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Licensures and Certifications

Licensed Clinical Social Worker #18245, Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners. (2004 - Present).

Education and Post Graduate Training

Ph D (Social Work), University of Georgia, 2004.
MSW (Social Work), University of Georgia, 1996.
BA (Social Work), Texas Tech University, 1990.

Academic and Professional Employment Experience

BASW Program Director, Texas Tech University. (2011-Present).
Associate Professor, Texas Tech University. (2010 - Present).
Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University. (2004 - 2010).
LCSW Therapist. Walton and Newton County Georgia, Juvenile Courts. (1997 - 2004).
Intensive Supervision Director, Georgia Dpt. of Juvenile Justice. (1997 - 1999).
Community Placement Specialist, Lubbock State School, State of Texas. (1993 - 1995).
Counselor, Williamson County Crisis Center. (1991 - 1992).
VISTA Volunteer, Austin, Texas. (1990 - 1991).

Courses Taught

Texas Tech University

SW 2301, Introduction to Social Work
SW 2311/3311, Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Systems
SW 3312, Human Behavior and the Social Environment: Lifespan
SW 3332, Generalist Practice I (Social Work Practice: Micro Systems)
SW 3333, Generalist Practice II (Social Work Practice: Mezzo/Macro Systems)
SW 3339, Social Work Research and Evaluation
SW 5339, Foundations of Social Work Research

University of Georgia

SOWK 5326, Foundations of Social Work Research
SOWK 5877/5835, Practicum and Seminar in Social Work

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. (2015-2017).
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. (2012-2014).
Paige Mason, Master's Thesis Committee Member, "Aging out: Outcomes of youth who age out of foster care," Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work. (2011-2012).

Published Intellectual Contributions

Lowe, L.A. & Speer, C. (2019). Perceptions about use and effectiveness of e-supervision for clinical social work candidates [Sponsor report to the American Foundation for Research and Consumer Education in Social Work Regulation, Inc.] *ThinkTech* [open-access digital repository]: <https://hdl.handle.net/2346/85068>
Lavender-Bratcher, D, Elbow, M, Lowe, LA, & Kruse, M (2018). Students' attitudes and experiences at a free clinic. *Journal of Practice Teaching & Learning*, 15(3), 57-74. DOI:10.1921/jpts.v15i3.1159
Barry, M, Lowe, LA, & Twill, SE. (2017). Academic Librarians' Attitudes About Civic-Mindedness and Service-Learning. *Library Quarterly*, 87(1), 1-16. DOI:10.1086/689311
Morrow, H & Lowe, LA. (2016). Teaching Inclusion and Discourse: A Classroom Demonstration from Nepal. *The Advanced Generalist: Social Work Research Journal*, 2(1), 28-44. <https://journals.wichita.edu/index.php/ag/article/view/165>
Lowe, LA & Twill, S. (2014). Social Workers as Civic-Minded Professionals. *Advances in Social Work*, 15(2), 278-293. DOI:10.18060/12063
Karp, T, Gale, R, Lowe, LA, Medina, V, & Beutlich, E. (2010). Generation NXT: Building Young Engineers with LEGOs. *IEEE Transactions on Education*, 53(1), 80-87.

- Lowe, LA & Medina, V. L. (2010). Service-learning collaborations: A formula for reciprocity. *Families in Society*, 91(2), 127-134. DOI:10.1606/1044-3894.3970
- Jones, CD, Chancey, R, Lowe, LA, & Risler, EA (2010). Residential treatment for sexually abusive youth: An assessment of treatment outcomes. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 20(2), 172-182. DOI:10.1177/1049731509333349
- Lowe, LA & Clark, J. (2009). Learning about social work research through service-learning. *Journal of Community Engagement & Scholarship*, 2(1), 50-59. DOI:10.54656/sclv7661
- Lowe, LA (2009). Voices from the field: Juvenile probation/parole specialist. In T. Maschi, C. Bradley, & K. Ward, (Eds.). *Forensic social work: Psychosocial and legal Issues in diverse practice settings*. (pp. 144-145). Springer Publishing. Available: <https://books.google.com/books?id=g2Fa0Mhf5eoC&lpq=PA144&vq=Laura%20A%20Lowe&pg=PP1#v=onepage&q&f=false>
- Lowe, LA & Bohon, SA (2008). Specialized social work education: The case for social work with offenders. *Families in Society*, 89(2), 293-301. DOI:10.1606/1044-3894.3745
- Lowe, LA, Jones, CD, & Banks, L. (2007). Preventing dating violence in public schools: An evaluation of an interagency collaborative program for youth. *Journal of School Violence*, 6(3), 69-87. DOI:10.1300/j202v06n03_05
- Jones, CD, Lowe, LA, & Risler, EA (2004). The effectiveness of wilderness adventure therapy programs with youth in the juvenile justice system. *Residential Treatment for Children and Youth*, 22(2), 53-67. DOI:10.1300/j007v22n02_04
- Risler, EA, Lowe, LA, & Nackerud, L. (2003). Defining social work: Does the working definition work today? *Research on Social Work Practice*, 13(3), 299-309. DOI: 10.1177/1049731503013003005
- Lowe, L. A. (2001). Book Review of: Szuchman, L. T. & Thomlison, B. (2000). *Writing with Style: APA Style for Social Work*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 11, 405-406. DOI:10.1177/104973150101100309
- Lowe, LA. (1998). Using the child behavior checklist in assessing conduct disorder: Issues of reliability and validity. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 8(3), 286-301. DOI:10.1177/104973159800800303

Contracts, Grants and Sponsored Research

- Rose, A. (PI), Lowe, L., Phelps, C., Speer, C., Rudd, B. A., Lavender-Bratcher, D., Alboroto, R., Cho, S., "Title IV-E Training, Social Work Program," Sponsored by Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, \$100,356.00. (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022).
- Rose, A. (PI), Lowe, L., Phelps, C., Speer, C., Rudd, B. A., Lavender-Bratcher, D., Alboroto, R., Cho, S., Durband, A., "Title IV-E Training, Social Work Program," Sponsored by Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, \$314,999.47. (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021).
- Lowe, LA (PI) & Speer, C (PI), "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. (11/2016 – 07/2019).
- Lowe, LA (PI), Jones, CD (PI), Banks, L (PI), & Nackerud, L. "Evaluating the Effectiveness of the Safe Relationship Program in Altering Sexual Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behavior in Adolescents" Funded by Safe Relationships Network of Gainesville, Georgia, \$15000. (2004)

Selected Presentations

- Speer, C. (Presenter & Author) & Lowe, L. A. (Presenter & Author), 2020 ASWB Education Conference (Cancelled due to COVID pandemic), "Perceptions about use and effectiveness of e-supervision for clinical social work licensure," Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), Chicago, IL. (April 2020).
- Lowe, L.A. (Presenter & Author) & Twill, S. BPD Annual Conference, "Social Workers as Civic Minded Professionals," Social Work Bachelor Program Directors, Myrtle Beach, SC. (March 2013).
- Lowe, L.A. (Presenter & Author), Engagement Conference, "Reciprocal opportunity: Service learning in a hospice," Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, TX. (March 2009).
- Lowe, L.A. (Presenter & Author), Medina, V., (Presenter), Gale, R. (Presenter & Author), & Karp, T. (Presenter & Author). Best Practices Conference, 3rd Annual Technology and Workforce

- Development Workshop, Recruiting and Retaining Engineering and Computer Science Students: "BEST way to the NXT Step". Dallas, TX (February 2008).
- Lowe, L.A., (Author & Presenter) Medina, V., Gale, R. & Karp, T. On Being an Engineer: Cognitive Underpinnings of Engineering Education Conference/ "Engineering can be fun" [poster presentation]. Lubbock, Texas. (February 2008)
- Meaney, L.S., Arellano, I., Lowe, L.A. (Panelist) & Tedeschi, C. Panel presentation at the 26th Annual Center for Public Service Conference. "Service Learning and the Non-Profit Sector" Lubbock, Texas (2007).
- Duran, C., Elbow, G. Lowe, L., (Panelist) Mercer, M. & McDonald, B. 3rd Annual Teaching and Learning Conference, Texas Tech University. "Pre-conference panel discussion: Learning in Community: Faculty Perspectives." Lubbock, Texas (2007).
- Gale, R., Karp, T., Lowe, L.A. (Author) & Medina, V. Meeting the Growing Demand for Engineers and Their Educators 2010-2020 Conference. "Generation NXT". (November 9-11, 2007).
- Jones, C.D., Chancey, R., & Lowe, L.A. (Presenter). 21st Annual Conference of the National Adolescent Perpetrator's Network. "Residential Treatment for Youth: Assessment of Changes in Functional Impairment and Sexual Interest." Atlanta, Georgia (2004).
- Lowe, L.A. (Presenter & Author) & Risler, E.A. 21st Annual Conference of the National Organization for Forensic Social Work. "Social Work Practice with Offenders: An Assessment of Attitudes and Experiences." Tampa, Florida.
- Jones, C.D., Banks, L. & Lowe, L.A., (Presenter & Author). 21st Annual Conference of the National Organization of Forensic Social Work. "An Evaluation of a Dating Violence Prevention Program in Georgia" Tampa, Florida.
- Jones, C.D. (Presenter & Author), Lowe, L.A. (Presenter & Author), & Risler, E.A. 20th Annual conference of the National Organization of Forensic Social Work. "The Effectiveness of Wilderness Adventure Therapy Programs with Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System" Phoenix, Arizona Phoenix, AZ.

University Service

- Committee Member, 3rd Year Faculty Review Committee for Dr. Seungjong Cho (2023).
- Special Project Chair, 2023 Reaffirmation of CSWE Accreditation for Social Work, B.A. at Texas Tech University (2022-2023)
- Committee Chair, 6th Year Faculty Review Committee for Dr. Andrew Rose (2021)
- Social Work Field of Study Advisory Board, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (2022).
- Committee Chair, 6th Year Faculty Review Committee for Dr. Debra Lavender-Bratcher (2021)
- Committee Chair, 3rd Year Faculty Review Committee for Bonnie Anne Rudd (2021)
- Committee Chair, 6th Year Faculty Review Committee for Cara Speer (2020)
- Special Project Chair, 2018 Reaffirmation of CSWE Accreditation for Social Work, B.A. at Texas Tech University (2017-2018)
- Committee Chair, Social & Behavioral Sciences Core Curriculum. (2016 – 2019).
- Guest Speaker, TLPDC Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (01/15/2019)
- Guest Speaker, TLPDC Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (05/03/2018)
- Social Work Field of Study Advisory Board, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (2018).
- Guest Speaker, TLPDC Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (01/07/2017).
- Committee Member, MSW Program Director Search Committee (2016-2017)
- Faculty Mentor, Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (2016 – 2017).
- Member, Social & Behavioral Sciences Core Curriculum committee. (09/2015 – 08/2016).
- Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee, Anthropology (2015-2016)
- Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee, Social Work (2014-2015)
- Guest Speaker, TLPDC Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (01/13/2015).
- Special Project, MSW Program development (2014-2017)
- Committee Member, SASW Executive Committee (2014-2017)
- Faculty mentor, Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (2014 – 2015).
- Committee Member, Feminist Activist Award Selection Committee. (2014).
- Committee Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Social Work (2014)
- Committee Member, Post-Tenure Faculty Review for Dr. Margaret Elbow (2014)
- Committee Member, SASW Ad Hoc Committee (2013)
- Committee Member, CCC - Social & Behavioral Sciences. (12/2011 – 09/2013).
- Committee Member, Graduate Program Review - Design. (2013).
- Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee, Sociology (2012).
- Chairperson, CCC Committee - Individual & Group Behavior. (09/2011 – 12/2011).
- Graduate Dean's Representative, Thesis Review (10/22,2009)
- Guest Speaker, TLTC Jumpstart Program 2009. (08/2009).

Faculty mentor, Service-Learning Faculty Fellows Program. (2007-2008).
Speaker, TLTC Presentation to Deans. "Spotlight on Service Learning" (2007)
Committee Member, Service-Learning Advisory Council. (08/2005 – 05/2009).
Committee Member, SASW Personnel Committee. (2006-2008)
Faculty Mentor, McNair Scholar's Program. (2006-2007).
Guest Speaker, SW 4340, "Research Methods Review" (2005).
Guest Speaker, SW 4340, "Research Methods Review" (2004).

Professional Service Activities

Peer Review, Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship (2021)
Clinical Exam Item Writer, Association of Social Work Boards (2013 – 2018).
Peer Review, Journal of Social Work in Disability and Rehabilitation. (2016)
External Reviewer, Tenure & Promotion Review, University of Memphis. (2015)
External Reviewer, Tenure & Promotion Review, University of Mississippi. (2013)
External Reviewer, Tenure & Promotion Review, Wright State University. (2010)

Public Service Activities

Social Work Services, TTUHSC Free Medical Clinic, Lubbock, Texas. (2012 - 2017).
Service-Learning Partnership, VistaCare Hospice, Lubbock, TX. (2007 - 2011).
Speaker, Juvenile Justice Association of Texas Conference, "Introduction to Working with Juvenile Sex Offender. (2007)
Speaker, Lubbock County Juvenile Justice Center. "Juveniles who Sexually Abuse" (2006).
Speaker, West Texas Juvenile Chiefs Association. "Juveniles who Sexually Abuse" (2006)

Professional Memberships

Member, Council on Social Work Education. (active)
Member, National Association of Social Workers. (active).
Member, Texas Deans and Directors. (active).