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Professional Summary

A dedicated and award-winning educator with extensive experience in mentoring undergraduate research projects, teaching research-intensive courses, and significantly improving student enrollment and graduation rates. Consistently recognized for excellence in teaching, with a strong commitment to student engagement, Universal Design in Education, and the mentoring of undergraduates in the production of original research. Adept at balancing teaching and service commitments while contributing to the success and growth of academic programs.

Education

ABD. Sociology, University of Florida, Dec 2013
(Specialization: *Aging and the Life Course*, *Sociology of Health and Illness*)

M.A. Sociology, University of Florida, December 2002
(Specialization: *Aging and the Life Course*, *Sociology of Health and Illness*)

B.A. Sociology, University of Florida, May
2000 (Major: Sociology)

Professional Experience

Instructor
Department of Sociology
University of Central Florida

August 2010 – Present

- Mentor approximately 60-70 undergraduate capstone research projects annually, guiding students through the process of producing original research.
- Teach large, popular upper-division courses on the Sociology of Health and Medicine, consistently achieving SPI scores at or above university, college, and departmental averages.

- Awarded teaching recognition from both the department and the college for excellence in instruction and student engagement.
- Implement research-intensive teaching methods that emphasize active student participation and real-world application.
- Contribute to departmental success in maintaining enrollment and exceeding graduation rate goals, with over 2/3 of majors graduating within four years.

Previous Positions

Visiting Instructor

Department of Sociology

University of Central Florida

August 2009 – May 2010

Assistant Professor

Department of Social Sciences and Humanities

Indian River State College

August 2008 – June 2009

Adjunct Faculty

Department of Social Sciences and Humanities

Indian River State College

June 2008 – August 2008

Teaching Experience

Courses Taught

- SYO 4400 Medical Sociology

Awarded 'Quality' online course designation

- SYA 4300c Research Methods
 - *Awarded 'Quality' online course designation*
- SYA 4450 Data Analysis (capstone)
 - *Mentor for 60-70 students per academic year*
- SYP 4730 Patterns of Aging and Health
- SYP 4732 Minority Aging and Health
- SYO 3410 Mental Health and Society

Service and Leadership

Committee Participation

- Served on College-Level and Departmental Committees beyond contracted obligations.
- Active participant in HIM committees, contributing to departmental and institutional initiatives.
- Regularly attend faculty meetings and participate in discussions shaping academic policy and curriculum development.

Workshops and Certifications

- Completed Universal Design in Education workshop through FCTL.
- Received “Quality” online course designation from IDL for SYO 4400 and SYA 4300c.

Awards and Honors

- Teaching Awards

Departmental Excellence in Teaching Award (2023)

Recognized by COS for High Quality/High Impact instruction (2023)

Departmental Excellence in Online Teaching Award (2024)

Skills

- Research-Intensive Teaching
- Student Engagement and Mentorship
- Curriculum Development
- Universal Design in Education
- Committee Service and Leadership
- Online Course Development and Instruction

Publications in Refereed Journals

Bures, R.M., T. Koropecj-Cox & M. Loree. 2009. "Childlessness, Parenthood, and Depressive Symptoms Among Middle-Aged and Older Adults." *Journal of Family Issues*, 30(5), 670–687.

Tomar SL, Loree MT, Logan HL. 2004. Racial Differences in Oral and Pharyngeal Cancer Treatment and Survival in Florida. *Cancer Causes and Control*, 15(6): 601-609.

Tomar SL, Loree MT. 2004. Errors in Analyzing Associations Between Use of Smokeless Tobacco and Cigarettes. [Letter to the Editor] *Addiction*, 99(2): 260.

Published Abstracts and Presentations

Graham MA, Logan HL, Loree MT. 2004. The Association Between Patient-reported Daily Symptoms and Disease Severity Among SLE Patients. *Psychosomatic Medicine*, 66(1): A-50 [Abstract 1510].

Graham MA, Logan HL, Tomar SL, Loree MT. 2003. Sociodemographic Predictors of Patients Having a Regular Dentist. *Journal of Dental Research*, 82(Spec Iss A) [Abstract 313].

Tomar SL, Logan HL, Loree MT. 2003. Racial and Ethnic Differences in Willingness to Participate in Cancer Screenings. *Journal of Dental Research*, 82(Spec Iss A) [abstract]

Tomar SL, Papas RK, Loree MT, Logan HL. 2003. Effectiveness of a Community-Based Oral Cancer Prevention Campaign. Presented at the Centers for Disease

Control and Prevention Cancer Conference [Abstract 3204].

Loree MT. 2001. The Effect of the Disability Process on Housing Type and Quality for Older Americans. Presented at the annual meetings of the Southern Demographic Association, Miami, FL.

References

Available upon request.