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# **EDUCATION**

#### University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

• Currently pursuing PhD in Sociology

#### Thunderbird School of Global Management, Phoenix, AZ

• M.B.A., International Marketing Management

#### The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA

B.A., Psychology

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

#### Advance at UNM

Principal Investigator: Julia Fulghum, PhD, University of New Mexico

Role: Research Assistant

- Interviewed university professors about their experiences gaining tenure.
- Planned, developed, and coded the qualitative data in Atlas.ti..
- Attended social science research group meetings.

# Refugee Well-being Project (RWP)

Principal Investigator: Jessica R. Goodkind, PhD, University of New Mexico

Role: Research Assistant

- Coordinated and conducted interviews of research participants with interpreters from Afghanistan, Iraq, and central African nations.
- Interviewed university students and their refugee partners about their interactions and their experiences with the project.
- Planned and conducted training of interpreters.
- Participated in mixed methods data gathering and analysis, with quantitative data in SPSS and qualitative interviews in NVivo.
- Attended weekly core planning meetings for the project overall, gaining an understanding of research design and implementation.
- Attended Community Advisory Council meetings.
- Attended and supported Narrative Exposure Therapy (NET) training for the interpreters.

2013-2016

2015-present

# Prevention Research Center, University of New Mexico

Supervisors: Jessica Goodkind, PhD; Julia Meredith Hess, PhD

Role: Research Assistant

- Wrote analytical memos in NVivo on qualitative data from five-year research study involving American Indian community in the southwestern U.S.
- Assisted in editing program manual developed for community-based participatory intervention in the southwestern American Indian community.
- Analyzed quantitative data using SPSS.

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

Professors: Colin Olson, PhD; Owen Whooley, PhD; Steven Verney, PhD

Role: Teaching Assistant

- Graded reading reflections and exams for undergraduate lecture classes of 50 to 60+ students (Sociology 101, Crime and Deviance, Sociology of Mental Health).
- Graded weekly discussion submissions for online class of 50+ students (Cross-cultural Psychology).
- Graded written assignments, such as a cultural self-study and cultural analysis of a movie.
- Assisted in setting up online class in Blackboard Learn.

# National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, DC

Role: Training Manager

- Trained staff of over two hundred at headquarters and in six regional offices.
- Oversaw the remodel of the training facility in the national office.

# Learning Circle, Refugee Well-being Project (RWP)

Principal Investigator: Jessica R. Goodkind, PhD, University of New Mexico

Role: Facilitator

• Developed and implemented the weekly program for the refugee children (ages 4 to 16 years old) who emigrated from Afghanistan, Iraq, and Democratic Republic of the Congo.

# Community Club Tutoring Program

New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, Washington, DC

Role: Mentor/Tutor

- Tutored high school students attending public and charter schools.
- Mentored students and, through various social activities, connected with them, both learning from them and encouraging them.
- Initiated and organized annual training weekend for fellow mentor/tutors.
- Overhauled and managed monthly scholarship payments program for the high school students.
- Aided in planning of annual camp retreat for approximately 100 high school students and their mentors.

#### **PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS**

Goodkind, J.R., Amer, S., Christian, C., Hess, J.M., Bybee, D., Isakson, B., Baca, B., Ndayisenga, M., Greene, R.N., & Shantzek, C. 2016. Challenges and Innovations in a Community-Based Participatory Randomized Controlled Trial. *Journal of Health Education and Behavior*.

#### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### Minority Health and Health Disparities Grantees' Conference

Transdisciplinary Collaborations: Evolving Dimensions of U.S. & Global Health Equity at National Harbor, Maryland December 2014

Role: Co-researcher and Poster Presenter

Goodkind, J., Amer, S., Christian, C., Challenges In A Community-Based Randomized Controlled Trial.

The challenges of conducting longitudinal experimental research in a mid-size city with small refugee communities.

#### New Mexico Public Health Association & New Mexico CARES Health Disparities Center Joint Conference Albuquerque, NM April 2014

Role: Researcher and Presenter

Christian, C., Gorman, B., Verney, S., Goodkind, J., Enculturation and Awareness of Historic Losses in a Native American Community.

As part of a community-based participatory mental health intervention in a southwestern AI community, the relationships between enculturation, historical loss, historical loss associated symptoms, depression, PTSD, and psychological well-being were explored.

# **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- American Sociological Association
- New Mexico Public Health Association

#### SERVICE

<ul> <li>Founded and co-led Social Science Consortium of University of New Mexico</li> </ul>	2018-present
• Setup and managed peer-to-peer mentoring for graduate students entering the program	2018-present
<ul> <li>Graduate Student Representative for new cohort of student</li> </ul>	2018-2019
Colloquium Coordinator	2017-2018
Sociology Representative to the GPSA (Graduate and Professional Student Association)	) 2016-2017