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Education

Bryn Mawr College, Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research, Bryn Mawr, PA Doctor of Philosophy in progress

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Leadership: Selected as Teaching Assistant for graduate Research Methods courses.

Washington University in St. Louis, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, St. Louis, MO Master of Social Work, Gerontology Concentration, December 2013
Research: Selected as a Research Assistant for Harvey A. Friedman Center for Aging.

West Chester University of Pennsylvania, West Chester, PA

Bachelor of Social Work, Minor in Applied Ethics, Member of WCU Honors College, May 2012 Study Abroad: South Africa 2010 & 2012; Australia 2010.

<u>Honors:</u> Social Work Junior & Senior of the Year, 2011 & 2012; Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society (2011-2012); Phi Alpha Honor Society (2011-2012); Who's Who Among Students Award (2010).

Research Focus, Experience and Publications

Current area of focus

- Aging/gerontology: Parental caregiving: Role reversal vs. role evolution
- End-of-life care: Advance care planning
- *Aging in place*: Inter-professional collaboration

Research Experience

Harvey A. Friedman Center for Aging, St. Louis, MO Research Assistant, Sept 2012-Dec 2013

- Conducted interviews for senior housing community development.
- Assisted in a study to increase fall prevention and socialization in senior housing utilizing ballroom dancing as an intervention.
- Coded questionnaires for cross-national civic engagement of older adults project.
- Assisted in coordinating monthly *Issues in Aging* seminars and the *13th Annual Harvey A. Friedman Lecture.*

South Africa "Dream Catcher" Research Project 2012; South Africa Student Leader, 2012

 Conducted research collecting primary school children's dreams and aspirations along with what 'roadblocks' stand in their way. The purpose was to collect data to support needed changes in the education system in the impoverished areas of South Africa.

Publication

Chen, Y., Wang, Y., Cooper, B., McBride, T. Chen, H., Wang, D., Lai, C., Montemuro, L., Morrow-Howell, N. (2016). A research note on challenges of cross-national aging research: An example of productive activities across three countries. *Research on Aging*, 40(1), 54-71.

Teaching Experience

Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research, Bryn Mawr, PA Instructor, SOWK 504, Jun 2017

Teaching Assistant, SOWK 503 & 504, June 2017-Current

- Research Informed Practice I, SOWK 503: Prepare students to understand quantitative and qualitative research design. Students engage in becoming consumers of empirical research.
- Research Informed Practice II, SOWK 504: Prepare students to engage in statistical data analysis for quantitative research. Students learn to utilize SPSS as an analytic tool and go through the process of conducting a secondary data analysis study.

Presentations and Trainings

- Role Reversal or Role Evolution?: Modifying Life Course Theory for Family Caregivers, Currently under review for conference presentation.
- *Understanding How to Support a Friend in Grief,* Coatesville Area Senior Center (CASC), 2015; Brandywine River Valley Home Health and Hospice (BRVHH), 2016
- New Hospice Volunteer Training, BRVHH, 2015-2016
- Understanding Your Local Health Resources, CASC 2016
- How to Communicate End-of-Life Wishes, CASC, 2015
- Stress Management, Jennersville Hospital & CASC 2015

Social Work Clinical Experience

Hospice and Community Care, Mount Joy, PA

Aug 2016-Current

Medical Social Worker for Hospice Inpatient Unit

Brandywine River Valley Home Health and Hospice, Oxford, PA

Apr 2015-Jun 2017

Medical Social Worker for Hospice and Home Health Hospice Volunteer Coordinator Clinical Supervisor

Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, Philadelphia, PA

Jan 2014-Apr 2015

Service Coordinator: Department of Public Welfare's Aging Waiver Program

HOPE: Housing Options Provided for the Elderly, St. Louis, MO

Jan 2013-Aug 2013

Clinical: Completed intake assessments and provided case management in St. Louis City and County. *Administrative:* Assisted in grant writing to expand the case management program; Completed Needs Assessment and Process Evaluation; Established electronic database for client files.

Activities & Community Involvement

- Community: Board of Directors Member for Adult Care of Chester County (Current); Society for Social Work Research, Student Member (Current); GenPhilly (Current)
- GSSWSR: College Budget Committee GSSWSR Student Representative (Current); Doctoral Student Association (Current)
- WUSTL: Money Follows the Person Advocacy Day in Jefferson City (2013); Gerontology Student Association, WUSTL (2012-2013)