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Education

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| 2023 | M.P.H.: Community Health Promotion
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota |
| 2020 | B.A.: Human Biology
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas |

Professional Experience

4/25 - Present Senior Research Assistant

Pacific Research & Evaluation, LLC, Portland, Oregon

- Conducting computer and library literature searches
- Developing data collection tools and procedures including support with content development
- Locating and contacting recipients of services, providers of services, and other stakeholders to facilitate data collection, including scheduling and conducting interviews, focus groups, and written surveys
- Building online surveys in Qualtrics
- Developing and managing various databases for PRE evaluation projects
- Providing data collection support including facilitation and note taking
- Data management including entering, cleaning, and coding data
- Conducting qualitative analysis and reporting
- Independently conducting descriptive statistical analysis of data using Excel, SPSS, or R
- Independently conducting evaluation reports or sections of reports
- Preparing and coordinating the submission of proposals
- Assisting with project management responsibilities (e.g., development of project management plans, development of project management tools, coordinating project task completion)
- Maintaining an inventory of office and data collection/project supplies
- Other duties, including but not limited to, light cleaning, copying, mailing, scheduling, and other administrative duties, as assigned by supervisor and/or Research Associates/Managers

4/24 - 4/25 Research Assistant

Pacific Research & Evaluation, LLC, Portland, Oregon

- Conducted literature searches
- Developed data collection tools and procedures from content provided by project managers
- Built online surveys in Qualtrics
- Developed and managed various databases for PRE evaluation projects
- Provided data collection support, including facilitation and note taking
- Supported with statistical analysis of data using Excel, SPSS, R
- Supported with writing evaluation reports or sections of reports
- Conducted qualitative analysis and reporting
- Data management, including entering, cleaning, and coding data
- Preparing and coordinating the submission of proposals
- Assisted with project management responsibilities
- Located and contacted recipients of services, providers of services, and other stakeholders to facilitate data collection, including scheduling and conducting interviews, focus groups, and written surveys

- 7/22 - 1/23** **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Master-level teaching assistant within the School of Public Health
 - Designed assessments
 - Graded assignments
 - Utilized educational technology to enhance learning experiences
 - Developed leadership skills
 - Provided mentorship to students

- 4/22 - 9/22** **Public Health Intern**
Carver County Public Health, Chaska, Minnesota
- Managed and implemented a project that increased community access to nutritious food
 - Collected and analyzed data
 - Developed skills and expertise related to advancing health equity and sustainable community-driven solutions
 - Engaged in strategic collaborations to bring about successful outcomes
 - Implemented effective communication initiatives to reach diverse audiences

- 7/20 - 6/21** **Paraeducator**
Fargo Public Schools, Fargo, North Dakota
- Collaborated with multidisciplinary teams to provide support to students with diverse learning needs
 - Implemented individualized education plans (IEPs)
 - Tailored instructional strategies to meet the unique needs of students
 - Acquired skills in a positive behavioral intervention

- 5/19 - 6/20** **Research Assistant**
Bever/Schultz Lab, Lawrence, Kansas
- Contributed to experimental and field studies
 - In charge of data collection and data entry
 - Prepared samples for analysis
 - Made preparations for experiments
 - Developed and implemented lesson plans for elementary-aged students
 - Fostered an understanding of environmental stewardship

- 5/19 - 5/20** **Social Service Intern**
Jaydoc Free Clinic, Kansas City, Kansas
- Tracked program outcomes
 - Documented client interactions using RedCap
 - Connected patients with chronic conditions with appropriate resources
 - Prepared and distributed resource materials related to housing, food assistance, and smoking cessation

Certifications and Trainings

2024 Social-Behavioral-Educational (SBE) Comprehensive Human Subjects Research; CITI certification

Professional Affiliations

American Evaluation Association (AEA)