pang, and Kristin Schrader. "Planning the Means and Ends of Post-Service Life: Examining How Servicemembers Transition Out of the Military." American Sociological Society, Chicago IL. *Roundtable Presentation*.

2011 Kleykamp, Meredith and Sidra Montgomery. "Young Single Veterans and the Transition to Civilian Employment" Military Family Research Institute at Purdue University, Indianapolis, IN.

2011 Montgomery, Sidra. "'I'm Married to Someone in the Military': Who Identifies with the Military Spouse Role?" American Sociological Association, Las Vegas, NV.

2011 Montgomery, Sidra. "Who Embraces the Role of Military Spouse?" Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.

2008 Montgomery, Sidra. "Social Networking for Social Capital." American Sociological Association, Boston, MA. Undergraduate Honors Program.

Teaching

Undergraduate Courses:
Research Methods, Ashford University
Social Theory, Ashford University
Social Problems, Ashford University
Introduction to Social Science, Ashford University
Social Problems, University of Maryland
Introduction to Sociology, University of Maryland (TA)
Social Stratification, University of Maryland (TA)

Graduate Courses:
Diversity in the Military, University of Maryland (TA)

Professional Service

2015-2017 Military Family Advisory Network (MFAN) Advisory Board
2011-2012 Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Maryland, Department of Sociology

Professional Associations & Organizations

American Sociological Association (Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section)
Eastern Sociological Society
Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society