

# Michelle Castel

Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

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**CUNY Lehman College** | Bronx, NY

May 2018

*B.A., Psychology*

*Minor in French*

Cumulative GPA : 3.52

## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Université Paris-Est** | Créteil, France

August 2016 – June 2017

*French Literature, Language and History*

## HONORS/AWARDS

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Cum Laude CUNY Lehman College

May 2018

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

July 2016

NYS Scholarship for Academic Excellence

August 2014 – May 2018

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Principal Investigator**

August 2020 – March 2021

*Project: The Psychological Impacts of COVID-19 on Black and Latino Healthcare Workers*

- Created an online questionnaire on psychological impacts using Qualtrics Survey Software and used Amazon Mechanical Turk to recruit participants
- Conducted one-on-one semi-structured interviews
- Transcribed and analyzed audio recorded semi-structured interviews

**Research Assistant**

October 2019 – November 2020

*Project: Critical Phenomenological Study of Black people's perceptions of Race Based Hierarchies in the U.S.*

- Collaborated with qualitative researchers to read, review, and summarize articles for literature review on race-based hierarchies in the U.S.
- Read and analyzed transcriptions of audio recorded semi-structured interviews

**Qualitative Research Investigator**

March 2020 – October 2020

*Project: An Autoethnographic Study: The Experiences of Black Women Academics in Higher Education*

- Developed semi structured reflective prompts to explore 3 Black women academics experiences in higher education
- Analyzed and accessed past and present mentorship experiences
- Explored suggestions for better mentorship practices

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Dangleben, T., Dazzell, L., **Castel, M.** (2020, October) Mentorship Experiences of Black Women in Higher Education: A Multi-autoethnographic Study. *Black Doctoral Network*.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**Intro to African American Studies** | Iowa State University *November 2019 & November 2020*  
*Guest Lecturer*

- Developed and taught two separate African American Studies lessons examining the Haitian Revolution and systemic racism both in person and online
- Facilitated a discussion with 27 attendees on the significance of the Haitian Revolution

**Social Psychology** | North Carolina State University *February 2020*  
*Guest Lecturer*

- Instructed students on the relationship between Culture and Gender of Black Caribbean women
- Initiated a conversation with 30 undergraduate students regarding cultural and gender norms in the Caribbean

**Lycée Raphael Elizé** | Sablé-sur-Sarthe, France *October 2018 – April 2019*  
*Teaching Assistant*

- Taught English to secondary and trade school students with an average classroom size of 15 students
- Created interactive lesson plans that improved English language skills and explored life in the United States
- Collaborated with English teaching staff to ensure that students achieved language goals

## **MENTOR EXPERIENCE**

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**DLM Research Lab** | Online *September 2020 – March 2021*  
*Mentor, Primary Research Investigator*

- Facilitated trainings regarding research processes and Black scholarly theories
- Mentored four undergraduate students along their personal academic journeys
- Supervised mentees throughout their chosen research projects

**Morija SDA Church** | New York, NY *January 2017 – December 2019*  
*Assistant Youth Director*

- Coordinated and managed events with guest speakers
- Collaborated with church board to discuss adequate funding and emerging projects
- Lead weekly bible study and Sabbath school discussions with youth from ages 13 to 22

## **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

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**School Professionals** | New York, NY *September 2019 – March 2020*  
*Assistant Recruiter*

- Conducted pre-qualifying phone screens on candidates.
- Scheduled applicant interviews and managed correlating division calendar.

- Addressed questions from public, employees, and outside agencies regarding current employment opportunities and application status.

## **CUNY LEHMAN COLLEGE**

**International Student & Scholar Office** | Bronx, NY

*September 2017 – April 2018*

*Office Assistant*

- Promoted study abroad programs at orientations, resource fairs, and freshman seminar classes
- Informed international students about resources, departments, and programs designed to support academic and professional success
- Managed e-mail and social media accounts to market events and workshops for students
- Advised students on the requirements for programs including tuition costs, dates, and housing

**Department of Languages and Literature** | Bronx, NY

*September 2015 – May 2016*

*Office Assistant*

- Corresponded with staff, students and faculty regarding course information, student permissions, and major requirements
- Organized office files, academic bulletin board, and student appointments

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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**Pi Delta Phi**

*National French Honors Society*

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Critical Race Theory; Haitian Diaspora Studies; Black liberation and resistance in the Americas; Ethnography; Language; Afrocentric/African-centered Psychology; African-based spiritual traditions in the Americas; Educational and Health Systems

## **LANGUAGES**

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**English** – Native

**Haitian Creole** – Proficient

**French** – Proficient

**Spanish** – Intermediate

## **COMPUTER SKILLS**

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Proficient in Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS), Qualtrics Survey Software, and Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)