### AHEC-SSW Training Partnership Consultant Information Sheet

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**Position/Title:** Doctoral Student, Royster Fellow, and Graduate

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#### **Education/Degrees:**

PhD student in Social Work, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Master's in Social Welfare (MSW), University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Bachelor of Arts in Women's Studies and Political Science, University of California, Riverside

# **Academic Experience:**

Lecturer in the Department of Social Welfare at UCLA in Winter 2018 and Winter 2020. Taught a foundational course to first year MSW students, specifically Human Behavior in the Social Environment.

# **Brief Summary of Work Experience:**

Prior to attending UNC-CH, Sarah was a Research Associate in David Geffen's School of Medicine and a Lecturer in the Department of Social Welfare at UCLA. Sarah's area of research focuses on youth and young adults impacted by commercial sexual exploitation in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems and their intersection with healthcare and social services as well as technology. She is currently the Co-Investigator of a pilot study focused on reproductive and sexual health among youth in foster care with histories of commercial sexual exploitation and was the Project Manager of a mixed-methods research study with the UCLA Commercial Sexual Exploitation Research Group. Sarah conducted

preliminary research in the red-light district of Tijuana, Mexico and practiced social work with women and children in the brothels of Old Delhi, India's red-light district. She has published 11 peer-reviewed articles and abstracts, 2 research reports, and 9 newsletter and magazine articles, including Forbes magazine. In 2017, Sarah was named number 20 of the top 100 Human Trafficking and Slavery Influence Leaders.

#### **Specialization/Research Areas:**

- Sex trafficking
- Child welfare
- Juvenile justice
- Technology

# Available for presentations on the following topics:

- Identifying and responding to sex trafficking in the United States
- Reproductive and sexual health needs of sex trafficked youth and young adults
- Judicial responses to youth experiencing sex trafficking
- Relevant information related to sex trafficking in the United States