

CURRICULUM VITA

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. May 2011 *Counselor Education*, University of Virginia (CACREP Accredited),
Charlottesville, VA
Dissertation: *The Essence of Peer Bereavement for American Youth of
Color: A Phenomenological Exploration*
- M.Ed. May 2007 *Counseling & Development, Community/Agency concentration*,
Winthrop University (CACREP Accredited), Rock Hill, SC
- B.A. May 1999 *Psychology*, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

- *Licensed Professional Counselor (Georgia)*, #007135, December 2012 - present
- *National Certified Counselor*, #225753, June 2007 - present

POSITIONS HELD

- 2014 – present** **The University of Tennessee, Knoxville**
Assistant Professor (2015-present)
Clinical Assistant Professor (2014-2015)
- *Coordinator – Grief, Loss, & Trauma Graduate Certificate (2014-present)*
- Courses taught:
COUN 480: Skills for Counseling (primarily undergraduate) (Fall 2014)
COUN 525: Assessment & Testing in Counseling (Spring
2015, 2017, 2021)
COUN 550: Foundations of School Counseling (Spring 2016)
COUN 554: Group Dynamics & Methods (Fall 2014, 2018-2019, Spring
2015)
COUN 555: Practicum in Counseling (Spring 2015-21)
COUN 559: Internship in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
(Fall 2016-17, 2020)
COUN 560: Practicum in Grief Support (Fall 2014-20, Spring 2015)
COUN 604: Professional Seminar II (PhD) (Fall 2014)
COUN 659: Internship in Counselor Education (PhD) (Spring
2019-20)

*Advising: 9 MS School Counseling students (2020-21)
1 PhD Counselor Education student (2020-21)*

*Dissertation Committee Membership (2020-21): 8
Dissertation Committee Chair (2020-21): 1 (co-chair)*

2012 – 2014

Augusta University

Assistant Professor

- *Coordinator – School Counseling Program*

Courses taught:

COUN 6660: Communication Skills in Counseling (Spring 2013, Summer 2013)

COUN 6720: Career Development Theories & Practice (Fall 2012, Spring 2013)

COUN 6770: Crisis Intervention Counseling (Spring 2014)

COUN 6780/7780: School Counseling (MA & EdS) (Fall 2012-2013)

COUN 6820: Administration & Consultation for School Counselors (Fall 2012)

COUN 6880: Practicum in School Counseling (Spring 2014)

COUN 7940: Advanced Counseling Theory (EdS) (Spring 2014)

Advising: 20 MEd School Counseling students

2011 – 2012

Winthrop University

Adjunct Instructor

Courses taught:

CSDV 600: Seminar in Professional Identity, Scholarship, & Service (2 sections) (Fall 2011)

CSDV 603: Career & Lifestyle Development (Spring 2012)

CSDV 610B: Practicum II (Spring 2012)

CSDV 612: Internship II (Spring 2012)

HMPX 102: The Human Experience – Who Am I? (undergraduate) (Fall 2011)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

Bradley, L. J., Whiting, P. P., Hendricks, B., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2010). Ethical imperatives for intervention with elder families. *The Family Journal*, 18, 215-221. <http://doi.org/10.1177/2F1066480710364507>

DeDiego, A. C., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Fletcher, T. B. (2017). Overcoming obstacles: Exploring the use of adventure based counseling in youth grief camps. *Journal of Creativity in Mental Health*, 12, 230-241. <http://doi.org/10.1080/15401383.2016.1191403>

- Gibbons, M. G., Taylor, A. L., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Szepe, A. (2018). Transformative learning for peer mentors connected to a postsecondary education program for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. *International Journal of Research on Service-Learning & Community Engagement*, 6(1), Article 10. Retrieved from <https://ijrslce.scholasticahq.com/>
- Pollard, B. L., Varga, M. A., **Wheat, L. S.**, McClam, T., & Balentyne, P. J. (2020). Characteristics of graduate counseling student grief experiences. *Illness, Crisis, & Loss*, 28(3), 255-274. <http://doi.org/10.1177/1054137317730525>
- West, N. B., Diambra, J. F., & **Wheat, L. S.** (in press). Developmental networks and interpersonal support of beginning counselors. *Journal of Counselor Preparation & Supervision*.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2018). Review of the book, *Handbook of social justice in loss and grief: Exploring diversity, equity, and inclusion*, edited by D. L. Harris & T. C. Bordere. *Omega*, 77, 415-419. <http://doi.org/10.1177/2F0030222817730469>
- Wheat, L. S.**, Szepe, A., West, N. B., Riley, K. B., & Gibbons, M. G. (2019). Graduate and undergraduate student development as a result of participation in a grief education service learning course. *Journal of Community Engagement & Higher Education*, 11(2), 31-45. <https://discovery.indstate.edu/jcehe/index.php/joce/index>
- Wheat, L. S.**, & Thacker, N. E. (2019). LGBTQ+ loss experiences and the use of meaning reconstruction with clients. *Journal of LGBT Issues in Counseling*, 13, 232-251. <http://doi.org/10.1080/15538605.2019.1627973>
- Whiting, P. P., Bradley, L. J., Moody, E. E., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2010). Care of war wounded: Counseling considerations. In G.R. Walz, J.C. Bleuer, & R.K. Yep (Eds.), *Ideas and Research You Can Use: VISTAS 2010* (pp.1-11). Counseling Outfitters, LLC & American Counseling Association.
- Whiting, P. P., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Bradley, L. J. (2008). The storyteller's companion: Counselors as creative advocates for bereaved children. In G. R. Walz, J. C. Bleuer, & R. K. Yep (Eds.), *Compelling Counseling Interventions: Celebrating VISTAS' Fifth Anniversary* (pp. 21-30). Counseling Outfitters, LLC & American Counseling Association.
- Book Chapters**
- Lopez-Baez, S. I., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2017). Older LGBTQ adults: Family and social development. In C. B. Roland & L. D. Burlew (Eds.), *Counseling LGBTQ adults throughout the life span* (pp. 80-84). American Counseling Association.
- Wheat, L. S.**, & Whiting, P. P. (2015). The forget-me-not book of reminders during deployment. In S. Degges-White & B. Colon (Eds.), *Expressive arts interventions for school counselors* (pp. 239-243). Springer.

Wheat, L. S., & Whiting, P. P. (2018). Sacred privilege: Using narrative reconstruction as a postmodern approach with grieving children and adolescents. In M. B. Scholl & J. T. Hansen (Eds.), *Postmodern perspectives on contemporary counseling issues: Approaches across diverse settings* (pp. 93-120). Oxford University Press.

Manuscripts in Progress

Blueford, J. B., Diambra, J. F., & **Wheat, L. S.** (editor unsubmitted DS 12-23-2020). Counselor preparedness to counsel grieving clients: Insights and implications. Manuscript revision in preparation for resubmission to *Death Studies*.

DiTommaso, N. M., **Wheat, L. S.**, Barrio Minton, C. A., & Cochran, J. L. (rejected CES, revisions submitted JCPS 2-16-2021). Exploring possibilities of predicting positive counselor qualities in counseling students from personality domains. *Journal of Counselor Preparation & Supervision*. Manuscript under review

Skinner, C. H., Crewdson, M., Richardson, R. D., & **Wheat, L. S.** (revisions submitted TEC 11-24-2020). Using group-oriented bonus rewards to enhance academic performance: Randomly selecting components. *Teaching Exceptional Children*. Manuscript under review.

Skinner, C. H., Richardson, R., **Wheat, L. S.**, Martinez, J., & Bennett, J. (rejected EAQ, SESI, and JoBE, submitted BM 1-4-2021). Preventing academic deficits with supplemental interdependent rewards: Educational equity, academic standards, and countercontrol. *Behavior Modification*. Manuscript under review.

Wheat, L. S., Matthews, J. J., & Whiting, P. P. (revise/resubmit from JCPS received 1-5-2021). Grief content inclusion in CACREP-accredited counselor education programs. Manuscript revision in preparation for resubmission to *Journal of Counselor Preparation & Supervision*.

Research Projects in Progress

Wheat, L. S., & Gilbert, K. R. (n.d.). Third Culture Kids from an American military background: An autoethnography. Data collection and analysis ongoing.

Wheat, L. S., & Misawa, M. (n.d.). The persistence of LGBTQ+ graduate students on a hostile campus. Data collection and analysis ongoing.

Wheat, L. S., Kepic, M., & Whiting, P. P. (n.d.). Content analysis of grief content in major professional counseling journals. Data analysis ongoing.

Non Peer Reviewed Publications

Pollard, B., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2015, May). Students helping students: The Grief Outreach Initiative. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 41(2), 12-13.

- Wheat, L. S.** (2014, July). “Love in action”: A hopeful imperative in a dying world. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 40(3), 1, 6.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2011, June/July). Within group diversity: African American adolescents, rituals, And spirituality after the death of a peer. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 37(3), 29-30.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2011, April). Student activities in Miami – Come join us! *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 37(2), 28.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2011, January). ADEC student members: Who are we? What do we want? *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 37(1), 25.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2010, October). Student Initiative Committee report: Making connections. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 36(4), 23.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2010, July). Student Initiative Committee activities at the 2010 ADEC conference. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 36(3), 20.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2010, January). Student Initiative Committee program profile: Southwestern College. *ADEC Forum: The Quarterly Publication of the Association for Death Education and Counseling*, 36(1), 23.

PRESENTATIONS

National/International

- Wheat, L. S.** (2020, April). *Death & non-death loss in the lives of LGBTQ+ people*. Accepted for presentation at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Columbus, OH.
- Diambra, J. D., Gibbons, M. M., Spurgeon, S. L., **Wheat, L. S.**, Brott, P. E., Adams, C., & Blueford, J. M. (2019, October). *Assessment in counselor education: Using program dispositions as a gatekeeping tool*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education & Supervision conference, Seattle, WA.
- Wheat, L. S.**, Matthews, J. J., & Whiting, P. P. (2019, April). *Grief content inclusion in accredited counselor education programs*. Presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Cupit, I. N., Servaty-Seib, H. L., Varga, M. A., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2018, April). *Teaching that matters: Balancing the academic and personal*. Panel discussion presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

- Wheat, L. S.** (2017, June). *Loss in the lives of LGBTQ+ People*. Invited webinar sponsored by the Association for Death Education & Counseling.
- Clark, J. M., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2017, June). *Religion and the rainbow: A counselor trainee's journey to help clients reconcile conflicting identities*. Education session presented at the American Counseling Association ILLUMINATE symposium, Washington, DC.
- Varga, M. A., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Pollard, B. L. (2017, April). *The grief experiences of graduate counseling students*. Education session presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Portland, OR.
- Wheat, L. S.**, & Farrell, I. C. (2016, September). *Bringing bereavement out of the closet: Partner/spousal bereavement among LGBTQ+ individuals*. Education session presented at the Association for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Issues in Counseling conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Wheat, L. S.**, & Gilbert, K. R. (2016, April). *Loss and gain: The third culture kid growing up within/outside culture*. Education session presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2015, December). *Adolescent grief: Developmental and cultural considerations*. Invited webinar sponsored by the National Board for Certified Counselors Foundation.
- DeDiego, A. C., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2015, October). *Pedagogy and popular culture: Creative tools for connecting with millennial learners*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education & Supervision conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Gibbons, M., Kronick, R., Burgin, E. C., **Wheat, L. S.**, Basma, D., & Brooks, T. P. (2015, October). *Service learning and outreach to connect students with culturally diverse populations*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education & Supervision conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- DeDiego, A. C., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Fletcher, T. B. (2015, June). *Exploring the use of adventure based counseling in grief camps*. Workshop presented at the National Alliance for Grieving Children conference, Portland, OR.
- DeDiego, A. C., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2015, June). *Bibliotherapy tools for grieving youth*. Poster presented at the National Alliance for Grieving Children conference, Portland, OR.
- Wheat, L. S.**, & Whiting, P. P. (2015, April). *Innovative ideas for teaching thanatology*. Educational session presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2014, September). *Invisible in plain sight: Disenfranchised grief and LGBTQ youth*. Workshop presented at the Association for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Issues in Counseling conference, New Orleans, LA.

- Wheat, L. S., & Fable, P.** (2014, June). *From shadow to light: Supporting grieving African American youth through multiple connectedness*. Workshop presented at the National Alliance for Grieving Children conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Wheat, L. S., & Whiting, P. P.** (2014, April). *Bringing bereavement out of the closet*. Poster presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Baltimore, MD.
- Cupit, I. N., Markell, M., Sofka, C., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2014, April). *Teaching that matters: Classroom activities/collaborations in thanatology – how do you know they are working?* Symposium panel presented at the Association for Death Education & Counseling conference, Baltimore, MD.
- Anderson-Wiley, M. J., Minor, A. J., & **Wheat, L.** (2013, October). *Helping students understand (dis)ability: An experiential class activity*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, Denver, CO.
- Wheat, L. S.,** Minor, A. J., & Bunton, D. (2013, October). *The L word: Loss in the life of individuals who are LGBTQ*. Roundtable session presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, Denver, CO.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2013, July). *School counselors companioning grieving children: Expressive strategies for intervention*. Education session presented at the American School Counselor Association conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- Portela, H., Whiting, P. P., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2013, March). *Creative best practices with grieving children and youth: Interventions, ethics, and cultural considerations*. Education session presented at the American Counseling Association conference, Cincinnati, OH.
- Wheat, L. S., & Whiting, P. P.** (2012, March). *When youth of color lose a peer: A qualitative study*. Research report session presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Atlanta, GA.
- Wheat, L. S., & Thomas, A. R.** (2011, October). *Integrating counseling theory and skills: A capstone exercise for pre-practicum Master's students*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, Nashville, TN.
- Wheat, L. S.,** Bordere, T., Milburn-Dobson, R., Servaty-Seib, H. L., & Whiting, P. P. (2011, June). *From student to professional: How to succeed in thanatology*. Panel session presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Miami, FL.
- Wheat, L. S., & Whiting, P. P.** (2011, June). *Peer bereavement among adolescents of color*. Poster presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Miami, FL.
- Wheat, L. S.** (2010, April). *No man's land: Ambiguous loss and the military family*. Poster presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Kansas

City, MO.

Hayden, S., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2009, October). *Loss and military families: What counselor educators need to know*. Education session presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, San Diego, CA.

Wheat, L. S., & Whiting, P. P. (2009, April). *Incorporating technology into death education practice: Three formats for delivery*. Content session presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Dallas, TX.

Wheat, L. S., Whiting, P. P., & James, L. (2008, April). *The creativity and dangers of technology for grieving youth*. Content session presented at the Association for Death Education and Counseling conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Whiting, P. P., **Wheat, L. S.**, Burwell, C., & Bradley, L. J. (2008, March). *The storyteller's companion: Counselors as creative advocates for bereaved children*. Content session presented at the American Counseling Association conference, Honolulu, HI.

Regional/State

Wheat, L. S., & Hightower, J. (2019, November). *Loving, living, & losing: Loss in LGBTQ+ lives*. Breakout session presented at the Tennessee Counseling Association conference, Nashville, TN.

Wheat, L. S. (2017, November). *Loss, belongingness, & identity: What counselors should know about Third Culture Kids*. Content session presented at the Tennessee Counseling Association conference, Nashville, TN.

Spurgeon, S. L., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2016, October). *Counselors and counselor educators responding to media requests*. Content session presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education & Supervision conference, New Orleans, LA.

Wheat, L. S. (2015, October). *Grief and growth: Supporting students after loss*. Invited content session presented at the Tennessee Association of School Social Workers conference, Knoxville, TN.

Wheat, L. S. (2014, November). *Understanding forgotten mourners: Compassionate connections with kids and teens*. Content session presented at the Tennessee Counseling Association conference, Murfreesboro, TN.

Deaner, R. G., Allen, S. B., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2014, October). *Reality TV – Bane or bounty for counselors-in-training?* Roundtable session presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education & Supervision conference, Birmingham, AL.

Wheat, L. S. (2013, November). *School counselors' roles in the aftermath of adolescent student death*. Poster session presented at the Georgia School Counselors Association conference, Jekyll Island, GA.

Williams, G. T., Gibson, D. M., Briggs, W. P., Scott, D. A., Scriven, P. M., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2013, March). *Counselor educators collaborate addressing CACREP and NCATE professional standards and practices*. Workshop presented at the South Carolina Counseling Association conference, Hilton Head, SC.

Anderson-Wiley, M. J., Minor, A. J., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2013, February). *Sensitizing counselors and educators to persons with varying abilities or physical challenges*. Interactive workshop presented at the 12th annual Cross-Cultural Issues in Counseling and Education Conference, Savannah, GA.

Whiting, P. P., **Wheat, L. S.**, & Bradley, L. J. (2012, September). *The case of Peter: Narrative reconstruction as best practice in grief counseling*. Roundtable session presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, Savannah, GA.

Wheat, L. S., & Porter, V. C. (2012, February). “*Young people supposed to live forever*”: *Supporting teens after the death of a peer*. Workshop presented at the South Carolina Counseling Association conference, Myrtle Beach, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2009, February). *When children grieve: Theoretical understanding and practical interventions*. Poster session presented at the Virginia Association for Counselor Education and Supervision conference, Williamsburg, VA.

Local

Wheat, L. S., & Brott, P. E. (2021, February). *School counseling tune-up*. Blount County Schools Counselor Professional Development session, Maryville, TN.

Wheat, L. S. (2020, July). *Put your own mask on first: Counselor self-care in times of transition*. Knox County Schools Counselor Professional Development summer series, online.

Wheat, L. S. (2019, August). *Counselor self-care: Not just for grad students*. Presented at a Smoky Mountain Counseling Association monthly meeting, Knoxville, TN.

Wheat, L. S. (2013, October). *Middle grades mental health: What teachers need to know*. Invited class presentation in MGED 3300: Middle Level Programs & Schools at Georgia Regents University, Augusta, GA.

Wheat, L. S. (2013, April). *After a student dies: Counselor responses in schools*. Invited presentation at Aiken County Schools’ Counselors Group, Graniteville, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2011, November). *Barriers to learning: When grief goes to school*. Invited class presentation at James Island Charter High School, Charleston, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2011, November). *Teens and suicide: What to look for, how to help*. Invited class presentation in EDUC 211: Psychology of the Learner at Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2011, November). *Loss and the young child: Grief and resilience*. Invited class presentation in EDUC 211: Psychology of the Learner at Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC.

Hyleman, S., Jiles, L., Mount, A., Thomas, M., & **Wheat, L. S.** (2011, October). *The poverty problem*. Teacher in service training presented at Alma Elementary School, Gaffney, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2011, March). *Grief after sudden death: How to deal*. Invited class presentation at Sumter High School, Sumter, SC.

Wheat, L. S. (2011, February). *Good grief: How teens can help each other after a death*. Content sessions presented at St. Anne's-Belfield School's HealthFest 2011, Charlottesville, VA.

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Co-Chair, Derrick Shepard, *A Multiple Case Study of Counselor Educators' Social Class Awareness and Pedagogy in Multicultural Counseling Courses*, May 2019 – present.

Member, Loidaly Gonzalez-Rosario, *School Counselors' Use of Creative Interventions to Support Social-Emotional Learning in Culturally and Linguistically Different Students*, August 2020 – present.

Member, Jennifer Hightower, *ALGBTIC Competencies for Counseling LGBQQIA Individuals: What Matters Most to Clients?* July 2020 – present.

Member, Jerry Spangler, *The Lived Experiences of Graduate Student Veterans Enrolled in CACREP-Accredited Counseling Programs: A Transcendental Phenomenological Study*, September 2019 – November 2020.

Member, Julie Roe, undetermined, May 2019 – present.

External Member, Melissa Waller, Mercer University, undetermined, February 2019 – present.

Member, Erin Ferris, *When Will It Make Sense?: A Critical Autoethnographic Account of Growing Up and Coming Out*, November 2018 – present.

Member, Amanda Simms, *Living Gender in Prison: A Phenomenological Inquiry*, July 2018-present.

Member, Jillian Blueford, *Perceived Preparedness for Counseling Grieving Clients Resulting from a Death: A Content Analysis of Professional Counselors' Experiences*, April 2018 – April 2019.

Member, Nancy Thacker, *Counselor Educators' Experiences Negotiating Personal Identities During Professional Identity Development*, April 2018 – April 2019.

Member, Jennifer Thacker, *Growing Up the Military Way: An Autoethnography*, August 2017 – July 2019.

Member, Nathan West, *Developmental Networks of Beginning Clinical Mental Health Counselors*, December 2016 - August 2018.

Member, Sherrie Bruner, *Persistence of Traditionally Marginalized Doctoral Students in Counselor Education: A Grounded Theory Study*, September 2016 - June 2017.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

National/Regional

- 2020-present: Member, Student Paper Awards subcommittee, Association for Death Education & Counseling (ADEC)
- 2019-present: Member, Grief Counseling Competencies Task Force, Association for Adult Development & Aging
- 2019: Judge, Master’s Level Poster Presentation Competition, Tennessee Counseling Association (TCA) Conference, Nashville, TN
- 2017-18: Member, Leadership Recruitment & Development Committee, ADEC
- 2016 (July)-17: Member, American Counseling Association (ACA) LGBT Adult Lifespan Development: Counseling Targeted Task Group
- 2016-18: Secretary, Board of Directors, ADEC
- 2016: Reviewer, 2016 Southern Association for Counselor Education & Supervision (SACES) Emerging Leaders; Proposal Reviewer, 2016 SACES Conference, New Orleans, LA
- 2015-18: Member, Board of Directors, ADEC
- 2014-17: Member, Committee on Committees, ADEC
- 2014: Content Session Proposal Reviewer, 2015 ADEC Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX; Volunteer, Career Connection, 2014 SACES Conference, Birmingham, AL
- 2011-14: Chair, Student Scholarship Committee, ADEC
- 2013: Content Session Proposal Reviewer, 2014 ADEC Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD
- 2012-13: Member, National School Counselor Educator Coalition, sponsored by MetLife and Education Trust
- 2012: Content Session Proposal Reviewer, 2013 ADEC Annual Conference, Hollywood, CA
- 2011: Reviewer, SACES Research Grant Proposals
- 2010-11: Chair, Student Initiative Committee, ADEC
- 2009-10: Second Co-Chair, Student Initiative Committee, ADEC
- 2009: Volunteer/Research Team Member, Social Justice Summit, ACES, San Diego, CA

Community

- 2019:
 - Presenter, “Put Your Own Mask On First: Counselor Self-Care in Times of Transition” – Smoky Mountain Counseling Association (SMCA) meeting;
 - Presenter, “Counselor Self-Care: Not Just for Grad Students” – SMCA meeting;
 - Presenter, “Child Grief & Advocacy” – SMCA meeting
- 2018-present:
 - Faculty Director, Camp Aliya Summer Bereavement Camp
- 2017:
 - Trainer, “The Faces of Grief in Children & Adolescents and How to Help at Camp” – Katerpillar Kids’ Camp Volunteer Training
- 2016:

- Presenter, “Old Enough to Love: Children & Grief” – Smoky Mountain Counseling Association (SMCA) meeting;
- Trainer, “The Faces of Grief in Children & Adolescents and How to Help at Camp” – Katerpillar Kids’ Camp Volunteer Training;
- Professional Development Presentation at Knox County Schools (KCS) Professional Learning Community (Counselors/Teachers) – “Grief in the Classroom: K-12 Educators As Companions for Grieving Students”
- 2015: Trainer, “The Faces of Grief in Children & Adolescents and How to Help at Camp” – Katerpillar Kids’ Camp Volunteer Training
- 2014-present: Member, Bereavement Services of East Tennessee
- 2013:
 - Community Judge, Evans High School Senior Boards;
 - Community Judge, Louisville Middle School Teacher of the Year;
 - Volunteer, Georgia Regents University (GRU) Day of Service
- 2012: Volunteer, GRU Day of Service
- 2009-10: Volunteer, Hospice of the Piedmont, Charlottesville, VA

University

- 2020-21 Academic Year
 - M.S. School Counseling Field Placement Coordinator
 - Supervise two Ph.D. students (one intern and one volunteer) conducting M.S. CMHC Internship supervision [9 students total]
 - Supervise one GTA (COUN 560/460: Practicum in Grief Support)
 - Supervise two Ph.D. interns conducting M.S. CMHC & School Counseling Practicum supervision [9 students total], and one Ph.D. teaching intern (COUN 525: Assessment & Testing in Counseling)
- 2019-20 Academic Year
 - M.S. School Counseling Field Placement Coordinator
 - Supervise three Ph.D. practicum students (and one additional Ph.D. student) facilitating small groups for students in COUN 554: Group Dynamics & Methods
 - Supervise one GTA (COUN 560)
 - Supervise two Ph.D. interns (and one additional Ph.D. student) conducting M.S. CMHC & School Counseling Practicum supervision [3 students each], and one Ph.D. teaching intern (COUN 554)
- 2018-19 Academic Year
 - M.S. School Counseling Field Placement Coordinator
 - Supervise four Ph.D. practicum students facilitating small groups for students in COUN 554: Group Dynamics & Methods
 - Supervise one GTA (COUN 560)
 - Supervise three Ph.D. interns conducting M.S. CMHC & School Counseling Practicum supervision [3 students each]
- 2017-18 Academic Year
 - M.S. Practicum Coordinator
 - M.S. School Counseling Field Placement Coordinator
 - Supervise one GRA

- Supervise two Ph.D. interns conducting M.S. CMHC Internship supervision [5-6 students each]
- Supervise three Ph.D. interns conducting M.S. CMHC & School Counseling Practicum supervision [3 students each]
- 2016-17 Academic Year
 - M.S. Practicum Coordinator
 - M.S. Comprehensive Exam Co-Coordinator
 - M.S. School Counseling Field Placement Co-Coordinator/Coordinator
 - Supervise two GRAs
 - Supervise one GTA (COUN 560/460)
 - Supervise two Ph.D. interns conducting M.S. CMHC Internship supervision [5-6 students each]
 - Faculty Spotlight, 13th Annual Graduate Student Research Colloquium
 - Invited Panelist, “Mental Health in the Black Community,” Commemoration of the Michael Brown Shooting & Ferguson Protests, Tyson House
- 2015 – present
 - National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) Approved Continuing Education Provider Liaison
- 2015-16 Academic Year
 - Supervised one GRA
 - Supervised one GTA (COUN 560/404)
 - Supervised four Ph.D. interns/practicum students (two conducting M.S. Practicum supervision [three M.S. students each], one conducting M.S. Practicum supervision [three M.S. students] and serving as teaching assistant for COUN 550, one conducting Grief Outreach supervision [two students])
 - Supervised one 3-credit Independent Study for a M.S. Clinical Mental Health Counseling student (Spring 2016)
 - Guest Lectures (2), COUN 604: Professional Issues in Counselor Education (Fall 2015)
 - (with Dr. Jeff Cochran) “Vitae Building & Getting Involved in Conference Presentations and Publishing”
 - “Leadership & Advocacy: Leadership Development”
 - Guest Lecture, COUN 545: Critical Issues in Counseling – “Losing & Living Across the Lifespan” (Spring 2016)
 - Guest Lecture, COUN 504: Special Topics: Counseling Children & Adolescents – “Working with Grieving Kids, Tweens, & Teens” (Summer 2016)
 - Conducted extended School Counseling Program orientation for Fall 2015 admitted students
 - Department of Educational Psychology & Counseling 2015 Strategic Planning Student Services Subcommittee member
 - Contributor to Counselor Education programs: monthly unit meetings, monthly School Counseling program meetings, annual program faculty retreat, annual program orientations (Ph.D. and M.S. School Counseling), communicating and meeting with prospective M.S. and Ph.D. students, selecting applicants for interviews and admission for all programs, interviewing student and faculty applicants, evaluating M.S. and Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam responses, co-

conducted two Problem Identification Meetings with M.S. students and one follow-up meeting

- 2014 – present: UTK – Coordinator, Grief Outreach Initiative and Grief, Loss, & Trauma Graduate Certificate
- 2014: GRU – Coordinator, Counselor Education Programs Self-Study for Reaccreditation by CACREP; Chair, Assistant/Associate Professor of Counselor Education Search Committee
- 2013 – 2014: Georgia Regents University College of Education (GRU COE) Professional Education Council; GRU Center for Teaching and Learning Planning Committee, New Faculty Liaison, co-facilitator of Early Career Faculty Learning Community; GRU COE Commencement Card Reader; Counselor Education Program Test Coordinator; backup advisor, Gamma Rho Omega chapter of Chi Sigma Iota
- 2012-2014: GRU Counselor Education Program Development initiatives – co-chair Marketing Plan and Diversity Plan updates; co-advisor, GRU Lambda Alliance; applicant selection committee member for Counselor Education M.Ed. and Ed.S. programs; co-conduct M.Ed./Ed.S. student orientation; advisement of M.Ed. students; provide info about M.Ed. and Ed.S. programs to potential students; GRU Diversity Summit Planning Committee
- 2013: collaborate with Department of Art faculty and GRU Cancer Center to advise undergraduate art students working with Cancer Center patients and staff in “art therapy”
- 2012-13: facilitate *The Joyful Professor* GRU Reading Circle
- 2011-12: Winthrop University Counseling & Development Program – participated in curriculum mapping, faculty candidate interviews, M.Ed. student interviews, faculty representative to College of Education Graduate Student Recycling Committee
- 2009-10: University of Virginia – Program Representative to Curry School of Education Graduate Student Education Council, Budget & Finance Committee Member of Education Council, Board Member of Rho Beta Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota

COUNSELING EXPERIENCE

*Doctoral
Counseling
Intern*

*Personal and Career Development Center, University of Virginia
August 2009-May 2010*

Provided individual counseling services to University students and adult members of the Charlottesville/Albemarle community
Selected, administered, and evaluated psychological and career assessments as appropriate
Maintained client records, including case notes, services performed, and assessment results

*Doctoral Practicum
Student*

*Advanced Group Counseling Course, University of Virginia
January 2009-May 2009*

Co-facilitated a relationship group for undergraduate students
Screened and selected members from self-referrals
Participated in weekly triadic or group supervision of counseling
Maintained appropriate group session records
Coordinated with co-facilitator and supervisor regarding critical incidents

Doctoral Practicum Student *Personal and Career Development Center, University of Virginia*
August 2008-December 2008
 Provided individual personal and career counseling for undergraduate students and adult members of the Charlottesville/Albemarle community
 Performed career assessments as appropriate
 Maintained appropriate records, performed administrative duties as necessary, and upheld relevant ethical and legal standards for practice

Mental Health Counselor I, School Based Program *Catawba Community Mental Health Center, Rock Hill, SC*
June 2007-January 2008
 Provided individual, family, and group counseling for children ages 4-11 in two elementary schools
 Performed mental health assessments, DSM-IV-TR diagnosing, crisis intervention, and treatment team planning with clients and families
 Linked clients and families with community and school resources
 Prepared progress summaries, billing documentation, and advocacy statements as needed

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Co-Instructor *University of Virginia*
Fall 2010
EDHS 7290: Essential Counseling Skills

 Constructed graduate course syllabus
 Facilitated student learning of basic counseling skills through lecture, role play, and lab simulation
 Utilized UVaCollab learning management system to enhance classroom experience

Onsite Operations Manager *University of Virginia Summer Enrichment Program*
Summer 2010
 Coordinated use of space, materials, and transportation among teachers and counselors of academic camp for gifted children ages 11-16
 Troubleshot technological and site issues as they arose
 Acted as program liaison with site (St. Anne's-Belfield School) staff, ensuring positive relations and partnership
 Provided triage support for injured and homesick campers

Teaching Intern *University of Virginia*
Spring 2010
EDHS 8340: Counseling Children and Adolescents

 Co-constructed graduate course syllabus and selected course texts and materials

Designed and executed lesson plans for each class, including creating PowerPoints, delivering lectures, and facilitating class discussions and exercises

Evaluated student papers and presentations

*Teaching Assistant University of Virginia
Spring 2010
EDHS 4810: Problems of Personal Adjustment*

Co-facilitated discussion groups based on lecture material from the undergraduate course

Designed and delivered one class lecture

Approved student contracts for final projects

Evaluated student final projects

Administered midterm and final examinations

*Teaching Assistant University of Virginia
Fall 2009
EDHS 2240/5240: Substance Abuse in Society*

Managed attendance of undergraduate and graduate students by collecting weekly reaction papers and recording grades on class website

Assisted with classroom management

Evaluated student drug philosophy papers

Administered midterm and final examinations

*Graduate Teaching Assistant University of Virginia
August 2008-May 2011
Drs. Harriet Glosoff & Antoinette Thomas*

Recorded weekly activities of master's-level essential skills course and compiled into class binder

Guided one second year school counseling master's student in her Independent Study course on grief in elementary age children

Posted periodic materials, such as quizzes and Adobe documents, to course websites

*Doctoral Graduate Assistant University of Virginia
August 2008-May 2011
Drs. Harriet Glosoff & Antoinette Thomas*

Participated in research projects by completing literature reviews and recording data in SPSS databases

Recorded and analyzed quantitative and qualitative data for one research project on social justice and counselor education and one project focusing on the teaching of Motivational

Interviewing skills to counseling students and pre-service teachers

Administered comprehensive examination for master's students

Coordinated registration of counselor education students for National

Counselor Examination administration
Met with prospective doctoral students as a representative of the
counselor education program

Teaching Assistant *Winthrop University*
Spring 2007, Summers 2008-2010
CSDV 608: Counseling & Advocacy for Loss, Crisis, & Life
Transitions

Assisted in graduate course planning through syllabus development
Managed multimedia components of class delivery (e.g., PowerPoints,
videocassettes, DVDs, streaming music, website display)
Compiled and distributed supplies for expressive arts components of each
class period
Designed and delivered teaching modules related to the companioning
model of working with grieving people and the needs of grieving
children and adolescents
Contacted and arranged for guest speakers and site visits
Met with students individually who had emotionally reacted to the intense
nature of course material, determining whether referral for other
services was needed
Corresponded with students via email regarding their questions about the
course

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Current

American Counseling Association (ACA) – since 2005
Association for Counselor Education & Supervision (ACES) – since 2008
Association for Death Education & Counseling (ADEC) – since 2007
Upsilon Theta Chapter, Chi Sigma Iota, the Counseling Academic and Professional Honor
Society International – since 2006
Smoky Mountain Counseling Association (SMCA) – since 2015
Southern Association for Counselor Education & Supervision (SACES) – since 2006
Tennessee Association for Counselor Education & Supervision (TACES) – since 2015
Tennessee Counseling Association (TCA) – since 2015

Past

American School Counselor Association (ASCA) – 2013-2017
National Alliance for Grieving Children (NAGC) – 2015
Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, & Gender Expansive Identities (SAIGE; formerly
Association for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Issues in Counseling
[ALGBTIC]) – 2014-2015

HONORS

Chancellor's Award for Extraordinary Community Service, University of Tennessee, 2017

Bruce Gansneder Dissertation Award in Qualitative Analysis, University of Virginia, 2012

William Van Hoose Memorial Award, University of Virginia, 2010

Dupont Fellowship, Curry School of Education, University of Virginia, 2008-2011