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Curriculum Vitae

University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions
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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy. University of Florida College of Education, Department of Special Education. Major Area: Transition. Area of Concentration: Rehabilitation Counseling.

Dissertation: *The relationships among high school students' educational aspirations, academic performance, and scores on a measure of college readiness.* May 1999.

Master of Health Science, Rehabilitation Counseling. University of Florida College of Health Related Professions, Department of Rehabilitation Counseling. August 1987.

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. University of Florida College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, June 1980.

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, 1987 – Present.

Certified Life Care Planner, International Commission on Health Care Certification, 2007 – Present.

Registered Mental Health Counselor Intern, State of Florida, 2002 – Present.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of Florida College of Public Health and Health Professions
Department of Behavioral Science and Community Health

Geriatric Care Management Certificate Program

Adjunct Assistant Professor. 2011 – Present.

Distance Education Graduate Courses taught:

- GEY 6203 Communications in the Aging Network: Family Systems and Care Planning
- GEY 6936 Professional Development: Clinical Experience in Geriatric Care Management

Rehabilitation Counseling Program.

Courtesy Faculty. 2009 – 2010. Clinical Assistant Professor. 2005 – 2009; Assistant In. 2003 – 2005; Professional. 1998 – 2003; Consultant. 1997 – 1998.

Provided academic instruction and clinical services in Rehabilitation Counseling Program.

Responsibilities included teaching graduate and undergraduate courses; coordinating practicum and internship courses and activities; serving on departmental and college committees; developing and maintaining the Department of Rehabilitation Counseling web presence; coordinating the Rehabilitation Counseling Department's self-studies for Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE) accreditation. 2000, 2007.

Graduate Courses Taught:

- Advanced Case Management and Consultation in Rehabilitation Counseling
- Diagnosis and Treatment of Mental Disorders
- Group Counseling Theory and Process in Rehabilitation Counseling
- Internship in Rehabilitation Counseling
- Practicum and Advanced Practicum in Rehabilitation Counseling
- Rehabilitation Counseling Theories and Practice
- Substance Abuse and Disability in Rehabilitation Counseling

Undergraduate Courses Taught:

- Clinical Observation/Independent Study in Health Science
- Critical Thinking in Health Care (Section Leader)
- Disability Management
- Psychosocial Aspects of Disability (Assisting Instructor)
- Rehabilitation Aspects of Substance Abuse
- Therapeutic Communication Skills Laboratory

Distance Education Courses Taught:

- Interpersonal Communication within the Aging Network (Graduate and Undergraduate). University of Florida Division of Continuing Education Geriatric Care Management Certificate Program.
- Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate). State CSPD program in cooperation with Florida State and Florida Atlantic Universities.

Department of Special Education, College of Education, University of Florida.

Florida *Network*: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs.

Interim Assistant Director. 1999.

Primary responsibilities entailed preparation and editing of publications for distribution by the State Department of Education; and consultation and collaboration on projects developed by graduate assistants.

Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida.

Academic Advisement Center.

Academic Advisor. 1994 – 1997.

Associate of Arts transfer degree advisor. Assisted individual students with degree planning, course selection, registration, and matriculation. Conducted large group information sessions during new student orientation.

Department of Special Education, College of Education, University of Florida.

Project LITE (Leaders in Transition Education) Doctoral Training.

Graduate Assistant. 1992 –1994.

- Resource Center Coordinator. Florida *Network*: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs; a funded project of the Department of Special Education. Collected, organized, and disseminated information on transition and dropout prevention to professionals in education and related fields, and to parents, consumers, and preservice educators.
- Research Assistant. Conducted and analyzed research in transition and dropout prevention issues; prepared reports, presentations, and publications based on research activities. Presented topical papers at state and regional conferences. Assisted 1993- 1994 President of the Division on Career Development and Transition, Council on Exceptional Children.
- Teaching Assistant. EEX 4280 Career and Vocational Education for Handicapped Students. Fall 1993. Team teaching format. Collaborated in developing course materials; prepared and presented lectures and coordinated selected field experiences in transition of students with disabilities for preservice special education teachers.

Department of Rehabilitation Counseling, College of Health Related Professions, University of Florida.

Instructor. 1990 –1992.

Provided rehabilitation services including vocational evaluation and vocational counseling to department clients; administered accounts in department clinic; served as guest lecturer in selected courses.

Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida.

Displaced Homemaker Program.

Counselor Aide. 1983 – 1984.

Assisted staff and participants in meeting program goals, facilitated career exploration and personal development of participants. Provided administrative support for program personnel.

Office of Admissions.

Admissions Assistant. 1983.

Provided admissions counseling for entering students; assisted in administration of entrance and exit examinations.

Office of Special Services.

Peer Tutor/Counselor. 1982 - 1983.

Provided academic tutoring and support services for students with disabilities; facilitated accommodations and accessibility; assisted program administrator with grant preparation.

Human Services Program/University Year for ACTION (UYA)

Teaching Assistant. 1981 – 1982.

Instructed nontraditional students participating in community oriented service-learning certificate program.

Courses included General Psychology, General Sociology, Skilled Helping, and Communications Skills.

Developed self-paced modular learning materials for psychology and personal growth courses.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Mental Health Counselor Internship. 2008 – Present.

Department of Community Health and Family Medicine, Behavioral Health Program, University of Florida College of Medicine.

Provide behavioral health consultation and rehabilitation counseling to clinic patients.

Geriatric Care Management. 2003 – Present.

Provide care management and consultation for aging individuals and their families, including rehabilitation placement; care planning and medical management; records management; financial monitoring; family intervention.

Care Management Consultation. 2005 – Present.

Practice consultation and coaching for geriatric care managers.

Life Care Planning Consultation. 1990 – Present.

Research and develop Life Care Plans and assist with development of plans for individuals with catastrophic injuries. Provide vocational capacity analyses for individuals with work-related or other acquired injuries and psychiatric disabilities. Additional practice in developing Geriatric Plans using life care planning strategies.

Rehabilitation Consultant. 1989.

North Central Florida region. Provided return-to-work and case management services to individuals with work-related injuries.

Cognitive Rehabilitation Specialist. 1987 – 1989.

North Central Florida. Provided community reentry experiences, adjustment counseling, work adjustment, and job coaching for adults with traumatic head injury.

AFFILIATIONS

American Counseling Association (ACA)

American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (ARCA)

Association for Creativity in Counseling (ACC)

Florida Society for Clinical Hypnosis (FSCH)

International Association of Life Care Planners (IALCP)

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP)

PRESENTATIONS, TRAININGS, CONSULTATIONS, AND SERVICE

Member, Development Committee.

Center for Independent Living of North Central Florida. 2012 – 2013.

Planning Strategies for Independent Living Needs.

Presenter. Center for Independent Living of North Central Florida. Staff Training. August 2010.

Life Care Planning: Overview and Information.

Co-Presenter. Brain Injury Association of Florida Annual Meeting. Family Forum. With Laura Pope, Rehabilitation Counseling Graduate Student. Oviedo, Florida. June 2008.

Best Practices in Client Interaction.

Trainer. UF College of Veterinary Medicine small animal clinic training. April 2008.

“Orientation to Internship.”

Presenter and co-facilitator. Gainesville High School/High Tech Program. Gainesville High School. Spring 2008.

“Transition Issues for Adolescents with Special Needs,” and “Healthcare Transition for adolescents with Special Needs.”

Guest lecturer. Case Management in Rehabilitation Counseling. Rehabilitation Counseling Program, Spring 2008.

“Personality Assessment.”

Guest lecturer. Vocational Services in Health, Rehabilitation, and Human Services, Rehabilitation Services Program. Spring 2008.

Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator Assessment and Interpretation.

Facilitator. Alachua County Metamorphosis Program, substance abuse treatment facility. Inservice staff training. September 2007.

Employability Skills Workshop.

Consultation. Alachua County High School/High Tech. Career exploration workshops and programming. Spring 2007, Spring 2006, Spring 2005, Fall 2005.

“Medical aspects of digestive diseases.”

Guest lecturer. Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Disability, Rehabilitation Counseling Program. Fall 2007.

“Orientation to Internship.”

Presenter and co-facilitator. Gainesville High School/High Tech Program. Gainesville High School. Spring 2006.

“Onward and Upward: Planning for Postsecondary Study.”

Presenter. Marion County High School/High Tech Kickoff and Training. Ocala, Florida. December 2005.

“Health Care Transition: Implications for vocational outcomes in individuals with chronic illness and disability.”

Co-Presenter. Southeast Region of the National Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Tampa, Florida. With Pamela Leibach Cohen, Graduate Rehabilitation Counseling Student. May 2005.

“Transition Issues and Rehabilitation Services.”

Presenter. Florida Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Gainesville, Florida. September 2003.

“Single-Subject Research Design.”

Guest Lecturer. Research Methods and Issues in Health Science. Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions. Spring 2003.

“Career Counseling and the Gainesville/Alachua County High School High Tech Program.”

Presenter. Regional Training, Florida High School High Tech. Gainesville, Florida. August 2003.

“Promising Practices in Dropout Prevention and Transition for Students with Mild Disabilities.”

Co-Presenter. Florida Federation of the Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Tampa, Florida. October 1994.

“Collaboration to Help Students with Mild Disabilities At Risk for Dropping Out.”

Presenter. Conference/training for professionals in Dropout Prevention and/or Transition. Tampa, Florida. June 1994.

“*The Florida Network: Linking Training, Research, and Services for Individuals with Disabilities.*”

Presenter. Joint Conference of the Florida Federation of Career Development and Transition and the Florida Special Needs Association Division of the Florida Vocational Association. Orlando, Florida. February 1994.

“*The Florida Network: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs.*”

Presenter. Florida Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Daytona Beach, Florida. September 1993.

“*Vocational Aspects of Transition Programming.*”

Guest lecturer. Preservice training seminar, Dept. of Special Education, University of Florida. April 1993.

“*Career Development and Issues for Transition.*”

Guest lecturer. Graduate seminar for special education teachers, Florida Southern University. Ocala, Florida. March 1993 and March 1994.

“*The Vocational Evaluation Process.*”

Guest lecturer. Preservice training seminar, Department of Special Education, University of Florida. October 1992.

Florida Representative, Southeast Region, National Rehabilitation Association (SERNRA), 1993-1994.

PUBLICATIONS

Florida Department of Education. (1999). *Dare to dream: a guide to planning your future (revised)*. **L. J. Perry, Ed.** Tallahassee, FL: Division of Public Schools, Bureau of Instructional Support and Community Education.

Repetto, J. B., Pankaskie, S. C., De Palma-Hankins, A. Schwartz, S. E., & **Perry, L.** (1997). *Promising practices in dropout prevention and transition for students with mild disabilities*. **Journal of At-Risk Issues**. Sum-Fall, (4) 1, 19-29.

Perry, L. J., Repetto, J. B., and Schwartz, S. E. (1994). **Promising practices in the State of Florida for dropout prevention and transition for students with special needs**. Tallahassee: Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Student Services and Exceptional Education.

Perry, L. J. (1993, Spring). *Tacachale: A six-star center of excellence*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 12-17. (Out of print.)

Perry, L. J. (1993). *Tacachale: Vocational activities*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 20- 22. (Out of print.)

Perry, L. J. (1993). *Blueprint for Career Preparation*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 23-26. (Out of print.)