

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

- Present Ph.D. Candidate, Gerontology
University of Massachusetts Boston
Boston, Massachusetts

Dissertation title: Volunteering among surviving spouses: The impact of volunteer activity on the health of the recently widowed.
Dissertation committee: Jan E. Mutchler, Ph.D. (Chair), Jeffrey A. Burr, Ph.D., and Namkee Choi, Ph.D., M.S.W.
- 2006 M.S., Gerontology
University of Massachusetts Boston
- 1997 M.S.W., Concentration in Clinical Social Work
University of Southern Indiana
Evansville, Indiana
- 1995 B.S., Psychology
University of Evansville
Evansville, Indiana
Minor: Sociology

Honors and Awards

- 2009 Hartford Doctoral Fellowship in Geriatric Social Work, funded by the John A. Hartford Foundation of New York City.
- 2009 RAND Corporation Summer Institute scholarship, Mini-Medical School for Social Scientists and the Demography, Economics, and Epidemiology of Aging conference, Santa Monica, California, July 6–9, 2009.
- 2008 Selected to attend the grant-writing workshop for junior faculty by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, University of Massachusetts Boston, January 7–9, 2008.

- 2007 Recipient of the Graduate Student Paper Award from the Massachusetts Gerontology Association for “Care Credits toward Social Security: A Policy Analysis.”
- 2006 Sigma Phi Omega National Academic Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology inductee
- 1993 Psi Chi National Honors Society in Psychology inductee

Professional Experience: Teaching

- 2008 – 2009 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Gerontology, University of Massachusetts Boston
- Spring 2009 Multi-Method Research Design Using Qualitative Methods. Team taught with Donna Haig Friedman, Ph.D.
- Spring 2009 Social Policy Research Practicum in Gerontology. Assisted Frank Porell, Ph.D., with the instruction of students in constructing a data file for analysis, writing a research paper, and in statistical data analysis.
- Fall 2008 Current National Databases in Gerontological Policy Research. Assisted Frank Porell, Ph.D., in the instruction of students in SPSS programming language (syntax) and developing a quantitative research question for secondary data analysis using the Health and Retirement Study.
- 2004 – 2007 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Management in Aging Services Master’s program, University of Massachusetts Boston, with Lillian Glickman, Ph.D. Assisted with administrative and curriculum development for this program, which began accepting students in 2003 and was named the outstanding credit program by the Continuing Education Association in 2008.
- 2004 Part-time Instructor, Principles of Sociology
Ivy Tech State College, Valparaiso, Indiana

Professional Experience: Research

- 2009 – Research assistant, National Council on Aging (NCOA). Ramsey Alwin, project coordinator. Topic: the current economic status of adults 55 and older in the United States. Co-investigator with Kathleen Wilson, Ph.D.
- 2008 – Primary investigator: Volunteering among surviving spouses: The impact of volunteer activity on the health of the recently widowed (dissertation), funded by the John A. Hartford Foundation (\$70,000).
- 2007 – 2008 Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Gerontology, University of Massachusetts Boston, with Jan E. Mutchler, Ph.D. Conducted a literature review on time use. Managed and prepared a data set from the American Time Use Survey (ATUS) for analysis. Performed statistical analysis using data from the ATUS for the purposes of conference presentation and publication.

Professional Experience and Licensure: Clinical Social Work

- 2000 – Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Indiana
- 2004 Porter County Mental Health Association, Valparaiso, Indiana
Group Facilitator
Facilitated community support groups for spousal bereavement and for family members of individuals with a mental illness.
- 2004 Valparaiso University Student Counseling and Development Center
Staff Therapist
Provided short-term therapeutic services and crisis management to students.
- 2001 – 2003 Southlake Center for Mental Health, Outpatient Services, Merrillville, Indiana
Staff Social Worker
Assessed, diagnosed, and treated individuals and families. Developed and facilitated a group for people with chronic pain.
- 1997 – 2001 Four County Counseling Center, Fulton County office, Rochester, Indiana
Outpatient Therapist
Assessed and treated adolescents, adults, and families. Facilitated an assertiveness training group for women.

Presentations and Posters

- 2010 Alwin, R., Johnson, K. J., Posner, A., & Wilson, K. Holistic approach to meeting the needs of economically disadvantaged seniors. Workshop at the National Council on Aging/ American Society on Aging Joint Conference, Chicago, Illinois, March 2010.
- Johnson, K. J., Quinlan, J., & Griffin, J. A. The experience of teaching gerontology as a graduate student: Online, team teaching, and traditional pedagogy. Sigma Phi Omega resource exchange at the 36th annual meeting and educational leadership conference of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Reno, Nevada, March 2010.
- Johnson, K. J. Spousal loss, depressive symptoms, and community-based volunteering. Poster presented at the 14th annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, California, January 2010.
- 2009 Johnson, K. J., Mutchler, J. E., Burr, J. A., & Johns, E. Caregiving and age: Factors that shape daily time use. Poster presented at the 62nd annual scientific meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2009.
- Martin, L. A., & Johnson, K. J. Volunteerism among custodial and non-custodial grandparents: An examination of babysitters versus “day caregivers.” Poster presented at the 62nd annual scientific meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2009.

- 2008 Johnson, K. J., Mutchler, J. E., & Burr, J. A. Decisions, decisions: Allocation of time among older adults in the U.S. Poster presented at the 61st annual scientific meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, Maryland, November 2008.
- Johnson, K. J., and Johns, E. Credits for care in Social Security: A strategy to reduce the economic penalty of family care. Paper presented at the Summit for Economic Justice for Women, Atlanta, Georgia, April 2008.
- Johnson, K. J. Care credits toward Social Security for family caregivers. Program exchange presented at the American Society on Aging/ National Council on Aging Joint Conference, Washington, D.C., March 2008.
- 2007 Johnson, K. J. Health behaviors and volunteering: Is there a link for older adults? Poster presented at the American Society on Aging/ National Council on Aging Joint Conference, Chicago, Illinois, March 2007.

Professional and Community Service

- 2009 – 2011 Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization (ESPO) Representative to the Task Force on Women, Gerontological Society of America (GSA), Washington, D.C.
- 2007 – 2009 Chair, Eastern Massachusetts OWL: The Voice of Midlife and Older Women, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2000 – 2001 Serving board member for the Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Fulton County, Indiana; Rochester, Indiana.
- 1995 – 1997 Crisis-line volunteer for the Youth Service Bureau, Evansville, Indiana

Membership in Professional Organizations

- 2005 – American Society on Aging
- 2005 – Gerontological Society of America
- 2004 – 2009 National Association of Social Workers
- 2009 – Society for Social Work and Research