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Mission

As a college professor, I provide cutting-edge education with a focus on practical research and data analysis skills. I am an enthusiastic mentor, dedicated to preparing students for success in applied settings through rigorous and forward-looking learning experiences.

Experience

NC State University / Asst Teaching Professor & Advisor

August 2017—current (Raleigh, NC)

Courses in law-and-society, quantitative methods, social determinants of health & health disparities, survey design, undergraduate methods, and sociological social psychology

Academic advising for undergraduates

Attorney in Private Practice

June 2010—July 2017 (Portland, OR)

Business and nonprofit matters, employment, tax, bankruptcy, and dispute resolution

University of Wisconsin-Madison / Graduate Lecturer

2003—2006 (Madison, WI)

Courses in criminal justice; criminology; social psychology; undergraduate methods; introductory statistics for sociologists

Education

U of Wisconsin-Madison / MS; PhD

2007

Lewis & Clark Law School / JD (cum laude)

2010

- Editor, Lewis & Clark Law Review
- Admitted in Oregon, Washington, USDC of Oregon (currently inactive)

U of Washington-Seattle / BA (Sociology; *honors*); BS (Psychology)

1995

Teaching Experience, Awards, Certifications

Undergraduate Honors Projects

- Supervised over a dozen projects (various programs & Departments). Student from Fall 2022 received the Richard L. Blanton Outstanding Capstone Award from the University
- Mentoring for the Park Scholars program and the Chancellor Leadership Development Program

Inclusive Teaching Certification (2020 NCSU Office of Faculty Dev)

Accessibility in the Classroom Certification (2018 NCSU OFD)

Micro Enterprise Services of Oregon (Quarterly Lectures on Business Law 2013—2017)

Public Speaking Series, Oregon Continuing Legal Education Credit (2015)

Best Oral Advocate, 1L Moot Court Competition (2009)

Department Award for Excellence in Teaching (UW-Madison; 2002)

University of Wisconsin Teaching Fellow (2001)

French-Felton Award for Excellence in Teaching (1999)

Vilas Fellowship (1997)

Research

As teaching faculty, research projects are not a high priority, but I like to work on things when I can.

In Progress

"Punitive Attitudes in International Context"

"Revisiting Big Business Litigation in U.S. Federal Courts"

"Tribal Litigation in U.S. Federal Courts, 1970–2019"

Theses

Categories, Categorization Effects, & the Institutionalization of Punitive Attitudes. (PhD Dissertation, Mark Suchman, Chair)

The Demoralizing Effects of New Laws (MS Thesis, Mark Suchman, Chair)

Older

Commission on Reducing Racial Disparities in the Wisconsin Justice System 2008 State Report, contributing researcher

Race Disparities in Imprisonment: Research design and analysis w. Dr. Pamela Oliver, UW Sociology, UW Institute for Research on Poverty

Design and analysis consultant for UW Law School Resource Center on Impaired Driving (2003) and Dr. Bernard Trujillo, UW Law School (2000)

Academic Service & Community Projects

Recent

Faculty Oversight Committee NCSU High-Perf. Computing (Fall 2019—)

Oversaw Soc/Anth Department Instructional Data Modules (2021—2023)

Graphical Interface for Teaching Social Network Analysis in R (2020)

Board of Directors Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Raleigh (2020—2022)

Pre-2017

Board of Directors

- Oregon Women Lawyers
- Lighthouse Legal Services
- St. Andrews Condominium Association

Public Panel on 501(c) Exemptions (2016)

Oregon State Bar Instructional Videos on Business Law (2016)

Projects with Oregon Women Lawyers

- Above the ADA: Employment and Disability
- Social Psychology of Small Group Leadership
- Leadership for Introverts
- Sexism in Performance Evaluations
- DEI Ethics Programming
- Leadership Committee
- Intersectionality Committee

Drafted the "Booknotes" for Law & Social Inquiry

Gay & Lesbian Association of Oregon, Member