

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION

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**PhD: University of Kansas School of Social Welfare                      Lawrence, KS                      2011**

**Dissertation:** Organizational Characteristics that Predict Job Satisfaction among Peer Providers on Professional Treatment Teams in Community Mental Health Centers.

Chair: Margaret Severson J.D., M.S.W.

**MSW: University of Kansas School of Social Welfare                      1993**

**BSW: Washburn University                      Topeka, KS                      1992**

## PEDAGOGY

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**Associate Professor, Indiana University Northwest 2018-present**

**Graduate Courses**

SWK S 518 Clinical Theory and Practice- Fall, 2018

SWK S 687 Mental Health and Addictions Practice with Groups- Fall, 2018, 2019 (two sections)

**Assistant Professor, Kansas State University 2013-2018**

**Manhattan Campus**

**Undergraduate Courses**

SW 315: Human Behavior in the Social Environment- Fall, 2016

SW 530: Social Work Research Methods II- Fall, 2016 (two sections)

SW 568: Macro Social Work Practice & Theory- Spring, 2017

**Salina Campus**

**Undergraduate Courses**

SW 200: Basic Skills for Working with People – Fall, Spring 2013-2014, 2014-2015, Spring 2016

SW 315: Human Behavior in the Social Environment – Fall, 2014, 2015

SW 330: Social Work Research Methods and Analysis – Spring 2016

SW 560: Social Work Practice 1 – Spring 2014, 2015

SW 561: Social Work Practice 2 – Fall, 2013, 2014, 2015

SW 610: Substance Abuse & Addictions (online) Summer, 2014, 2015, 2016

SW 610: The Nature and Effects of Addictive Substances (online) Summer, 2016

**Adjunct Professor, Indiana University School of Social Work MSW Direct Online Program**

SWK-D 518: Clinical Practice and Theory- Summer 2016

**Assistant Professor, Indiana University Northwest 2011-present**

**Graduate Courses**

SW 505: Social Policy Analysis and Practice- Summer, 2013

SW 514: Practice with Individuals, Families and Groups- Spring 2012

SW 517: Assessment in Mental Health and Addictions- Fall 2011, 2012

SW 623: Practice Research Integrative Seminar I- Fall 2011

SW 685: Mental Health and Addictions Practice with Individuals and Families- Fall, 2012  
SW 687: Mental Health and Addictions Practice with Groups- Spring, 2013

#### **Undergraduate Courses**

SW 371: Social Work Research- Spring 2012, 2013  
SW 472: Research Seminar- Spring 2012, 2013

#### **Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Kansas School of Social Welfare 2009-2011**

##### **Graduate Courses**

SW 710: Social Work Practice I (Blended Course)- Fall 2010 (Edwards Campus)  
SW 711: Social Work Practice II (Blended Course)- Spring 2011 (Edwards Campus)  
SW 810: Clinical Social Work Practice- Fall 2009, 2010 (Lawrence Campus)  
SW 872: Cultural Diversity in Social Work Practice- Summer 2009 (Edwards Campus)

##### **Undergraduate Courses**

SW 623: Professional Issues in Social Work- Spring 2010, 2011 (Lawrence Campus)

#### **Adjunct Faculty, University of Kansas School of Social Welfare 2006-2007**

##### **Graduate Courses**

SW 730: Human Behavior in the Social Environment—Spring 2006 (Edwards Campus),  
Spring 2007 (Lawrence Campus)

##### **Undergraduate Courses**

SW 530: Human Behavior in the Social Environment—Fall 2006 (KCKCC Campus)

#### **PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

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**Davis, J.** (2015) Supervision of peer specialists in community mental health: Practices that predict role clarity. *Social Work in Mental Health, 13*(2); 145-158.

**Davis, J.** & Pilgrim, S. (2015) Maximizing the utilization of peer specialists and their services: The next step in implementation. *Journal of Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Mental Health, 2*(1); 67-74.

**Davis, J.** (2013) Predictors of Job Satisfaction Among Peer Providers on Professional Treatment Teams in Community Based Agencies. *Psychiatric Services, 64*(2); 181-184.

**Davis, J.** (2012). Competency and voters with psychiatric disabilities: Considerations for social workers. *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare, 39*(3); 47-61.

Manthey, T.J., Rapp, C., Carlson, L., Holter, M.C., & **Davis, J.** (2012). The perceived importance of integrated supported education and employment services. *The Journal of Rehabilitation, 78*(1); 16-24.

**Davis, J.** (2010). Voting as a Component of Empowerment-Based Practice: Civic Support for Individuals with Psychiatric Disabilities. *American Journal of Psychiatric Rehabilitation, 13*(4); 243-257.

#### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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Manthey, T., Coffman, M., Goscha, R., Bond, G., Mabry, A., Carlson, L., **Davis, J.** & Rapp, C. (2012) The University of Kansas Supported Education Tool Kit 3.0. The Office of Mental Health Research and Training, The University of Kansas School of Social Welfare.

**Davis, J.**, Rapp, C., Holter, M., Coffman, M., McDiarmid, D. (2009). The University of Kansas Supported Education Fidelity Scale. In Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Supported Education Implementation Guide. [www.supportededucation.com/handbook.html](http://www.supportededucation.com/handbook.html)

**Davis, J.** (1995). Bowen theory and the work system: A multi-media training manual for

SRS Child Welfare Workers. Kansas State Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services. Denning, J. & Kramer, K. (Eds.), State of Kansas.

### **IN PROCESS**

Davis, J. From Military service to social service: Translating military strengths to social work practice in social work education. CSWE Journal.

Davis, J. Building vital partnerships: Relational factors for the increased use of peer specialists in community mental health. Community Case Management.

### **CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS**

Marshall County Project HOPE: Harmonizing an Opioid Planning Effort. **Jennifer K. Davis Researcher, Indiana University Northwest.** 2019-2020  
Funding: HRSA Grant (\$200,000)

### **FUNDED RESEARCH**

Pilot Study for Assessment of Semi-Structured Interview Schedule for the future study: From soldier to social worker: The roles of values reconciliation and professional socialization in reshaping professional identity. Jennifer K. Davis, P.I. 2013  
Funding: Kansas State University Small Research Grant (\$1500)

Supervisory Structure and Clarity of Roles: Their relationship Among Peer Providers of Mental Health Services in Community Mental Health Centers. Jennifer K. Davis, P.I. 2012  
Funding: Indiana University Northwest Summer Faculty Research Fellowship (\$11,000)

Benefits of and Obstacles to Utilization of Peer Specialists by Direct Care Workers in Community Mental Health Centers. Jennifer K. Davis, P.I. 2012  
Funding: Indiana University Northwest Faculty Research Fund (\$4200)

Organizational Characteristics that Predict Job Satisfaction among Peer Providers on Professional Treatment Teams in Community Mental Health Centers. Jennifer K. Davis, P.I. 2011  
Funding: University of Kansas Office of Graduate Studies & Research Summer Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000)

Current supported education practices and their perceived importance to programmatic and educational outcomes. Office of Adult Mental Health Research & Training, Charlie Rapp, P.I.  
Funding: Contract with Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services Office of Adult Mental Health Services

### **Other Assignments**

Supported Education Project, Office of Adult Mental Health Research & Training, Dr. Charles Rapp, PI.

Development of Fidelity Assessment Instrument and protocols.

Development of Tool Kit for implementation of supported education programs.

Completion of annual fidelity reviews.

Consultation to pilot supported education program at Valeo Behavioral Health Services, Topeka, Kansas

## **EDITORIAL BOARD**

Member (2017-2019). Journal of Evidence-Informed Social Work. John S. Wodarski Ph.D. & Bruce A. Thyer Ph.D., Editors.

## **MANUSCRIPT REVIEWS**

Social Work in Mental Health  
American Journal of Psychiatric Rehabilitation

## **CONFERENCE REVIEWS**

Council on Social Work Education, Annual Program Meeting, 2012

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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### **International**

**Davis, J.** (July, 2019) Building Vital Partnerships: Relational Factors for the Increased Use of Peer Specialists in Community Mental Health. 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health, York, England.

### **National**

**Davis, J.** & Pilgrim, S. (November, 2016). Utilization of Peer Specialists in Community Mental Health: Next Steps in Implementation. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Pilgrim, S. & **Davis, J.** (November, 2016). Military Service to Social Service: Exploring Values, Identity and Professional Socialization. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Atlanta, GA.

**Davis, J.** (November, 2013). Supervision of Peer Specialists: Predictors of Role Clarity. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Dallas, TX.

**Davis, J.** (November, 2012). Predictors of Job Satisfaction among Peer Providers on Mental Health Treatment Teams. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Washington D.C.

**Davis, J.** (March, 1992). **Invited.** The importance of student organizations in social work education. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Kansas City, MO.

**Davis, J.** (March, 1992). **Invited.** NASW student membership: A supplement to social work education. Council on Social Work Education National Conference, Kansas City, MO.

### **Regional**

**Davis, J.** (September, 2013). **Invited.** Incorporating Diversity into Assignments. American Society for Engineering Education Midwest Conference. Salina, KS.

### **University**

**Davis, J.** (October, 2018; March, 2019). Preparing for the BSW, LSW & LCSW Licensure Examinations. Gary, IN.

**Davis, J.** (October, 2016, April, 2017, October, 2017, April, 2018). Preparing for the BSW Licensure Examination. Manhattan, KS.

**Davis, J.** (February, 2016). Preparing for the BSW Licensure Examination. Salina, KS.

**Davis, J.** (January, 2015). Preparing for the BSW Licensure Examination. Salina, KS.

Davis, J. (March, 2014). Preparing for the BSW Licensure Examination. Salina, KS. and Manhattan, KS.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **Valeo Community Residence Program, Topeka, Kansas**

**2004-2007**

**Program Manager:** Provided management and program development services for three group homes serving adults with severe and persistent mental illness and co-occurring disorders. Developed and implemented program with focus on trauma informed care, psychiatric rehabilitation and utilizing cognitive behavioral methods.

### **North Central Mental Health Services, Columbus, Ohio**

**1996-2003**

**Aftercare Department Director—08/99-10/03**

Supervised clinical staff providing non-intensive services to consumers living in the community. Oversight of all administrative functions and compliance.

**Clinical Case Manager—10/96-07/99**

Performed assessments, constructed treatment plans and provided community based clinical services for adults with severe and persistent mental illness and co-occurring disorders living in the community.

### **Family Service & Guidance Center, Topeka, Kansas**

**1993-1996**

**Therapist**

Provided individual, group, and family therapies and diagnostic assessment for children and their families.

### **Catholic Social Services Therapeutic Foster Care**

**1992-1993**

**Caseworker / MSW Field Practicum**

Provided supportive services to high-risk foster children and their foster and biological families.

### **Topeka State Hospital**

**1990-1992**

**Licensed Mental Health Technician**

Provided patient care services to adolescent females on locked, inpatient unit.

### **Stormont Vail Regional Medical Center**

**1991-1992**

**Medical Social Work on Neurosurgery Unit / BSW Field Practicum**

Provided medical social work services to individuals following brain surgery under the supervision of the unit social worker.

### **Stormont Vail Regional Medical Center**

**1988-1990**

**Licensed Mental Health Technician—Adult Chemical Dependency Treatment**

Provided patient care and treatment services to adults receiving treatment for substance abuse and addiction.

### **Social Detoxification Services**

**1986-1988**

**Attendant**

Provided support services to adults detoxifying from alcohol and other substances.

## SERVICE

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### University

#### Indiana University Northwest

**Representative, College of Health & Human Services-** Student Success Academy, Higher Learning Commission 2019-2020

**Member-** College of Health & Human Services Curriculum Committee

**Member-** Diversity and Inclusion Committee 2018, 2019

#### Indiana University School of Social Work

**Chair-** Search Committee for Marketing & Communications Director

**Member-** Search Committee for Director of Admissions

**Reviewer-** Applications for IUSSW Student Scholarship Program 2018

**Member-** BSW Curriculum Committee 2018, 2019

**Member-** Program Directors Committee 2008

#### Kansas State University Office of Research and Sponsored Programs

**Reviewer, USRG Proposals** 2016

#### Kansas State University Graduate School

**Faculty Member** 2013-present

#### Kansas State University Department of Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work

**Program Coordinator,** Social Work Program, Salina Campus 2015

**Faculty Advisor,** Social Work Wildcats 2015

**Member,** Department Committee on Planning (Salina Campus) 2015-2016

**Faculty Mentor,** Fifteen BSW Students (Salina Campus) 2014, 2015

**Member,** Merit Evaluation Review Committee (Manhattan Campus) (2013-2014)

#### University of Kansas School of Medicine-Salina Campus

**Social Work Consultant & Trainer,** TEAM STEPPS Interdisciplinary Educational Program 2014-present

**Social Work Consultant & Trainer,** Simulated Clinical Training and Debriefing 2013-present

#### Indiana State University

**Member,** Dissertation Committee-Elena Mrozinske 2015-20016

#### Indiana University Northwest Division of Social Work

**Member.** Search Committee

**Co-coordinator.** LEAD Day

**Co-faculty Advisor.** Student Social Work Association

**Advisor.** Ten MSW Students

**Advisor.** Ten BSW Students

#### Indiana University School of Social Work

**Member.** MSW Committee

**Member.** Mental Health and Addictions Curriculum Task Force

**Member.** Research Curriculum Task Force

#### University of Kansas School of Social Welfare

**Senior Doctoral Student Member.** Ph.D. Curriculum Committee

**Doctoral Student Member.** Search Committee, 2008-2009

**Doctoral Student Representative.** Policy/Practice Curriculum Area Committee, 2008-2009.

#### Washburn University

**President**, Washburn Student Social Work Association, 1991-1992.  
**Vice-President**, Washburn Student Social Work Association, 1990-1991.  
**Chairperson**, Constitution Committee. Washburn Student Social Work Association, 1989-1990.

#### National Academic

**Member**, CSWE Council on the Role and Status of Women in Social Work Education, 2013-2016  
**Member**, Council of Social Work Education, 2011-present

#### State Academic

**President**, Kansas Council of Social Work Educators, 2015-2016  
**Vice-President**, Kansas Council of Social Work Educators, 2014-2015  
**Member**, Kansas Council of Social Work Educators, 2013-present

#### Professional

**Consultant**, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Tool Kit for the Implementation of Peer Support Services in Community Mental Health Centers  
**Immediate Past President**, Board of Directors, Valeo Behavioral Health Services, Topeka, Kansas  
**President**, Board of Directors, Valeo Behavioral Health Services, Topeka, Kansas 2015  
**Vice-President**, Board of Directors. Valeo Behavioral Health Services, Topeka, Kansas. 2013-2014  
**Member**, Board of Directors. Valeo Behavioral Health Services, Topeka, Kansas. 2009-2018  
**Member**, National Board of Directors. National Association of Social Workers, 1991-1993

#### Community

**Committee Member**, Bonnie Hendrickson Golf Tournament Committee. University of Kansas Women's Basketball, Lawrence, KS, 2008.

**Chairperson**, Arthritis Foundation Annual Walk for a Cure. Arthritis Foundation, Topeka, KS, 2007.

**Vice-Chairperson**, Arthritis Foundation Annual Walk for a Cure. Arthritis Foundation, Topeka, KS, 2006.

**Committee Member**, Annual Dr. John Lynch Golf Tournament. Arthritis Foundation, Topeka, KS, 2005.

**Team Member**, Disaster Action Team, American Red Cross, Columbus, OH, 2001-2003.

**Assistant Coach**, Girls Basketball. Special Olympics, Columbus, OH, 1997-1998.

**Chairperson**, Community Action Planning Committee. March of Dimes, Topeka, KS, 1995-1996.

**Program Development Volunteer**, American Cancer Society, Topeka, KS, 1989.

**Committee Member**, Steering Committee. Rap Line of Topeka, Topeka, KS, 1984.

#### AWARDS

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**Kansas State University Untenured Faculty trip to NSF. Washington, DC.** Chosen in competitive process to attend meetings. April, 2015

**Continuing Education Development Grant (\$5000)** Kansas State University, 2014, 2016

**Small Research Grant (\$1500)** Kansas State University, 2013

**Summer Faculty Research Fellowship (\$11,000)** Indiana University Northwest, 2012

**Summer Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000)** University of Kansas Office of Graduate Studies & Research, 2010.

**Adult Mental Health Research Fellowship**, Office of Adult Mental Health Research and Training. University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, 2007-2008.

**Most Supportive Employee of the Year**, North Central Mental Health Services, 1999.

**MSW Recipient**, Margo Schultz-Gordon Award for Excellence in the Clinical Social Work Field Practicum, University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, 1993.

**Departmental Honors**, Washburn University Department of Social Work, 1992.

**Social Work Student of the Year**, Washburn Student Social Work Association. Washburn University Department of Social Work, 1992.

**Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities**, Washburn University, 1992.

**National Semi-Finalist**, Harry S. Truman Memorial Scholarship for Potential Leaders in Public Service, Washburn University, 1991, 1992.

#### **PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND AFFILIATIONS**

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**Council on Social Work Education.** Member, 2010-present

**State of Kansas.** Licensed Specialist in Clinical Social Work (LCSW), #1772, May, 1993-October 1996, April 2004-present

**State of Ohio.** Licensed Independent Social Worker (LISW), #8388 October, 1996- April, 2006.