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CURRICULUM VITAE

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Patient navigation as an integrated care model for dementia
- Human-technology interaction in social work practice and public health
- Digital health use and assistive technology for older adults aging in place
- Health equity and accessibility, especially in rural communities

EDUCATION

University of Georgia, *Athens, GA*

Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work (in progress)

August 2022 – present

- UGA Presidential Graduate Fellow Award
- AGESW (Association for Gerontology Edu. in Social Work) Pre-Dissertation Fellow

University of Georgia, *Athens, GA*

Master of Social Work

August 2017

- Summa cum laude with 4.0 GPA
- School of Social Work Student Commencement Speaker

University of Georgia, *Athens, GA*

Bachelor of Social Work, Minor in Spanish

May 2016

- UGA Presidential Award of Excellence
- UGA Amazing Student Award
- First Honor Graduate Designation with 4.0 GPA
- BSW Student of the Year
- Study abroad at UGA Costa Rica

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Georgia School of Social Work, *Athens, GA*

Graduate Research Assistant

August 2022 – present

- *Supervisor:* Jenay Beer, PhD
- Participate in NIH clinical trial researching socially assistive robots, technology acceptance, and innovative interventions for older adults with or at risk for dementia
- Experience with statistical analysis software including R, SAS, and MAXQDA

University of Georgia School of Social Work, *Athens, GA*

Graduate Research Assistant

August 2016 – May 2017

- *Supervisor:* Orion Mowbray, PhD
- Explored the problem of cancer distress and conducted review of cancer distress assessment measures
- Created 6-hour Continuing Education Unit (CE) course proposal on the assessment of cancer distress and related interventions

Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities, *Athens, GA*

Undergraduate Research Fellow

January 2016 – May 2016

- *Mentor:* Mary E. (Caplan) Ager, PhD
- *Project title:* Understanding consumer borrowing among women who receive social assistance
- Analyzed qualitative data of participant interviews using grounded theory methods

PUBLICATIONS

[P.3] Sinha, G. R., **Power, S. R.**, & Kursuncu, U. (2024). (*under review*). Exploring Patterns in Online Discussions into the Lingering Impact of COVID-19, Two Years On.

[P.2] **Power, S. R.** & Yeo, H. (2024). (*under review*). Differences in digital health use of rural-urban Medicare beneficiaries.

[P.1] **Power, S. R.**, Washington, T. R., & Lewinson, T. D. (2024). (*under review*). Talk to the tablet: Technology's impact on medical social work practice during COVID-19.

PRESENTATIONS

Oral Conference Presentations

[P.6] **Power, S. R.**, Smith, K. N., Burton, L. M., Abedine, R. A., Adams, A. E., & Beer, J. M. (2024, July 30-4 *accepted*). Family care partner perceptions of a social assistive robot to support connectedness and health behaviors in assisted living [Conference proceedings]. *Human Computer Interaction International, Washington, D.C.*

[P.5] **Power, S. R.**, Cooper, Z., Washington, T. R., Lewinson, T. D. (2024, January 10-14). Talk to the tablet: Medical social workers' interactions with technology during COVID-19. [Symposium session]. *Society of Social Work Research Conference, Washington, D.C.*

[P.4] **Power, S. R.**, Smith, K. N., Abedine, R. A., Burton, L. M., Adams, A. E., & Beer, J. M. (2023, July 24-26). Meeting a socially assistive robot in assisted living: First impressions of care partners [Conference session]. *Gerontology Society of America, Tampa, FL.*

[P.3] **Power, S. R.**, Washington, T. R., & Lewinson, T. D. (2023, November 12-15). Medical social workers harness technology for social good during COVID-19 pandemic. [Roundtable discussion]. *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.*

[P.2] Collier Shelton, A. D., **Power, S. R.**, Terry, J. B., De Neil Ingram, C. (2023, October 27). Towards empowerment in social work education-2.0: Co-creating, co-implementing, and co-evaluating a course. [Panel discussion]. *Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.*

[P.1] **Power, S. R.**, Smith, K. N., Abedine, R. A., Burton, L. M., Adams, A. E., & Beer, J. M. (2023, July 24-26). Meeting a socially assistive robot in assisted living: First impressions of care partners [Conference session]. *Georgia Gerontology Society Annual Conference, Greensboro, GA.*

Oral Invited Presentations

[P.4] Cline, N., **Power, S. R.**, & Xu, J. (2022). Care Planning for the Future. *Parkinson's Disease Support Group, Lafayette, IN.*

[P.3] Cline, N., Jones, T. I., & **Power, S. R.** (2018). Breaking Bad News with the Palliative Care Team. *CME Presentation at IU Arnett Hospital, Lafayette, IN.*

[P.2] **Power, S. R.** & Bostock, S. (2017). Student Commencement Address. *Presentation at UGA School of Social Work graduation ceremony, Athens, GA.*

[P.1] **Power, S. R.** (2014). Student Address. *Presentation at the UGA School of Social Work 50th anniversary gala, Atlanta, GA.*

Poster Conference Presentations

[P.3] **Power, S. R.** & Yeo, H. (2024, January 10-14). Predictors of digital health use for rural and urban Medicare beneficiaries. [Poster presentation]. *Society of Social Work Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.*

[P.2] Sinha, G. R., **Power, S. R.**, Kursuncu, U., Rampuria, M. (2023, November 12-15 *accepted*). Darker effects of Covid19: Exploring the impact of pandemic on social quality of people on reddit. [Poster presentation]. *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.*

[P.1] **Power, S. R.**, Smith, K. N., Abedine, R. A., Burton, L. M., Adams, A. E., & Beer, J. M. (2023, November 12-15 *accepted*). Assisted living with a social robot: Benefits and concerns of family care partners [Poster presentation]. *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ivy Tech Community College, *Lafayette, IN*

Adjunct Faculty in Human Services

January 2020 – December 2021

- Taught and crafted 3-credit hour courses:
 - HUMS 101: Introduction to Human Services (Spring 2020, Fall 2020)
 - HUMS 102: Helping Relationship Techniques (Spring 2020, Fall 2020)
 - HUMS 205: Behavior Modification (Spring 2021, Fall 2021)
- Instructed 8-week and 16-week courses both in-person and virtual via Zoom platform
- Adapted course syllabi and develop engaging curricula for class sizes of 10-15 students

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Indiana University Health Arnett Hospital, *Lafayette, IN*

Palliative Care Social Worker

January 2018 – July 2022

- Built new inpatient palliative care program by fostering community relationships, creating resources, and delivering educational presentations
- Supported patients and families through complex end-of-life decision making and advance care planning using evidence-based practice (*Respecting Choices*®)
- Grew outpatient palliative care services by offering advance care planning at geriatric primary care clinic
- Addressed hospice and psychosocial needs of patients through discharge planning, case management, and brief therapeutic interventions

University Cancer and Blood Center, *Athens, GA*

Oncology Social Worker

May 2017 – November 2017

Clinical Master of Social Work Intern

August 2016 – April 2017

- Addressed psychosocial concerns through initial assessments and brief therapeutic interventions (CBT, supportive psychotherapy)
- Procured \$5,000-\$10,000 grants for medication assistance for uninsured or underinsured patients
- Facilitated financial toxicity screening program using evidence-based COST measure to target patient financial distress
- Implemented distress screening program and assessed patients with high distress scores to meet practical and emotional needs

Social Empowerment Center, *Athens, GA*

Community Support Individual

May 2016 – December 2016

- Managed adolescent caseload (7-10 clients) and taught goal-oriented interventions including anger management and coping skills
- Provided rehabilitative and environmental support and resource coordination to assist child and family

- Completed Intake Assessments and assisted with Comprehensive Child and Family Assessments as needed

Advantage Behavioral Health Systems, *Monroe, GA*

Clinical Bachelor of Social Work Intern

August 2015 – May 2016

- Lead groups (8-20 clients) in Psychosocial Rehabilitation program and documented progress of clients with severe mental illness
- Created daily lesson plans focused on CBT/DBT skills, mental health education, medication management, and expressive arts

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

University of Georgia, *Athens, GA*

School of Social Work Doctoral Program Committee Member

2023 – present

School of Social Work Technology Committee Member

2022 – present

Indiana University Health Arnett Hospital, *Lafayette, IN*

West Central Region Mortality Committee Member

2021 – 2022

End of Life Steering Committee Member

2021 – 2022

Resiliency in Serious Events (RISE) Team Member

2019 – 2022

Cancer Committee Social Work Representative

2018 – 2022

Nursing Preceptor for palliative care rotation

2019 – 2020

Organizer for holiday gift drive benefiting patients' families

2019

Respecting Choices Advance Care Planning Trained Facilitator

2018

Phi Alpha Honor Society for Social Work, *Athens, GA*

Co-President, Founding Member

2015 – 2017

Mercy Health Center, *Athens, GA*

Social Services Volunteer

2014 – 2018

UGA Miracle, *Athens, GA*

Family Relations Committee Member

2013 – 2015

Cleveland Road Elementary, *Athens, GA*

English as a Second Language Tutor and Mentor

2015

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), *State of Georgia* #CSW008210
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), *State of Indiana* #34008998A
- Advanced Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Social Worker (ACHP-SW)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Social Workers
- Society of Social Work Research
- American Public Health Association

REFERENCES

Available upon request