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Education and Post Graduate Training

Ph D, University of Georgia, 2004.
Major: Social Work

MSW, University of Georgia, 1996.
Major: Social Work

BA, Texas Tech University, 1990.
Major: Social Work

Academic and Professional Experience

Associate Professor, Texas Tech University. (2010 - Present).

Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University. (2004 - 2010).

LCSW - Therapist. (1997 - 2004).

Contract Therapist, Walton and Newton County Georgia, Juvenile Courts. Treatment of Adolescents with Sexual Aggression (TASA) Program.

Intensive Supervision Director, Georgia Dpt. of Juvenile Justice. (1997 - 1999).

Counseling and community supervision of adjudicated youth and their families.

Social Worker III; Community Placement Specialist, Lubbock State School, State of Texas. (1993 - 1995).

Residential placement location & community supervision for individuals with mental retardation.

Volunteer Coordinator; Children's Advocate, Williamson County Crisis Center. (1991 - 1992).

Rape crisis and domestic violence intervention.

VISTA Volunteer, VISTA. (1990 - 1991).

Public housing intervention in Austin, Texas.

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Texas Tech University

SW 2301, Introduction to Social Work

SW 2311, Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Systems

SW 3311, Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Systems

SW 3312, Human Behavior and the Social Environment:Lifespan
SW 3333, Generalist Practice II
SW 3339, Social Work Research and Evaluation
SW 4300, Social Work Practice: Macro Systems
SW 5339, Foundations of Social Work Research

Directed Student Learning

Kaitlyn Milstead, Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Professionals' Perceptions Medication Use within the Adolescent Foster Care System Population," Community, Family Addiction Sciences. (September 2015 - May 2017).

Brittany Holcomb, Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Student attitudes toward sexual assault on college campuses: The role of religion, education, alcohol, and drugs," Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work. (December 2012 - March 12, 2014).

Paige Mason, Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Aging out: Outcomes of youth who age out of foster care," Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work. (January 2011 - February 29, 2012).

Teaching Awards and Honors

2015 TLPDC Faculty Spotlight, Texas Tech University. (May 1, 2015).

RESEARCH

Published Intellectual Contributions

Lavender-Bratcher, D., Elbow, M., Lowe, L. A., Kruse, M. (2018). Students' attitudes and experiences at a free clinic. *Journal of Practice Teaching & Learning*, 15(3), 57-74.

Barry, M., Lowe, L., Twill, S. E. (2017). Academic Librarians' Attitudes About Civic-Mindedness and Service-Learning. *Library Quarterly*, 87(1), 1-16.

Morrow, H., Lowe, L. (2016). Teaching Inclusion and Discourse: A Classroom Demonstration from Nepal. *The Advanced Generalist: Social Work Research Journal*, 2(1), 28-44.

Lowe, L., Twill, S. (2014). Social Workers as Civic-Minded Professionals. *Advances in Social Work*, 15(2), 278-293.

Karp, T., Gale, R., Lowe, L., Medina, V., Beutlich, E. (2010). Generation NXT: Building Young Engineers with LEGOs. *IEEE Transactions on Education, Special Issue on Outreach to Prospective Electrical*, 53(1), 80-87.

Lowe, L., Medina, V. L. (2010). Service learning collaborations: A formula for reciprocity. *Families in Society*, 91(2), 127-134.

Jones, C. D., Chancey, R., Lowe, L., Risler, E. A. (2010). Residential treatment for sexually abusive youth: An assessment of treatment outcomes.. *Research on Social Work Practice/Sage*, 20(2), 172-182.

Lowe, L., Clark, J. (2009). Learning about social work research through service-learning.. *Journal of Community Engagement & Scholarship*, 2(1), 50-59.

Lowe, L., Bohon, S. A. (2008). Specialized social work education: The case for social work with offenders.. *Families in Society*, 89(2), 293-301.

Lowe, L., Jones, C. D., Banks, L. (2007). Preventing dating violence in public schools: An evaluation of an interagency collaborative program for youth. *Journal of School Violence (Routledge)*, 6(3), 69-87.

Jones, C. D., Lowe, L., Risler, E. A. (2004). The effectiveness of wilderness adventure therapy programs with youth involved in the juvenile justice system. *Residential Treatment for Children and Youth (Routledge)*, 22(2), 53-67.

Risler, E. A., Lowe, L., Nackerud, L. (2003). Defining social work: Does the working definition work today?. *Research on Social Work Practice (Sage)*, 13(3), 299-309.

Lowe, L. (1998). Using the child behavior checklist in assessing conduct disorder: Issues of reliability and validity. *Research on Social Work Practice (Sage)*, 8(3), 286-301.

Contracts, Grants and Sponsored Research

Sponsored Research

Lowe, L., Speer, C., "Perceptions about use and effectiveness of e-supervision for clinical social work candidates," Sponsored by American Foundation for Research and Consumer Education in Social Work Regulation, Foundation, \$25,000.00. (November 1, 2016 - July 31, 2019).

SERVICE

University Service

Committee Chair, Social & Behavioral Sciences Core Curriculum committee. (September 1, 2016 - August 31, 2019).

Guest Speaker, TLPDC SLFF Speaker. (January 15, 2019).

Guest Speaker, TLPDC SLFF Speaker. (May 3, 2018).

Faculty Mentor, Service Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (August 2016 - May 2017).

Guest Speaker, TLPDC SLFF Speaker. (January 7, 2017).

Committee Member, Social & Behavioral Sciences Core Curriculum committee. (September 2015 - August 2016).

Faculty mentor, Service Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (August 2014 - May 2015).

Guest Speaker, TLPDC SLFF Speaker. (January 13, 2015).

Committee Member, Feminist Activist Award Selection Committee. (February 2014 - April 2014).

Committee Member, CCC - Social & Behavioral Sciences. (December 2011 - September 2013).

Committee Member, Graduate Program Review - Design. (December 2012 - May 2013).

Chairperson, CCC Committee - Individual & Group Behavior. (September 2011 - December 2011).

Guest Speaker, TLTC Jumpstart Program 2009. (August 20, 2009).

Committee Member, Service Learning Advisory Council. (August 2005 - May 2009).

Professional Service

Item writer for national licensing exam (clinical), Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), Culpeper, VA. (July 2013 - March 2018).

Reviewer, Journal Article, Journal of Social Work in Disability and Rehabilitation. (June 2016).

Reviewer, External Tenure, University of Memphis, Memphis, TN. (May 2015 - July 2015).

Reviewer, External Tenure, University of Mississippi. (September 1, 2013 - October 1, 2013).

Reviewer, External Tenure, Wright State University, Dayton, OH. (July 20, 2010 - August 17, 2010).

Public Service

Volunteer social work services, TTUHSC Free Medical Clinic, Lubbock, Texas. (December 19, 2012 - January 1, 2017).

Service-learning partnership, VistaCare Hospice, Lubbock, TX. (2007 - May 2011).

Guest Speaker, American Cancer Society Breast Cancer Support Group, Lubbock, TX. (September 2009).

Service/Performance Partnerships

TTUHSC Free Clinic at Lubbock Impact, Clinical Service, Experiential or Service Learning, Faculty supervise social work students and provide clinical; services to low income, uninsured persons seeking health care weekly. Lubbock, Texas. (2012-2017).

Life History Project, Service Learning, This community collaboration was initiated by a local hospice agency in the fall of 2006. Students enrolled in a 'Human Behavior in the Social Environment - Lifespan' course spent approximately one hour per week for ten weeks with either a hospice patient or an elderly citizen in an assisted living facility for the purpose of interviewing them about their life experiences and creating a 'product' which celebrates their lives. Examples of the end products include scrapbooks, video albums, photo collages, and memory quilts. Students apply course material to the citizen's life history and reflect on personal experiences both in class and in academic writing assignments covering different stages of life. Students have reported that the service learning experience changed their attitudes toward the elderly and issues of death and dying, improved their ability to appropriately apply course material, and educated them about social workers' professional roles. Hospice patients have reported that they enjoyed the time the students spent with them and valued the end products that they could pass on to their families after their death. Finally, the student service also benefits the hospice agency which is required by funding sources to provide a certain number of hours through volunteer work. Lubbock, Texas: 2009-2011.

GENERAL

Licensures and Certifications

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners. (2004 - Present).

Professional Memberships

National Association of Social Workers. (active).

Texas Deans and Directors. (inactive).

Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. (inactive).