

Curriculum Vitae

Dr. Cayce Metzgar Watson, LAPSW
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LICENSURE

Licensed Advanced Practice Social Worker (LAPSW), Tennessee 2012 – present

Post Graduate Trauma Treatment Certificate, University of Tennessee College of Social Work,
April, 2024

DEGREE INFORMATION

D.S.W., Doctor of Social Work, Organizational Leadership, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa,
AL, May 2022.

M.S.S.W., Clinical Social Work, University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Nashville,
TN, 2000.

B.S., Social Work, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN, 1999.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Texas Tech University, MSW Online Program Director, April 2024 - present

Texas Tech University, Associate Professor of Practice of Social Work, January 2024 - present

Lipscomb University, Adjunct Faculty, January 2024 – May 2024

University of Alabama, Doctoral Dissertation Committee Affiliate, July 2023 - 2025

Lipscomb University, Granted Tenure, May 2022.

University of Alabama School of Social Work, Graduate Assistantship, 2021-2022

Lipscomb University, Associate Professor of Social Work, 2017-2024

Lipscomb University, Coordinator of Field Education, 2011-2021

Lipscomb University, Assistant Professor of Social Work, 2011-2017

University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Distance Education and Traditional MSW
Program, Adjunct Faculty, August 2011 – present, (summer)

University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Online MSW Coordinator of Field Education, 2010-2011.

University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Field Education Supervisor, 2003-2010.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

(SW 1103) Introduction to Social Work (online and traditional), Lipscomb University

(SW 2313) Policy Practice and Advocacy, Lipscomb University

(SW 3123) Trauma-Informed Care, Lipscomb University

(SW 3613) Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families, Lipscomb University

(SW 3623) Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities, Lipscomb University

(SW 4903) Seminar in Social Work Practice, Lipscomb University

(SW 303V) Chemical Dependency, Models, and Interventions, Lipscomb University

(SW 4523) Capstone Research in Social Work Practice, Lipscomb University

(SW 4523) Applied Research, Lipscomb University

(SW 4513) Research Methods for Social Work, Lipscomb University

(SW 200) History of Social Welfare (online), University of Alabama

GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

(SW 6370) Special Topics in Trauma-Informed Practice, online, Texas Tech University

(SW 6356) Practice with Organizations and Communities, online Texas Tech University

(SW 6357) Advanced Research, online, Texas Tech University

(SW 6350) Advanced Practice with Individuals, online, Texas Tech University

(SW 519) Social Work Research (online and traditional), University of Tennessee

(SW 539) Leadership in Social Work (online), University of Tennessee

(SW 563) Systematic Planning and Evaluation for Practice (online), University of Tennessee

(SW 564) Substance Use Disorders (online and traditional), University of Tennessee

Online Foundation and Concentration Field Seminar, University of Tennessee

COURSE DEVELOPMENT & REDESIGN

(SW 6370) Special Topics in Trauma-Informed Practice, online, Texas Tech University

(SW 6355) Social Work with Groups, Texas Tech University

(SW 6357) Advanced Research, Texas Tech University

(SW 6356) Advanced Communities and Organizations, Texas Tech University

(SW 5332) Foundation Practice I, Texas Tech University

(SW 6350) Practice with Individuals, Texas Tech University

(SW 3123) Trauma-Informed Care, Lipscomb University

(SW 303V) Chemical Dependency, Models, and Interventions, Lipscomb University

(SW 4523) Capstone Research in Social Work Practice, Redesign, Lipscomb University

POST MASTERS SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Clinical Research Coordinator, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Department of Addiction Medicine Research, Nashville, TN, 2005-2010.

Behavioral Health and Medical Studies Research Coordinator, Tennessee Christian Medical Center, Madison, TN, 2004-2005.

Clinical Social Worker, Psychiatric Hospital at Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN, 2000-2004.

CLINICAL RESEARCH COORDINATOR EXPERIENCE

2004 Clinical evaluation of the safety and effectiveness of approved platelet concentrate and an investigational medical device compared to standard care of lower extremity chronic diabetic ulcers

2004 A multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 11 study of efficacy and safety of an investigational drug in subjects with mild to moderate Alzheimer's disease

2005 A randomized, double-blind, and antipsychotic-referenced, parallel-group efficacy and safety study of two fixed doses of an investigational antipsychotic in the treatment of Schizophrenia

2005 A randomized, double-blind, antipsychotic-referenced, parallel-group safety and efficacy study of flexible doses of an investigational antipsychotic in the long-term treatment of Schizophrenia

2005 A multicenter, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study of antipsychotic monotherapy in the treatment of acutely manic patients with Bipolar Disorder

2005 A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, safety and tolerability study of an investigational antipsychotic in the treatment of elderly patients with psychotic symptoms

2005-2010 Maternal Opioid Treatment (MOTHER Study), funded NIH and NIDA Grant

2005-2011 “Maternal Opioid study; Human Experimental Research” and DNA Sub-Study

PUBLICATIONS

Watson, C., Mallory, A., & Crossland, A. (2019). The spiritual and ethical implications of medication-assisted recovery in pregnancy: Preserving the dignity and worth of mother and baby. *The Journal of Social Work & Christianity*.

Adams, S., Morse, S., Choi, S., **Watson, C.**, & Bride, B. (2017). Substance use and mental health treatment retention among young adults. *Global Journal of Addiction & Rehabilitative Medicine*, 1(3) 555564.

Bride, B. E., MacMaster, S., Morse, S. A., **Watson, C.**, Choi, S., & Seitters, J. (2016). A comparison of opioid and non-opioid substance users in residential treatment for co-occurring substance use and mental disorders. *Social Work in Public Health*, 31(7), 678-687.

Morse, S. A., **Watson, C.**, MacMaster, S., & Bride, B. E. (2015). Baseline characteristics and retention of older and younger adults in residential treatment for co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders. *Journal of Dual Diagnosis*, 11(1), 75-82.

Watson, C. (2022, March). Prevention-Based Wellness Among BSW Field Students: A Feasibility Study of Self-Care Practices and Self-Compassion. University of Alabama Library Open Access Publishing, DSW Capstone, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Watson, C., Chaffin, K., & Mallory, K. (2018, July). Clinical practice, social Justice, and ACEs: Bridging the gap with science. *The New Social Work Magazine*, 25(3), 28-29.

Watson, C., Chaffin, K., & Mallory, K. (2018). ACEs, poverty, and toxic stress: Evidence-based policy change [Faculty Resources for Teaching Policy]. Council on Social Work Education Policy Clearing House. Alexandria, Virginia.

Watson, C. (2018). Stigma, harm reduction, and public health. [Faculty Resources for Teaching Policy]. Council on Social Work Education Policy Clearinghouse. Alexandria, Virginia.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (2017, January). The criminalization of addiction in pregnancy: Is this what justice looks like? *The New Social Worker Magazine* 24(1), 14-16.

Morse, S. & **Watson, C.** (2016). Factors influencing dual diagnosis treatment retention; *Paradigm Magazine*, 20(1), 20-21.

MacMaster, S. A., Morse, S., Bride, B., Seiders, J., & **Watson, C.** (2015). Opiate-use patients attending residential treatment: characteristics, outcomes, and implications for practice. Abstracts from the 2014 Addiction Health Services Research (AHSR) Conference, 10 (Suppl 1), *Addiction Science & Clinical Practice, A:36*. Report available at National Center for Biotechnology Information, U.S. National Library of Medicine.

Watson, C. (2015). The positive impact of the social worker on addiction treatment: An interview, Futures of Palm Beach. Retrieved from:
<https://www.futuresofpalmbeach.com/addiction-treatment/positive-impact-of-social-worker/>

Watson, C. (2015, March). When “Just Say No” is not enough: Teaching harm reduction. *The New Social Worker Online*, Retrieved from <https://www.socialworker.com/extras/social-work-month-2015/when-just-say-no-is-not-enough-teaching-harm-reduction/>

Watson, C. (2014, June). Generalist social work: A unified approach to practice. *Social Justice Solutions*, Retrieved from <http://www.socialjusticesolutions.org/2014/06/09/generalist-social-work-unified-approach-practice/>

Watson, C. (2014, March). The strengths perspective: It’s more than some catchy tagline. *Social Justice Solutions*, Retrieved From
<http://www.socialjusticesolutions.org/2014/03/24/strengths-perspective-catchy-tagline/>

CITATIONS OF PRIMARY/CO-AUTHORED WORK IN TEXTBOOKS

Van Wormer, K. Social Work and Social Welfare: A Human Rights Foundation.

Van Wormer, K. & Davis, D. Addiction Treatment: A Strengths Perspective 4th Edition

Van Wormer, K. & Davis, D. Addiction Treatment: A Strengths Perspective 5th Edition

MEDIA

Foltz, J. (2022, November). Compassion fatigue: “eventually the foundation will collapse” Interview with **Dr. Cayce Watson** Faculty Research Series, Herd Media,
<https://lipscombmedia.com/compassion-fatigue-eventually-the-foundation-will-collapse/>

GRANTS & CONSULTING

2022 - 2025: Subject Matter Consultant, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration PPW Grant (2.6 million 5-year project) Mending Rainbows, Nashville, TN.

2014-2015: Rejoice School of Ballet, Nashville, TN; July 2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015: Community Foundation Grant (\$30,000 awarded in total)

2013 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Non-profit Nomination, Author

CSWE SELF-STUDY PRIMARY AUTHORSHIP

2020-2021 Accreditation Standard II, Volume I, Lipscomb University Social Work Department

THESIS & DISSERTATION COMMITTEE MEMBER

2023-2025 DSW Capstone, Subject Expert, University of Alabama, DSW program

2022-2023 Thesis Committee Member, Implications of Assortative Mating, Birth Control, and Fertility in Online Dating, Psychology and Counseling Department, Lipscomb University

PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Phi Alpha Honor Society

Good Clinical Practice Research Coordinator Training Certified June 2004 to present

Member, Council on Social Work Education

Member, Council on Undergraduate Research

Member, North American Network of Field Educators and Field Directors

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2025-present HOPE Champion

2024- present HOPE Facilitator

2024 Women of Worth Family Sponsor

2023-2024 NASW TN, Social Work Day on the Hill Planning Committee

2023-2024 Connecting for Children's Justice Statewide Conference, Steering Committee

2018-2022 Ellis Middle School PTO Volunteer

2018 - present, designated Building Strong Brains Trainer, Tennessee

2017-2020 Board Member, Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare

2014-2020 Voting Member, Institutional Review Board, Foundations Recovery Network

2012-2020 Advisory Board, Rejoice School of Ballet

2012-2014 Team leader and top team fundraiser Nashville ALS Walk

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2026 Consultant, Professor of Practice Search Committee

2025 Hogg Scholarship Committee Reviewer

2025-present Curriculum and Assessment Committee

2025 Spring Semester TTU Social Work Department, Strategic Planning Committee

2025 Graduate Student Research Poster Presentation Judge, Virtual, Texas Tech University

2025- present Social Work Scholarship Committee

2024 – present Online Program Admissions Committee, Chair

2024-2026 Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Grand Rounds Planning Committee

2024 Hogg Scholarship Reviewer, Department of Social Work

2024 Program Assessment Reviewer, College of Arts and Sciences, Texas Tech University

2024 Co-Chair, Professor of Practice Search Committee, Social Work Department, Texas Tech University

2024 Search Committee Member, Director of Field Education, Social Work Department, Texas Tech University

2023 - 2024 Sponsor, Student Civic Engagement and Advocacy Club, Lipscomb University

2023 - 2024 present Advisory Council Member, Center for Teaching and Learning, Lipscomb University

2023 Co-Chair Faculty Research Day, College of Arts and Sciences, Lipscomb University

2023-2024 Faculty Sponsor Kappa Chi Student Club for women, Lipscomb University

2023 Counseling Center Case Manager Search Committee, Lipscomb University

2022-2024 Academic Advisory Committee, Faculty Senate, Lipscomb University

2022-2023 Faculty Research Day Committee, Lipscomb University

2022 Chair Student Scholar Symposium Poster Presentations, Lipscomb University

2021 Co-Chair Student Scholar Symposium Poster Presentations, Lipscomb University

2022-2023 Pi Beta Sigma, Faculty Sponsor, Lipscomb University, Social Work Department

2021-2023 Faculty Senate Representative, Lipscomb University

2021-2022 Faculty Welfare Committee, Faculty Senate, Lipscomb University

2018-2020 College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean Search Committee, Lipscomb University

2018-2023 Designated LIGHT Faculty, Lipscomb University

2017-2020 Faculty Mentor, Provost Office, Lipscomb University

2017-2018 Social Work Chair Search Committee, College of Liberal Arts, Lipscomb University

2017-2018 Chair, Safe Learning for Diverse Students Committee, Lipscomb University

2017-2024 Voting Member, Institutional Review Board, Lipscomb University

2016-2022 Faculty Advisory Council, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Lipscomb University

2016-2018 Faculty Brown Bag Research Committee, Lipscomb University

2014-2023 IDEAL Faculty Partner, Lipscomb University

2013-2014 Canvas Pilot Tester, Center for Teaching and Learning, Lipscomb University

2013-2023 Administrator, Lipscomb Social Work Social Media and Alumni Group

2012-2013 Conference Coordinator, Human Trafficking Conference, Lipscomb University

2012-2023 Designated Service Learning (SALT) Faculty Partner, Lipscomb University

2012-2023 Academic Advisor, Social Work, Lipscomb University

2012-2014 Strengths-based Advisor, Career Center, Lipscomb University

2011-2012 Joshua Project Mentor, Lipscomb University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & SCHOLARSHIP

2026 Task Group Member, Competencies 5 & 10, CSWE Specialized Practice Curricular Guide on Substance Use Social Work

2026 Peer Reviewer, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting

2026 to present Reviewer Appointment, Journal on Social Work Education

2024 Book Proposal Reviewer, NASW Press, July 2024

2024 Session Chair, Group XX, Graduate Student Poster Presentations, Lipscomb University Student Scholars Symposium, Nashville, TN.

2024 Phase II Peer Reviewer, Co-Chair Spirituality Track, Council on Social Work Education, Annual Program Meeting

2024 Peer Reviewer, National Council on Undergraduate Research, Annual Program

2023 - present Trained Peer Reviewer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Division of Grant Review, Rockville, MD

2023 Co-Chair Spirituality Track Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA

2023-2026 to present Co-Chair Spirituality Track, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program

2023 Peer Reviewer, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting

2023 Peer Reviewer, Connecting for Children's Justice Conference, Tennessee

2022-2023 Co-Chair, Tennessee Statewide Field Education Consortium

2021-2022 Doctoral Representative, University of Alabama, Professional Preparedness Committee

2020-2022 Vice-Chair, Tennessee Field Education Consortium

2018 Peer Reviewer, National Council on Undergraduate Research, Poster Sessions, Annual Program

2018 Guest Peer-Review Editor, Journal of Social Work and Christianity

2017 North American Association of Christian Social Workers, National Conference Planning Committee

2016 Conference Reviewer: North American Association of Christian Social Workers Annual Program. Ethics Track

2016-2017 Conference Reviewer: North American Association of Christian Social Workers Annual Program, Trauma Track

2016-2017 Peer Reviewer: Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting

2015-2016: Peer Reviewer: Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting

2016 Invited Lecture, University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Harm Reduction

2015 Invited Lecturer, University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Harm Reduction

2014-2015 North American Association of Christian Social Workers, Developed 4 Hour CEU Text-Based Web Training, Online CEU Institute

2014-2015 North American Association of Christian Social Workers, Development of Assessments/ Training Materials for Online CEU Institute, "Good Grief: Interventions Supporting Bereaved Children"

PROFESSIONAL & PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Watson, C. (February 2026). Invited Lecture: Research Ethics, University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (November 2025). Introduction to HOPE, Connecting for Children's Justice Conference, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. and Maxwell, A. (May 2025). Grounded Values and Guided By Hope, Williamson County School Social Work Continuing Education Conference, Franklin, TN.

Watson, C. (April 2025). Invited Lecture: Inquiry to Impact, University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Nashville Campus.

Watson, C. (March 2025). Intro to HOPE Training: SUD Grant staff, Mending Hearts, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (November 2024). Introduction to HOPE training, Children's Advocacy Center Prevention Education Staff, Chattanooga, TN (Virtual Workshop).

Watson, C. (October 2024). Trauma Sensitive Teaching Practices, NACSW Annual Convention, Dallas Texas; Virtual Track, Social Work Education and Teaching

Watson, C. (May 2024). Trauma-Informed Teaching, Renew Conference, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN.

Rossmiller, J., **Watson, C.**, and Maxwell, A. (April 2024). Protecting American Children: A Social-Ecological Analysis of PACTPA, Student Scholar Symposium, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Friel, H. & **Watson, C.** (April 2024). MyPOV: Promoting Self Efficacy and Empowerment Amongst Foster Youth, Student Scholar Symposium, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Hurst, S. & **Watson, C.** (April 2024). Interpersonal Violence and Educational Outcomes: From Impact to Solution, Student Scholar Symposium, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Nguyen, S. & **Watson, C.** (April 2024). Intersection of Sexual Violence and Dance: Increasing the Knowledge of Dance Instructors, Student Scholar Symposium, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Bancroft, E., & **Watson, C.** (April 2024). Reducing Caregiver Burden: Supporting Older Adults with Dementia, Student Scholar Symposium, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Watson, C. (March, 2024). Leveraging Protective Factors in Trauma Informed Care, Tennessee Counselors Association, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (March, 2024). Trauma-Informed Teaching, Center for Teaching and Learning, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (February, 2024). The Intersection of Health Equity and Social Work: Harnessing Upstream Advocacy. NASW Middle Tennessee Branch, Continuing Education Series, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (November, 2023) Trauma Awareness and Trauma Informed Care, Mending Hearts Treatment Center, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (November, 2023). Health Equity and Social Work Education: Teaching Strategies to Promote Social Good. Virtual Track, North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Program, Pittsburgh, PA.

Watson, C. (October, 2023). The Protective Nature of Self-Care and Self-Compassion among Practicum Students. Council on Social Work Education 2023 Annual Program. Atlanta, GA.

Watson, C. (August, 2023). Developing CURES courses for undergraduate research. Panel Presenter, Lipscomb University, Fall Faculty Meeting, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (April, 2023). A Culture of Trauma-Informed Care: Trauma Awareness Training. Mending Hearts and Meharry Medical staff, Nashville, TN.

Quenneville, C., Maxwell, A., & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Reimagining the Foster Care System Through a Trauma-Informed Lens. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Hoff, K. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Disrupting the School-to-Prison Pipeline: The Development of Strong, Stable Relationships. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Ketterman, A. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Autism Spectrum Disorder: The Gap Between Specialized and General School Systems. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Phan, C. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Health Equity in the Minority Community. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Interdisciplinary Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Gipson, C. & **Watson, C.** (April 2023). Reclaiming Our Streets: A Framework for Mobility Justice. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Bradshaw, K. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome: Improving Outcomes within Foster Care. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Hobbs, S. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023) When the Victim is Male: Countering Gender Bias Within the Criminal Justice System. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

McIlvaine, A. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2023). Racial Bias and Death Penalty Cases: A SOAR Analysis of Post-Conviction. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Watson, C. (April, 2023) The Protective Benefits of Self-Care Practice and Self-Compassion Among Practicum Students. The Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors Annual Program Birmingham, Alabama.

Watson, C. (October, 2022). Self-Care and Self-Compassion in Field Practicum: A Pilot Study, Inspired by Our Roots: Innovating for Our Future, North American Association of Christians in Social Work, Virtual Track, Annual Program, Oakbrook, IL.

Watson, C. (October, 2022). Social Work Research Opportunities. Faculty Research Day, Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (October, 2022). Panel Speaker, The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. Center for Teaching and Learning, Research Series. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (July, 2022). The Protective Benefits of Self-Care and Self-Compassion. International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Clinical Supervision. The Catholic University of America, National Catholic School of Social Service, Washington, DC.

Martinez, J. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). Advocating for the Preservation and Fortification of DACA. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Mitchell, J. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). Using Trauma-informed Practice to Mitigate Compassion Fatigue in a Faith-based Non-profit. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Bader, A. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). Welfare Restrictions and the Pandemic: A One-Two Punch for the Formerly Incarcerated. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)].

Hobbs, S. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). Disarming Domestic Violence: A Policy Analysis. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Berry, A. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). Beyond #Me too: An Examination of Title IX Processes. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Gipson, C. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2022). For Safer Students: An Analysis of the Counseling Not Criminalization in Schools Act. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Watson, C. (April, 2022) Prevention-Based Wellness and Field Students: A Study of Self-Care and Self-Compassion, Southeastern Graduate Research Symposium, University of Alabama, Research Poster Presentation, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Watson, C. (March, 2022). Self-Care and Self-Compassion: An Ethical Approach to Professional Wellness, 20th Annual Social Work Conference, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, Indiana.

Watson, C. (February, 2022). Professional Wellness in Field Practicum, Spring Tennessee State Field Consortium Conference, Nashville, TN.

Pipher, H. & **Watson, C.** (November, 2021). Hunger is a Racial Issue: Health Equity and Social Determinants, 2021 Connecting for Children's Justice Conference, Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Watson, C. (August, 2021). University Partnerships, Panel Member. National Association of Social Workers, Middle Tennessee Branch, Nashville, TN.

Pipher, H. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2021). Hunger is a Racial Issue: Closing the Gap Through Strategic Planning in After School Programs. University of Memphis Social Work Symposium. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Berry, A. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2021). Preventing Recidivism: A Call to Social Action. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Boucher, G. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2021). From Educators to Designers: Design Thinking to Combat Education Discipline Disparity. Student Scholars Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [[Student Research Collaboration](#)]

Hoff, K. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2021). Ending the unjust separation of immigrant Families. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Pipher, H. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2021). Hunger is a Racial Issue: Closing the Gap Through Strategic Planning in After School Programs. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Watson, C. (January, 2021). Self-Care and Self-Compassion: An Approach to Professional Resilience, Center for Teaching and Learning, Lipscomb University Faculty Wellness Series, Nashville, Tennessee.

Watson, C. (October, 2020). Self-Care and Self-Compassion: An Approach to Professional Resilience, Connecting for Children's Justice Conference, Nashville, Tennessee.

Boucher, G., & **Watson, C.** (April, 2020). The intersection of social work and social enterprise: Innovations for social justice. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (November, 2019) Medication-Assisted Recovery: Spiritual and Ethical Implications, North American Association of Christian Social Workers National Program, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Moon, K. & **Watson, C.** (October, 2019) Strengths-based Practice: Empowering Deaf Youth, Connecting for Children's Justice Conference, Nashville, Tennessee [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Moon, K. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2019). Strengths-based practice: Empowering deaf youth to thrive. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Adams, R., Davis, A., Lara, L., Savely, D., & **Watson, C.** (April 2019). Adverse Childhood Experiences Throughout the Life Span. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Olsen, L., Nichols, R., Givens, C., Bundy, H., **Watson, C.** & Clark, R. (April, 2019). From Victim Blaming to Empowerment: Sexual Assault on College Campuses. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [\[Student Research Collaboration\]](#)

Mallory, A. & **Watson, C.** (March, 2019). Ethical implications of medication-assisted treatment. 2019 Social Work Conference, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, Indiana.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (November, 2018). Medication-assisted recovery: Strengthening the mother-infant bond. Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare, Southeast Conference. Hixson, TN.

Watson, C. (October, 2018). Panel Member: Service Learning and LiGHT Faculty, Lipscomb University. Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (October, 2018). Medication-assisted recovery: Strengthening the mother-infant bond. 2018 Children's Justice Conference, Nashville, Tennessee.

Adams, R. & **Watson, C. M.** (April, 2018). Welfare Myths: Women, Poverty, and Policy. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University Nashville, TN. [Student Research Collaboration]

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (March, 2018). The criminalization of addiction in pregnancy. 2018 Social Work Conference, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, Indiana.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (December, 2017). Professionalism and Ethics in Human Services. Probation and Recovery Court Training. Manchester, Tennessee.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (November, 2017). Evidence-based Treatment for Opioid Use in Pregnancy. North American Association of Christian Social Workers: Advocating for Peace, Justice, and Reconciliation in Communities, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Watson, C. & Crossland, A. (October, 2017). Empowering Emerging Adults: Social Work Education Through a Trauma-Informed Lens. Children's Justice Conference. Nashville, TN.

Mallory, A., & **Watson, C.** (September, 2017) Evidence-based Interventions for Opioid Dependent Pregnant Clients. Indiana Recovery Symposium, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mallory, A. & **Watson, C.** (August, 2017) Professionalism in Human Services Organizations. South Central Social Services Training Program, Lafayette, Tennessee.

Mallory, A., & **Watson, C.** (July, 2017) Evidence-based Interventions for Opioid Dependent Pregnant Clients. National Association of Social Workers SW Tennessee Chapter, Nashville, Tennessee.

Schwanke, D. & **Watson, C.** (April, 2017). Challenging Unjust Censorship: An Evidence-based Advocacy Process. College of Liberal Arts Student Scholar Symposium. Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN. [Student Research Collaboration]

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (March, 2017) The NAS Epidemic: Preserving Dignity and Worth for Mother and Baby. 2017 Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare, Nashville, TN.

Watson, C. (February, 2017). Invited Four Pillars Presenter, Diversity and Self-Esteem for Students, Rejoice School of Ballet, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mallory, A. & **Watson, C.** (January, 2017) The NAS Epidemic: Preserving the Dignity and Worth of Mother and Baby. Tennessee Recovery Court, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mallory, A. & **Watson, C.** (October, 2016). The NAS Epidemic: Preserving the Dignity and Worth of Mother and Baby. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program, Atlanta, Georgia.

Watson, C. & Mallory, A. (November, 2016). The Criminalization of Addiction in Pregnancy: Is this What Justice Looks Like? North American Christians in Social Work National Annual Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Adams, S., Choi, S., Morse, S., **Watson, C.**, & Bride, B. (2016). Substance Use and Mental Health Treatment among Emerging Adults. Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse.

Watson, C., Chaffin, K., & Mallory, K. (October, 2016). Teaching Poverty as an ACE: Engaging Students in Policy Change. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program, Atlanta, Georgia.

Watson, C. (August, 2016) Field Supervisor Training: 2015 CSWE Competencies Workshop. Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tennessee.

Watson, C., (2016) Give and Take: The Dynamic Relationship Between Social Work Education and Employment. Child and Family Services Association, Huntsville, Alabama.

Watson, C., (2013). When Just Say No Is Not Enough: Strategies for Teaching Harm Reduction. North American Association of Christian Social Workers National Conference on Social Justice and Spirituality, Atlanta, Georgia

Watson, C. (2013). Trends in Social Work Panel. The University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Nashville, Tennessee.

Watson, C., (2011). Neurophysiology and Social Work Practice; Evidence-Based Practice for the Social Work Practitioner. University of Tennessee College of Social Work, Nashville, Tennessee.

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HONORS AND AWARDS

2024-2025 Selected, Faculty Mentorship Academy Mentee Cohort, Texas Tech University

2022 Nominated Outstanding Teacher Award, Lipscomb University

2022 Ten Year Award, Field Education Director, Social Work and Sociology Department

2022 Awarded, Contributions to Social Work Education Award, University of Alabama School of Social Work

2020 Awarded, Writing Excellence to Advance Social Work Practice Award, University of Alabama School of Social Work

2019 Nominated for Outstanding Teacher Award, Lipscomb University

2018 Selected as Tennessee Statewide Trainer, Tennessee Resilience Network

2015- 2024 Overall Scholar Designation, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

2015 Nominated for Outstanding Teacher Award, Lipscomb University

2013 Lipscomb University Graduating Class Sponsor, Nominated and elected by the 2013 graduating senior class

2012 iTools Teaching with Technology Grant, Lipscomb Center for Teaching and Learning

2011 Grandpa's House non-profit Ten-Year Appreciation Service Award

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

2025- present, HOPE Champion, HOPE Resource Center, Tufts Medical

2024 – present, HOPE 101 Facilitator, HOPE Resource Center, Tufts Medical

2018 – present, Building Strong Brains Facilitator, State of Tennessee