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Curriculum Vitae-Revised August 2024

Current Position

2024-Present Dean of Undergraduate Experiences, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
2019-Present Associate Professor, Psychology Department, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA

Previous Positions

2022-2024 Interim Dean of Academic Services, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
2021-2022 Assistant Provost for Faculty Development, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
2019-2022 Director, Center for Teaching Excellence and Faculty Development, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
2013-2019 Assistant Professor, Psychology Department, Berry College, Mount Berry, GA
2013 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Psychological Science, Albion College, Albion, MI
2012-2013 Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow, Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute, Wayne State University

Education

2013 **Ph.D., Developmental Psychology (minor in Statistics)**
Wayne State University Department of Psychology; Cognitive, Developmental, and Social Program
Dissertation: “Family Socioeconomic Status and Children’s Reading Ability across the School Age Years: The Buffering Effect of Parental Social Support”
Co-Advisors: Drs. Ann Stacks & Christopher Trentacosta.

2011 **M.A., Developmental Psychology**
Wayne State University Department of Psychology; Cognitive, Developmental, and Social Program
Thesis: “Parenting Antecedents of Parent-Child Shared Reading Quality in a Low-Income Sample: A Pilot Study”
Advisor: Dr. Ann Stacks.

2009 **B.A., Psychology, Religious Studies**
Albion College

Teaching Experience

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| Introduction to Psychology | Parenting and Child Development |
| Research Methods and Statistics | Adulthood and Aging |
| Lifespan Development | Psychology of Poverty |
| Child and Adolescent Development | First-Year Seminar |

Published Manuscripts

Dexter, C. A. (In press). Supporting inclusive teaching: A Faculty cohort approach utilizing online training. *Journal of Faculty Development*.

Dexter, C. A., Wong, K. (2023). Circle of Security-Parenting randomized waitlist control study: Change in reflective functioning explains positive caregiver behavior. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*. [10.1007/s10826-023-02710-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10826-023-02710-0)

Nazione, S., Heller, L., Vredevel, A., **Dexter, C.A.,** & McElveen, M. (2023). Longitudinal effects of testing positive, quarantining, and pass/fail policy use on student GPAs during the first three semesters of the pandemic. *Journal of American College Health*. [10.1080/07448481.2023.2280841](https://doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2023.2280841)

Dexter, C. A., Wall, M. (2021). Reflective functioning and teacher burnout: The mediating role of self-efficacy. *Reflective Practice*, 22, 753-765. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/14623943.2021.1968817>

Dexter, C. A. (2021). Service-learning in an undergraduate adulthood and aging course: Using life stories to connect students, content, and community. *Educational Gerontology*, 47, 172-179. [10.1080/03601277.2021.1894531](https://doi.org/10.1080/03601277.2021.1894531)

Dexter, C. A., Johnson, A., Bowman, M., & Barnett, D. (2018). Kindergarten language risk and behavioral competency predict reading among African American second graders. *Reading Psychology*, 39, 763-786. [10.1080/02702711.2018.1538650](https://doi.org/10.1080/02702711.2018.1538650)

Julian, M.M., Muzik, M., Kees, M., Valenstein, M., **Dexter, C. A.,** & Rosenblum, K.L. (2018). Intervention effects on reflectivity explain change in positive parenting in military families with young children. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 32, 804-815. [10.1037/fam0000431](https://doi.org/10.1037/fam0000431)

Swayze, M., & **Dexter, C. A.** (2017). Working memory and school readiness in preschoolers. *Contemporary School Psychology*, 22, 313-323. [10.1007/s40688-017-0145-y](https://doi.org/10.1007/s40688-017-0145-y)

Dexter, C. A., & Stacks, A.M. (2014). A preliminary investigation of the relationship between parenting, parent-child shared reading practices, and child development in low-income families. *Journal of Research in Childhood Education*, 28, 394-410. DOI: [10.1080/02568543.2014.913278](https://doi.org/10.1080/02568543.2014.913278)

Dexter, C. A., Wong, K., Stacks, A., Beeghly, M., & Barnett, D. (2013). Parenting and attachment among low-income African American and Caucasian preschoolers. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 27, 629-638. [10.1037/a0033341](https://doi.org/10.1037/a0033341)

Stacks, A.M., Beeghly, M., Partridge, T., & **Dexter, C. A.** (2011). Effects of placement type on the language developmental trajectories of maltreated children from infancy to early childhood. *Child Maltreatment*, 16, 287-299.

[10.1177/1077559511427957](https://doi.org/10.1177/1077559511427957)

Manuscripts in Preparation

Dexter, C. A. (Under Review). Promoting well-being via faculty coaching. *Journal of Faculty Development*.

Pollock, M., & **Dexter, C. A.** (In Writing). The efficacy of extension of care.

Conference Participation

Presentations (Undergraduate student involvement noted with *)

Dexter, C.A. “*A Low-Cost/High-Impact Approach to Increase Inclusive Teaching on Your Campus.*” Paper presented at Lily Conference, San Diego, CA. January 2022.

Dexter, C. A. “*Supporting Inclusive Teaching: A Faculty Cohort Model.*” Paper presented virtually at the Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Network for Higher Education Annual Conference, Seattle, WA. November 2020.

Dexter, C. A. “*Using Free edX Courses to Facilitate Inclusive Teaching and Learning: A Faculty Cohort Approach.*” Poster presented virtually at the Society for the Teaching of Psychology’s Annual Conference on Teaching, Pittsburgh, PA. October 2020.

Dexter, C. A. “*Using Life Stories as a Service-Learning Project.*” Poster presented at the Society for the Teaching of Psychology’s Annual Conference on Teaching, Denver, CO. October 2019.

*Wall, M., & **Dexter, C. A.** “Using Teacher Reflective Functioning to Predict Teacher Self Efficacy and Burnout.” Poster presented at Berry College Student Research Symposium (April 2018) and at annual meeting of Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, CA. May 2018.

Dexter, C. A. “*Using Life Review to Tell a Story: A Service-Learning Course on the Psychology of Aging.*” Participant Idea Exchange presented at annual meeting of the National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, St. Pete Beach, FL. January 2018.

*Ketterman, A., *Rusia, R., & **Dexter, C. A.** “*The Effect of Text Variation on Parent-Child Interactions during Shared Reading.*” Poster presented at Berry College Student Research Symposium (April 2017) and annual meeting of Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA. May 2017

*Smith, J., *Andrews, M., *Claytor, A., & **Dexter, C.A.** “*Athlete, Musician, or Linguist? What’s Working Memory Got to Do with It?*” Poster presented at Berry College Student Research Symposium (April 2017) and at annual meeting of Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA. May 2017

*Maldonado, M., & **Dexter, C.A.** *Addressing the achievement gap: How Latinos form their educational expectations.* Poster presented at annual meeting for the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity in American Higher Education, San Francisco, CA, May 2016.

*Locke, M., & **Dexter, C.A.** *Working memory and school readiness in preschoolers.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, IL, May 2016.

Dexter, C.A. *Engaging students in experiential learning by creating a socially innovative and entrepreneurial mindset in the classroom.* Poster presented at Research on Teaching and Learning Summit, Kennesaw, GA, October, 2015.

*Kirkpatrick, B., Diliberto-Macaluso, & **Dexter, C.A.** *The use of digital and traditional art-making to decrease a negative mood and pulse rate in children.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, New York City, NY, May, 2015.

*Smyth, A., Diliberto-Macaluso, & **Dexter, C.A.** *The influence of body movements on encoding and story recall in preschool-aged children.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, New York City, NY, May, 2015.

Anglin, A., McDowell, J., & **Dexter, C.A.** *Conversations on sustainable coalitions—staying at the table.* Symposium presented at annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC, August, 2014.

Dexter, C.A., Wong, K., Stacks, A.M., Beeghly, M., & Barnett, D. *Parenting and attachment among low-income African American and Caucasian preschoolers.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health, Lansing, MI, May, 2013.

Dexter, C.A., & Barnett, D. *Using language risk and variation to predict reading ability in African American children: The mediating role of child behavior.* Poster presented at biennial meeting of the Society for Research on Child Development, Seattle, WA, April, 2013.

Dexter, C.A., Stacks, A.M., *Vila, A., *Singer, S., & *Burke, M. *High quality parent-infant shared-reading: The importance of being responsive and engaging in teaching behaviors during play as a parent.* Poster presented at biennial meeting of World Association for Infant Mental Health, Cape Town, South Africa, April, 2012.

Dexter, C.A., Stacks, A.M. *The mediating role of the home environment in the relationship between socioeconomic status and child outcomes related to emergent literacy.* Poster presented at biennial meeting of World Association for Infant Mental Health, Cape Town, South Africa, April, 2012.

Dexter, C.A., Stacks, A.M., *Vila, A., *Singer, S., & *Burke, M. *Examining the relationship between parent-infant interactions and shared-reading quality in a low-income sample.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health, Ann Arbor, MI, May, 2011.

Dexter, C. A. *A preliminary plan for evaluating Macomb County Early Head Start.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Merrill-Palmer Skillman Institute Lifespan Alliance Poster Day, Detroit, MI, October, 2010.

Bergeron, N. R., Stacks, A. M., *Dykehouse, T. A., Partridge, T., & **Dexter, C. A.** *The effects of community efficacy, neighborhood safety, and the parent-child relationship on preschool behavior problems.* Poster presented at annual meeting of the Merrill-Palmer Skillman Institute Lifespan Alliance Poster Day, Detroit, MI, October, 2009.

Dexter, C. A., Jenson, M. *African Americans' and Caucasian Americans' lay-representations of coronary heart disease and diabetes.* Poster presented at annual meeting of Association for Psychological Sciences, San Francisco, CA, May, 2009.

Popular Press

- 2021 "The Importance of Listening to Student Learning"
<https://www.facultyfocus.com/articles/online-education/online-course-delivery-and-instruction/the-importance-of-listening-to-student-learning/>
- 2020 "12 Days of Professional Development Opportunities"
<https://www.facultyfocus.com/articles/faculty-development/12-days-of-professional-development-opportunities/>
- 2019 "A Precious Family Heirloom" <https://mercyatlanta.org/2019/05/01/berrys-books/>
- 2017 "Parents Say Effect of SRELC Seen in Little Things"
http://www.northwestgeorgianews.com/rome/lifestyles/young_romans/parents-say-effect-of-srelc-is-seen-in-little-things/article_4afc0a26-32db-11e7-a25c-7b86738b198a.html
- 2016 "Sullivan Foundation Jolly Good Fellow"
<https://sullivanfdn.org/jolly-good-fellows/>

Honors and Awards

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| <u>2021-2022</u> | Governor's Teaching Fellow, Institute of Higher Education, University of Georgia |
| <u>2020</u> | <i>Martindale Award of Distinction</i> , Berry College |
| <u>2018</u> | <i>Awarded Dave and Lu Garret Award for Meritorious Teaching</i> , Berry College |
| <u>2014</u> | <i>Awarded APA Early Career Achievement Award</i> by the American Psychological Association <i>Awarded Early Career Travel Grant</i> by Society for Teaching of Psychology (STP) <i>Awarded Early Career Scholarship</i> by National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology (NITOP) |
| <u>2013</u> | <i>Summer Dissertation Fellowship</i> , Graduate School, Wayne State University |
| <u>2012</u> | <i>Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow</i> , Merrill-Palmer Skillman Institute of Child and Family Development, 2012-2013 |

Grant Funding

Course Development (Berry College Internal Funding)

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| <u>2016-2017</u> | Academic Community Engagement Course Development Grant, January, 2017, \$1500.00 |
| <u>2015-2016</u> | First-Year Colloquium Course Development Grant, December, 2015, \$1500.00 |
| <u>2014-2015</u> | Community Engagement Course Enhancement Grant, January, 2015, \$1500.00 |

Internal Funding of Research Program

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| <u>2018-2019</u> | Faculty Development Grant. \$1708.00 |
| <u>2016-2017</u> | Faculty Development Grant. \$3,000.00 |

External Funding

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| <u>2022-2023</u> | NetVUE Vocation Across the Academy Grant (PI's: Dr.'s David Slade and Marc Hunsaker (Grant Writing Team). \$90,000.00 |
| <u>2016-2017</u> | Family Engagement Community Grant (PI's: Dr.'s Jacquelyn McDowell and Carol Willis. (Consultant). Department of Early Care and Learning. \$10,000.00 |
| <u>2015-2016</u> | <i>Circle of Security Parenting in South Rome</i> (PI: Dexter). Rome-Floyd County Commission on Children and Youth Mini-Grant, October, 2015, \$1500.00 |

Grant Funding for Faculty-Student Mentored Research

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| <u>2019-2020</u> | Richards Undergraduate Research Support Grant, Callie Whitesell, \$276.00 |
| <u>2016-2017</u> | Ralph George Scholarship Recipient, Marnie Wall, \$4,000.00 Richards Undergraduate Research Support Grant, Rashelly Rusia, \$750.00 |
| <u>2015-2016</u> | Richards Undergraduate Research Support Grant, Madison Locke, \$1000.00 Ralph George Scholarship Recipient, Joelle Smith, \$4,000.00 Student Research Development Fund Recipient, Madison Locke, \$500.00 |
| <u>2014-2015</u> | Ralph George Scholarship Recipients: Monica Maldonado (\$5,000.00) and Baileigh Kirkpatrick (Co-Advisor with Dr. Diliberto) (\$5,000.00) Synovus Scholarship Recipient, Rashelly Rusia, \$1200.00 Psi Chi/APS Travel Award, Abbey Smyth, \$300.00 |

Professional Development

Teaching Development

- 2021-2022 Attended/Presented at Lilly Conference on Teaching, San Diego, CA, January 2022
- 2019-2020 Attended/Presented at Society for Teaching of Psychology Annual Conference on Teaching, Denver, CO, October 2019
- 2017-2018 Attended/Presented at National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology annual conference, St. Pete Beach, FL, January 2018
- 2016-2017 Participated in ACE Course Development Workshop, Berry College, June 2017.
- 2015-2016 Attended/Presented Research on Teaching and Learning Summit, Kennesaw, GA, October 2015
Attended Assessing Community-Engaged Learning Workshop, Mount Berry, GA, February 2016
- 2014-2015 Faculty Fellow, Algernon Sydney Sullivan Foundation
Attended Gulf South Summit, Auburn, AL
- 2013-2014 Member of 2013-2014 Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Teaching Mentorship Program.
National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology (NITOP) conference participant.

Program Development

- 2021-2022 Essential Coaching Training, Center for Coaching Excellence
NetVUE Conference, Dallas, TX, March 2022
- 2020-2021 Attended Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Annual Conference, (Virtual), November 2020
- 2019-2020 Attended Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, November 2019
Attended Lily Institute Conference on Facilitating Faculty Learning Communities, Traverse City, MI, July 2019
Attended POD Network Faculty Developers Pre-Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, November 2019
McAllister and Quinn workshop for college and university grants officers and administrators
- 2014 Registered Circle of Security Parent Educator

Consulting

- 2021-2022 Program Reviewer, Center for Teaching and Learning, Princeps College, IL
- 2012-2016 Research Consultant, Maternal Anxiety During the Childbearing Years (MACY)/STRoNG Military Families/Mom Power (PI's: Maria Muzik & Kate Rosenblum).
- 2010-2013 Program Evaluation, Early Head Start, Macomb County, MI.
- 2010 Curriculum Consultant, United Way for Southeastern Michigan, Detroit, MI
Reading Village.

Statistical Training/Software Proficiency

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| Multivariate Analysis | Weighted Samples Analysis |
| Structural Equation Modeling | SPSS |
| Meta-Analysis | Lisrel |
| Multi-Level Analysis | |

Statistics Workshops

Early Care and Education: Drawing Lessons from Weighted Samples, Ann Arbor, MI, July 2012

Child Development Assessment Training

Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ-3; 2009)
Bayley-III Scales of Infant and Toddler Development (Bayley, 2005)
Bracken School Readiness Assessment-3rd Edition (BSRA-3; 2007)
Brigance Early Childhood Screens-III (2013)
Devereux Early Childhood Assessment Preschool Program (DECA-P2; 2012)
Kaufman Brief Intelligence Test-2nd Edition (KBIT-2; 2004)
Preschool Language Scale-5th Edition (PLS-5; 2011)

Coding Techniques (Trained to Reliability)

2014-2018 Classroom Assessment Scoring System, Pre K (CLASS, Pre-K; Pianta, La Paro, & Hamre, 2008)

2011-Present Parent-Child Structured Play Interaction Procedure (Crowell; Crowell & Feldman, 1988)

2010-Present Adult-Child Interactive Reading Inventory (ACIRI; DeBruin-Parecki, 2007)

2010-Present Parenting Interactions with Children: Checklist of Observations Linked to Outcomes (PICCOLO; Roggman et al., 2010)

Professional Affiliations

APA Division 2: Society for the Teaching of Psychology, 2012-Present
APA Division 7: Developmental Psychology, 2013-Present
Society for Research in Child Development, 2012-Present
Professional and Organizational Development, 2019-Present

Peer Reviewer for Professional Journals

2011-Present Journal of Research in Childhood Education; Teaching of Psychology; The Journal of Early Childhood Literacy; Journal of Family Psychology; Developmental Psychology

Editorial Positions

2016-2019 Consulting Editor, *Teaching of Psychology*

College Service

College Wide Service

2023-2024 Vice President of Advancement Search Committee Member

2022-Present The Berry Journey Leadership Team

2021-2022 Diverse Learning Environments (DLE) Survey Data Analysis Group

2019-2022 ACE Faculty Advisory Committee

2018-Present Academic Council Committee Member

2016-2022 Faculty Development Committee Member (Chair 2018-2021)

2016-Present Bonner Scholars Program Advisory Committee

2019-2020 Faculty Hearing Committee
2019-2020 Dean of Personal and Professional Development Search Committee Member
2018-2020 First-Year Orientation Advisory Committee
2018-2019 Biology Department Search Committee Member
2017-2019 Council for Student Scholarship Committee Member
2016-2019 Faculty Co-Manager, Non-Profit Strategic Services (Student Enterprise)
2017-2018 Assistant Director, Residence Life, Search Committee Member
2017-2018 Math Department Search Committee Member
2015-2016 Faculty Assembly Parliamentarian
2015 Faculty Co-Advisor, Berry College Changemaker Incubator
2014-2016 Council for Student Scholarship Committee Member
Student Life Council Committee Member

Departmental Service

2021-2022 Psychology Department Search Committee, Tenure-Track Professor Position
2020-2021 Psychology Department Search Committee, Visiting Assistant Professor Position
2019-2020 Psychology Department Chair of Search Committee, Assistant Professor
(Developmental)
2013-2018 Psychological Society Faculty Advisor
2014 Psychology Department Search Committee, Clinical Assistant Professor

Community Leadership

Board Member

2021-Present Mercy Senior Care of Rome