# Jessica Jaye Spiegler

Researcher & Educator

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I combine my research background with professional experience in the education sector to improve social and health outcomes. My approach is interdisciplinary, drawing on both the sciences and humanities as needed to drive change and development.

## Education

### University College London

- PhD, Clinical, Education, and Health Psychology /Current
- MA, Educational Leadership /Distinction
- PGDE /Teach First
- QTS

### University of Exeter

– **BA Hons**, English Literature /First Class

## Professional Experience

## Autism Researcher /Sept 2023-

#### 9 University College London

My PhD research, funded by the John and Lorna Wing Foundation, focuses on the occupational experiences of autistic professionals.

Responsible for

 Study design, community recruitment and participation, data analysis and publication writing.

## Key Stage 5 Lead for English /Sept 2023 -

### 9 Ark Burlington Danes Academy

Responsible for

- Running the delivery of English provision across the sixth form setting, including curriculum development, writing, and supporting teachers in the department to deliver the programme.
- Teaching English literature to sixth form students.

## Skills

#### Research

- Mixed-methods research design
- Thematic and content analysis
- Survey design
- Interviewing (neurodiversity inclusive)
- Systematic review protocol
- Academic paper writing
- Statistical research methods
- Participatory research methods
- Overview understanding of the following coding languages:
  - o Python
  - o R
  - o HTML

#### Education

- Curriculum development (both at network and individual school levels)
- SEND provision
- Writing and delivering teacher CPD
- Trainee teacher mentoring (Ark and Teach First)

## Key Stage Lead for English and Curriculum Developer /2020-2023

#### **9** Ark Burlington Danes Academy

### **9** Ark Schools

Responsible for

- Creating and developing curriculum to be distributed across the Ark network of 40 schools.
- Organising and delivering CPD sessions for the academy's English department.
- Supporting the management of the department.
- Mentoring trainee teachers.
- Teaching the national English curriculum to pupils aged 11-18, with a specific focus on supporting pupils with special education needs.

## Tutor and University Ambassador /2017-2020

### **9** University of Exeter

### **9** CoachBright

- Delivering lectures to prospective students about university life.
- Supporting university outreach programmes by delivering employment workshops and university tours to school pupils across the UK.
- Delivering private and volunteer tutoring sessions in English and biology.

## Additional Skills & Other Experience

- British Sign Language (Intermediate)
- Italian (Intermediate)
- Adobe Audition
- Member of the UCL Research Culture Community Steering Group
- Writer and producer for a BBC Sounds audio piece