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## EDUCATION

### **Doctor of Philosophy**, Human Movement Science

August 2016 – present

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Advisor: Dr. Jason Mihalik

### **Master's in Education**, Kinesiology – Athletic Training

June 2015

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

*Thesis*: The Influence of Prior History of Sport Concussion on Mood State and Depressive Symptoms in Adolescent Athletes.

Advisor: Dr. Jacob Resch

### **Bachelor of Arts**, Exercise and Sport Science – Athletic Training

May 2012

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### RESEARCH

**University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, Chapel Hill, NC

*Department of Allied Health Sciences, School of Medicine*

Doctoral Candidate, August 2016 – present

*Matthew Gfeller Sport Related Traumatic Brain Injury Research Center*

Research Coordinator, August 2015 – August 2016

**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA

*Department of Kinesiology, Curry School of Education*

Master's Thesis, June 2014 - July-2015

### CLINICAL

**Chapel Hill - Carrboro City Schools**, Chapel Hill, NC

Substitute Athletic Trainer, August 2015 - present

**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA

*Department of Kinesiology, Curry School of Education*

Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer, June 2014 - July-2015

**Pivot Physical Therapy**, Frederick, MD  
**Tuscarora High School, Frederick MD**  
Head Athletic Trainer, August 2012 – May 2014

**South Lake Hospital/ESPN's Wide World of Sports**, Orlando, FL  
Intern Athletic Trainer, May 2012 – August 2012

## **TEACHING**

**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA  
Assisted in Athletic Training Labs for Kinesiology students, August 2014 – May 2015

**Tuscarora High School**, Frederick, MD  
Guest Lecturer for Sports Medicine class, August 2012 – June 2014

## **HONORS AND AFFILIATIONS**

2016 Doctoral Merit Assistantship  
2011 National Athletic Trainer's Association Foundation Scholarship Recipient  
2010 Dean's List, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
2009 Dean's List, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**Combs PR**, Wasserman EB, Rodrigo CJ, Guskiewicz KM, Mihalik JP. (2016 October). *The Associations Between Psychological Distress and Concussion History in College Athletes*. Poster to be presented at the 5<sup>th</sup> International Consensus Conference on Concussion in Sport, Berlin, Germany.

**Combs PR**, Resch JE, Glaviano NR, Broshek DK, Saliba SF. (2016 June). *Influence of Prior History of Sport Concussion on Mood State and Depressive Symptoms in Adolescent Athletes*. Poster presented at the National Athletic Trainer's Association Convention, Baltimore, MD.

**Combs PR**, Resch JE, Glaviano NR, Broshek DK, Saliba SF. (2016 February). *Influence of Prior History of Sport Concussion on Mood State and Depressive Symptoms in Adolescent Athletes*. Poster presented at 2016 Human Movement Science & Biomechanics Research Symposium, Chapel Hill, NC.

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

National Athletic Trainer's Association

American College of Sports Medicine

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

**Certified Athletic Trainer**, BOC190245

**National Provider Identifier**, #1548687767

**CPR/AED Certified for the Professional Rescuer and Health Care Provider & Instructor**