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EDUCATION

Master of Science

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, Sports Medicine

Bachelor of Science

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
School of Education, Athletic Training

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Director of Program Operations (Promoted January 2022)

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 2022- Present
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Exercise and Sport Science
Center for the Study of Retired Athletes (CSRA) &
Matthew Gfeller Sport-Related Traumatic Brain Injury Research Center

Promoted, where Assistant Program Director responsibilities continued and were expanded to include:

- Direct all off-campus clinical operations and on-campus research operations
- Serve as Chief People Officer for the THRIVE Program
- Support Center Directors with strategic planning for clinical programs and center growth

Assistant Program Director

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 2018- 2021
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Exercise and Sport Science
Center for the Study of Retired Athletes (CSRA) &
Matthew Gfeller Sport-Related Traumatic Brain Injury Research Center

- Provide administrative support to Center leadership, Dr. Kevin Guskiewicz & Dr. Jason Mihalik
- Manage all financial operations (budgets, billing, invoices, reimbursements, travel, & purchases)
- Manage all Human Resources operations (hire, train, supervise and mentor research and clinical staff)
- Support research faculty and students with pre-award proposal and budget development
- Manage post award responsibilities for funded research grants (both federal and non-federal)
- Oversee NFLPA Trust's Brain and Body Clinical Program operations
- Assist with the development of the Transforming Health & Resilience in Veterans (THRIVE) Program
- Oversee active research projects, ensuring compliance with funding agencies, clinicaltrials.gov, FDA, IRBs, COIs, & HIPAA
- Oversee data collection, entry and management (including human imaging and biospecimens)

Assistant Program Director (Promoted April 2016)

Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 2016- 2018
College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Psychology

Promoted, where Research Coordinator II responsibilities continued and were expanded to include:

- Manage all day-to-day operations for funded research grants (Federal and Foundation funds)
- Pre-Award responsibilities include: assist with proposal development, create budgets, edit and review documents, initiate and monitor routing processes and adhere to sponsor guidelines
- Post-Award responsibilities include: develop, manage and monitor budgets, hire, train and supervise staff, initiate renewal submissions, initiate and develop progress reports, submit and monitor subawards,

review expenditures, and oversee participant recruitment, data collection and data management for quality control

Research Coordinator II

Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
College of Arts & Sciences, Department of Psychology

2013-2016

- Provide grant administration support for the Principal Investigator (Dr. Robin Morris) and oversee all day-to-day operations for active research studies
- Assist with monitoring and managing budgets, paying invoices for subcontracts and vendors, filing reimbursements, coordinating travel, and ordering supplies
- Facilitate and coordinate weekly project meetings with research collaborators, faculty and staff
- Manage communication amongst City of Atlanta Public Schools, parents, research teachers, and staff
- Coordinate research studies across multiple schools in metro-Atlanta and coordinate all of participant data collection appointments including psychometric testing and neuro-imaging fMRI
- Train and supervise student research assistants in administration of psychometric and neuro-imaging protocols
- Develop and implement Scantron data entry forms, Qualtrics online surveys, and data codebooks for more efficient data collection, entry and management
- Maintain records ensuring IRB compliance and data security

Research Program Coordinator

Children's National Medical Center, Washington DC
Division of Pediatric Neuropsychology
Safe Concussion Outcome, Recovery & Education (SCORE) Program

2012 – 2013

- Provided all administrative support for Chief of Pediatric Neuropsychology & Director of the SCORE Program (Dr. Gerald Gioia)
- Facilitated day to day operations of the SCORE Concussion Program including; coordinated weekly faculty meetings, maintained budget and deposits, coordinated Pre-Injury Baseline Concussion Testing sessions, and initiated, revised and renewed SCORE program contracts with local school districts

Social/Clinical Research Associate

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Exercise and Sport Science
Center for the Study of Retired Athletes (CSRA)
National Center for Catastrophic Sport Injury Research (NCCSIR)

2008- 2012

- Provided administrative support for CSRA Director and Department Chair (Dr. Kevin Guskiewicz)
- Coordinated research participant visits to Chapel Hill, administered a battery of Neuropsychological Tests and a working memory fMRI protocol, distributed yearly surveys to newly retired National Football League (NFL) players, managed databases of over 3,000 Former NFL players
- Created data collection tools including Teleform Surveys, assisted in data analysis and preparation of final research project reports
- Created and modified regulatory IRB documents
- Assisted with website development and accommodated media requests
- Co-managed a multi-year research study of on-going pitching injuries in Little League, High School & College athletes

Research Assistant

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC
Gillings School of Global Public Health, Department of Epidemiology
Injury Prevention Research Center (IPRC)

2007- 2008

- Provided support for the Principal Investigator (Dr. Stephen Marshall) in administration and research duties on Department of Defense (DOD) Funded grants
- Assisted PI with project administration for *JUMP-ACL (Joint Undertaking to Monitor and Prevent ACL Injury)* & *National Collegiate Athletic Association's Injury Surveillance System* studies, arranged travel

for research assistants, over saw data collection, created Teleform questionnaires and data entry forms, and assisted with data management and entry

Certified Athletic Trainer (ATC) & Approved Clinical Instructor (ACI)

University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC), Pittsburgh, PA

2005- 2007

Department of Orthopedic Surgery

Sports Medicine Athletic Training Clinic & Orthopedic Clinic

-Responsibilities in the Orthopedic Sports Medicine Clinic included: assisting Orthopedic Surgeons with patient preparation, general administration, patient education of home exercise programs, and application of orthopedic braces

-Responsibilities while in the Sports Medicine Athletic Training Clinic included: evaluating and assessing injuries, developing sports specific rehabilitation programs and traveling to UPMC contract High Schools to provide coverage of athletic practices and competitions

-Responsibilities as an ACI included: supervising and providing clinical instruction to Athletic Training Students enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh and Duquesne University undergraduate athletic training programs

Awards

2022 Employee Excellence and Superior Service Award

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Exercise & Sport Science

2012 Star Heel Outstanding Staff Member Award

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Exercise & Sport Science

2011 Kenneth L. Knight Outstanding Research Manuscript

Kucera KL, Marshall SW, Bell DR, DiStefano MJ, **Goerger CP**, Oyama S. Validity of Soccer Injury Data from the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Injury Surveillance System. *Journal of Athletic Training*. 2011;46(5):489-499.

2006 Freddie H. Fu Graduate Research Award

University of Pittsburgh, School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Professional Development

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

-BEST (Blueprint for Engaged Supervision Training)

Completed 2018

Georgia State University Certificate Programs

-First-Line Supervisors Certificate (FLSC)

Completed 2017

-Office Professional Certificate (OPC)

Completed 2017

Georgia State University Continuing Education

-Invited speaker for College of Arts & Sciences Research Professionals
Lecture Series; "Best practices for the Research Associate"

March 13, 2018

April 10, 2018