

Constance E. Wooden-Smith, LCSW
Curriculum Vitae

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Biographical Sketch

A social work professional with an extensive Child Welfare and Social Services program development and policy background. This includes working in foster care, technology system development, and system analysis, specializing in IV-E program funding, resource development, and adoptions.

Teaching Summary

Professional Social Worker that teaches ethics and integrity in social work. This includes guidance and support to new students entering the workforce to assure stability and support as they progress. Providing student advisement, mentoring, and resources support increasing their knowledge, skills, and abilities related to their professional growth as social workers.

Proficiencies/Skills

Sep 2021–Sep 2022 **Renewed License as an LCSW.** Completed required 35 hours of Continuing Education training to have licensure renewed for 2 years
Feb 2020–Dec 2020 **ELC (e-Learning) software.** Attended training and implemented full use of the software to support remote learning supports for classroom teaching as well as course management
Jan 2019–Sep 2019 **Licensed Clinical Social Worker.** Licensed with the State of Georgia

Professional Experience

Aug 2017–Present Academic Professional, School of Social Work, UGA
Jul 2014–Jul 2017 Social Service Safety Reviewer for the State of Georgia, Department of Family and Children Services, Department of Georgia, Atlanta, United States
Jan 2011–Aug 2013 Project Administrator for GA SACWIS (GA SHINES), Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Atlanta, United States
Jul 2008–Dec 2010 Child Welfare Trainer for Supervisors and Administrators, Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Atlanta, United States
Oct 2004–Jun 2008 Project Administrator for GA SACWIS (GA SHINES), Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Atlanta, United States
Sep 2001–Sep 2004 Social Service Supervisor for Training and Quality Assurance, DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Decatur, United States

States

- Mar 1994–Aug 2001 Social Services Supervisor, DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Decatur, United States
- Oct 1987–Feb 1994 Social Service Case Manager, DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Decatur, United States
- Jan 1984–Oct 1987 Eligibility Case Manager for AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid, Fulton County Department of Family and Children Services, State of Georgia, Atlanta, United States

Education/Degrees

- 1995 Master of Social Work, Social Work, Clark Atlanta University, GA, United States
- 1982 Bachelor of Science, Corrections and Criminal Justice, Other, Georgia State University, GA, United States

Education/Certifications

- 03 Jan 2019–
30 Sep 2024 Licensed Clinical Social Worker, State of Georgia, Macon, United States

Honors/Awards

- May 2023 UGA School of School of Social Work Gwinnett Campus Full-Time Teacher of the Year 2022 to 2023
- Feb 2023 Student Career Success Influencer Award 2022, Scott T. Williams, University of Georgia, Career Center
- Feb 2021 Career Development, University of Georgia, Career Center, 825 S Lumpkin Street, Athens, Georgia, 30602, United States
- Nov 2019 Career Development/Success Award November 6, 2019, Scott Williams, Director, University of Georgia, Career Development, 825 Lumpkin Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States
- Jan 2019 Career Development/Success Award, Scott Williams, Director, University of Georgia, Career Development, Athens, 30602, United States

Publications

1. 2017 Foundation, C. (2017). *MSW Resource Guide for Students and Faculty*.
2. 2017 Foundation, C. (2017). *MSW Resource Guide for Students and Faculty*.
3. Wooden-Smith, C. (2017). *Request to Exempt/Substitution of Required MSW Course*. NA.

Courses Taught

- Summer 2023 Child Abuse and Neglect (SOWK 7270)

Spring 2023	Integrative Analysis of Social Work Practice: Capstone (SOWK 7500)
Fall 2022	Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)
Summer 2022	Professional Practice in Foster Care and Adoption (SOWK 7170)
Spring 2022	Integrative Analysis of Social Work Practice: Capstone (SOWK 7500)
Fall 2021	Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)
Summer 2021	Child Abuse and Neglect (SOWK 7270)
Spring 2021	Integrative Analysis of Social Work Practice: Capstone (SOWK 7500)
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Fall 2020	Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)
Summer 2020	Professional Practice in Foster Care and Adoption (SOWK 7170)
Spring 2020	Integrative Analysis of Social Work Practice: Capstone (SOWK 7500)
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Fall 2019	Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)
Spring 2019	Social Welfare Policies, Programs, and Issues (SOWK 7121)
Fall 2018	Foundation Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)
Summer 2018	Social Work Treatment with Groups (SOWK 7223)
Spring 2018	Advanced Social Work Practice with Individuals (SOWK 7203)
Fall 2017	Foundation Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (SOWK 7114)

Professional Service

Administrative effort

Coordinator (e.g., graduate, undergraduate, academic program): Leadership

Faculty advisement and support to Gwinnett SFC, 01 Oct 2017–Present

UGA School of Social Work Gwinnett Campus, Gwinnett County (School/College)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 20.0

Provide leadership support to a group of students who act as co-hort representatives; this includes providing guidance and support as they plan student activities for the campus.

Coordinator (e.g., graduate, undergraduate, academic program): Program management

Student Support and Advisement for Athens Campus, 01 Sep 2020–20 Dec 2019 and 01 Sep 2022 to 31 Jan 2023

School of Social Work (School/College)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 140.0

Provided academic support and advisement to second-year students at the Athens campus and students on the Gwinnett campus. This was to ensure appropriate registration and program support for students during the search for a new Academic Adviser for the Athens campus

Student Advisement, 01 Aug 2017–Present

MSW Extended Program, Gwinnett Campus and Online Campus

Annual time commitment (hrs): 6138.0

Provide daily management/coordination for the Gwinnett location. Assure that all students are advised each semester and cleared for registration (about 140 active students). Provide resource support and direct social work to students as needed. Provide career counseling and supportive guidance for students who need additional resources or coaching. Follow up on Students who become detached from the program by not attending class or failing to return for matriculation. Refer students for Academic Review or additional Student Outreach Programs at the University.

Academic administrator (e.g., head, dean, director, chair): Faculty recruitment/hiring

Participated in Search Committee for Gwinnett Campus Director, 01 Sep 2022–10 Nov 2022

Vice President for Instruction, Gwinnett County (National)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 50.0

The Director of the Gwinnett Campus is the senior administrator at the UGA Gwinnett Campus and oversees all academic and support services. This position reports directly to the Vice President for Instruction and collaborates with colleges and schools concerning the development of new degree programs for offering in Gwinnett.

Academic administrator (e.g., head, dean, director, chair): Personnel management

Lead Search Committee for MNML and BSW Program Advisor, 01 Sep 2021–30 Nov 2021

MNML and BSW Programs, (National)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 8.0

Lead Hiring Committee

Coordinator (e.g., graduate, undergraduate, academic program): Program improvement

Trained new Athens Adviser, 01 Oct 2020–31 Jan 2020

School of Social Work MSW Program, Clarke County (School/College)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 60.0

Provide one on one training on process, procedure, and policy. Assisting as needed to ensure understanding of various programs of study for students and advisement processes related to individual student need

Coordinator (e.g., graduate, undergraduate, academic program): Academic program review

Student Advisement for Athens Campus, 01 Sep 2020–31 Dec 2020

SSW Athens Campus, Clarke County (School/College)

Provided one-on-one support to 117 graduate-level second-year (Specialization) students. Support included advisement for the spring semester in preparation for graduation in May 2020. Reviewed student's records in Degreeworks and Athena to ensure they comply with curriculum requirements and validated that students are meeting program requirements for their degree and certificate programs

Coordinator (e.g., graduate, undergraduate, academic program): Policy/Procedure revisions

Policy for cross-campus classes, 28 Nov 2018–07 Dec 2018

School of Social Work (School/College)

Annual time commitment (hrs): 24.0

Created an analysis and assessment document to support changes and clarification to policy related to student's ability to take electives between campuses and further clarified ability to take elective courses outside the School of Social Work. Clarity provided for those seeking certificates and those seeking to take courses with other colleges within the University of Georgia

Broadcast interviews

"Focus Atlanta", 03 Mar 2019

CW69 Atlanta, Social Work as Profession and UGA Gwinnett, Interviewer: Lancelin K, Interviewee: Wooden-Smith C

School/College: Study abroad

Study Away visit to St. Thomas and St. John, VI.

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Target audience: College students, Number of participants: 1

A site visit was made to two islands and the University of the Virgin Islands to determine the conditions of the islands and resources available for the planned trip for Maymester 2019

Educational/Outreach presentations

Local: In-service

Social Workers are Essential, 04 Mar 2021

National Social Work Month "Social Workers are Essential" Grady Memorial Hospital, Social Work, 80 Jesse Hill Jr Dr, Atlanta, GA, 30303, USA, Fulton County

Invited, Keynote, Role: Presenter, Target audience: Professionals

Number of participants: 70, Sessions: 1, Contact hours: 2.0

Local: Fundraiser

UGA Relief for Puerto Rico, 02 Oct 2017–14 Oct 2017

Puerto Rico Relief, Gwinnett County

Role: Coordinator, Target audience: General public

School/College: Orientation for incoming students

Orientation to UGA School of Social Work Extended-time Program, 07 Aug 2018

Orientation for UGA Gwinnett Extended-Time Students University of Georgia, School of Social Work-Gwinnett Campus, Athens, GA, 30602, United States

Role: Coordinator, Target audience: College students

Number of participants: 41, Sessions: 1, Contact hours: 4.0

School/College: Orientation for UGA Gwinnett Extended-Time Advance Standing Students

Orientation to UGA School of Social Work Extended-time Advance Standing Program, 04 Jun 2018

Orientation to UGA School of Social Work Extended-time Advance Standing Program University of Georgia, School of Social Work Gwinnett Campus, Athens, GA, 30602, United States

Role: Coordinator, Target audience: College students

Number of participants: 10, Sessions: 1, Contact hours: 5.0

Event administration

School/College: Seminar

Event administrator, Taco and Chat with the Dean, 11 Jan 2019–11 Feb 2019

Target audience: College students

Annual Time Commitment (hrs): 20.0

Provide an opportunity for the students in the School of Social Work at Gwinnett to meet with the dean and discuss concerns as related to the program. This provides an opportunity to give feedback about curriculum and program improvement items or changes that need or can be made, such as an increase in hybrid or online courses.

Event administrator, Taco and Chat with the Dean, 27 Aug 2018–16 Oct 2018

Target audience: College students

Annual Time Commitment (hrs): 20.0

Provide an opportunity for the students in the School of Social Work at Gwinnett to meet with the dean and discuss concerns related to the program. This provides an opportunity to give feedback about curriculum and program improvement items or changes that need or can be made, such as an increase in hybrid or online courses.

School/College: General Meeting

Event administrator, Open forum for Gwinnett students, 03 Oct 2017

Gwinnett County, Target audience: Other

Annual Time Commitment (hrs): 5.0

Opportunity for students to meet with Program Director, Field Director, and others to express program concerns and address their current needs

Memberships: Committee

MSW Academic Review Committee (Member), 01 August 2022–Present

UGA School of Social Work, Masters in Social Work, 279 Williams Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States

Annual time commitment (hrs): 15.0

Clarke County

Review and assess the information submitted by students and instructors related to grade appeals and behaviors concerns or ethical violations.

MSW Curriculum Committee (Member), 01 Jan 2022–Present

UGA School of Social Work, Masters in Social Work, 279 Williams Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States

Annual time commitment (hrs): 7.0

Clarke County

Led the effort to change the grading of the Capstone course from Pass/Fail to A-F

Curriculum Sub-Committee for MSW Program (Member), 01 Jan 2019–Present

University of Georgia, School of Social Work MSW Program, 279 Williams Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States

Annual time commitment (hrs): 25.0

To ensure that the curriculum's integrity is maintained per the Council on Social Work Education policies. Responsibilities include: 1) Conduct regular and systematic reviews of the MSW educational philosophy, curriculum, course content, and other related issues and make recommendations to the MSW Committee when necessary. 2) Assume leadership in the design of major curriculum changes and revisions. 3) Recommend procedures for student evaluations of courses to the MSW Committee. 4) Coordinate curriculum issues with the MSW/MPH, MSW/JD, MSW/MDiv, and other certificate programs for MSW students, and 5) Review and approve student requests for course exemptions and transfer credits

Professional development

Suicide Prevention and Awareness, 16 Sep 2022

Continuing education program

Suicide Prevention and Awareness, Sasha Douglas, MSW, LCSW, BAS, TPN Health, 757 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States, Zoom

Contact hours: 2.5, Total CEUs earned: 2.500000

Assessing, supporting, and surviving after suicide for survivors and treatment providers

Helping Black Men with Stress, 22 Jul 2022

Continuing education program

Helping Black Men with Stress, Dr. Krista D. Mincey, TPN Health, 757 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States, Zoom

Contact hours: 1.5, Total CEUs earned: 1.500000

Provide practice guidance for support Black Men with stress and understanding how they manage or do not manage stress

Building Resilience for Individual Through Trauma Education (B.R.I.T.E),

29 Jun 2022–22 Jun 2022

Continuing education program

Continuing Education (B.R.I.T.E), Dr. Anthony Salerno, TPN Health, 757 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States, Zoom

Contact hours: 6.0, Total CEUs earned: 6.000000

Webinar via Zoom

"The Time is Right for Social Work, 21 Jun 2022–25 Mar 2023

Conference

NASW Yearly Conference 2023, National Association of Social Workers, Washington D.C., United States, Omni Shoreham Hotel and Conference Center, 2500 Calvert Street, Washington, DC, United States

Contact hours: 14.0, Total CEUs earned: 14.000000

Attended various breakout sessions and plenary sessions with speakers

Integrating Theory and Practice-Ethical Decision Making In Social Work,

29 Mar 2022

Continuing education program

Ethics Course for Field Instructors and Practitioners, Dr. Naynette Kennett, UGA School of Social Work, Field Education, 279 Williams Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States, Remote on Zoom

Contact hours: 5.0, Total CEUs earned: 5.000000

Introduction to Trauma Awareness and Resilience, 24 Apr 2021

Continuing education program

Center for Conflict Resolution, 6285 Paseo Blvd., Kansas City, MO, 64110, United States, Zoom

Contact hours: 8.0

Provided an in depth training on Violence related Trauma and the therapeutic process as it relates to Restorative Justice

Theater of the Oppressed with Julian Boal, 27 Nov 2019

Workshop

Theater of the Oppressed with Julian Boal, School of Social Work, University of Georgia, Art and Social Work, 279 Williams Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States; School of Fine Arts, University of Georgia, Fine Arts, 225 Baldwin Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States, Arena Theater at UGA School of Arts, University of Georgia, Fine Arts, 225 Baldwin Street, Athens, 30602, United States

Contact hours: 3.0

Theatre of the Oppressed (TO) is a form of popular community based education that uses theater as a tool for transformation. Originally developed out of Boal's work with peasant and worker populations, it is now used all over the world for social and political activism, conflict resolution, community building, therapy, and government legislation. Inspired by the vision of Paulo Freire and his landmark treatise on education, *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*, T.O. invites critical thinking. It is about analyzing rather than accepting, questioning rather than giving answers. It is also about "acting" rather than just talking

Risk Management Workshop for Study Away, 27 Nov 2018

Workshop

Risk Management Study Away Training, Sara Quinn, University of Georgia, Office of Global Engagement, 1324 South Lumpkin Street, Athens, GA, 30602, United States, Sara Quinn, University of Georgia, Health Center, Athens, 30602, United States

Contact hours: 4.0, Total CEUs earned: 0.000000

Workshop required for those traveling abroad as instructors and co-directors of study away programs. Programs provide several segments that address risk related to students and the university when traveling aboard. This workshop assures that instructors under the

Study Away Fiscal Management Training, 12 Nov 2018

Workshop

Study Away Fiscal Management Training, Leigh Knapp, University of Georgia, Office of Global Engagement, Athens, GA, 60602, United States, Leigh Knapp, University of Georgia Press, Training and Development Center, Athens, GA, 30302, United States

Contact hours: 2.0, Total CEUs earned: 0.000000

Provided an overview of timelines and financial budgeting related to Study Away programs

Recruitment

National

MSW Campus Experience Spring 2023 (Students recruitment), 01 Nov 2023–31 Mar 2023

Gwinnett County

Held the second of the two MSW Campus Experience Events at the Gwinnett Campus. This event was implemented on February 25, 2023

School of Social Work Center Recruitment Session (Students recruitment), 06 Dec 2022

Gwinnett County

Provide recruitment information for each Social Work Program of Study and advisement to interested students.

MSW Campus Experience (Students recruitment), 01 Sep 2022–22 Oct 2022

Gwinnett County

Created and implemented an interactive recruitment activity for those seeking entry to the MSW Program. Provide a 4-Hour Program to engage Students in the MSW Graduate School Learning process.

Center Session for Recruitment (Students recruitment), 09 Dec 2021

Provide an opportunity for students to get additional information about Social Program.

Recruitment for Extended-Time Program (Students recruitment), 07 Sep 2021–

08 Sep 2021
Gwinnett County
Zoom Recruitment Event

Recruitment Session for School of Social Work (Students recruitment), 05 Aug 2021
Connect session for recruitment of new students

Recruitment Meeting for School of Social Work (Students recruitment), 12 Jan 2021
Zoom Recruitment Session for School of Social Work

State

MSW recruitment and information Meeting (Students recruitment), 08 Oct 2020
Zoom Recruitment meetings for the MSW programs at Gwinnett

MSW Recruitment meeting (Students recruitment), 08 Sep 2020
Zoom recruitment and information meetings for the MSW programs

MSW Informational Meeting (Combined) (Students recruitment), 14 Jul 2020
Gwinnett County
Zoom recruitment meeting for the MSW programs

MSW Information Meeting (Combined) (Students recruitment), 10 Jun 2020
Zoom Recruitment of students for the MSW programs

Recruitment Informational Meeting (Students recruitment), 18 Feb 2020
Gwinnett County
Recruitment Meeting to grow the extended time programs at Gwinnett

Informational Meeting Gwinnett Campus (Students recruitment), 12 Sep 2019
Gwinnett County
Recruitment activities for the School of Social Work Graduate programs

Taped TV appearance with CW 69 "Focus Atlanta" (Students recruitment), 19 Feb 2019
DeKalb County
Taped a television appearance for recruitment purposes with CW 69 TV station on the "Focus Atlanta" show with Keisha Lancelin, Public Affairs Director

Informational Meeting UGA Gwinnett (Students recruitment), 22 Jan 2019
Gwinnett County
Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Informational Meeting UGA Gwinnett (Students recruitment), 20 Dec 2018–
20 Dec 2019
Gwinnett County
Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Informational Meeting UGA Gwinnett (Students recruitment), 15 Nov 2018
Gwinnett County
Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Open House Gwinnett 2018 (Students recruitment), 20 Oct 2018
Gwinnett County

Formal recruitment event for UGA Gwinnett to allow interested students to visit the campus, meet the coordinators and have one on one conversations about admissions, financial aid and other concerns related to admissions

Gwinnett Informational Meeting (Students recruitment), *11 Oct 2018*

Gwinnett County

Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Information Meeting for Recruitment (Students recruitment), *13 Sep 2018*

Gwinnett County

Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Informational Meeting for UGA Gwinnett (Students recruitment), *13 Aug 2018*

Gwinnett County

Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Informational Meeting for UGA Gwinnett (Students recruitment), *10 May 2018*

Gwinnett County

Provide an opportunity those interested in UGA School of Social Work to receive a additional information about admissions requirements, scholarship and curriculum programs offered

Gwinnett Campus Open House (Students recruitment), *21 Oct 2017*

Gwinnett County

Opportunity for UGA Alumni and others to visit the Gwinnett campus and obtain information about the various programs offered by the graduate programs offered by UGA Gwinnett

Local

Information Meeting for SSW Gwinnett Campus (Students recruitment), *08 Feb 2018*

Gwinnett County

Opportunity for students interested in attending the UGA School of Social Work to visit the Gwinnett Campus and learn more information about the requirements for entry into the MSW program

Informational Meeting for UGA Gwinnett School of Social Work (Students recruitment), *14 Sep 2017*

Gwinnett County

Provide an opportunity for students interested in the Extended-Time program to receive information about the program requirements and obtain information about applying to the program

School/College

Informational Meeting for Gwinnett Campus (Students recruitment), *30 Jan 2020*

Gwinnett County

Recruitment activities for the School of Social Work Graduate programs

Open Forum to Improve Recruitment Efforts (Students recruitment), *03 Oct 2017*

Gwinnett County

To provide an opportunity to discuss ideas related to recruitment for Gwinnett Campus

and to allow student input based on current experience in the MSW Extended program