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## **EDUCATION**

LDOCATION	
2025 (expected)	Doctor of Education
	Major: Educational Practice and Innovation
	Concentration: Curriculum Studies
	University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
2003	Master of Social Work
	University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
2001	Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
	Washington College, Chestertown, MD
	Thesis: Self-efficacy, after-school programming and decreasing
	problematic behavior in youths: Is there a connection? Advisor: Lauren Littlefield, PhD
PROFESSIONAL LICENSU	JRE
2004-Present	Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) SW#7325 South Carolina
ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	
2022-Present	Curricula Assessment Coordinator
	University of South Carolina, College of Social Work
2019-Present	First-Year Student Experience Instructor
	University of South Carolina, National Resource Center for the First-Year
	Student Experience and Students in Transition
2018-Present	Clinical Lecturer
	University of South Carolina, College of Social Work
2013-Present	Field Education Liaison
	University of South Carolina, College of Social Work
2013-2019	Professional Series Continuing Education Training Coordinator
	University of South Carolina, College of Social Work
2014-2018	MSW Integrative Field Seminar Instructor
	University of South Carolina, College of Social Work

2022, 2017-2019

**Offsite Field Instructor** 

2013-2014

University of South Carolina, College of Social Work

2013-2014

**Teaching Instructor** 

University of South Carolina, College of Social Work

#### PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

### 2006-2015

## **Development Director**

Served in an administrative role, providing leadership in development of capacity building strategies for organization including establishing and attending to relationships with clients and partners, building and optimizing website, social media and other marketing materials, conducting outreach and event planning, writing and managing strategic plan, writing proposals and contracts for service, practicing human resources management, and ensuring federal, state and local tax compliance.

### 2006-2010

## **Quality Assurance Specialist**

SoftScript, Inc.

Served in a macro capacity by evaluating medical records for 15 hospitals through provision of comprehensive quality assurance services. Provided professional development feedback to authors and reconciled errors for improved professional practice.

#### 2004-2006

#### Advocate

Protection & Advocacy for People with Disabilities, Inc.

Served in a client advocate role. Conducted community assessments of assisted living facilities by interviewing residents and administrators. This included collecting and collating medical file and interview data, writing and dissemination of reports to state agencies and providing recruitment, training and management of volunteers. Managed fundraising activities associated with key annual events each year including working with the board's development group. Served as the liaison to the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Advisory Council. Assisted Director of Quality Assurance and Training with managing network, all capacity building, quality assurance and training activities and seminars.

## 2003-2004

## **Financial Aid Counselor**

South University

Provided 1:1 counseling to students and their family seeking resources and financial aid for college including determining eligibility and assisting students with completing loan and grant eligibility documents.

## **VOLUNTEER OR STUDENT PRACTICE EXPERIENCE**

VOLUNTEER OR STUDENT PRACTICE EXPERIENCE	
2001-2003	Graduate Assistant / Satisfactory Academic Progress Counselor University of South Carolina, Department of Financial Aid
2001-2003	MSW Intern Protection & Advocacy for People with Disabilities, Inc.
2001-2002	MSW Intern SC Department of Mental Health
2000-2001	Research Assistant Washington College
2000-2001	Social Work Intern & Research Assistant Kent County Department of Juvenile Justice
1999-2000	Governor's Summer Intern  Maryland Department of Juvenile Justice
TEACHING	
Fall 2021	SOWK 201: Introduction to Social Work, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
Summer 2021	SOWK 764: Independent Study, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
2019-Present	UNIV 101: Student in the University, USC, Columbia, SC
2015-2021	SOWK 701: Professional Development Bridge, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
2014-Present	SOWK 781: Field Instruction I: Generalist Social Work Practice and Integrative Seminar, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
2014-Present	SOWK 782: Field Instruction II: Generalist Social Work Practice and Integrative Seminar, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
2014-Present	SOWK 783 and 784: Served as Field Liaison to a minimum of 50 students each academic year, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
2019-2020	SOWK 382: Introduction to Field Education, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
Fall 2019	SOWK 483: Practicum Seminar, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC
Spring 2014	SOWK 735: Advanced Social Work Practice with Organizations and Communities: Social Planning, COSW, USC, Columbia, SC

#### **CURRICULUM LEADERSHIP & DEVELOPMENT**

Summer 2021	Developer, SOWK 764: Independent Study
Fall 2020	Lead, SOWK 201: Introduction to Social Work:
2019-Present; 2015	Lead, SOWK 701: Professional Development Bridge

### **AWARDS & CONTRACTS**

Aug 2021-current	Item Writer, Association of Social Work Boards
Fall 2019, 2020, 2021	Nominee, M. Stuart Hunter Award for Outstanding Teaching in University
	101
2016-2019	SW SBIRT Course Implementer
	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
	HOPES (Health Occupations Providing Excellence in SBIRT) Program
	PI: Melissa Reitmeier, PhD. Co-PI: Aidyn Iachini, PhD
	TI026428- 5H79TI026428-02, \$859,032

#### PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- 01. Freedman, D., Freedman, M. & Cook, L. (2021, April 9). *Using relational learning environments to socialize undergraduate students to the profession* [Conference session]. The Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors Annual Conference, Virtual, United States.
- 02. **Cook, L.** & Freedman, M. (2020, March 18-22). *Role management in social work education:*Balancing program integrity and student wellness [Conference session]. The Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL, United States.
  - https://bpdonline.org/BPDMEMBER/Annual\_Conference/2020\_Annual\_Conference/2020\_Conference\_Home.aspx (Conference cancelled)
- 03. **Cook, L.** & Reitmeier, M.C. (2020, March 18-22). *Transitioning from generalist to advanced practice social worker: Student perceptions of learning outcomes during an MSW bridge course* [Conference session]. The Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL, United States. https://bpdonline.org/BPDMEMBER/Annual\_Conference/2020\_Annual\_Conference/2020\_Conference Home.aspx (Conference cancelled)
- 04. Reitmeier, M.C., Freedman, M., Pitner, R.O., **Cook, L**., & Ottone, M. (2019, October 24-27). Attainment of CSWE competencies through integrative field seminar courses. Panel presentation at CSWE's 65th Annual Program Meeting. Denver, CO. https://cswe.org/Events-Meetings/2019-APM.aspx.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES

2022	Intercultural Inclusion and Diversity Learning Series, USC Center for
	Teaching Excellence
2021	Mental Health and Well-Being Competency, USC Center for Teaching
	Excellence
2021	Anti-Racist Education, USC Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
2019	Fostering Proactive Learning Environments, USC Center for Teaching
	Excellence
2019	Teaching Towards Inclusive Excellence, USC Center for Teaching
	Excellence

## **SERVICE**

2022-Present; 2018-19	Member, BSW Program Committee, COSW, USC
2021-Present	Wellness & Social Planning Committee Chair, COSW USC
2020-Present	Carolina Judicial Council, USC
2020-Present	Reviewer, Advances in Social Work journal
2019-Present	Member, MSW Program Committee, COSW, USC
2019-Present	Reviewer, University 101 Peer Leader Applications, USC
2018-Present	University Wellness Ambassador, USC
2018-Present	MSW Student Advisor
2021	Alumni Council Faculty Liaison, COSW, USC
2019-2021	Reviewer, Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors
	Annual Conference Proposals
2019-2021	Reviewer, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting
	Proposals
November 2020	Interview Facilitator & Evaluator, U101 Peer Leader Applicants
August 2020	Grant Reviewer, United Way, Volunteer Generation Fund applications
June – August 2020	Book Club Facilitator, COSW, USC
2018-2020	Reviewer, MSW Applications for Admissions, COSW, USC
2018-2019	Reviewer, BSW Applications for Admissions, COSW, USC
2018-2019	Mentor, USC Women's Mentor Network

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

2021-Present	Midlands Heart Walk Team Leader
2020-Present	Member, Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors
2019-Present	Member, Council on Social Work Education
2010-Present	Health & Wellness Instructor, Wolfs Fitness
2013-2019	Lead & Coordinate Continuing Edu. Series for Community Field Partners
2013-2014	Health & Wellness Instructor, C Cycle Studio
2012-2013	Visitor Host, Business Networking International
2012-2013	Social Media Chair, Apartment Association of Greater Columbia
2011-2013	Health & Wellness Director, Chixfit
2004-2006	Liaison, Protection & Advocacy for Ind. w/ Mental Illness Adv Council
2003-2005	Volunteer, Partners in Crisis
2003-2005	Volunteer, Lexington County Guardian ad Litem

# PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS RECEIVED

FROI ESSIONAL TRAI	MINGS RECEIVED
2022	Intercultural Inclusion & Diversity Leaning (5-part series), USC
2022	Career Champions Module 3, USC
2022	Best Practices for Collaborative Assessment, USC
2022	Small Changes, High Impact: Practices Support Integrative Learning, USC
2022	Developing Quality Formative Assessments, USC
2022	Closing the Assessment Loop, USC
2021	Certificate of Anti-Racist Teaching (6-part series), USC
2021	Support Zone: Part 2, USC
2021	Support Zone: Part 1, USC
2021	A Faculty Perspective of Integrative and Experiential Learning, USC
2021	Integrating Reflection in Study Abroad, USC
2020	Introduction to Integrative and Experiential Learning, USC
2020	Resilience in the Classroom
2020	Increasing Student Interaction in Discussion Boards, Quality Matters
2020	Deliver: Teaching an Online Course Webinar, USC
2020	Develop: Building an Online Course, USC
2020	Design: Planning an Online Course Webinar, USC
2020	Introduction to Integrative and Experiential Learning, USC
2019	Recovery Ally, USC
2019	Case Method Teaching Institute (4-day training), USC
2019	U101 Teach Experience Workshop (3-day training), USC
2019	Inclusive Teaching Methods for Online Instruction, USC
2019	Disrupting Oppressive Spaces: Our Roles as Institutional Actors, USC
2019	SyllaBOOST: Creating and Inclusive Environment from Day 1, USC
2019	Grappling w/ Culturally Relevant & Culturally Responsive Teaching, USC
2019	Inclusive Teaching Methods for Online Instruction, USC
2019	Promoting Academic Integrity Responding to Student Disruptions, USC
2018	Continual Competence in SBIRT, USC
2018	Technology for Online Teaching and Learning (7-week course), USC
2018	Getting Started Teaching Online (7-week course), USC
2018	Micro-aggressions and Implicit Bias – Defogging our Equity Lens, USC
2018	Intercultural Inclusion and Diversity Teaching Strategies for First
	Generation College Students, USC
2018	Inclusive Excellence at USC, USC
2018	Acknowledging LGBTQIA Visibility in the Classroom, USC
2018	Understanding and Working with "Entitled" Students, USC
2018	Meeting Students Where They Are, USC
2018	Teaching International Students: Techniques, Tips and Tools, USC
2018	Developing Meaningful Assignments, USC
2018	Teaching Strategies for Underrepresented Learners, USC
2018	Responding to an Active Shooter, USC
2017	Developing Competence in SBIRT: Core Mastery, USC
2017	Crafting Questions & Facilitating Discussions, USC
2017	Introduction to Active Learning, USC

2016	Introduction to SBIRT, USC
2016	Fall 2016 Teaching Series: The Parallel Process between Facilitating
	Growth in Practice Communities and in the Classroom, USC
2015	Green Zone Certified, USC

#### **EDUCATIONAL EVENTS COORDINATED AND MANAGED**

- 01. Hatton-Moore, R. (2021, July 22). *2Gen approach to programs, policy and service.* Presentation, Virtual.
- 02. Phillips, S. (2019, November 13). Having conversations that matter. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 03. Freedman, D. (2019, October 16). Framing social work intervention from positive psychology and the strengths perspective: Implications for meaningful change. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 04. Gilchrist, A. (2019, September 18). *Crisis management and our community resources.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 05. Cagle, B. (2019, April 24). *Animals and social work: An overview of emerging practice and trends.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.-
- 06. Ingram, C. (2019, March 20). *Black mental health & HIV/AIDS At the intersections*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 07. Freedman, M. (2019, February 20). Risk management in social work. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 08. Browne, T. (2018, November 14). *The importance of interprofessional training and team work for social workers.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 09. Wells, W. & Baril, D. (2018, October 17). *Behavioral health and disasters: Planning for recovery.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 10. Johnson, S. (2018, September 26). *Understanding and managing microaggressions*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 11. Kilgo, L. (2018, April 12). What's really healthy in rural SC: Connecting poverty and people. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 12. Julious, C. (2018, March 29). White privilege: Is it real or racist? Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 13. Penney, P. (2018, February 15). From concept to practice considerations: Trauma-informed social work with children. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 14. Andrews, C. & Browne, T. (2017, November 15). *Repeal, replace & retract: Implications of Obamacare reforms for social work practice.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 15. Buru, K. & Lohman-Vargas, M. (2017, October 11). *Project management for social workers.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 16. Parlier, S. (2017, September 13). *Social work practice meets religion & spirituality.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 17. Parlier, S. (2017, April 11). *Social work practice meets religion & spirituality*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 18. Campbell, S. (2017, March 14). *Ethical responsibility in weighing social media: Staying informed as the internet explodes.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 19. Berkowitz, S. (2017, February 7). Making change through advocacy. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 20. Campbell, D. & James, R. (2016, November 15). *Introducing Welcome Table SC: A collaborative for race & reconciliation.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 21. Wilkie, L. (2016, October 11). *The end of the American dream: Cultural competence of poverty leading to homelessness.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.

- 22. Roth, B. J. (2016, September 13). *Social work practice with undocumented immigrants: Myths, facts & tips.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 23. Nguyen, H. & Thanh, T. M. (2016, April 12). *Buddhism, the mind & mental health.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 24. Myers, B. (2016, March 15). *Reporting abuse and neglect: Training for mandated reporters.*Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 25. Lawrimore, T. & Sazehn, M. (2016, February 9). *Human trafficking in SC.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 26. Coolidge, K. (2015, November 10). *Intentional happiness for social workers.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 27. Barr, R. & Hobbs, K. (2015, October 13). *Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 28. Andrews, C. (2015, September 8). *Social work and the Affordable Care Act.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 29. Scurry, K. (2015, April 14). *Trauma-informed care in SC: The art & science of meeting trauma at the door.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 30. DiNovo, R. (2015, March 17). *Motivational interviewing: Preparing clients for change part II.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 31. Srinivasan, S. (2015, February 10). *DSM-5 update: What you need to know*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 32. Myers, J. (2014, November 18). Assessment & management of suicide risk. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 33. Shapiro, C. (2014, October 14). *The power of brief parenting interventions.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 34. DiNovo, R. (2014, September 9). *Motivational interviewing: Preparing clients for change.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 35. Appenzeller, G. (2014, April 25). *Putting the environment in person-in-environment*. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 36. Freedman, D. (2014, April 8). *Inclusion of meaning-centered interventions within the treatment of substance use disorders.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 37. Frierson, R.L. & Srinivasan, S. (2014, March 11). *DSM-5 update: What you need to know.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 38. Summers, G. (2014, February 18). Current trends in substance abuse. Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 39. Carlton, R. & Lander, L. (2013, November 13). *Key concepts of disaster behavioral health.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 40. Powers, M. C. (2013, November 8). *Greening social work: Roles for social workers in response to the environmental crisis.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 41. Renner, L. (2013, October 8). *LGBT diversity: The straight truth About the LGBT community & social work practice in SC.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.
- 42. Trowbridge, M. (2013, September 10). *The new normal: Life after traumatic brain injury.* Presentation, Columbia, SC.