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Education

M.A. Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies, University of South Florida, Tampa. Graduate Certificate in American Culture and Society. *Expected 2025*

B.A. Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, University of South Florida, Tampa. Concentrations in History and Women's & Gender Studies, and a minor in Queer & Sexuality Studies. 2023

Experience

Assistantship Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies Department, University of South Florida, Tampa. 2023-present

Facilitator Community Arts Initiative Program, Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa Florida. 2023-present

Internship TransAction Department, Equality Florida, virtual. 2021

Service

President USF Trans+ Student Union, University of South Florida, Tampa. 2022-2023

Historian USF Trans+ Student Union, University of South Florida, Tampa. 2021-2022

Honors and Awards

2024 Robert E. Loupo Jr. "Legacy of Change" Scholarship
2024 PRIDE Award for Outstanding Contribution to LGBTQ+ Life at USF

Professional Memberships

American Studies Association
WGS South (formerly the Southeastern Women's Studies Association)
Graduate Assistants United

Research Interests

Gender and popular music; transgender studies; popular music; popular culture and media; feminist theory; masculinity studies; queer theory; queer history; film studies; cultural studies; ethnography

Publications

Suor, Charles. "Sex and Music" in *Elgar Encyclopedia of Sex and Society*. Edward Elgar Publishing Limited, *in press*.

Conferences, Panels, and Presentations

- Suor, Charles. May 2024. *Party and Sounds of The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. Sunshine City Scare, St. Petersburg, FL.
- Suor, Charles. April 2024. *Transnational Transylvanians: Aliens of The Rocky Horror Picture Show as The Other*. Transnational Feminisms Mini-Conference, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Suor, Charles. April 2024. *Emo Through a Transgender Lens*. 13th Annual WGSS Research Colloquium, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Suor, Charles. March 2024. *Transgender Embodiment in the Classroom and Impact on Youth*. LGBTQ Caucus at Care Feminisms, Crip Futures, WGS South, Spartanburg, SC.
- Suor, Charles. March 2024. *Virgincore: alt rock for nerds*. Thinking Sex Conference, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Panelist. September 2023. *Conversations on Higher Ed*. TransNetwork, Tampa, FL.
- Suor, Charles, and Jackson Trujo, co-hosts. *Agenda? Why Yes, I Am*. 2023. <https://open.spotify.com/show/5TdGyHNIUMz5mA3C9scHdh?si=d2af400781f244b4>.
- Suor, Charles. April 2023. *Smash the Cis-Tem: Transness as Punk*. Undergraduate Research Conference, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Suor, Charles. March 2023. *"You should have raised a baby girl, I should've been a better son": My Chemical Romance as transmasc culture*. Weaving Just Futures: Feminist Coalition and the Cultivation of Long Memories in the South Conference, WGS South. Virtual.
- Suor, Charles. January 2023. *Smash the Cis-Tem: Trans, Punks, and Monsters*. Undergraduate Humanities Conference, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Suor, Charles. November 2022. *Emo Nite, or: Charlie's argument on how being trans is the peak of counterculture*. Trans+ Student Union, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.
- Long, Marble, and Charles Suor. March 2022. *Trans+ Representation in Media*. Trans+ Student Union, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

Media Appearances and Interviews

- Rumble, host. "Episode 2: Rumble Vs. the Weezelord." *Rumble Vs. The Airwaves*. March 8, 2024. https://open.spotify.com/episode/4X1wStObwKL7BVO1GXywoR?si=XN2KRnERRAiTLJk0QMu_Vg.
- Department of Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies at the University of South Florida. "WGSS News." Spring 2024. <https://www.usf.edu/arts-sciences/departments/womens-gender-studies/documents/2024newsletter.pdf>.
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- Saad, Julia. "LGBTQ USF students share concerns, expectations for 2023 Pride events." *The Oracle*, June 6, 2023. <https://www.usforacle.com/2023/06/06/lgbtq-usf-students-share-concerns-expectations-for-2023-pride-events/>.
- Trujo, Jackson, and Rumble, co-hosts. "Episode 22 - Charlie Suor." *This Ain't a Scene, It's a Podcast*. April 18, 2023. <https://open.spotify.com/episode/37NRfubfQGrRhlgSz6eJ1a?si=m1rdqTajRbmNa0uniPQ9Aw>.
- Sotomayor, Emanuel, host. "Trans issues in the anti-woke DeSantis era." *Zcast*. April 4, 2023. https://open.spotify.com/episode/0HFjosEJdXdljrewzoY0R1?si=U6nY7QB6QX-GleBi_2Q8Wg.
- Mullins, Carys, director. *You're Loved*. Humanity Rising and Tampa Bay International Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, 2023.
- Bargfeld, Laura. "Florida teen debuts trans visibility film as bans spread." *Associated Press News*, March 31, 2023. <https://apnews.com/6412de9ee2a747b7a0fc0427e6789108>.
- Hunter, Matthew. "OPINION: Stop correlating drag queens with pedophiles." *The Oracle*, March 30, 2023. <https://www.usforacle.com/2023/03/30/opinion-stop-correlating-drag-queens-with-pedophiles/>.
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