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EDUCATION

PhD	University of Wisconsin-Madison, Social Welfare	Anticipated May 2022
MSW	University of Wisconsin-Madison, Social Work	Anticipated May 2021
BA	University of Wisconsin-Madison, Psychology & Criminal Justice	May 2015
AAS	University of Wisconsin-Waukesha, Psychology	May 2013

HONORS AND AWARDS

Student Research Travel Grant	2019
Competitive University of Wisconsin Madison grant awarded to present research at national social work conference.	
Dean's List	2011 - 2015
Recognition of scholastic achievement throughout entirety of undergraduate career	
Magna Cum Laude Graduate	2013
Recognition of scholastic achievement while pursuing associate degree	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Institute for Research on Poverty , University of Wisconsin-Madison Research Assistant , Lawrence Berger, PhD & Kristi Slack, PhD	2017 to Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completed data analysis for various child maltreatment prevention efforts• Worked closely with DHS staff to complete various projects• Completed literature reviews to provide state and local human service agencies with summaries of existing research	
Infant Learning Lab , University of Wisconsin-Madison Laboratory Manager , Jenny Saffran, PhD	2015 to 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interviewed, hired, trained and supervised 20+ undergraduate research assistants• Collaborated with graduate researchers to develop and refine experimental protocols that optimized data collection with unpredictable populations• Oversaw data collection involving 2,000+ infant and toddler participants• Managed and coordinated experimental and data protocols in accordance to institutional review board standards	

- Completed community outreach efforts to recruit from diverse and underrepresented populations
- Prepared demographic reports for NIH Funding as well as IRB protocol renewals
- Managed both federal and private grant funding

Child Emotions Research Lab, University of Wisconsin-Madison 2013 to 2015
Student Researcher, Seth D. Pollak, PhD

- Collaborated with graduate researchers to design experimental protocols using Tobii Eye-tracking, MATLAB and E-Prime
- Designed and submitted experimental protocols to institutional review board
- Compiled literature reviews to develop and refine experiments
- Trained undergraduates in data collection protocols
- Lead data collection efforts on experimental studies that focused on identifying the presence of maladaptive perceptual biases in maltreated children and their parents
- Performed statistical analyses using Excel, MATLAB, and SPSS
- Assisted in the preparation of research presentations

Psychology Department, University of Wisconsin-Waukesha 2015 to 2017
Student Researcher, Robert Bermant, PhD

- Performed literature review to inform study on student engagement on university campuses
- Oversaw campus wide data collection
- Facilitated data entry
- Assisted in data analyses

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Community Care Resources, Middleton, WI September 2018 to May 2019
Trainer/Educator, Attachment and Child Protective Services

- Facilitated monthly group training sessions for foundational education requirements of treatment foster parents in Wisconsin

University of Wisconsin-Waukesha, Waukesha, WI September 2011 to May 2012
Tutor, Psychology

- Tutored 60+ students enrolled in Introduction to Psychology
- Facilitated weekly group tutoring sessions

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Community Care Resources, Foster Care Licensing, 2018 to Present
Social Work Intern & Independent Contractor, Kari Brooks, APSW

- Conducted home assessments with potential and current foster parents
- Completed interviews and assessments with potential foster parents
- Authored home study documents required for state licensure

- Facilitated monthly foster parent training
- Child Protective Services, Dane County Human Services** 2014 to 2014
Ongoing Services Social Work Intern, Solare O'Brien, MSW
- Provided support and supervision services to vulnerable children and families
 - Observed and facilitated family assessment interviews and psychological evaluations
 - Developed and submitted conditions of return for court proceedings
 - Authored disposition and permanency planning reports for court proceedings
 - Coordinated the linking of families to community services
 - Completed pre-service training for CPS social workers
- Homes for Independent Living, Oconomowoc Residential Programs** 2007-2011
Program Manager, Tammy Shaw-Stelter
- Managed a state licensed 8-bed facility for clients with chronic mental illness
 - Facilitated bi-monthly case staffings for county mental health professionals
 - Administered and trained others to administer psychotropic medications
 - Developed and implemented recovery plans aimed at facilitating client independence
 - Conducted pre-placement interviews
 - Developed psychological assessments and individual service plans
 - Directly supervised, scheduled and trained 50+ staff

PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Paper Presentation, “Maltreatment Prevention by Strengthening Protective Factors: A Home Visiting Intervention,” SSWR 2019: Ending Gender Based, Family and Community Violence, January 18, 2019.

Training Presentation, “IRB Privacy and Communication Policies” University of Wisconsin Madison Infant Learning Lab, 2015

Training Presentation, “Child Protective Service Status and Research: How to Interpret CPS Labels” University of Wisconsin Madison Child Emotion Lab, 2014

Research Presentation, “Class Matters: Campus Engagement and the Classroom,” University of Wisconsin Waukesha Research Symposium, May 2013

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- CANS Certification** 2019
- Certified to complete and review Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths assessment, a tool used to determine foster children’s level of need
- SAFE Certification** 2018
- Certified to complete Structured Analysis Family Evaluation, a home study assessment tool for potential foster and adoptive families

Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test 2015

- Trained to administer and score the PPVT as a measure of standardized vocabulary

Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children – Third Edition 2014

- Trained to administer and score the brief intelligence measure including the Block Design and Vocabulary subtests

Dane County Child Protective Services 2014

- Completed pre-service training for Wisconsin child protective service workers

Homes for Independent Living 2007-2011

- Completed Successful Supervisor Training
- Completed training to become a certified community based residential facility staff supervisor

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Social Work Research, 2019 - Present

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewed Articles for:

- Qualitative Social Work

COMPUTER SKILLS

Data Programming: SPSS, Excel, STATA, MATLAB

General Computing: Microsoft Office, Mendeley Citation Manager, WordPress Website Designer, Content Management System Website Design, Adobe