# MICHAEL D. PELTS, PhD, MSW

#### **Education**

Ph.D., University of Missouri - Columbia, Major: Social Work. Graduate Certificate in Public Health

Master of Social Work (MSW), Portland State University

BS, University of Southern Mississippi, Major: Social and Rehabilitation Services.

Minor: Psychology

# **Academic & Teaching Experience**

Aug 2022 – Present	Independent Consultant, Course Development, Adjunct Instruction.
Aug 2020 - Aug 2022	Associate Professor and Field Coordinator, Pacific Lutheran University, Department of Social Work
Aug 2018 - Aug 2020	Assistant Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, School of Social Work
Aug 2015 - Aug 2018	Assistant Professor, The University of Southern Mississippi, School of Social Work (2015-2016 visiting instructor while completing dissertation)
Aug 2013 - May 2015	Graduate Teaching, University of Missouri School of Social Work

## **Graduate Courses Taught**

Foundations III (Macro Practice)

Problem-Solving with Groups

Social Welfare Policies and Services (Lead Instructor)

Social Work Practice and Diverse Sexuality

Social Policy Analysis & Advocacy

Systems Thinking & Systems Change

MSW Field Education Seminar I & II

Youth, Community & Systems Change

Field Experience Liaison - MSW Students Foundation & Advanced Practice

#### **Undergraduate Courses Taught**

Social Policy I: History of Social Welfare
Social Policy II: Social Policy Analysis
Social Work Practice III: Macro
Field Experience Seminar

Social Welfare Systems

Methods of Social Work Research (Lead instructor)
Capstone Proposal for Seniors
Capstone Senior Seminar
Social Welfare Systems

Social Work Practice II Human Behavior in the Social Environment II

Theory & Practice of Social Group Work Research for Social Work Practice

Academic Advising with Undergraduate Students

# **Scholarship**

#### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

#### 2023

Turner, G. **Pelts, M.** Frabotta, R. & Pacely, M. (2023). They were the best of times; they were the worst of times: Reflections illuminate emerging adults' sexual experiences. *Sexuality Research and Social Policy*. https://doi.org/10.1007/s13178-023-00865-5

## 2021

Turner, G. **Pelts, M.** (2021) Sexually informed social work practice: Harnessing the power of reflection and a hallmark experiential sexuality education activity. *The British Journal of Social Work 52*(2), 872-889. https://doi.org/10.1093/bjsw/bcab071

## 2019

**Pelts, M.** (2019). Life review with lgbt older adults. *NASW Specialty Practice Sections*: Aging Section Connection. Fall/Winter 2019. https://www.socialworkers.org/Careers/Specialty-Practice-Sections/Aging

**Pelts, M.,** Albright, D.L., McDaniel, J., Laski, S. & Godfrey, K. (2019). An exploratory study: Informing health and prevention services for transgender and gender nonconforming student service members and veterans. *Traumatology* 25(2), 142–151. https://doi.org/10.1037/trm0000190

Galambos, C.M., Rantz, M., Craver, A., Bongiorno, **M., Pelts**, M., Holik, A., & Jun, J.S. (2019). Living with intelligent sensors: Older adult and family member perceptions. Computers, *Informatics, Nursing 37*(12), 615-627. doi: 10.1097/CIN.000000000000555

# 2018

**Pelts, M.,** Albright, D.L., McDaniel, J., & Godfrey, K. (2018). Physical health characteristics of student service members and Veterans by sexual orientation. *Journal of American College Health*. doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2018.1502774

Hrostowski, S., **Pelts, M**., (2018). The promises and challenges of PrEP in Mississippi. *Journal of HIV and Retrovirus, 4*(1:6). https://hiv.imedpub.com/the-promises-and-challenges-of-preexposure-prophylaxis-prep-in-mississippi.php?aid=22199

Galambos, G., Rantz, M., Bongiorno, M., **Pelts, M.**, & Jun, J.S. (2018) A qualitative examination of older adult and family member perceptions of living with intelligent sensors. *Gerontechnology*, *37*(12), 615-627. doi: 10.4017/gt.2018.17.s.176.00

**Pelts, M**., Hrostowski, S., Cardin, S., Swindle, R. (2018). Using a life review to inform mental health services with older gay and lesbian veterans. *Best Practices in Mental Health, 14*(1), 27-39. https://thedavidfollmergroup.com/best-practices-in-mental-health/

## 2017

- Turner, G.W., **Pelts, M**., & Thompson, M. (2017). Between the academy and queerness: Microaggressions in social work education. *Affilia 33*(1) 98-111. doi: 10.1177/0886109917729664
- **Pelts, M.** & Galambos, C. (2017). Intergroup contact: Using storytelling to increase awareness of lesbian and gay older adults in long-term care settings. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work, 60*(6-7), 587-604. doi:10.1080/01634372.2017.1328478
- Albright, D. L., Fletcher, K. L., **Pelts, M.**, & Taliaferro, L. (2017). Use of college mental health services among student veterans. *Best Practices in Mental Health*, *13*(1), 66-80.

## 2016

Turner, G. W., **Pelts, M.**, & Thompson, M. G. (2016). Breaking taboos: The power of group work for first generation scholars. *Social Work with Groups 40*(1-2), 168-173. doi: 10.1080/01609513.2015.1069114

#### 2015

**Pelts, M.**, & Albright, D. L. (2015). An exploratory study of student service members/veterans' mental health characteristics by sexual orientation. *Journal of American College Health 63*(7), 508-512. doi:10.1080/07448481.2014.947992

# 2014

- **Pelts, M.**, Rolbiecki, A., & Albright, D. L. (2014). Wounded bonds: A review of the social work literature on gay, lesbian and bisexual military service members and veterans. *Journal of Social Work 15*(2), 207-220. doi: 1468017314548120.
- **Pelts, M**. & Albright, D. L. (2014). Critical analysis of the interpreter scale. *DREAM:* Directory & Repository of Educational Measures. doi: 10.15766/mep\_2374-8265.9845 Available from: www.mededportal.org/publication/9845
- **Pelts, M**., Rolbiecki, A., & Albright, D. L. (2014). Implication for services with gay men and lesbians who have served. *Social Work in Mental Health*, 12(5-6), 429-442. doi: 10.1080/15332985.2013.854286
- **Pelts, M**., Rolbiecki, A., & Albright, D. L. (2014). An update to 'Among the Missing': Lesbian and gay content in social work journals. *Social Work*, *59*(2), 131-138. doi: 10.1093/sw/swu005
- **Pelts, M**. (2014). A look back at the Defense of Marriage Act: Why same sex marriage is still relevant for social work. *Affilia: Journal of Women in Social Work*, 29(2), 237-247. doi: 10.1177/0886109913519793

#### <u>2013</u>

Thompson, A., Ruhr, L., Maynard, B., **Pelts, M**., & Bowen, N. (2013). Self-management interventions for reducing challenging behaviors among school-age

students: A systematic review. *Campbell Collaboration, Review protocol.* www.campbellcollaboration.org/lib/project/264/

# **Book Chapters**

Turner, G. W., **Pelts, M.**, & Thompson, M. G. (2018). Breaking taboos: The power of group work for first generation scholars (chapter 30). In A. Malekoff (Ed.), *Group work stories celebrating diversity*. New York, NY: Routledge.

**Pelts, M**., Rolbiecki, A., & Albright, D. L. (2014). LGBT student veterans (chapter 5). In J. Coll & E. Weiss (Eds.), *Student veterans in human services programs: A primer for administrators, faculty and academic advisors*. Chicago, IL: Lyceum Books.

Rolbiecki, A., **Pelts, M**., Albright, D. L. (2014). Student veterans impacted by military sexual trauma (chapter 12). In J. Coll & E. Weiss (Eds.), *Student veterans in human services programs: A primer for administrators, faculty and academic advisors*. Chicago, IL: Lyceum Books.

# Reports

**Pelts, M.** (2017). Strategic plan supplemental technical report for practices related to service delivery in S. Campbell's 2017 Supplemental Technical Report for Strategic Plan for Families First for Mississippi.

Burgess, D. & **Pelts, M.** (2010). Research update: Characteristics of fall term 2009 first-time freshmen admitted under the new GPA requirement. Portland State University, Office of Institutional Research and Planning, *Research Bulletin*, 13-2.

Burgess, D. & **Pelts, M.** (2010). Research update: Profile of the entering class of 2009. Portland State University, Office of Institutional Research and Planning, *Research Bulletin*, 13-1.

#### **Podcast**

**Pelts, M**. & Albright, D.L. (2016, January 18). Wounded bonds: Gay, lesbian, and bisexual (GLB) military service members and veterans. inSocialWork® Podcast Series. [Audio Podcast]. http://www.insocialwork.org/episode.asp?ep=183

#### **Book Reviews**

**Pelts, M.** (2013). Book review: Developing evidence-based generalist practice skills. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 23 (4), 482-483.

## **Research Projects in Progress**

Ruhr, L. & **Pelts, M**. Exploring the stigma of sexually transmitted infections STIs) and HIV/AIDS in Arkansas.

**Pelts, M**., Danforth, L., & Fletcher, D. Evaluating a Safe Space Training for Social Work Education Field Instructors

**Pelts, M.** Exploring the effectiveness of LGBT competency training with field instructors.

#### **Presentations**

#### **Peer-Reviewed Presentations**

#### 2021

**Pelts, M.**, & Turner, G., (2021). They were the best/worst of times: Emerging adults' sexual experience narratives. Accepted for presentation at the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, virtual.

# 2020

- **Pelts, M.,** Danforth, L., Burse, J. & Ruhr, L. (2020). Evaluating a Safe Zone Training for social work education field instructors. Presented virtually at the 66th Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting.
- **Pelts, M**. & Freese, R. (2020). Extending intergroup contact theory. Accepted for presentation at The 3rd International Conference on LGBT+ Psychology and Related Fields. Lisbon, Portugal
- **Pelts, M**. (2020). Should social work lead or follow? Accepted for presentation at: SWSD 2020: The Global Social Work Agenda The Next Ten Years. Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- **Pelts, M.**, Ruhr, L, Burse, J., & Danforth, L. (2020). Advancing social work during political hyper-partisanship. Accepted for presentation at: SWSD 2020: The Global Social Work Agenda The Next Ten Years. Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- **Pelts, M.**, & Turner, G., (2020). They were the best/worst of times: Emerging adults' sexual experience narratives. Accepted for presentation at the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, Palm Springs, CA.

#### 2019

- **Pelts, M.**, & Turner, G., (2019). The power of reflection in the classroom: Results of a case study. Presented at the 65th Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Denver, CO.
- Turner, G., & **Pelts, M.**, (2019). They were the best/ worst of times: Emerging adults' sexual experience narratives. Presented at the 65th Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Denver, CO.
- **Pelts, M.**, Burse, J., Danforth, L., & Ruhr, L. (2019) Moving education, research, and practice forward during a period of political regression. Presented at the 65th Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Denver, CO.
- Turner, G., & **Pelts, M.** (2019). The power of sexuality reflection in the classroom: Results of a case study. Presented at the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference.
- **Pelts, M.**, Albright, D.L., McDaniel, J., Laski, S. & Godfrey, K. (2019). An exploratory study: Informing health and prevention services for transgender and gender

nonconforming student service members and veterans. Presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. San Francisco, CA.

**Pelts, M.,** Albright, D.L., McDaniel, J., & Godfrey, K. (2018). Physical health characteristics of student service members and Veterans by sexual orientation. Presented at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. San Francisco, CA.

#### 2018

**Pelts, M.,** Hrostowski, S., Cardin, S., Swindle, R. (2018). Using a life review to inform mental health services with older gay and lesbian veterans. Presented at the 64th Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Orlando, FL. **Pelts, M.**, Freese, R., Danforth, L., First, J., (2018). Lessons learned in social work intervention research with diverse and marginalized populations: A discussion about planning, theory, adaptability, and dissemination. Round table presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC.

Turner, G., **Pelts, M**., M. Myers, L. (2018). Sexually literate social workers: A review of a staple of social work professional training, continuing education indicates a lack of basic training on human sexuality. Presented at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. Washington, DC.

#### 2017

**Pelts, M.**, Turner, G., Thompson, M. (2017). Microaggressions in social work education: Between the academy and queerness. Presented at the 63rd Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting. Dallas, TX Rantz, M, Galambos, C., Craver, A., Bongiomo, **M., Pelts, M.**, Jung, S. (2017). Older adult and family member perceptions of living with intelligent sensors: Qualitative results from a prospective intervention study. Presented at the Nursing Home Research International Working Group. St. Louis, MO.

Turner, G., **Pelts, M**., Thompson, M. Myers, L. (2017). The practical application of sexual literacy to social work. Round table presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. New Orleans, LA.

**Pelts, M**., Albright, D., Swindle, R. (2017). Physical health characteristics of student service members and veterans by sexual orientation (2017). Presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. New Orleans, LA.

Albright, D., **Pelts, M.**, Bertram, J. (2017). Use of college mental health services among gender minatory service member and student veterans. Presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference. New Orleans, LA.

#### 2016

Myers, L. **Pelts, M**., Thompson, M., Turner, G. (2016). Sexual justice and social work in the United States: An intersection of social justice, microaggressions, and sexual literacy. Presented at: Transgressing Boundaries and the Intersection of Sexualities in Social Work Conference, Olten, Switzerland

- **Pelts, M.** (2016). Using storytelling to increase awareness of LG older adults among care staff. Presented at the 62<sup>nd</sup> Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- Bertram, J. **Pelts, M.**, Albright, D. (2016). Transition: Supporting transgender service members and veteran students. Presented at the Fourth Annual Military Social Work Conference, Austin, TX
- **Pelts, M.**, Galambos, C. (2016). A study of Intergroup Contact Theory: Lesbian and gay older adults and long-term care staff. Presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- Galambos, C., Craver, A., **Pelts, M**. Jun, S., Rantz, M. (2016). Living with Intelligent Sensors: Older adult and family member perceptions. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America's 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. New Orleans, LA
- Freese, R., **Pelts, M.**, Yu, M. (2016). Exploring healthcare needs and service options after the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. Presented at the 20th Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington, DC

#### 2015

- Galambos, C., Craver, A., **Pelts, M**. Jun, S., Rantz, M. (2015). Technology and privacy: Perceptions from older adults in assisted living. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America's 68th Annual Scientific Meeting, Orlando, FL
- **Pelts, M.**, Albright, D.L, & Freese, R. (2015). Mental health disparities among military service members and veterans enrolled in college. Presented at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference, New Orleans, LA
- Albright, D.L, **Pelts, M.**, & Freese, R. (2015). Use of college mental health services among student veterans. Presented at 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Society for Social Work and Research Conference, New Orleans, LA

#### 2014

- **Pelts, M**., Rolbiecki, A. & Albright, D.L. (2014). Sexual & gender minority student veterans: A primer for SW education. Presented at the 60<sup>th</sup> Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Tampa, FL
- **Pelts, M**., (2014). Incorporating LGB research in practice settings: Where is the social work literature on LGB populations? A 15 Year review of the literature. Presented at 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual National LGBT Research Symposium at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL
- Rantz, M., Skubic, M, Galambos, M, Craver, A., Sim J., & **Pelts, M.** (2014). Intelligent sensor system for early illness alerts in senior housing. Presented at Gerontological Society of America 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington, DC
- Craver, A., **Pelts, M**., Sim, Jun, J., Back, J., Galambos, C., Rantz, M. (2014). Building upon Sunderland: An expanded rubric for scoring the Clock-Drawing Test of Executive Function. Presented at 24th Annual Caring for the Frail Elderly Conference, Columbia, MO

Pelts, M., & Albright, D.L. (2014). Characteristics that predict student veterans' use of campus mental health services. Accepted at American Public Health Association 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Expo, New Orleans, LA

Pelts, M., & Albright, D.L. (2014). Health inequities among lesbian, gay and bisexual student veterans. Accepted at American Public Health Association 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting and Expo, New Orleans, LA

# **Invited Scholarly Presentations**

**Pelts, M.** (2019). Teach for America. Understanding and managing microaggression towards LGBTQ+ people in the classroom. Teach for America Regional Conference, Little Rock, AR

**Pelts, M.**, Albright, D.L., Froese, S., (2015). Transgender student veterans. Presented at the Transgender Spectrum Conference, St. Louis, MO

Pelts, M., Klemp, H., Stribling, D. & Albright, D.L. (2014). The interaction of sexual orientation, military service and higher education. Presented at the Social Justice Symposium, Columbia, MO.

Pelts, M. & Boucher, C. & Albright, D.L. (2014). Serving LGBT student veterans. Presented at the Second Annual, Military and Veteran Social Work Conference, St. Leo, FL

# Service

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Profession of Social Work		
Reviewer, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics: Oxford Encyclopedia		
of LGBT Politics and Policy.		
Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Homosexuality		
Textbook Reviewer, Documents of American Social Welfare History.		
Cognella Publishing, San Diego, CA		
Conference Reviewer: Society for Social Work Research, 2018 Annual		
Conference Reviewer for sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI)		
track submissions.		
Conference Reviewer: Council on Social Work Education, 2017 Annual		
Program Meeting reviewer for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender		
Issues Track.		
Textbook Reviewer, A Human Services Guidebook to Understanding and		
Intervening with Military/Veteran Connected Families. SAGE, Thousand		
Oaks, CA		

# 2013–2014 Guest Manuscript Reviewer, LGBT Health

2013 Guest Manuscript Reviewer, Health and Social Work

# **University & College Service**

2020-2022 Chair of MSW Development Team, Lead the Development of Proposal to Create an MSW Program at Pacific Lutheran University

2020	CEHP Faculty Representative, University Research Council, The		
2019 – Present	University of Arkansas at Little Rock Alternate, CEHP Awards Committee, The University of Arkansas at Little Rock, College of Education and Health Professions		
2019	Representative, Faculty Focus Group - UALR Branding Platform, The University of Arkansas at Little Rock		
2018 – 2019	Faculty Mentoring Program. The University of Arkansas at Little Rock		
2018	Faculty Marshal, The University of Arkansas at Little Rock, College of Education and Health Professions, Commencement		
2016 – 2018	Faculty Affiliate, The University of Southern Mississippi, Drapeau Center for Undergraduate Research		
2016– 2018	Faculty Representative, The University of Southern Mississippi, Office of the Provost, New Faculty Orientation and Transition Committee		
2016–2018	Trainer, The University of Southern Mississippi, Southern Miss Allies Safe Space Training Team		
2014 – 2015	Doctoral Student Representative, University of Missouri, School of Social Work, Alumni Board		
2014	Doctoral Student Representative, University of Missouri, School of Social Work, PhD Curriculum Committee		
2013 – 2015	Graduate Student Member, University of Missouri, Eldertech Team		
School of Social Work			
2020 - 2022	Social Work Curriculum Committee, Pacific Lutheran University		
2019 - 2020	Online Teaching Committee (ad-hoc), Chair CEHP Award Committee, Member		
2018 – 2020	Diversity Committee, Member 2018, Chair 2019 Peer Review Committee, Member		
2015 – 2018	Faculty Representative, The University of Southern Mississippi, School of Social Work, Curriculum Committee		
	Diversity content team		
	Micro content team		
	Political action content team		
0	BSW curriculum team		
<b>Community</b> 2019 – 2020	TDANSNotwork Transgender Health Descarch & Advances in the		
2019 – 2020	TRANSNetwork - Transgender Health Research & Advocacy in the South. University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, School of		
	South. Offiversity of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, School of		
	Public Health. Academic member, connecting research,		
2014	Public Health. Academic member, connecting research, community, and the delivery of care University of Missouri, Integrated Behavioral Health Clinic, Program		

2013	Quality Improvement Program for Missouri (QIPMO), Member of
	ad-hoc committee to identify and develop training content
2007 – 2009	Lifelong AIDS Alliance, Seattle, Washington. Volunteer with
	Coordination of Food Bank and Health Equity Promotion
2008 – 2010	Cascade AIDS Project, Portland, Oregon. Volunteer, AIDS walk &
	FLASH team member

# **Contracts, Grants and Awards**

- 2020 University of Arkansas at Little Rock, College of Education and Health Professions Travel Funding Program. Awarded: \$1000 to attend and present at the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference.
- 2018 The University of Southern Mississippi, Office of the Provost and Universities Libraries Open Textbook Initiative. Faculty grant program to support the replacement of traditional commercial textbooks with academically equivalent alternatives. Awarded: \$800 and dedicated support from library faculty and graduate assistant. **Principal Investigator**
- 2017 The University of Southern Mississippi, Office of the Provost (2018). Summer Grant for the Improvement of Instruction. Faculty grant program to promote innovation and creativity in the classroom to transform a traditional model to an active learning model. RFP Cancelled: \$6,600.
- 2017. Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation. Faculty Grant Program proposal: Needs Assessment of LGBT Mississippians Age 50 and Older. **Principal Investigator**. Not selected for funding: \$20,000.
- 2017 Corporation for National & Community Service. National Service and Civic Engagement Research Competition grant proposal application "Exploring the Differences in Motivations for Civic Engagement among Veteran and Civilian Older Adults." Co-PI. Not selected for funding: \$149,933.
- 2017 Families First For Mississippi (2017). Consultation for program development and implementation. **Consultant**. Awarded: \$6,200.
- 2016 The University of Southern Mississippi, Office of Vice President for Research. \$2,000. Proposal Development Grant to support Attendance at the NIH Regional Seminar: Program Funding and Grants Administration for the development of SGM-related research.
- 2016 Gerontological Society of America, Travel Award. \$1,200 to support travel costs and complimentary registration to attend the GSA workshop titled: The Development of Evidence-Based Practices: Expanding the Reach to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Older Adults. And, to support travel

- costs to present "A study of Intergroup Contact Theory: Lesbian and gay older adults and long-term care staff."
- 2014 University of Missouri Health System, Interdisciplinary Center on Aging (2014). Research Enrichment and Dissemination (READ) Grant. \$2,480 to support dissertation research. **Principal Investigator**.
- 2006 Social Security Administration. \$900,000 to provide Work Incentives Planning to
- 2009 SSI and SSDI Recipients in 13 counties. Principal Investigator.
- 2006 Florida Workforce Development. \$48,500 start-up funds to provide job coaching
- support in the creation of a new model of employment and training for individuals with developmental disabilities. **Principal Investigator**.
- 2003 Able Trust. \$38,000 to pilot "Learn to Earn Internship Program" with Brevard
- 2004 Public Schools serving students with disabilities. **Principal Investigator**.
- 2000 Social Security Administration. \$504,672 to provide Benefits Planning,
- 2006 Assistance and Outreach to SSI and SSDI Recipients in 4 counties. **Principal Investigator**.

## **Professional Affiliations**

Council on Social Work Education
Gerontological Society of America
National Association of Social Workers
Society for Social Work and Research
The International Society for Gerontechnology

# Recognition

2018	2017-2018 Instructor of the Year. School of Social Work, The University of
	Southern Mississippi
2017	2016-2017 Emerging Scholar of the Year Award, College of Health,
	The University of Southern Mississippi
2014	Eleanor J. and John W. Watt Scholarship for Social Work, University of
	Missouri
2013	Commitment to Teaching and Mentoring Award (nominated), University of
	Missouri

# Clinical, Practice, Managerial, and Additional Research Experience

2013 - 2015 Graduate Research Assistant, Sinclair School of Nursing,
University of Missouri, Columbia, MO. National Institutes of Health,
Intelligent Sensor System for Early Illness Alerts in Senior Housing
Study.

2012 - 2014	Graduate Research Assistant, School of Social Work, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO. Research focus: Military personnel, veterans, and their families.
2012 - 2013	Graduate Research Assistant, School of Social Work, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO. Research focus: School social work.
2010 – 2012	Psychiatric Social Worker, Eastern State Hospital, DSHA, State of Washington, Medical Lake, WA.
2009 – 2010	MSW Intern, Veterans Administration Medical Center, Outpatient Mental Health Clinic, Portland, OR
2009 - 2010	Graduate Research Assistant, Office of Institutional Research and Planning, Portland State University, Portland, OR.
2008 – 2009	MSW intern, Cascade AIDS Project, Housing and Care Services Department, Portland, OR
2008	Project Manager, Bellevue College, Work First Program, Bellevue, WA
2007 – 2008 1998 – 2007 1991 – 1998	Consultant, Brevard Achievement Center, Rockledge, FL. Program Management, Brevard Achievement Center, Rockledge, FL. Vocational Evaluator and Director of Community Concepts Division, SRVS, Memphis, TN.