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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1999
Major: Human Ecology
Concentration: Child and Family Studies
Minor: Gerontology
Dissertation Topic: Intergenerational Relationships between Older Persons with Alzheimer's Disease and Preschool Children (Major Professor: Dr. Julia A. Malia)
- M.S. Eastern Illinois University, 1995
Major: Home Economics
Concentration: Human Development and Family Life
Thesis Topic: Developmentally Appropriate Practice for Young Children Ages Two Through Five (Major Professor: Dr. S. Jayne Ozier)
- B.S. Eastern Illinois University, 1994
Major: Home Economics
Concentration: Family Services
Minor: Psychology

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, CHARLESTON, IL, 2001-PRESENT
School of Family and Consumer Sciences

❖ **Full Professor**, 2010-present

- M.A. in Aging Studies Graduate Coordinator**, 2015-Present
- Liaison between the graduate faculty, administrators, and the Graduate School
 - Assumes duties as assigned by the Dean of the Graduate School
 - Advises administrators of budgetary needs of the program
 - Serves as a member of the FCS Executive Team
 - Serves as Chair of the Graduate Faculty Committee
 - Communicates with prospective graduate students
 - Reviews/updates graduate program policies and marketing/promotional materials
 - Conducts recruitment events
 - Coordinates and maintains graduate cohorts
 - Processes application materials for prospective graduate students, reviews transcripts, determines deficiencies, and informs the Graduate School of admission decisions

- Serves as general advisor to graduate students, thesis committees, internships, and independent studies
- Maintains records for graduate students in the program
- Approves graduate study plans
- Coordinates graduate written comprehensive examinations
- Coordinates a remediation process for students not passing first round of comprehensive examinations
- Evaluates transcripts and conducts audits for students
- Reviews reinstatement applications from students
- Tracks/reports graduate student enrollment and graduate student placement after graduation
- Compiles data on the academic program and/or graduate students
- Recruits graduate assistants, organizes graduate assistant applications for graduate faculty review, conducts the selection process, ensures all applicants are notified of selection or non-selection, enters graduate assistant information into BANNER, submits graduate assistant reports to the Graduate School
- Selects and coordinates graduate assistantship assignments
- Coordinates graduate assistant requests submitted by faculty members
- Administers graduate assistant training and scheduling
- Develops, coordinates, and administers new graduate student orientations
- Coordinates graduate seminars and other graduate student events
- Conducts exit interviews with all graduates
- Responds to inquiries related to placement of graduates
- Submits waiver requests to the Graduate School for students with special circumstances.
- Provides orientation for new graduate advisors
- Maintenance of complaints about the program received from students or others, including disposition of the complaint
- Issues academic probation and dismissal letters to students, as needed, every semester.
- Addresses academic, behavioral, or other types of faculty and/or student issues or problems
- Completes faculty requests for Graduate Faculty status
- Seeks graduate internship sites. Examines the feasibility of developing internship agreements and coordinate contracts with those sites
- Updates and maintains the graduate web site
- Conducts program assessment and submit annual report
- Recruits graduate students to serve as graduate student representatives on committees and with other campus events
- Attends and presents at the Graduate School awards ceremony
- Develops and writes reports

Family Services Undergraduate Program Coordinator, 2012-2016

Responsibilities:

- Serve as members of the Executive Committee
- Serve as liaison between Family Services faculty and the Chair/Asst Chair
- Advise the Chair/Asst Chair on routine matters in the operation of the School of Family and Consumer Sciences where policy decisions are not required
- Hold meetings of Family Services faculty as needed
- Advise the Chair/Asst Chair of budgetary and instructional needs of specific program areas
- Assume responsibility for initiating curriculum innovations and provide leadership in Family Services

- Assist in articulation of courses in Family Services, including course updates
- Work with the Chair/Asst Chair on special projects related to Family Services

❖ **Associate Professor, 2005-2010**

❖ **Assistant Professor, 2001-2005**

Child Development Laboratory Acting Coordinator, 2002-2003

Responsibilities:

- Provides leadership in the development, implementation, support, and maintenance of policies and procedures for the Infant and Child Development Laboratories, including admissions and fees
- Disseminates information to the academic community regarding the philosophy and operation of the School of Family and Consumer Sciences infant and child development programs
- Serves in the role of liaison between the School of Family & Consumer Sciences and/or the larger academic community and the Infant & Child Development Laboratories
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- Management of staff files
- Attend staff meetings
- Finalize all laboratory purchases

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, 1999-2001

Department of Child and Family Studies

- ❖ **Assistant Professor & Director of PreK-Grade Four Early Childhood Teacher Licensure Program, 1999-2001**
- ❖ **Adjunct Instructor & Director of PreK-Grade Four Early Childhood Teacher Licensure Program, 1999**

CARSON-NEWMAN UNIVERSITY, JEFFERSON CITY, TN, 1998-2001

Division of Family and Consumer Sciences

- ❖ **Adjunct Instructor**

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL (Tennova Health Care, Inc.), Knoxville, TN, 1996-1999

- ❖ **Geriatric Consultant, 1996-1999**

Responsibilities:

- Grant writing
- Caregiver outreach and education
- Alzheimer's and related dementia programming
- Intergenerational program coordination
- Community outreach and education
- Aging-related committees service

❖ **Geriatric Case Manager, Behavioral Health Services Employee Assistance Program, 1998-1999**

Responsibilities:

- Case management, assessment, referral and intervention services to employee clients and their families
- Educational and outreach program development, implementation, and facilitation

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

COURSES TAUGHT INCLUDE:

Eastern Illinois University

FCS 5900	Research Methods
FCS 5850	Readings in Human Development and Family Life
FCS 5450	Administration and Supervision in Family and Consumer Sciences
FCS 5301	Consumer Management Problems of Older Adults
FCS 5100	Societal Aspects of Aging
FCS 4851	Infant Development Practicum
FCS 4846	Aging and the Family
FCS 4845	Family Stress and Resilience
FCS 4840	The Disadvantaged Family
FCS 4264	Child Care Programs: Development and Grant Writing
FCS 3853	Practicum in Child Development
FCS 3820	Family in Social Change
FCS 3000	Family Resource Management
FCS 2831	Women in Contemporary Society
FCS 2000	Family Perspectives
FCS 1000	Foundations in Family and Consumer Sciences
UF 1111	University Foundations
WST 2903	Women, Gender, & Violence

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

HE 591	Clinical Studies
HE 575	Professional Internship
HE 574	Analysis of Teaching
CFS 512	Survey of Research in Early Childhood Education
CFS 211	Development in Infancy and Early Childhood
CFS 110	Introduction to Early Childhood Education

Carson-Newman University

FCS 305	Family Science
FCS 206	Human Development Through the Lifespan

RESEARCH

NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **O'Rourke, K.** (2017). *Intimate partner violence: Impacts on economic security and workplace safety*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference. Dallas, TX.

- **O'Rourke, K., & Simpson, L. (2016).** *Taking care of you! Strategic goal-setting for self-care and well-being of busy FCS professionals*, American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference. Bellevue, WA.
- **O'Rourke, K., Simpson, L., Duncan Lane, C., & Shaw, K. (2015).** *Taking care of you! Strategies for self-care, health, and well-being for the busy FCS professional*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Jacksonville, FL.
- **O'Rourke, K., Simpson, L., Duncan Lane, C. & Shaw, K. (2014).** *Achieving tenure and promotion in higher education: Strategies for success* American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- **O'Rourke, K., Simpson, L., & Duncan-Lane, C. (2013).** *A step in the right direction: Making a wise transition to becoming a new faculty member*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, Houston, TX.
- **O'Rourke, K., & Simpson, L. (2012).** *Goodbye graduate school & hello job market! Interview strategies for faculty positions in higher education*. (American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- **O'Rourke, K. & Smith, T. (2009).** *Sexual assault: An examination of disclosure, reporting, and support among female university students*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Knoxville, TN.
- Simpson, L., **O'Rourke, K.,** Taylor, L., Bowers, J., & Appleby, D. (2008). *Get outta my way: An analysis of shopping behavior on Black Friday*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Milwaukee, WI.
- Bowers, J., & **O'Rourke, K.** (2008). *Empowering adolescents in a morally ambiguous world: An exploration of middle school character education programs*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Milwaukee, WI.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2007). *Aging is NOW in nutrition: Are we ready?.* Society for Nutrition Education International Conference, Chicago, IL.
- Ozier, S.J., & **O'Rourke, K.** (2005). *Combating childhood obesity: A focus on families and child care providers*. American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2005). *Research opportunities for students: Successful approaches and important considerations related to theses, dissertations, and other research experiences* (). Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Meeting, Oklahoma City, OK.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2003). *Grant writing for the new professional: Successful strategies and helpful resources*. (National Council on Family Relations, Vancouver, BC.
- **O'Rourke, K.,** (2002). *The process of writing a thesis or dissertation: Strategies and suggestions for success*. National Council on Family Relations, Houston, TX.

- **O'Rourke, K.** (2001). *Earning the degree, securing the interview, and getting hired: Learning the 'basics' for making a wise transition to new faculty member.* National Council on Family Relations, Rochester, NY.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2000). *Yesterday's memories, today's moments, and tomorrow's hopes: Intergenerational stories of older adults' behaviors in an Alzheimer's care program.* National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2000). *Intergenerational activities: Effects of preschool children's presence and absence on the behaviors of older adults with dementia.* National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (1999). *Health care and higher education: Graduate student service learning.* American Society on Aging, Orlando, FL.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (1998). *Moving beyond the classroom: Linking higher education and community involvement through student field experiences.* National Council on Family Relations, Milwaukee, WI.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (1998). *Bridging two generations: An intergenerational program initiative for adults with Alzheimer's disease and preschool children.* American Society on Aging, San Francisco, CA.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (1997). *Bridging two generations: An intergenerational creative arts program for adults with Alzheimer's disease and young children.* National Council on Family Relations, Crystal City, VA.

PUBLICATIONS

- **O'Rourke, K.** & Williams, L. (2013). Analysis of course exam preparation by undergraduate Family and Consumer Sciences students. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Colleges, Universities, and Research (CUR) Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.
- Berbaum, A., Simpson, L., **O'Rourke, K.**, & Taylor, L. (2012). Consumer socialization: The relationship with compulsive buying behavior. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Colleges, Universities, and Research (CUR) Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.
- Huxel, C. R., Burns, M. T., **O'Rourke, K. A.**, & Simpson, L. D. (2012). Comparison of nutritive value, cost, viscosity and acceptability among developed oral nutritional supplements and commercially-prepared supplements. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 112 (9), A-57.
- Simpson, L., Taylor, L., **O'Rourke, K.**, Shaw, K., Bowers, J., & Reifsteck, D. (2012). Back in black: Observing consumers on Black Friday. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Colleges, Universities, and Research (CUR) Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.
- Lewis, S., **O'Rourke, K.**, Taylor, L., & Meadows, M. (2012). Examination of cyber bullying and relational aggression among high school students. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Colleges, Universities, and Research (CUR) Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.

- Barnes, J. L., Kennedy-Hagan, K., Painter, J. E., & **O'Rourke, K.** (2011). Factors that influence compliance with the gluten-free diet for Celiac Disease individuals. *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics*, 111(9), A-36.
- Simpson, L., Taylor, L., **O'Rourke, K.**, & Shaw, K. (2011). An analysis of consumer behavior on Black Friday. *American International Journal of Contemporary Research*, 1(1), 1-9.
- **O'Rourke, K.** & Smith, T. (2009). Sexual assault: An examination of disclosure, reporting and support among female university students. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Colleges, Universities, and Research (CUR) Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.
- Bowers, J., & **O'Rourke, K.** (2008). Empowering early adolescents in a morally ambiguous world: An exploration of middle school character education programs. *American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Research to Practice Rounds Conference Proceedings*, Alexandria, VA: AAFCS.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2007). Aging is NOW in nutrition education: Are we ready? *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*, 39(4), S85.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2005). Research opportunities for students: Successful approaches and important considerations related to theses, dissertations, and other research experiences. *Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Conference Proceedings*, Washington, DC: AGHE.

CURRENT RESEARCH AREAS OF INTEREST

- Reporting, disclosure, and support in relation to sexual assault of college-age women
- Media portrayal of sexual assault and intimate partner violence
- Portrayal of older adults with dementia in children's literature
- Media portrayal of adults with Alzheimer's disease and dementia
- Ambiguous loss and individual coping skills/resiliency factors

GRADUATE THESES DIRECTED-EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

- Young, S. (2017). *Investigation of sandwich generation caregiver perceptions and factors of caregiving strain.*
- Lewis, S. (2011). *Examining two types of bullying in high school: Relational aggression and cyber bullying.*
- Crane, C. (2008). *An examination of the relationship between parental religiosity and parent-adolescent conflict.*
- Trezek, D. (2007). *Media's portrayal of women : Impact on aggressive attitudes and beliefs.*
- Bowers, J. (2006). *Character education in middle schools.*
- Wright, D. (2005). *Examination of sexual pedophile's behaviors and self-perceptions.*
- Beasley, K. (2004). *Relationship of alcohol abstinence and protective religious factors.*

- Smith, T. (2004). *Sexual assault: An examination of disclosure, reporting, and support among female university students.*
- Crockett, H. D. (2003). *African Americans and Caucasian Americans perceptions and experiences related to racial identity and stereotypes.*
- Maciejewski, A. (2003). *A case study: Examining the perceptions of National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association volunteers on the current child welfare system in Illinois.*

ACTIVE/CURRENT GRANT FUNDING

EXTERNAL FUNDING:

- Newman, D., Johnson, M., **O'Rourke, K.**, Simpson, L., Liu, P., Bai, R., & Boonsuk, W. (2016-present). Illinois Science and Energy Innovation Foundation. *Smart Home Energy Solutions: Empowering Senior Consumers, Families, and Communities.*

INTERNAL FUNDING:

- **O'Rourke, K.** (2016-2017). *Recruitment, Marketing, and Promotion of M.A. in Aging Studies Graduate Program to Undergraduate Students.* Redden Fund for the Improvement of Undergraduate Instruction.
- **O'Rourke, K.** (2016-2017). *M.A. in Aging Studies Recruitment & Marketing Exhibit – American Society on Aging Conference.* Winkleblack Fund.

RESEARCH PROPOSAL AND TEXTBOOK REVIEWS

- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Annual Conference, Annually 2009-2017
- National Council on Family Relations Conference Proposals, Annually 2011-2017
- Eastern Illinois University School of Family and Consumer Sciences Child Care Resource and Referral *Quality Counts* Grant Reviewer, 2002-2014.
- *Families and Change*, Sage Publications, Inc., 2013
- *Money Management in the Helping Professions*, Sage Publications, 2012
- *Diversity in Families*, Pearson Education, 2011
- *Family Resource Management*, Sage Publications, 2011
- *Family Violence: Communication Processes*, Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences, 2009
- *Exploring Family Theories*, Roxbury Publishing Company, 2005

RESEARCH AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS-EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

- Faculty Reassigned Time - Awarded credits from the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences' research/creative activity/special project credit unit pool, 2016, 2014, 2008, 2007
- Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Faculty Research/Creative Activity Grant, 2011-2012
- Graduate School Summer Research Grant, 2007

SERVICE ACTIVITIES/AWARDS & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS*UNIVERSITY & LUMPKIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (LCBAS) AND APPLIED SCIENCES
COMMITTEES-EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY*

- Academic Program Elimination and Review Committee, 2016-present
- Online Programs Board, 2015-present
- Women's Studies Council, 2002-present
-Women's Studies Essay Awards Committee, 2002-present
- LCBAS Grade Appeals Committee, 2016-present
- University Personnel Committee, 2010-2016
-Chair, 2015-2016, 2012-2013, Vice Chair, 2014-2015
- University Professionals of Illinois (UPI), House of Delegates 2012-present, School of Family and Consumer Sciences Representative, 2012-2016
- Counseling Center Search Committee, 2008, 2012-2013
- Civility Campaign Advisory Board Member, 2012-2014
- Master of Arts in Gerontology Multidisciplinary Program, 2005-2015
-Graduate Faculty Committee
-Admissions Committee
-Certification of Comprehensive Knowledge Committee
-Portfolio Review Committee
- Sexual Assault Task Force, 2011-2013
- CORE Recruitment and Retention Committee, 2008-2012
- Honors Council, 2011
- Council on Graduate Studies, 2004-2007
-Chair, 2006-2007, Vice Chair, 2005-2006
- Graduate Student Awards Subcommittee, 2016-2017, 2005-2007
- Council on Assessment of Student Learning (CASL), 2006-2007
- Search Committee for Grants & Research Compliance Coordinator, 2004
- North Central Accreditation Self-Study Steering Committee: 2003-2005

*DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES-SCHOOL OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES, EASTERN
ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY*

- Assessment Committee, 2014-present, 2001-2002
- Curriculum Committee, 2016-present, 2004-2007

- Executive Committee, 2012-present
- Scholarship, Awards, and Grants Committee, 2016-present, 2001-2002
- Screening Committee, 2002-2011, 2013-2014
- Core Curriculum Committee, 2002-2012
- Graduate Faculty Committee (Family Services Representative), 2002-2012
- Departmental Personnel Committee, 2005-2008
- Fund Development Committee, 2002-2005

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP

- Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society
 - Coordinating Council of Honor Societies Representative, 2013-present
 - National Executive Director Search Committee, 2015-2016
 - National Board Chair, 2013-2015
 - National Board Chair-Elect, 2012-2013
 - National Board Second Vice Chair, 2008-2012
 - Chapter Co-Adviser, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, 2002-present
 - Chapter Co-Adviser, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 1996-1997
 - Chapter President, Eastern Illinois University, 1994-1995
 - Chapter Vice-President, Eastern Illinois University, 1993-1994
- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
 - AAFCS Alliance: Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society Representative, 2013-present
 - Illinois Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Member
- National Council on Family Relations.
 - Secretary/Treasurer, NCFR Family Health Section, 2002-2004
 - Member of Family Health, Research and Theory, and Family Policy Sections
- Illinois Council on Family Relations
 - Executive Board Member, 2004-2005
 - President, 2003-2004
 - Vice-President/Program Chair of Annual Conference, 2002-2003
- American Cancer Society
 - Colleges Against Cancer Faculty Advisor, 2005-2013
- Business & Professional Women
 - Eastern Illinois University Chapter Co-Advisor, 2005-2007

SERVICE AWARDS

- EIU Achievement and Contribution Award for Service, 2016, 2014, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2006

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- AARP
- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
- Association of Gerontology in Higher Education
- Illinois Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
- Illinois Council on Family Relations
- Kappa Omicron Nu National Honor Society
- National Council on Family Relations