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Education

2009-present Clinical Psychology student
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
2003-2007 B.A., Psychology, Minor: English Literature
SUNY College at Geneseo, Geneseo NY
GPA in major: 3.91 GPA overall: 3.72

Honors, Awards, and Grants

2006 Psi Chi Honor Society
2006 SUNY Geneseo Foundation Undergraduate Research Grant
2007 SUNY Geneseo Foundation Undergraduate Travel Grant
2007 SUNY Geneseo Horylev-Tesch Outstanding Senior Award
2007 SUNY Geneseo Outstanding Research Contribution Award
2007 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

Research Experience

2009-present *Position:* Research Assistant, University of Tennessee
Supervisors: Deborah L. Rhatigan, Ph.D. & Gregory Stuart Ph.D.
Duties: Scheduling, and follow-up of research participants from the community as part of a longitudinal study on domestic violence; administrating structured clinical interviews; management of undergraduate research assistants on data entry and study organization.

2007- 2009 *Position:* Senior Research Assistant, Syracuse Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Supervisors: Paige Ouimette, Ph.D., Stephanie Martino, M.A. & Judith Andersen Ph.D.
Duties: Screening, scheduling, and follow-up of research participants; administrating structured clinical interviews; working with interactive voice response software for ecological momentary assessment of participants; creating databases in SPSS; managing data entry; training of graduate and paid research assistants on structured clinical interviews and other study procedures; preparing and presenting at in-services for staff at research recruitment sites in the community, collaboration on papers and presentations as part of several studies examining the relationship between Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and substance use.

2005-2009 *Position:* Research Directed Study & ongoing collaboration, SUNY College at Geneseo
Supervisor: Jennifer Katz, Ph.D.
Duties: conducted research focused on women's unwanted sexual experiences in heterosexual dating relationships; designed a cross sectional survey study; collected,

managed, and analyzed survey data for multiple projects, co-authored four posters, made one presentation, and co-authored one published book chapter and one manuscript published in *Sex Roles*; current collaboration has involved the design and implementation of a longitudinal study of women's experiences of unwanted sex involving daily diary internet assessments.

2005-2007 *Position:* Research Directed Study, SUNY College at Geneseo
Supervisor: Ganie DeHart, PhD.
Duties: Worked as part of a research team for a longitudinal study on sibling and peer Relationships; coded video tapes for physical and verbal aggression and conflict; collected data from families; made one presentation co-authored one poster.

2006 *Position:* Research Assistant, University of Rochester, Mount Hope Family Center
Supervisor: Madeline Boltz.
Duties: At a research funded summer camp for children referred by Child Protective Services for study examined drug use, community violence and resiliency in children 7-11 I collected tympanic temperature and cortisol collection; administering assessments; providing supportive listening; connecting at risk children with clinician referrals.

Applied Experiences

2006 *Position:* Community Internship, Alternatives for Battered Women, Rochester, NY
Supervisor: Carolyn Washington
Duties: Completed intake and exit interviews with shelter residents; answered calls to the domestic violence hotline; provided support to residents; sat in on group therapy sessions.

2006 Position: Teaching Internship, *Women's Studies 201: Gender and Sexuality*, SUNY College at Geneseo
Supervisor: Jennifer Katz, Ph.D.
Duties: Held office hours; monitored student blogging assignments; evaluated papers, group projects and other assignments; lectured and led discussion for one class.

Research Presentations & Publications

Peer Reviewed Journals

Katz, J., **Tirone, V.**, & Infantino, A. (in press). Going along with it: Partner pressure for submission and dating women's compliance with unwanted sex. *Violence Against Women*.

Ouimette, P., Wade, M., Coolhart, D., **Tirone, V.**, Goodwin, E., Semene, S. (in press). Reliability of the Longitudinal Interval Follow-up Evaluation (LIFE) for measuring PTSD course among Substance Use Disorder patients. *Traumatology*.

Ouimette, P., Read, J., Wade, M., **Tirone, V.** (2010). Modeling associations between Posttraumatic Stress Symptoms and Substance Use. *Addictive Behaviors*, 35, 64-67.

Ouimette, P., Read, J., Wade, M., **Tirone, V.** (2009). Measuring PTSD course among Substance Use Disorder patients: Inter-rater reliability and validity of the Longitudinal Interval Follow-up Evaluation (LIFE). *Traumatology*.

Katz, J., & **Tirone, V.** (2009). Women's sexual compliance with male dating partners: Associations with investment in ideal womanhood and romantic well-being. *Sex Roles, 60*, 347 - 356.

Manuscripts Under Review & in Preparation

Katz, J., **Tirone, V.**, & Schukrafft, M. (under review). Breaking up is hard to do: Psychological entrapment and women's commitment to violent dating relationships. Manuscript submitted to Partner Abuse.

Book Chapters

Katz, J., & **Tirone, V.** (2008). Childhood sexual abuse predicts women's unwanted sexual interactions and sexual satisfaction in adult romantic relationships. In M. J. Smith (Ed.), *Childhood sexual abuse: Issues and challenges*. Nova University Press.

Presentations

Moore, T. M., Sherman, A., Ritter, K., Elkins, S., **Tirone, V.**, Handsel, V., Kivisto, A., De Caestecker, S. Brown, M., Allen, L., Gordon, K., McNulty, J., Stuart, G. *Assessing risk factors for substance use relapse using handheld computers*. Poster submitted to the 44th annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Francisco, CA.

Shorey, R. C., Nathanson, A. M., **Tirone, V.**, & Rhatigan, D. L. *Dating violence victimization and alcohol problems: An examination of perceived support's stress-buffering effect*. Poster submitted to the 44th annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Francisco, CA.

Tirone, V., Walton J. C., Katz, J., & Rhatigan, D. L. *Daily associations between sexual coercion, affect, and relationship satisfaction among women in heterosexual dating relationships*. Poster submitted to the 44th annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Francisco, CA.

De Caestecker, S., Sherman, A., Ritter, K., Elkins, S., Handsel, V., Kivisto, A., Tirone, V., Allen, L., Brown, M., & Moore, T. (March, 2010). *The Relationship between Trauma History and Relapse Among Patients in Substance Abuse Treatment*. Poster presented at the Exhibition of Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.

Ouimette, P., **Tirone, V.**, Kimerling, R. Laffaye, C., Vogt, D., Greenbaum, M., & Rosen, C. (November, 2009). *PTSD, Depression and Barriers to Care Among Male and Female Veterans*. Paper presented at the 43rd annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, NYC, NY.

Tirone, V., Martino, S., Cohen, M., Carnrike, J., Maisto, S. & Ouimette, P. (November, 2009). *Reactions to trauma research among substance use disorder patients*. Poster to be presented at the Annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, Atlanta, GA.

Ouimette, P., Cohen, M., **Tirone, V.**, & Roll, J. (November, 2009). *Trauma and PTSD Symptoms among Methamphetamine Dependent Outpatients*. Paper presented at the 43rd annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, NYC, NY.

- Infantino, A., **Tirone, V.**, Credit, A., & Katz, J. (November, 2009). *Prospective effects of sexually coercive partner behavior on dating women's sexual compliance*. Poster at the 43rd annual convention of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, NYC, NY.
- Ouimette, P., **Tirone, V.**, Kimerling, R., Laffaye, C., Vogt, D. S., Greenbaum, M. A., & Rosen, C. R. (2009). *Facilitators and barriers to health care among male and female veterans with PTSD*. Presentation at the VA Health Services Research & Development Conference, February 11-13, Baltimore, MD.
- Tirone, V.**, Andersen, J., Wade, M., Possemato, K., & Ouimette, P. (2009). *Gender differences in Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and disease risk among OEF-OIF veterans who use VISN2 primary care*. Presentation at the VA Health Services Research & Development Conference, February 11-13, Baltimore, MD.
- Ouimette, P., Read, J., White, J., Colder, C., **Tirone, V.** (November, 2008). *Gender, Trauma And Ptsd Among Incoming Undergraduates*. Poster presented at the Annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, Chicago, IL.
- Possemato, K., Bishop, T., Silver, R., **Tirone, V.** & Ouimette, P. (November, 2008). *Gender differences among outpatients with posttraumatic stress and substance use disorders*. Poster presented at the Annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, Chicago, IL.
- Tirone, V.** Bishop, T & Ouimette, P. (November, 2008). *A pilot study of PTSD and Alcohol and Drug Use in Iraq Combat Veterans Recruited from Primary Care*. Poster presented at the Annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, Chicago, IL.
- Andersen, J., Silver, R., Bishop, T., **Tirone, V.**, Possemato, K., & Ouimette, P. (November, 2008). *False Positives on the PTSD Checklist (PCL) Among Outpatients with Substance Abuse Disorders (SUD)*. Poster presented at the Annual International Society of Traumatic Stress Studies, Chicago, IL.
- Ouimette, P., Wade, M., Andersen, J., Possemato, K., Cohen, M., **Tirone, V.**, Carnrike, J., & Martino, S. (October, 2008). *Do posttraumatic stress symptoms predict increased alcohol use? An analysis using ecological proximal assessment*. Poster presented at The Fourth European Association of Addiction Therapy Conference, Florence, Italy.
- Ouimette, P., **Tirone, V.**, Vogt, D. S., Daley, J. & Wolfe, J. (July, 2008). *Effects of PTSD on Women Veterans Perceptions of VA Healthcare*. Poster presented to the Veteran's Administration National Primary Care - Mental Health Integration Conference, Washington, D.C.
- Ouimette, P., **Tirone, V.**, Vogt, D. S., Daley, J. & Wolfe, J. (July, 2008). *Women veterans who use VA health care and report behavioral health problems: Care Perceptions and Preferences*. Poster presented to the Veteran's Administration National Primary Care - Mental Health Integration Conference, Washington, D.C.
- Tirone, V.**, May, P., & Katz, J. (November, 2007). *Childhood sexual abuse, past partner sexual coercion and gender based dating beliefs as predictors of women's sexual health assertiveness*. Poster presented to the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.
- Tirone, V.**, May, P., & Katz, J. (November, 2007). *Women's Experiences of Compliant Sex in Heterosexual Relationships: Connections with Sexual Coercion, Feminine Ideology, and Well-being*.

Poster presented to the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.

May, P., **Tirone, V.**, & Katz, J. (April, 2007). *Physical and sexual covictimization from dating partners: A distinct type intimate of abuse?* Poster presented to the annual SUNY Geneseo Research Symposium, Geneseo, NY.

Grös, K. S., DeHart, G. B., Smith, H. L., Hammond, A., Kohli, P., Mitrani, N. A., Olsheski, A., Tkachuk, S. L., & **Tirone, V.** (November, 2006). *Qualities of sibling and friend relationships as predictors of verbal, physical, and relational forms of aggression.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Boston, MA.

Invited Addresses

Martino, S & **Tirone, V.** (2008, July-August) Trainings on PTSD-Substance use disorder research. Syracuse Behavioral Health Outpatient Drug Treatment Facility, Syracuse, NY. Dr. Ouimette's lab was invited to give a series of presentations at to the staff at our recruitment sites. I assisted in the development of the presentations and spoke with Ms. Martino at several talks regarding the relationship between PTSD and substance use disorders and the ethics of conducting trauma research.

Ouimette, P., Andersen, J., **Tirone, V.**, (February – April 2008) Seminar Series on PTDS-Substance Use Disorders, Crouse Hospital, Syracuse, NY. Dr. Ouimette's lab was invited to give a series of presentations at to the staff at our recruitment sites. I assisted in the development of the presentations and spoke with Dr. Andersen and Dr. Ouimette at several talks regarding the relationship between PTSD and substance use disorders and the ethics of conducting trauma research.

Specialized Clinical Training

Addiction Severity Index, Blessed Orientation Memory Concentration Test, Computerized Diagnostic Interview Schedule, Clinician Administered PTSD Scale, Longitudinal Interval Follow-up Evaluation, Structured Clinical Interview for Diagnostic & Statistical Manual, Time Line Follow Back

References

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