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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- 2005      Ph.D., Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, University of Utah.  
Dissertation Title: Predictors of Autonomy Support at Diabetes Summer Camp: A Self-Determination Theory Approach.  
Chair: Jim Sibthorp, Ph.D.
- 1994      Master of Arts, Youth and Human Service Administration, University of Northern Iowa.  
Thesis Title: Examining the Existence of Burnout in Municipal Leisure Service Organizations in the State of Iowa.  
Co-Chairs: Don DeGraaf, Ph.D. and Deb Jordan, Ph.D.
- 1990      Bachelor of Science, Leisure Studies and Services, University of Oregon.

### **ACADEMIC/ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

- 2011-present      Associate Professor, Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2007-present      College of Health and Human Services International Liaison Officer. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2005-2011      Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY.
- 1999-2005      Instructor/Teaching Assistant. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 1995-97      Instructor. School of Health, Physical Education and Leisure Services. University of Northern Iowa. Cedar Falls, IA.

## **TEACHING, ADVISING, AND ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Instructor of Record Summary**

#### Western Kentucky University

REC 200	Foundations of Recreation and Leisure
REC 302	Recreation Leadership
REC 328	Inclusive Recreation
REC 402	Fiscal Practices in Recreation
SPM 402	Fiscal Practices in Sport (cross listed with Rec 402)
REC 424(g)	Camp and Conference Administration
REC 482(g)	Costa Rica: Service Learning, Ecotourism, and Outdoor Recreation
REC 482(g)	Ecuador: Sustainable Development Issues and Ecotourism in Amazonian and Galapagos Ecuador
REC 490	Recreation Internship
REC 501	Research Methods in Recreation and Sport
REC 513	Organization Administration in Recreation and Sport
RSA 570	Fiscal Administration in the Nonprofit Sector
PE 100	Volleyball

#### University of Utah

PRT 1120	Natural Resource: Outdoor Camping and Cooking
PRT 3100	Foundations in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism
PRT 3010	Recreation and Hospitality Services Marketing
PRT 3320	Leadership and Programming
PRT 3340	Commercial Recreation and Tourism
PRT 3780	Evaluation and Research in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism
PRT 5390	Management in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism
PRT 5480/6480	Feasibility Studies in PRT

#### University of Northern Iowa

430:010	Introduction to Leisure Services
430:020	Leadership in Leisure Services
430:115	Programming in Leisure Services
430:143	Trends and Issues in Outdoor Pursuits
430:159	Adventure Dynamics
430:168	Areas and Facilities in Leisure Services

### **Curriculum Development/Review**

2014-15	Recreation Administration Self-study for Accreditation by the Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Professions (COPRT), National Recreation Park Association.
2013-14	General Education Colonnade Program – Social and Behavioral Sciences. Led initiative to approve Rec 200 – Introduction to Recreation as a General Education course. Western Kentucky University.

- 2012-13 Nonprofit Leadership Certification. Assist in the needs assessment and development of graduate Nonprofit Leadership Certificate program. Western Kentucky University.
- 2011-12 Global Studies Certificate Program. Facilitate approval of certificate program by Western Kentucky University Curriculum Committee.
- 2010-11 Social and Behavioral Sciences General Education Proposal. Facilitator for gaining approval of Rec 200 - Introduction to Recreation as a Category C General Education course by the Western Kentucky University General Education Curriculum Committee.
- 2010 Department representative at council meeting for Accreditation by Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Professions, National Recreation Parks Association. November.
- 2009-10 Assisted Recreation Administration Program with writing Self-study for Accreditation by Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Professions, National Recreation Parks Association.
- 2008 Member of steering committee to explore development of on-line Masters curriculum in Nonprofit Administration.
- 1996-98 Departmental Undergraduate Curriculum Review Team. Produced Undergraduate Student Outcomes Assessment Report for Academic Year 1996-97, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.

**Advising, Research Projects and Independent Study**

- 2014-15 Connecting with Citizens – an exploratory study of Parks and Recreation user behaviors in Bowling Green, KY. Grant funded and student directed research project.
- 2005-present Adviser for students enrolled at Western Kentucky University in Recreation Administration curriculum.
- 2012 Co-chair – Leadership Studies Capstone project – Sami Kautz.
- 2012 Independent Study – Leisure, Recreation and Play in Myanmar – Jana Clark.
- 2011-12 Thesis Committee Member. The development and validation of a new assessment scale: Measuring the effectiveness of the Leave No Trace PEAK program. State Universities of New York – Cortland: Cortland, NY. Jennifer Miller.
- 2011-12 Thesis Committee Chair. Study – The effects of visualization on performance of NCAA Division I collegiate springboard divers. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, KY. Student changed direction and completed degree with a non-thesis option. Margaret Stringer
- 2011 Independent Study – Conference planning and implementation – Jenna Woosley.
- 2008 Independent Study – Small business development and administration – Tyler Graham.
- 2007 Independent Study – Efficacy of Organized Camping – Kim O'Connor.

- 2006-07 Thesis Committee Member. Study - Examining the relationship between family leisure and physical activity in seventh and eighth grade students. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, KY.
- 2000-01 Adviser for student research and instructional presentations at state conferences, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, and University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1996-98 Faculty Adviser for department student organization (Club QOLLA), University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1999-2000 Committee member for undergraduate service learning project, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

### **Training and Workshops Conducted**

- 2011 Leadership workshop. National Recreation Parks Association Annual Congress. Atlanta, GA . (Workshop cancelled due to low registration numbers).
- 1996-2005 Training and workshop topics include risk-management, child abuse/neglect issues, positive youth development, group dynamics and leadership, cultural sensitivity, and program planning and implementation.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY**

#### **Publications and Published Proceedings (\* indicates refereed publication or proceeding; underlined name indicates student author)**

- \*Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & McClellan-Holt, J. (accepted). American Camp Association Camper Learning Scale. *Journal of Parks and Recreation Administration – Programs that Work*.
- \*Gagnon, R., Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** (under review). Diabetes family camps: Efficacy of theory based camping programs.
- \*Hill, E., McClellan-Holt, J., & **Ramsing, R.** (2014). The ACA Youth Outcomes Battery: Practicality for university recreation camps. Abstracts from the 2014 Leisure Research Symposium, pp. 98-101. Ashburn, VA: National Recreation & Park Association.
- \*Miller, J., Hill, E., Shellman, A., **Ramsing, R.**, & Lawhon, B. (2014). Measuring the effectiveness of the Leave No Trace PEAK Program. *Journal of Youth Development: Bridging research and practice*, 9(2), 52-64.
- \*Poff, R., Cleinmark, J., Stenger-Ramsey, T., **Ramsing, R.**, & Gibson, F. (2013). Outdoor ethics and Appalachian Trail hikers: An investigation of Leave No Trace practices. Kentucky Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.
- \*Poff, R., Stenger-Ramsey, T., **Ramsing, R.**, & Spencer, S. (2013). Outdoor recreation journals: A topical analysis from 2009-2012. *Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership*, 5(2), 151-54. Doi:10.7768/1948-5123.1215

- Ramsing, R.,** Goldy, L., & Hill, E. (2013). Positive youth development: A snapshot in time. *Kentucky Recreation Park Society Quarterly*, 63(2), 6-9.
- \*Gonzales, T., Poff, R., **Ramsing, R.,** Lyons, S., Zabriskie, R., & Murrell, L. (2013). Family leisure and physical activity: A study of seventh and eighth grade students. *Kentucky Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance*, 50(2), 32-45.
- \*Miller, J., Shellman, A., Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.,** & Lawhon, B. (2012). The development and validation of the Leave No Trace PEAK Assessment Scale (PAS). *Research in Outdoor Education 11*, 47-62.
- \*Miller, J., Shellman, A., Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.,** & Lawhon, B. (2012). The development and validation of a new assessment scale: Measuring the effectiveness of the Leave No Trace PEAK program. In A. Ewert and F. Vernon, (Eds.), *Proceedings From The Coalition for Education in the Outdoors: Vol. 12. Research in Outdoor Education*. Bradford Woods, IN: Coalition for Education in the Outdoors.
- \*Miller, J., Shellman, A., Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.,** & Lawhon, B. (2012). The development and validation of a new assessment scale: Measuring the effectiveness of the Leave No Trace PEAK program. *Abstracts from the Coalition for Education in the Outdoors Eleventh Biennial Research Symposium*, 11, 93-95. Cortland NY: Coalition for Education in the Outdoors.
- \* Shellman, A., Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** (2011). Online programming in adventure programming. In B. Martin, & M. Wagstaff, (eds), *Controversial Issues in Adventure Programming*. Human Kinetics.
- \* Miller, J., Hill, E., Shellman, A., **Ramsing, R.,** Brown, L., & Gómez, E. (2011). Measuring the Educational Impact of Promoting Environmental Awareness in Kids (PEAK): The Development and Implementation of a New Scale. *Northeast Recreation Research Symposium Conference Proceedings*.
- Larson, B., **Ramsing, R.,** & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2010). White Water Courses, Economic Impact, and Public Perceptions in Bowling Green, Kentucky: A Case Study. *Kentucky Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance*.
- Ramsing, R.,** Jordan, D., & DeGraaf, D. (2010). Instructor CD for *Programming in leisure services: A servant leadership approach*. State College, PA: Venture.
- \* **Ramsing, R.,** & Sibthorp, J. (2008). The role of autonomy support in summer camp programs: Preparing youth for productive behaviors. *Journal of Parks and Recreation Administration*, 26(2), 61-77.
- \* **Ramsing, R.,** Stenger-Ramsey, T., & DeGraaf, D. (2008). Learning to live lightly: Developing an urban outdoor ethic. *Proceedings from the 2007 Association of Outdoor Recreation Educators annual congress*.
- \* **Ramsing, R.,** Hill, E., & Hill, L. (2008). Integrating the Family into the Camp Experience: Exploring the Impact of Residential Diabetes Family Camp. *The*

*Virginia Journal - Virginia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance*, 29(4), 7-13.

- \* **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Organized camping: A historical perspective. *Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Clinics of North America*, 16, 751-54.
- \* McAuliffe-Fogarty, A., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hill, E. (2007). Medical specialty camps: Programs for youth with diabetes as a model of success. *Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Clinics of North America*, 16, 887-908.
- \* **Ramsing, R.**, & Hill, E. (2007). The role of theory-based programming in camp: A three year evaluation of diabetes camps. *Camping*, 80, 14-16.
- \* Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hill, L. (2007). Efficacy of diabetes day camp: Lessons for better serving youth. *The Virginia Journal - Virginia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance*, 29, 16-19.
- \* Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hill, L. (2007). Integrating the Family into the Camp Experience: Exploring the Impact of Residential Diabetes Family Camp. *Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport*, 78(1). Research Consortium Abstracts.
- \* **Ramsing, R.**, & Sibthorp, J. (2006). Exploring autonomy support in diabetes summer camps: The role of self-determination theory. In D. Bialeschki, K. Henderson, A. Young, & R. Andrejewski, (Eds.), *Proceedings From The Coalition for Education in the Outdoors: Vol. 7. Research in Outdoor Education*. Bradford Woods, IN: Coalition for Education in the Outdoors.
- Ramsing, R.** (2005). Predictors of autonomy support at diabetes summer camp: A self-determination theory approach. (Doctoral dissertation). Available from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database. (Publication No. AAT 3188527).
- \* **Ramsing, R.**, & Sibthorp, J. (2005). Predictors of autonomy support at diabetes summer camp: A self-determination theory approach. *Proceedings from the Leisure Research Symposium*. San Antonio, TX: National Recreation and Park Association.
- Librett, J., **Ramsing, R.**, & Witter, E. (2003). *The effect of policies on active community environments*. Centers for Disease Control. Unpublished manuscript.
- \* **Ramsing, R.**, & Paisley, K. (2002). The awareness activation model for transfers of learning in experiential education. In D. Bialeschki, K. Henderson, A. Young, & R. Andrejewski, (Eds.), *Proceedings From The Coalition for Education in the Outdoors: Vol. 6. Research in Outdoor Education* (pp. 164). Bradford Woods, IN: Coalition for Education in the Outdoors.
- DeGraaf, D., **Ramsing, R.**, Gassman, J. and DeGraaf, K. (2002). *Camping and Youth Programs: A staff development perspective*. Dubuque, IA: Eddie Bauer.
- \* **Ramsing, R.** (2001). A Critique of Aristotelian Ethics of Happiness and Enlightenment Ethics. *Illuminare*, 7(1), 11-19.
- Ramsing, R.** (2001). *Student/Faculty Attitudes of Evaluation in Higher Education*. Unpublished manuscript.

- Ramsing, R.** (1994). *Exploring the existence of burnout within municipal parks and recreation organizations in the state of Iowa*. Unpublished master's thesis, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.
- Jordan, D., DeGraaf, D., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hester, C. (1994). *Training the trainer*. Battle Creek, MI: W.K. Kellogg Foundation.
- \* **Ramsing, R.** (1994). Memories to last a lifetime. *Draftings*, 8(2), 22-26. Cedar Falls, IA: University of Northern Iowa.
- Ramsing, R.** (1993). *CampAdventure™ Director's Manual*. Cedar Falls, IA: University of Northern Iowa.
- Ramsing, R.**, Arend, M., & Van Gorp, S. (1993). *CampAdventure™ Training Manual*. Cedar Falls, IA: University of Northern Iowa.
- Edginton, C., DeGraaf, D., & **Ramsing, R.** (1993). *Outdoor recreation resources in America: An analysis of the contribution of Presidential commissions in the twentieth century*. Cedar Falls, IA: University of Northern Iowa. Unpublished raw data.
- Miller, S., & **Ramsing, R.** (1990). *Volunteerism in Oregon Parks and Recreation Departments*. Unpublished manuscript.

#### **Invited Presentations**

- Ramsing, R., & Stone, M.** (2014). Sustainable issues in Ecuador Highlands and Galapagos. Geography and Geology course, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY.
- Ramsing, R.** (2014). CHHS Internationalization. College of Health and Human Services Winter Meeting, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY. January.
- Ramsing, R.** (2014). Education and teaching Abroad. Western Kentucky University International Year of Ecuador Scholar Training. Western Kentucky University.
- Ramsing, R.**, Keeling, D. Murphy, R., & Myers, D. (2011). Creating a successful study abroad program. Western Kentucky University International Week Scholars Presentation. Bowling Green, KY. September.
- Ramsing, R.** (2011). WKU study abroad and global learning: A leading American university with international reach. Western Kentucky University Academic Advising Series: Bowling Green, KY. February.
- Ramsing, R.** (2010). Maintaining academic motivation. Western Kentucky University Academic Advising Series: Bowling Green, KY. October.
- Ramsing, R.** (2010). CHHS Internationalization: Update for all-college meeting. Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY. April.
- Ramsing, R.** & Goldy, L. (2009). Positive discipline: Guidance for summer diabetes camps. Carrollton, KY: Kentucky Camp Hendon in conjunction with American Diabetes Association of Southern Ohio. July.

- Ramsing, R.** (2009). MASTER plan prof talk. Department of Housing and Residence Life, Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, KY. August.
- Ramsing, R.** & Goldy, L. (2008). Guidance and behavioral management: Creating success at camp. Shepardsville, KY: Camp Hendon – Kentucky Diabetes Association in conjunction with American Diabetes Association. July.
- Ramsing, R.** (2007). Costa Rica – Ecotourism, Service Learning, and Outdoor Recreation. College of Health and Human Services, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY. November.
- Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Keynote Address- A Holistic Approach to Organized Camping: Inspiring Youth for Diabetes Excellence. Boone, IA. October.
- Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & Sibthorp, J. (2004). Recreation Opportunities for Youth with Diabetes. Utah Diabetes Educators Association. Salt Lake City, UT. May.
- Ramsing, R.** (2002). Risk Management and Youth: Challenges Facing Summer Camp Programs. Chico, CA. February.
- Ramsing, R.**, & Sibthorp, J. (2002). Exploring the Evaluation Maze: What Do Kids Learn from Camp? American Camping Association – Wasatch District, Salt Lake City, UT. May.
- Ramsing, R.**, (1998). Youth and Self Esteem: The Role of Summer Camp Staff. Camp Adventure. Cedar Falls, IA. February.
- Ramsing, R.** (1997). Working with Seasonal College Staff. American Camping Association/Christian Camping International - Iowa Section Annual Winter Conference. Camp Wapsie, Coggon, IA. January.
- Ramsing, R.**, (1994). Team Building and Group Dynamics. Department of the Army. Panama City, Panama. June.
- Jordan, D., DeGraaf, D., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hester, C. (1994). Training for Day Camp Day Leaders: Jump starting our future. Consultant with Expert in Residence Program. W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek, MI. April.

**Presentations (\* indicates refereed presentation; underlined name indicates student author)**

- \*Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, Holt, J., & Gagnon, R. (2014). The ACA Youth Outcomes Battery: Assess the benefits of an outdoor adventure university day camp. Association of Outdoor Recreation & Education National Conference. Portland, OR: November.
- Smith, K., & **Ramsing, R.** (2014). Mastering the Master Plan: Approaches, Trends and Preliminary Findings. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Owensboro, KY. November.
- \*Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & Holt, J. (2014). Using the ACA Youth Outcome Battery at a campus recreation camp. Leisure Research Symposium, National Recreation Parks Association Annual Congress. Charlottesville, NC. October.



- \*Ramsing, R., & Devers, L.** (2014). Leave No Trace: Conservation strategies for youth educators in Kentucky. Kentucky Association of Experiential Education. Lexington, KY: September.
- Ramsing, R., & Deavers, L.** (2013). Youth and Leave No Trace: The PEAK Kit. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Hebron, KY. November.
- \*Ramsing, R., & Hill, E.** (2013). Navigating the evaluation maze: Keys to your success. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Congress. Houston, TX. October.
- \*Ramsing, R., & Hill, E.** (2013). Environmental stewardship through Leave No Trace: Practicality for Urban Environs. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Congress. Houston, TX. October.
- Kennedy, B., Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** (2013). The essentials of motivation: Engaging staff during changing economic times. Virginia Recreation and Park Society. Williamsburg, VA. September.
- Poff, R., Stenger-Ramsey, T., **Ramsing, R., & Spencer, S.** (2012). Outdoor recreation journals: A topical analysis from 2009-2012. Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education Conference, Snowbird, UT. November.
- Ramsing, R., & Spencer, S.** (2012) (Re)positioning your agency as an essential service: Articulating the value of parks and recreation. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Frankfort, KY. November.
- \*Ramsing, R., & Hill, E.** (2012). Urban sustainability: Promoting environmental stewardship through Leave No Trace. National Recreation Parks Association Annual Congress. Anaheim, CA. October.
- Clark, J., & Ramsing, R. (2012). Recreation in Myanmar: A child's perspective. WKU Statewide Study Abroad Symposium. Bowling Green, KY. March.
- Spencer, S., Larson, B., & **Ramsing, R.** (2011). Let's go paddling. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Bowling Green, KY. November.
- Ramsing, R., & Stenger-Ramsey, T.** (2011). Best practices in volunteer recruitment, retention, and recognition. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Bowling Green, KY. November.
- \*Ramsing, R. & Hill, E.** (2011). Motivating staff in an ever changing environment. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Congress. Atlanta, GA. November
- \*Miller J., Brown, L., Hill, E., Shellman, A., Ramsing, R., & Gomez, E.** (2011). Measuring PEAK: Development of a new scale. New York State Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference and Business Expo: Verona, NY. March.
- Ramsing, R.** (2010). The essence of motivation: Engaging staff during challenging times. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference: Cadiz, KY. November.

- Woosley, J., Ramsing, R., & Sisler, R. (2010). Making a difference: Applying international lessons to parks and recreation. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference: Cadiz, KY. November.
- \* Miller, J., Hill, E., Shellman, A., Ramsing, R., Brown, L., & Gómez, E. (2010). Measuring the Educational Impact of Promoting Environmental Awareness in Kids (PEAK): The Development and Implementation of a New Scale. 22nd Annual Northeastern Recreation Research Symposium, Bolton Landing, NY. March.
- Miller, J., Hill, E., Shellman, A., Ramsing, R., & Brown, L. (2010). Measuring the educational impact of promoting environmental awareness in kids (PEAK): The development and implementation of a New Scale. 14th Annual SUNY Cortland Scholar's Day, Cortland, NY. April.
- \*Stenger-Ramsey, T. L., Larson, B. A., **Ramsing, R.**, & Gibson, F. (2010). Poster presentation - Shooting sport facility development: A case study. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January
- \***Ramsing, R.**, Larson, B., & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2010). Poster presentation – Economic impacts of whitewater parks in the United States. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January.
- \***Ramsing, R.**, Larson, B., & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2010). Poster presentation – Hosting shooting sports tournaments: A study on economic impact. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January.
- \*Larson, B., **Ramsing, R.**, & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2010). Poster presentation – Economic impact of shooting sports in the United States. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January.
- \*Stenger-Ramsey, T., Larson, B., Gibson, F., & **Ramsing, R.** (2010). Poster presentation – Sport management curriculum development in higher education. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January.
- \*Larson, B., Stenger-Ramsey, T., & **Ramsing, R.** (2010). Poster presentation – Competitive shooting and the flow experience. Hawaii International Conference on Education: Honolulu, HI. January.
- Ramsing, R., Hammer, T., Joseph, D., & Clark, K.** (2009). Social Studies in Central America. Cumberland Trace Elementary School, Bowling Green, KY. November.
- Ramsing, R.** (2009). Prosper and thrive: Finding fun in assessment and evaluation. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference: Louisville, KY. November.
- Ramsing, R.**, & Stenger-Ramsey, T. (2008). Developing an urban outdoor ethic: Learning to minimize impact. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Hebron, KY. July.
- Ramsing, R.** (2008). Creating summer superstars: Inspiring staff to succeed. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Hebron, KY. July.

- Ramsing, R.**, Vesey, R., Coffey, D., Murphy, R., Myers, D., & Stewart, M. (2008). How to get started with study abroad – A roundtable discussion. FACET – Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. February.
- \***Ramsing, R.**, Strenecky, B., Carter, D., Tabor, B., & Kovar, B. (2008). Engaging students for success: The \$100 solution. Western Kentucky University 2008 Engaging the Spirit Conference. Bowling Green, KY. August.
- Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** (2008). Motivating diabetes management among youth: Exploring a seamless approach to management for type 1 and type 2. Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters Diabetes Education Center, Norfolk, VA. June.
- Tabor, R. G., Kovar, M. P., Carter, D. M., & **Ramsing, R. D.** (2008). Poster Presentation. International Service Learning. American Dental Hygienists' Association. Albuquerque, NM. April.
- Howard, A., Cannon, A., Morrison, J., & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Poster presentation. Risk management: Protecting your resources. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Lexington, KY. November.
- Saylor, L., Marshall, C., Chen, J., & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Poster presentation. An introduction to volunteer training. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Lexington, KY. November.
- Collins, M., Harris, S., Hnytka, M., & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Poster presentation. Event and special event management: The wow factor. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Lexington, KY. November.
- Ramsing, R.** (2007). Fundraising and friend raising: Alternative resources for recreation operations. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference: Bowling Green, KY. November.
- \***Ramsing, R.**, Stenger-Ramsey, T., & DeGraaf, D. (2007). Learning to live lightly: Developing an urban outdoor ethic. Association of Outdoor Recreation & Education National Conference. Asheville, NC: November.
- Spencer, S., Larson, B. & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Essentials of River Canoeing for Trip Leaders. (River Workshop). Kentucky Association for Environmental Education (KAEE) Annual Conference: Cave City/Green River, KY. September.
- Ramsing, R.** (2007). Guidance and behavioral management: Creating success at camp. Shepardsville, KY: Camp Hendon – Kentucky Diabetes Association. July.
- Hill, E. & **Ramsing, R.** (2007). Diabetes & Family Dynamics: Exploring a Seamless Approach to Management for Type 1 & Type 2. Eastern Virginia Association of Diabetes Educators, Newport News, Virginia. September.
- \*Hill, E., **Ramsing, R.**, & Hill, L. (2007). Integrating the family into the camp experience. Exploring the impact of residential diabetes family camp. American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance National Research Consortium, Baltimore, MD: March.

- Ramsing, R.,** Goldy, L., & Bartlett, L. (2006). Effective customer service: The key to enhancing quality programs. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference: Bowling Green, KY. November.
- \***Hill, E., Ramsing, R. & Hill, L.** (2006). Efficacy of Diabetes Day Camp: Lessons for Better Serving Youth. 400 Years of Discovery: Research Expo, Ted Constant Center, Norfolk, VA. May.
- \***Hill, E., & Ramsing, R.** (2006). Autonomy support at diabetes camp: A theoretical approach. Global Challenges, Local solutions – Research Exposition. Norfolk, VA. April.
- \***Ramsing, R., & Hill, E.** (2006). The role of theory based programming in camps: A three year evaluation of diabetes camps. American Camp Association. Chicago, IL. February.
- \* **Ramsing, R., & Hill, E.** (2006). Poster presentation - The role of theory based programming in camps: A three year evaluation of diabetes camps. American Camp Association. Chicago, IL. February.
- \***Ramsing, R..** (2006). Exploring autonomy support in diabetes summer camps: The role of self-determination theory. Coalition of Outdoor Educators: Research in the Outdoors. Martinsville, IN, January.
- Ramsing, R.,** (2005). Creating Summer Superstars: Inspiring Staff to Succeed. Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society. Louisville, KY. November.
- \***Ramsing, R..** (2005). Mechanisms influencing autonomy support at diabetes summer camp: A self-determination theory approach. Leisure Research Symposium, National Recreation and Parks Association. San Antonio, TX. October.
- \***Ramsing, R., & Paisley, K.** (2002). Creating Superstars: Empowering Seasonal Staff and Volunteers. National Parks and Recreation Association Annual Congress. Orlando, FL. October.
- Ramsing, R., & Witter, E.** (2002). State of Utah: Policies that Affect Recreation and Health. Utah Recreation and Parks Association. St. George, UT. March.
- \***Ramsing, R., & Paisley, K.** (2002). The Awareness Activation Model for Transfer of Learning In Experiential Settings. Coalition for Education In the Outdoors. Bradford Woods, IN. January.
- DeGraaf, D., & **Ramsing, R.** (1997). Surf' in the Net. Iowa Parks and Recreation Association Spring Conference. Waterloo, IA. March.
- Ramsing, R..** (1997). Not Just Another Hike in the Woods: Innovative Ideas for Adventure Programs. Iowa Parks and Recreation Association Spring Conference. Waterloo, IA. March.
- Ramsing, R.** (1996). Developing a Summer Superstar by Empowering Staff to be Their Best. National School Age Care Alliance national conference. St. Louis, MO. April.

\*DeGraaf, D., & **Ramsing, R.** (1994). Developing Summer Superstars: Empowering Staff to be Their Best. National Parks and Recreation Association Annual Congress. Minneapolis/St. Paul MN. October.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS**

#### *Manuscripts in Preparation:*

**Ramsing, R.** Youth Outcome Battery: Campus Recreation and Youth Programming.

#### *Scholarship in Progress*

**Ramsing, R.,** Hill, E., & Shellman, A. LNT Teen Pack.

**Ramsing, R., &** Stenger-Ramsey, T. Volunteer retention and motives in Kentucky parks and recreation.

Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.** Collaborative approaches to agency accreditation: The future for CAPRA.

**Ramsing, R.** Park central: The essence of a community.

**Ramsing, R.** Master Plan Development.

**Ramsing, R.** Youth program evaluation: Quality enhancement in youth summer programs.

Jordan, D., & **Ramsing, R.** (2014). Leadership in leisure services: Making a difference. State College, PA: Venture.

### **GRANTS/FUNDING**

**Ramsing, R.** (2014). Student support for attendance at National Recreation Park Association National Congress. Received \$1000. WKU.

**Ramsing, R., &** Smith, K. (2014). Faculty-Undergraduate Student Engagement (FUSE). Office of Research. Received \$3000. WKU

**Ramsing, R.** (2014). Office of International Programs. Forum on Education Abroad Annual Conference. San Diego, CA. Received \$1746.29. WKU

**Ramsing, R.** (2013). Office of Distance Learning funding for creation of new on-line course – Fiscal Administration in the Nonprofit Sector. Received \$3500. WKU

**Ramsing, R.** (2013). College of Health and Human Service. College Internationalization – Ecuador. Received \$500. WKU

**Ramsing, R.** (2013) Department of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport. College Internationalization – Ecuador. Received \$250. WKU

**Ramsing, R.** (2012). College of Health and Human Services. NAFSA Annual Conference. Received \$3000. WKU

- Ramsing, R.** (2011). Kentucky Recreation Parks Society Student Night. Department of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport. Received \$1700. WKU
- Ramsing, R.** (2011). Rock climbing harnesses. Acquired 28 harnesses from WKU ROTC program. Approximate value - \$1300.
- Haynes-Lawrence, D., & Ramsing, R. (2010). WKU clown doc program. Western Kentucky University Sisterhood. Requested \$36,850. Not funded.
- Ramsing, R.** (2009). Diddle arena classroom renovation project; Funding from WKU classroom improvement fund used to upgrade classroom technology and renovate Diddle Arena classrooms. Received \$25,731.
- Ramsing, R.** (2008-10). Leadership Faculty Fellow Program. Participate in interdisciplinary research with WKU faculty. Received \$2000.
- Stenger-Ramsey, T., **Ramsing, R.**, & Gibson, F. (2009). Provost's Initiatives for Excellence Funding proposal for McChesney Field Campus Dedication. Requested amount - \$10,000. Not funded.
- Ramsing, R.** (2008-09). Western Kentucky University New Faculty Scholarship Award. Bowling Green, KY. Received \$4000.
- Ramsing, R.**, Carter, D., Kovar, M., & Tabor, B. (2007). Provost's Initiatives for Excellence Funding proposal for International Health and Human Service Learning Program (IHHS LP) to Belize. Requested amount - \$16,587. Received partial funding through alternative source.
- Ramsing, R.** (2007). KRPS Student Poster Sessions. Funding proposal to Department of Physical Education and Recreation and College of Health and Human Services for student expenses. Received \$300.
- Gibson, F., Stenger-Ramsey, T., Bartlett, L., Rudolph, J., Larson, B., Poff, R., **Ramsing, R.**, and Spencer, S. (2006). Funding proposal to Ken Lee (Sen. Mitch McConnell). Proposal for development of WKU Outdoor Education and Leadership Center at WKU Farm. Requested amount - \$750,000. Not funded.
- Ramsing, R.**, & Haynes-Lawrence, D. (2006). Addressing the obesity epidemic: An international perspective. Provost's Initiatives for Excellence Funding request for CHHS Master Scholar and Educator Program. Received \$2000.
- Hill, E., & **Ramsing, R.**, (2006). Increasing self-determined behavior for adolescents with type 1 diabetes: A holistic approach to diabetes self-management. Funding proposal to American Diabetes Association Junior Faculty Grant for \$360,000 over five years. Not funded.
- Ramsing, R.** (2006). Costa Rica exploratory trip funding request. Funding proposal to International Education Council, College of Health and Human Services, and Department of Physical Education and Recreation. Received \$1000.
- Haynes-Lawrence, D. & **Ramsing, R.** (2005). Ethics: Greater good or lesser harm. Provost's Initiatives for Excellence Funding request for CHHS Master Scholar and Educator Program. Received \$2000.

**Ramsing, R.** (2005). Western Kentucky University Summer Research Grant. Bowling Green, KY. Received \$5000.

## **UNIVERSITY, PROFESSIONAL, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **University**

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| 2014-2015    | Chairperson. School of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Continuance Committee. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2014-2015    | Chairperson. School of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Rank and Promotion Committee. Western Kentucky University.  |
| 2014-2015    | Chairperson. School of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Tenure Committee. Western Kentucky University.  |
| 2014-present | Committee Member and Faculty Representative. International Risk Management. Selected by Chief International Officer. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2013-present | Alternate Board member. Western Kentucky University Institutional Review Board (IRB). Appointed by provost, Western Kentucky University.  |
| 2013-present | Council member. Western Kentucky University International Education Advisory Council. Selected by dean of College of Health and Human Services and appointed by Provost. Western Kentucky University.     |
| 2012-present | Member. Tenure and Promotion Committee. Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2008-present | Chairperson. College of Health and Human Services Internationalization Committee. Ad hoc committee of faculty/staff from each college department with charge to promote study abroad and global learning. |
| 2013-2014    | Member. College of Health and Human Services Academic Complaint Committee. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2013-2014    | Faculty Mentor. College of Health and Human Services PALS program. Mentor new faculty in College. Western Kentucky University.  |
| 2012-2013    | Member. Graduate Assistant Selection Committee. Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2011-2013    | Member. International Partner Review subcommittee. Standing committee for International Education Council. Western Kentucky University.   |
| 2011-2012    | Member. Teaching Metrics. Tenure and Promotion subcommittee. Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport. Western Kentucky University.  |
| 2011-2012    | Faculty adviser. WKU Ultimate Frisbee club sport team. Western Kentucky University.   |

- 2010-2013 Member. Study Abroad. Standing committee for International Education Council. Western Kentucky University.
- 2010-2013 Member. Campus & Community Outreach/Public Service/Civic Engagement. Standing committee for International Education Council. Western Kentucky University.
- 2012 Search committee member. Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies. Office of the Provost. Western Kentucky University.
- 2012 Search Committee Member. Study Abroad and Global Learning Adviser. Office of International Programs, Western Kentucky University.
- 2010-2011 Moderator. Faculty moderator for student presentation associated with WKU Study Abroad and Global Learning Symposium. Western Kentucky University.
- 2009-2011 Committee Member. World Topper Scholarship Committee. Allocate over \$120,000 annually to students interested in Study Abroad and Global Learning. Western Kentucky University.
- 2009 Search Committee Member. Physical Education Teacher Education faculty position. Department of Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport, Western Kentucky University.
- 2009 Search Committee Member. Study Abroad/Global Learning Outreach Specialist and Adviser. Office of International Programs, Western Kentucky University.
- 2008-2009 Search committee member. Director of International Student and Scholar Services. Office of International Programs, Western Kentucky University.
- 2008- 2012 Member. College of Health and Human Services Academic Complaint Committee. Western Kentucky University.
- 2007-2009 Sub-committee member – study abroad. The American Council on Education (ACE) project. Western Kentucky University.
- 2007-2008 Alternate committee member – College of Health and Human Services Sabbatical and Faculty Awards Committee. Western Kentucky University.
- 2007-2008 Search committee member. Chief Internationalization Officer. Academic Affairs, Western Kentucky University.
- 2007-2008 Leadership Team Member. International Health and Human Service Learning Program. Assist with planning and implement Belize service program for students and faculty of Western Kentucky University.
- 2007- 2013 Council member. Western Kentucky University International Education Council. Selected by dean of College of Health and Human Services and appointed by Provost. Western Kentucky University.
- 2006-2009 Co-chair. McChesney Field Campus Advisory Board. Western Kentucky University.
- 2006-2007 Co-chair. Master Scholar and Educator, College of Health and Human Services. Western Kentucky University.



- 2006- 2010 Committee member. WKU Challenge Course Advisory Board.
- 2006- 2013 Board member. Western Kentucky University Institutional Review Board (IRB). Appointed by provost, Western Kentucky University.
- 2006 Committee member. Preston Center Expansion Project. Western Kentucky University.
- 2005-2006 Co-chair. Nominations committee, College of Health and Human Services. Western Kentucky University.
- 2005-2006 Committee member. Engagement for Promotion and Tenure, Department of Physical Education and Recreation.
- 2005-2011 Recreation Administration graduate program committee member. Western Kentucky University.
- 2001-2003 Graduate SAC (Student Advisory Council) representative for Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 1999-2000 Advisory committee member for Campus Recreation Services, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 1997 Search committee member for Associate Professor/Coordinator, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1993 Search Committee student member for Assistant Professional in Therapeutic Recreation, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.

**Professional**

- 2010 -present Board member. Kentucky Recreation & Park Society.
- 2014 Research Symposium Reviewer for Association of Outdoor Recreation & Education National Conference. Portland, OR.
- 2014 Reviewer for Leisure Research Symposium. Topic area: Leisure across the lifespan – leisure, children and adolescents, family leisure and aging.
- 2013 Reviewer. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Asked to review grant proposals on Youth Development.
- 2013 Search committee member. Executive Director search for Kentucky Recreation and Park Society.
- 2012 Search committee member. Recreation Division Manager. Bowling Green Parks and Recreation. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2011 Member – Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference Planning Committee. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2010-2011 Member. Southern Region Network Leadership Team – National Recreation Park Association.
- 2010-2011 Co-chair. Student function/recruitment. Kentucky Recreation & Park Society Annual Conference Planning committee.

- 2009-2011 Committee member. Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Finance Committee. Meet quarterly in addition to special session and annual conference.
- 2009 Reviewer for associate editor of Journal of Leisure Research.
- 2009 Expert reviewer. Conducted content analysis for study utilizing Self-determination theory in organized camping.
- 2008-2009 Committee member. SPRE (Society of Parks and Recreation Educators) Civic Engagement. Committee associated with enhancing civic engagement with national congress. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2008 Reviewer for associate editor of SCHOLE: A Journal of Leisure Studies and Recreation Education.
- 2007-2008 Committee member. SPRE (Society of Parks and Recreation Educators) Civic Engagement. Committee associated with enhancing civic engagement with national congress. Baltimore, MD.
- 2007- 2008 Committee member. SPRE (Society of Parks and Recreation Educators) Excellence in Teaching Committee.
- 2007 Reviewer for associate editor of Leisure Sciences.
- 2007 Reviewer for associate editor of SCHOLE: A Journal of Leisure Studies and Recreation Education.
- 2005 Reviewer for associate editor of Journal of Leisure Research.
- 2003-2004 Reviewer for associate editor of Research in Outdoor Education.
- 2001 Reviewer for associate editor of SCHOLE: A Journal of Leisure Studies and Recreation Education.
- 1995 Location Adviser for creation and editing of national training video for Assessing School Age Quality (ASQ). Video used throughout the United States as a supplement to the ASQ process. Video funded by Wellesley College, Department of Women's Studies, MA.

### **Community**

- 2007-present Vice chairperson and Commissioner – Bowling Green Board of Park Commissioners. Bowling Green, KY. Appointment by mayor for second three year term.
- 2010-present Special Olympics Spring Games –facilitate track and field events for Sp. Olympic Athletes in conjunction with Inclusive Recreation course (REC 328). Bowling Green, KY.
- 2008-present Facilitate special events with leadership students for youth at Parker Bennett Community Center, Bowling Green Parks and Recreation. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2013-present Warren County Services Fair. Provide recreational opportunities and support for refugee families participating in Services Fair. Bowling Green, KY. March
- 2014 Judge. Parker Bennett Community Center – Ms. Parker Bennett Pageant. Bowling Green Parks and Recreation. Bowling Green, KY.

- 2012 Run for the Planet. National Geographic Community event to encourage running and recycling. Bowling Green, KY. September.
- 2009 Presenter - Central America Social Studies. Several students participating in Costa Rica study abroad course presented a social studies segment to 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Cumberland Trace Elementary School. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2008- 2010 Board Member – International Board of Directors for \$100 Solution. Bowling Green, KY.
- 2008 Search committee member. Community representative for Bowling Green Parks and Recreation search for supervisor of Parker Bennett Community Center.
- 2007 Consultant for implementing study abroad course to Costa Rica. Montana State University. Billings, MT.
- 2006-2010 Special Olympics Spring Games –facilitate activities for Sp. Olympic Athletes through course on Inclusive Recreation (REC 328).
- 2006-2008 Facilitate leadership opportunities for college students with Bowling Green Boys & Girls Club.
- 2005-2007 Special Olympics Fall Bowling Tournament –facilitate REC 328 class in working with Special Olympics Games.
- 2003 Facilitator – 2003 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) International Youth Camp. Cedar Falls, IA.
- 2002 Doping control, athlete escort, 2002 Winter Olympics, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2001-2002 Human Resources, 2002 Winter Olympics, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 1999 Student Youth Corps, provided direction and labor for environmental clean up projects, Seattle, WA.
- 1996-1997 Mentor – Junior High student, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1996-1997 Volunteer - Central Presbyterian Food for Homeless Program food preparation and service for disadvantaged people, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1995-1997 Boys and Girls Clubs of America – aided in special event coordination and support, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1994 Volunteer, National Recreation & Parks Association (NRPA) National Congress, Minneapolis/St. Paul MN, October.
- 1994 Volunteer, Junior Achievement – aided in special events and organization of local JA functions and programs, Waterloo, IA.
- 1993 Volunteer Coordinator and Adviser, Young Leaders in Action, Cedar Falls, IA – graduate student adviser for fund raising event and coordinator for over 85 volunteers that served more than 1600 adolescents.

#### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- 2014 Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Annual Conference. Owensboro, KY. November

- 2014 National Recreation Parks Association Annual Congress. Charlotte, NC. October.
- 2014 Social Justice Colloquium. Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY. Spring.
- 2014 Forum on Education Abroad Annual Conference. San Diego, CA. April.
- 2014 Social Justice and the Academy. Lecture by Dr. Nirmala Erevelles, Professor of Social and Cultural Studies, University of Alabama. Session hosted by Institute for Citizenship and Social Responsibility. Bowling Green, KY. March.
- 2014 Advising, Recruitment, and Marketing – Diversity Abroad Training. Office of International Programs. Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY. February.
- 2013 Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Annual Conference. Hebron, KY. November
- 2013 Studio Abroad. Training conducted by Office of International Programs and office of Study Abroad and Global Learning. Bowling Green, KY. September.
- 2013 Pecha Kucha – techniques for presenting in the classroom. Presentation hosted by FACET, Western Kentucky University. February.
- 2013 Academic framework for study abroad workshop. Forum on Education Abroad. Bowling Green, KY. September.
- 2012 National Recreation Park Association Annual Congress. Houston, TX. October.
- 2012 Case Study Teaching. Presentation hosted by FACET, Western Kentucky University. September.
- 2012 Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Annual Conference. Frankfort, KY. November
- 2012 National Recreation Park Association Annual Congress. Atlanta, GA. November.
- 2012 NAFSA: Association of International Educators. Houston, TX. May.
- 2012 Poverty simulation. Communication Action of Kentucky. Bowling Green, KY. January.
- 2011 National Recreation Park Association Annual Congress. Atlanta, GA. November.
- 2011 Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Annual Conference. Bowling Green, KY. November.
- 2011 Information Technology CMS Training. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. September.
- 2011 Master Adviser Certificate Program. Academic Advising and Retention Center. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. Spring.

- 2010 Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Annual Conference. Lake Barkley State Resort Park - Cadiz, KY. November.
- 2010 National Recreation Park Association Annual Congress. Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN. October.
- 2010 Sustainability Retreat. Western Kentucky University. Barren River State Park, KY. August.
- 2010 Enhancing the Spirit. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. August. August.
- 2009 Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Louisville, KY. November.
- 2009 National Recreation Park Association Annual Congress. Salt Lake City, UT. October.
- 2009 Engaging the Spirit: Rethinking the Core Curriculum. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. August.
- 2009 Forum on improving Study Abroad/Global Learning at Western Kentucky University. Western Kentucky University. May.
- 2009 Agency Control & Financial Boot Camp. City of Bowling Green, KY. April.
- 2009 Suggestions for Successful Online Teaching. Presentation hosted by FACET, Western Kentucky University. September.
- 2008 Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Hebron, KY. November.
- 2008 National Recreation and Park Association National Congress. Baltimore, MD. October.
- 2008 Reliability Analysis with SPSS. Presented by Information Technology Division of Western Kentucky University. September.
- 2008 Engaging the Spirit: Celebrating Student Success. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY. August.
- 2008 Addressing risk management in study abroad. Presented by College of Education, Western Kentucky University. March.
- 2008 Altruism: Does it exist? Presented by College of Education, Western Kentucky University. March.
- 2008 Putting together a Study Abroad Program. Presentation hosted by FACET, Western Kentucky University. September.
- 2007 Kentucky Recreation and Park Society Annual Conference. Lexington, KY. November.
- 2007 Collaboration and cooperation. Presentation hosted by FACET, Western Kentucky University.
- 2007 Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education. Asheville, NC. November.

- 2007 National Recreation and Park Association National Congress. Indianapolis, IN – October.
- 2007 Engaging the Spirit: Tools for student success. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY – August.
- 2007 American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. Baltimore, MD. March.
- 2007 American Camp Association National Congress. Austin, TX – February.
- 2007 Releasing Leadership Brilliance – Imagination Institute by Simon T Bailey. Western Kentucky University.
- 2007 Custom Search Engines for Instruction. FACET, Western Kentucky University.
- 2006 Engaging our students: Creating a SPECTM (Student-centered, problem-based, experiential and collaborative) learning environment in higher education. College of Health and Human Services, Western Kentucky University.
- 2006 ICAP – College of Health and Human Services. Western Kentucky University.
- 2006 Effective use of SITE Evaluations for teaching. FACET, Western Kentucky University. April.
- 2006 Kentucky Recreation & Park Society – Bowling Green, KY – November.
- 2006 America Camp Association National Congress. Chicago – February.
- 2006 Coalition for Education in the Outdoors Research Symposium. Bradford Wood, IN. January.
- 2006 Engaging the Spirit: Best Practices for Student Engagement. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY – August.
- 2005 Grant writing workshop. Office of Sponsored programs, Western Kentucky University. Sept. 30, 2005.
- 2005 Activity report construction. College of Health and Human Services, Western Kentucky University.
- 2005 Kentucky Recreation & Park Society – Louisville, KY – November.
- 2005 National Recreation and Park Association – San Antonio TX – October.
- 2005 Engaging the Spirit: Enhancing student learning. Western Kentucky University. Bowling Green, KY – August.
- 2004 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress. Reno, NV. October.
- 2002 Utah Recreation and Parks Association. St. George, UT – March.
- 2002 Coalition for Education In the Outdoors. Bradford Woods, IN – January.
- 2000 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress. Phoenix, AZ – October.

- 1998 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress. Miami Beach, FL. September. (Conference cancelled due to weather).
- 1998 Iowa Parks and Recreation Association. Waterloo, IA. March.
- 1997 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress. Salt Lake City, UT. October.
- 1996 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress. Kansas City, MI. October.
- 1996 National School Age Care Alliance National Conference, St. Louis, MO. April.
- 1996 Air Force School Age Program Training, Scott Air Force Base, IL. April.
- 1996 Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Conference. Las Vegas, NV. May.
- 1996 Assessing School Age Quality Training conference, Atlanta, GA. February.
- 1995 Dealing with Negativity in the Workplace, Boston, MA. November.
- 1995 Air Force School Age Training for Youth Directors, San Francisco. April.
- 1995 National School Age Care Alliance National Conference, San Francisco, CA. April..
- 1995 Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Conference. Seattle, WA. May.
- 1994 National Recreation and Parks Association National Congress, Minneapolis/St. Paul MN, October.
- 1989 American Camping Association National Conference, Seattle, WA. November.

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2013 Conversation on Leadership. Hosted by Knicely Professor of Leadership and Director of Leadership Excellence. Gordon Ford College of Business. November. Western Kentucky University.
- 2011-2012 College of Health and Human Services (CHHS) Outstanding Faculty Award for Teaching. Western Kentucky University.
- 2011 Promotion to Associate Professor – Recreation Administration. August. Western Kentucky University.
- 2011 Tenure. Western Kentucky University.
- 2009 Leadership Faculty Fellow – Center for Leadership Excellence, Western Kentucky University.
- 2008 New Faculty Research Grant – Efficacy of family medical camps.
- 2007 Granted Associate membership status on the Graduate Faculty at Western Kentucky University.
- 2007 Nominated for College of Health and Human Services Faculty Award for Public Service.
- 2005 Faculty Research Grant – Influence of Autonomy Support on Adolescents with type 1 Diabetes.

- 2002      Doctoral Student of the Year – Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, University of Utah.
- 2002      Graduate School Conferences Scholarship – received financial award for professional presentation from the graduate school and department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2000      Outstanding Graduate Student in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism – Anthony and Myrtle Simone Endowed Scholarship, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2000      Nominated for Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year for Utah Park and Recreation Association.
- 1996-1998      Influential Faculty Member – Citation by President of University of Northern Iowa for faculty members having a positive influence on student development, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1996      Civilian of the Year Category III, United States Air Force Electronic System Command – Included 7 installations throughout the United States encompassing three levels of competition with over 75 nominees, Boston, MA.
- 1995      Nominated for University of Northern Iowa Outstanding Master's Thesis Award, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 1993      Nominated as Outstanding Graduate Student for American Association of Leisure and Recreation Institutional Award.

#### **MEMBERSHIPS AND CERTIFICATIONS**

American Diabetes Association (ADA)  
 NRPA (National Recreation and Park Association)  
 KRPS (Kentucky Parks and Recreation Society)  
 American Canoe Association (ACA)  
 American Camp Association (ACA)  
 Outdoor Stewardship Certification by Wilderness Experiential Association  
 Red Cross CPR  
 Red Cross Advanced First Aid  
 NAUI Scuba diver certified

#### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

- 2011-present      **Associate Professor**, Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY.
- 2005-2011      **Assistant Professor**, Department of Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY.
- 1999-2005      **Instructor/Teaching Assistant**, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. Duties include teaching and facilitating lectures and labs; Graduate student representative for student organization, RAPS (Recreation and Parks Society).
- 1999-2004      **Training Consultant/Trainer**, University of Northern Iowa's *Camp Adventure*<sup>TM</sup>. Plan, coordinate, and implement staff development training for



seasonal camp and specialty camp counselors in Eugene, OR; Cedar Falls, IA; Columbus, OH; Chico, CA; Tokyo, Japan.

- 1998-1999     **Coordinator**, Oregon Outdoor Women Program, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Portland, OR. Coordinate training seminars for women in outdoor skill development and education. Directed over 700 volunteers serving more than 900 participants. Responsible for grant writing, marketing, and program support.
- 1996-1998     **Instructor**, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Leisure Services, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA. Taught four courses per semester, member of undergraduate curriculum assessment team, and member of search committee for assistant professor of therapeutic recreation.
- 1995-1996     **Director**, Youth Activities, Hanscom Air Force Base, Boston, MA. Responsible for supervision of 50 paid and 150 volunteer staff, budget in excess of \$500,000, and direction of year-round youth programs catering to over 660 adolescents and youth in part day pre-school, school age, youth center, and teen facilities.
- 1994            **Project Assistant**, Bureau of Indian Affairs, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA. Conducted study sponsored by Department of Interior, BIA, to ascertain level of financial support required for children with special needs on reservations throughout the United States. Results of study substantiated future United States Government funding.
- 1994            **Graduate Assistant**, Associate Dean of University of Northern Iowa, College of Education, Cedar Falls, IA. Research and writing assistant for study on the benefits of experiential education for university students. Contact: Dr. Bill Callahan.
- 1993-1994     **Program Assistant**, Junior Achievement of Black Hawk Land, Inc., Cedar Falls, IA. Responsible for selecting, training, and evaluating volunteers for elementary, intermediate and high school programs serving 3200 youth annually.
- 1993            **Development Coordinator**, *Camp Adventure*<sup>TM</sup>, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA. Responsible for training and special events staff. Designed, coordinated, and facilitated 40-hour training programs for over 500 college students. Conceived, designed, and implemented out-of-state training programs for over 100 college students.
- 1992-1994     **Program Coordinator/Program Director** (Germany, Northern Japan, South Korea, and United States), *Camp Adventure*<sup>TM</sup>, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA. Supervised, managed, and directed over 100 college students per summer. Additional duties included consulting, troubleshooting, instructing, and programming. Served as liaison between camp organization and the United States Department of Defense.
- 1992            **Graduate Assistant**, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Leisure Services, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA. Duties included grading and assisting professor with lecturing.