Adolescents and adults who are exploring the customs, culture, and history of their ethnic group are in the ethnic identity search stage, similar to Marcia’s moratorium status (Phinney, 1990). Many life lessons are learned through familial relationships, and such is the case when it comes to race, racism, and racial identities (Odenweller & Harris, 2018). The family is the first interpersonal network with whom we come into contact. We investigate whether media literacy and media use can moderate the association between U.S. media enjoyment and unhealthy eating among remotely acculturating “Americanized” adolescents and their mothers in Jamaica (n = 164 individuals/82 dyads; M adolescent age = 12.83, SD = 0.48, 48% female; M mother age = 39.25, SD = 5.71). When adolescents have advanced cognitive development and maturity, they tend to resolve identity issues more easily than peers who are less cognitively developed. As adolescents work to form their identities, they pull away from their parents, and the peer group becomes very important; despite this, relationships with parents still play a significant role in identity formation. We investigate whether media literacy and media use can moderate the association between U.S. media enjoyment and unhealthy eating among remotely acculturating “Americanized” adolescents and their mothers in Jamaica (n = 164 individuals/82 dyads; M adolescent age = 12.83, SD = 0.48, 48% female; M mother age = 39.25, SD = 5.71). When adolescents have advanced cognitive development and maturity, they tend to resolve identity issues more easily than peers who are less cognitively developed.
Chapter 4. Research Aims and Research Questions. 4.1 Current Work. Overall, analyses indicated adolescents develop their value orientations through a transactional process with their embedded contexts and key socialization agents in the face of socio-cultural variables. Findings confirmed adolescent-in-context ecological models of development and social change, and were reflective of value orientation-environment dynamics tied to the relative fulfillment of basic psychological needs. Taken together, the research suggests contextual support of.