

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 2009 *Ph.D., Social Work*, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY
- 2001 *Masters of Social Work*, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, IN
- 1992 *Bachelor of Arts*, Counseling Psychology, Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro, KY

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 07/11-present **Desrosiers Consulting LLC, President, Clinical Supervisor**
- Clinical supervision of CSW license holders
 - Organizational consultation
 - CEU offerings and trainings
- 9/01-3/10 **Acumen Counseling, Clinical Social Worker**
- Individual, Family, and Group Therapy services provided in schools and in office
 - Regular coordination with community providers such as teachers, school counselors, DCBS, physicians, and nurses required
 - Expert witness testimony particularly in cases of termination of parental rights, child abuse and neglect, and child custody cases
- 1/01-9/01 **RiverValley Behavioral Health, Therapeutic Child Support Professional**
- Direct individual and group services to seriously emotionally disabled children and their families
 - Attended regular treatment team meetings with parents, service coordinators, social service workers, and other professionals to provide coordinated care
- 09/92-12/00 **RiverValley Behavioral Health, Service Coordinator**
- Facilitated team meetings with multiple service providers and parents to coordinate treatment efforts on behalf of children and their families
 - Advocated for any special services required
 - Monitored service provision to insure timely implementation of planned services
- 02/92-09/92 **Boulware Center, Human Services Coordinator**
- Developed a case management program for homeless clients
 - Improved client moral and self-esteem through positive strength building experiences
 - Established strong collaborations with several community service providers in order to offer varied programming
- 01/91-01/93 **Valley Institute of Psychiatry, Youth Care Specialist**
- Assisted clients to follow daily milieu while effectively managing behavior and emotion
 - Utilized safe crisis intervention to deescalate negative client behaviors
 - Collaborated with multidisciplinary team to implement client treatment plan

LICENSURE

2003 *Licensed Clinical Social Worker; KY 1943*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

08/16-Present **Western Kentucky University**
Bowling Green, KY
Associate Professor of Social Work, Tenured
MSW Program Director since July 2015

08/09-8/16 **Western Kentucky University**
Bowling Green, KY
Assistant Professor of Social Work
MSW Program Director since July 2015

1/09-5/09 **Kentucky Wesleyan College**
Owensboro, KY
Adjunct Professor

1/05-5/05 **University of Louisville**
Louisville, KY
Teaching Assistant

COURSES TAUGHT**Western Kentucky University, Department of Social Work**

- Integrated Social Work Practice with Families (MSW Program)
- Ethical Issues in Social Work (MSW Program)
- Professional Social Work Writing Seminar (MSW Program)
- Advanced Rural Social Welfare Policy (MSW Program)
- Advanced Psychosocial Approaches for Rural Practice (MSW Program)
- Field Liaison (MSW Program)
- Administration and Supervision in Social work (MSW Program)
- Child Sexual Abuse (MSW Program)
- Understanding Rural Communities (MSW Program)
- Victim Advocacy in Kentucky (MSW Program)
- Adolescent Issues (CFL Program)
- Supervision of Advanced Casework Practice in Child Welfare (CFL Program)
- Case Management of Child Sexual Abuse (CFL Program)
- International Health and Community Service Learning in Belize, Central America (BSW and MSW)
- International Speech Pathology in London, UK; Paris, France; and Gent, Belgium

Kentucky Wesleyan College, Department of Sociology

- Gender Roles (Undergraduate)

University of Louisville, Department of Social Work

- Advanced Social Work Practice (MSW)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS IN PRINT

- Desrosiers, P.,** Mallinger, G., & Bragg-Underwood, T. (2016). Promoting socially just healthcare systems: Social work's contribution. *Advances in Social Work, 17* (2).
- Desrosiers, P.** & Sullivan, D., Dickinson, T. & Lay, C., (2016). Victim assistance service providers training needs assessment. *Professional Development: The International Journal of Continuing Social Work Education, 19*(2).
- Desrosiers, P.** (2015). [Leadership style in social work educational administration](#). *International Journal of Business and Social Services, 6*(3), 1-10.
- Desrosiers, P.,** Cappiccie, A., & Murray, M. (2015). The BES Model: Student Support and Gatekeeping Tool. *Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice, 15*(6), 71-84.
- Desrosiers, P.,** Gabbard, J., & Funk, E. (October, 2015). Best practice for teaching professional graduate writing online. Accepted to *The Online Journal of Distance Education and e-Learning, 3*(4), <http://tojdel.net/volume.php?volume=3&issue=4>
- Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (2011). Lessons learned from using adobe acrobat connect in the social work classroom. *Journal of Technology in Human Services, 29*(4), 296-302.
doi:10.1080/15228835.2011.638239

PEER-REVIEWD ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- Desrosiers, P.,** Joffrion, C., Sullivan, D., & Kim, S. (under review). Evaluation of a State Victim Assistance Training Academy, *Evaluation and Program Planning*.
- Kim, S., Hyppolite, M., **Desrosiers, P.,** Hunn, V., Canfield, J., & Harley, D. (under review, special issue). Embracing inclusive excellence: Asian and Asian American College Students, *International Journal of Multicultural Education*.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES IN PROCESS

- Murphy, A, **Desrosiers, P.** & Joffrion, C. (2018). An examination of leadership in non-profit organizations: Does degree matter? Proposed submission to *Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership & Governance*.
- Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (2018). Engaging students during online practicum seminar: The TFSC Model. Proposed submission to *Interactive Learning Environments*.
- Desrosiers, P.** (2018). Development of a State Victim Assistance Academy: Lessons Learned. Proposed submission to *Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship*.
- Griffiths, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (2018). Supervision in Child Welfare. Proposed submission to *Journal of Public Child Welfare*.
- Gabbard, J., **Desrosiers, P.,** & Starks, S. (2018). Best Practices in Cultural Immersion: Effectively Transitioning Students out of Traditional Classroom Spaces. Proposed submission to *Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice*.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTER IN PRINT

- Desrosiers, P.** (2013). Chapter 3: Integrating video lecture tools in online and hybrid classrooms. In Smyth, E. G., & Volker, J. X. (2013). *Enhancing Instruction with Visual Media: Utilizing Video and Lecture Capture* (pp. 1-339). Hershey, PA: IGI Global. doi:10.4018/978-1-4666-3962-1

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

National

- Desrosiers, P.** (October 2017). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 63rd Annual Program Meeting. Electronic Poster entitled “University-Community Collaborations: Leadership Strategies for Successful Multidisciplinary Teams.” Dallas, TX.
- Griffiths, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (October 2017). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 63rd Annual Program Meeting. Oral Presentation entitled “Public Child Welfare Supervisors: The Key to Reducing Workforce Turnover.” Dallas, TX.
- Murphy, A., **Desrosiers, P.** & Joffrion, C. (June 2017). Paper presentation entitled “Exploring Differences between Social Workers' and Non-Social Workers' Executive Leadership Skills among Non-Profit Leaders.” Paper presented at the 28th Annual Management Conference of the Network for Social Work Management. New York, NY.
- Mallinger, G. & **Desrosiers, P.** (March 2017). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Bachelor Program Directors (BPD) Annual Program Meeting. Paper presentation entitled “Patient Navigation: An Opportunity for BSW Graduates.” New Orleans, LA.
- Cappiccie, A., Murphy, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (November 2016). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 62nd Annual Program Meeting. Assessment Academy presentation entitled “Assessment: A Catalyst for Continuous Program Improvement.” Atlanta, GA.
- Desrosiers, P.** & Mallinger, G. (November 2016). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 62nd Annual Program Meeting. Oral Presentation entitled “Patient Navigation: An Opportunity to Advance Collaborative Health Care.” Atlanta, GA.
- Desrosiers, P.** & Cappiccie, A. (October 2015). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted, and presented for the Teaching Professor Technology Conference. Presentation entitled “Using Adobe Connect Pro to Engage Students during Practicum.” New Orleans, LA.
- Desrosiers, P.**, Gabbard, W., & Grise-Owens, E. (October 2014). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 60th Annual Program Meeting. Think Tank entitled “Teaching Social Work Practice Skills in an Online Course.” Tampa, FL.
- Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (May 2014). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Teaching Professor Annual Conference. Presentation entitled “Frazzled? Overwhelmed? A practical guide to challenging students”. Boston, MA.
- Desrosiers, P.**, Owens, L., & Hunt, M. (March 2014). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Bachelor Program Directors (BPD) Annual Program Meeting. Skills Workshop entitled “International Interdisciplinary Service Learning in Belize.” Louisville, KY.
- Desrosiers, P.**, Owens, L., & Hunt, M. (November 2013). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) 59th Annual Program Meeting Skills Workshop entitled “International Interdisciplinary Service Learning in Belize.” Dallas, TX.
- Sullivan, D., Weeks, P.L., Hurt, V., **Desrosiers, P.**, & Gibson, A. (March 2013). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Bachelor Program Directors (BPD) Annual Program Meeting. Skills Workshop entitled “Experiential Learning for Child Welfare Supervisors: Implementing an Evidence-Informed and Case-Based Curriculum.” Myrtle Beach, SC.
- Desrosiers, P.** (November 2012). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting Skills Workshop entitled “Service learning in Gales Point Manatee, Belize, Central America.” Washington, DC.

Gabbard, J. & **Desrosiers, P.** (November 2012). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted, and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program meeting entitled “Ten Effective Pedagogical Strategies for Engaging Students in Online Learning” Washington, DC.

Gabbard, J. & **Desrosiers, P.** (June 2012). Abstract peer reviewed and accepted for the Teaching Professor National Conference entitled “Effective Pedagogical Strategies for Engaging Students in Online Learning.” Washington, DC.

Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (October, 2011). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting entitled “Online Learning in Social Work Practice Classes Using Adobe Acrobat Connect Pro” Atlanta, GA.

Desrosiers, P., Hayes-Chadha, J., & Gibson, A. (October 2011). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting entitled “Infusing Leadership into the Social Work Administration and Supervision Classroom”, Atlanta, GA.

Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (October 2010). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting entitled “Using adobe connect pro in the social work classroom”, Portland, OR.

Desrosiers, P. (November 2009). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting entitled “Educational leadership practices in social work education”, San Antonio, TX.

Desrosiers, P. (October 2008). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted and presented for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting entitled “Leadership in social work educational administration”, Philadelphia, PA.

State

Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** (November 2014). *Working with Challenging Students at Kentucky Schools of Higher Education*. Presented at Kentucky Association of Social Work Educators (KASWE) Fall Meeting at Natural Bridge State Park.

Gabbard, J. & **Desrosiers, P.** (April 2012). *Ten Effective Pedagogical Strategies for Engaging Students in Online Learning*. Abstract peer reviewed, accepted, and presented at Kentucky Association of Social Work Educators (KASWE) Spring Meeting at Bowling Green, KY.

Local

Desrosiers, P. & Gabbard, J. (March 2017). Poster entitled “Effective Strategies for Teaching Professional Graduate Writing Skills: A Pilot Exercise.” Poster presented at CHHS Reach Week. Bowling Green, KY.

Gabbard, J. & **Desrosiers, P.** (April 2014). Abstract peer reviewed, accepted, and presented for the Kentucky Association of Social Work Educators Spring Conference. Presentation entitled “Effective Techniques for Engaging Social Work Students in Online Learning.” Bowling Green, KY.

Cappiccie, A. & **Desrosiers, P.** Owensboro Regional Recovery Staff Training. (December 2013). *Diversity and Sensitivity*. Presented at Owensboro, KY.

Desrosiers, P. DELO Workshop. (October 2013). *Uses for Adobe® Connect™*. Presented information to WKU community members regarding use of this online learning environment.

Desrosiers, P. FaCET Summer Conference (July 2012). *10 Effective Strategies for Engaging Students in Online Learning*. Presented information to WKU community members regarding engagement of students in online environments. Bowling Green, KY.

Desrosiers, P. Women's Studies Generations Series (March 2011). *Women's Leadership is Transformational Leadership*. Presented information to WKU community members regarding women's leadership characteristics. Bowling Green, KY.

Desrosiers, P. Fall Online Bootcamp (Fall 2010). *Adobe Connect Pro in the Classroom*. Presented information to WKU faculty regarding the use of Adobe Acrobat Connect Pro in the graduate level classroom. Bowling Green, KY.

Desrosiers, P. Adobe Connect Pro in the Classroom (Fall 2010). Presented information to WKU faculty regarding the use of Adobe Acrobat Connect Pro in the graduate level classroom. Bowling Green, KY.

INVITED PRESENTATION

Griffiths, A. G., **Desrosiers, P.**, & Royse, D. (2017, March). *Kentucky's Frontline Public Child Welfare Supervisors: Feedback from the Field*. Presentation to the Commissioner's Office, Kentucky Department for Community Based Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Frankfort, KY.

GRANTS

QTAG- December 2016

Co- Investigator with Christopher Joffrion- *Domestic Violence Services Knowledge Study*. Barren River Area Safe Space (BRASS). Funded by the Western Kentucky University College of Health and Human Services, Quick Turnaround Grant (QTAG 17-005)- \$2,992.00. Funded.

Grant Funding for Leadership Research- November 2016

Co-Investigator with Dr. April Murphy- *Exploration of Leadership among Kentucky's Social Work Non-Profits*. Funded by the WKU Center for Leadership Excellence in collaboration with the Office of Research - \$1,250.00. Funded @ 50% of \$2,500 request.

SBIRT CHAMPION- March 2016 & 2017

Co-Principal Investigator- *Infusing substance abuse content into the social work curriculum*. Funded by Meharry Medical Center in collaboration with Dr. R. Lyle Cooper - \$1,500.00 x 2. Funded.

Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Service Priorities Needs Assessment MOA- August, 2015

Principal Investigator- Upon request from the KY Grants Management Branch Director, Ruth Edwards, submitted a proposal for completion of a needs assessment to determine the Kentucky service priorities of Kentucky in the next three years. Results to be provided by March 2016. Requested funding totals \$15,712. Partial funding received.

Victim Assistance Discretionary Grant Training Program for VOCA Victim Assistance Grantees May 2015

Principal Investigator- Upon request from the KY Grants Management Branch Director, Ruth Edwards, submitted a proposal for needs assessment, strategic plan, and evaluation of newly developed trainings across Kentucky over 3 years. This proposal includes funding for a graduate research assistant, multiple training events, and a director of the project. Requested funding: \$379,489. Not funded.

OVC TTAC Training and Technical Assistance Grant -February 2014

Principal Investigator- Awarded an Ultimate Trainer event aimed at developing training skills and capacity within the state of Kentucky. This grant is worth approximately \$10,000. Mentored Azalia Gongora, Graduate Assistant, through this application process. Fully funded.

DELO Online Learning Research Office (OLRO)-January 2014

Principal Investigator- Awarded \$8,650 for an internal research grant. *Development and Evaluation of an Online Writing Course* for the Master's in Social Work Program. Applied in collaboration with Dr. Jay Gabbard. Mentored Emily Funk, MSW student, as a research assistant. Fully funded.

State Victim Assistance Academy Grant-October 2011-September 2015

Principal Investigator- Awarded a \$250,000 federal grant, a collaboration between VOCA and WKU, to develop a State Victim Assistance Academy in Kentucky beginning in the 2011/2012 academic year to run for 3 years. An additional year was added to the funding due to effective management of grant funds. Mentored Lynde Revert, Christopher James, Erica Thompson, Betty Tonui, and Azalia Gongora as Graduate Research Assistants for this project. Fully funded.

WKU RCAP: New Faculty Grant-Spring 2011

Principal Investigator- Received a \$3,827 grant to survey victim service providers in the Warren County, Kentucky area about their service provision in the area. This grant will serve as a pilot project for a larger SVAA grant. Mentored Cecilia Mengo as a Graduate Research Assistant for this project. Fully funded.

Interagency Collaborative Team Model-Spring 2004

Research Assistant- Facilitated completion of a \$275,000 NIH grant for a University of Louisville project relating to divorcing parents. My responsibilities included coordinating information and completing the PHS 398 form for submission to NIH. Not funded.

GRANT REPORTS

Desrosiers, P. (November 2014). Kentucky victim assistance academy: 2014 Annual Report. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. & Betty Tonui. (September 2014). Kentucky victim assistance academy: 2014 Evaluation Report. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. (October 2013). Kentucky victim assistance academy: 2013 Annual Report. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. & James, C. (June 2013). Kentucky victim assistance academy: 2013 Evaluation Report. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. & Thompson, E. (September 2012). Kentucky victim assistance academy: Annual Report. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. & Revert, L. (April 2012). Kentucky victim assistance academy: Statewide training needs assessment. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky. Submitted to the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy Steering Committee, the Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, and the Federal office for Victims of Crime, part of the Department of Justice.

Desrosiers, P. & Mengo, C (2011). Victim services assessment project. Western Kentucky University: Bowling Green, Kentucky.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Phi Alpha Induction Ceremony—Delta Mu Chapter (March 2012). *Authenticity in Social Work Practice.* Addressed the 2012 inductee group and audience of the WKU Social Work Honor Society.

COURSE/CERTIFICATE DEVELOPMENT

Desrosiers, P., Ellis-Griffiths, G., Bragg-Underwood, T., Mkanta, W., Brooks, A., Mallinger, G., Hunt-Shepherd, J., & Brown, L. (2015). *Interdisciplinary Patient Navigator Certificate Program* approved to start in Fall 2016.

Desrosiers, P. & Gabbard, J. (2015). SWRK 679: Professional Social Work Writing Seminar.

Desrosiers, P. & Hurt, V. (2013). SWRK 577: Supervisor Series: Supervision of Advanced Casework Practice in Child Welfare.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

Advances in Social Work Peer-Reviewer

Council on Social Work Education Accreditation Site Visitor

NASW Policy Statement Contributor for *Social Work Speaks, 11th Ed.* Policy on Victims of Crime

Violence and Victims Peer-Reviewer

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

2015-current Accreditation Self-Study Chair (MSW)

2010-current Adjunct Faculty Mentor (MSW)

2015-current Admissions Committee Chair (MSW), Member since 2009

2011-current CEU Committee Member (MSW/BSW)

2015-current Curriculum Committee Chair (MSW), Member since 2009

2010-2014 Field Instructor Supervision (BSW/MSW)

2009-2012 Graduate Students of SW (GSSW) Faculty Sponsor

2015-current MSW Program Director

2015-current Orientation Planning Chair (MSW), Member since 2009

2011-2012 & 2014 Practice Readiness Exam Chair (PRE), Member 2009 - 2014

2015-2017 Student Research Mentor

SERVICE TO COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

2013-2016 Emerging Health Care Professions Committee Chair

2010-2014 Faculty Senate CHHS College Representative

2010-2017 Internationalization Committee Member

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY

2011-2013 American Association of University Women University Representative

2010-2014 Faculty Senate CHHS College Representative

2013-2016 Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy State Grant

2013-2016 Research Fair Judge/Chair for the Annual Research Fair at WKU (March)

CURRENT SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Kentucky State President

AAUW Start Smart/Work Smart Workshop Negotiator
 Barren River Area Safe Space Board Member
 Hope Harbor Board Member
 Ethics CEU offering, Bowling Green, KY
 Desrosiers Consulting in Bowling Green, KY

PAST SERVICE TO COMMUNITY

American Association of University Women Legal Advocacy Fund Chair, Board member
 Community Connect Homeless Count Volunteer/GSSW mentor to student volunteers
 CSW/LSW Prep Workshop (May, 2012)
 Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy State Grant
 Social Work Ethics CEU Offerings (8 times 2013-2016)
 Southern Kentucky Reentry Council member
 Stress Management Training with HANDS program staff (July, 2011)
 Working with Substance Abusing Adolescents and their Families CEU Offering (July, 2011)

AWARDS AND HONORS

National Center for Victims of Crime. SVAA Leadership Symposium Scholarship 2016. Awarded a scholarship including conference registration, two nights of accommodation at the conference hotel and up to \$500 reimbursement for airfare, ground transportation, and federal per diem. This is the first SVAA Leadership Symposium. Philadelphia, PA.

College of Health and Human Services Faculty Public Service Award. AY 2016. Awarded the Public Service Award for work with the Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy as well as community agencies such as Hope Harbor Sexual Assault Prevention and Treatment Center and Barren River Area Safe Space Domestic Violence Shelter. Provided many social work CEUs to the local region and the state. Nominated for WKU Public Service Award.

Certificate of Appreciation from Kentucky Cabinet for Justice and Public Safety, Grants Management Branch 2014. In recognition of leadership skills and dedication to the 2014 Kentucky Victim Assistance Academy.

Recognition of Dedication to the Social Work Students from MSW Students 2015. For dedication to the MSW Program during the 2014-2015 academic year.

Best Picture in a Family Drama from MSW Students 2014. For making family therapy class enjoyable.

Gestalt Award from MSW Students 2013. For assisting students with the understanding that the whole of a person is greater than the sum of their parts.

Interdisciplinary Award FY12 from WKU Office of Research. For working with an interdisciplinary team as part of an externally funded project.

Junior Investigator FY12 from WKU Office of Research. For undertaking externally funded research as a junior faculty member.

First Time Awardee FY12 from WKU Office of Research. For receiving external funding for the first time.

Social Justice Award from MSW Students 2012. For providing us with opportunities to advocate for our second core value of "Social Justice".

Great Expectations Award from MSW Students 2011. This professor comes from a wonderful background of clinical work. She brings great practical case examples to class for us to learn from. This professor is noted as being very, “cool” and has been known to meet students for lunch in-between breaks. She is a great social worker that many aspire to become. She is friendly and accepting of others. This professor keeps you on your toes as she expects you to “use your resources”.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Association of Social Workers since 2000

Council on Social Work Education since 2004

Kentucky Association of Social Work Educators since 2008

American Association of University Women since 1995