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Educational Background:

Ph.D.	2003 University at Buffalo, Buffalo New York School of Social Work Area of Concentration: Behavioral Health Dissertation Title: Predictors of Adherence in Participants in the Women's Health Initiative Calcium/ Vitamin D Study, Western New York Vanguard Study
MSW	1998 University at Buffalo School of Social Work
BA	1994 University at Buffalo Psychology

Academic Employment History:

September 2018-Present	Associate Professor, School of Social Work, College of Health Professions and Sciences, University of Central Florida
May 2013-September 2018	Associate Professor and Director of Master of Social Work Program, School of Social Work, College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida
August 2011-May 2013	Associate Professor, School of Social Work, College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida
August 2004-August 2005	Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida

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August 2005-August 2011 Visiting Assistant Professor, School of Social Work,
College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central
Florida

Program Development:

Fully online national part time MSW program, School of Social Work, College of
Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida

Courses Taught at UCF:

SOW 6806 Behavioral Health Skills in Social Work (Lead Faculty)
SOW 6712 Clinical Social Work Practice with Addictions
SOW 5105 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
SOW 5107 Human Behavior in the Social Environment
SOW 6123 Psychosocial Pathology (Lead Faculty)
SOW 6604 Medications in Social Work Practice (Lead Faculty)
SOW6652 Children's Services in Social Work
SOW 6938 Special Topics, Children's Services
SOW 6562 Clinical Field Seminar, online
SOW 6938 Special Topics, Online, Medications in Social Work
SOW 6938 Special Topics, SOW 6535 Clinical Field Liaison, Graduate Level
SOW 5604 Medications and Social Work Practice
SOW 5604 Medications and Social Work Practice
SOW 5652 Children's Services in Social Work
SOW 5305 Social Work Practice I
SOW 3300 Understanding Generalist Practice I
SOW 4654 Children's Services in Social Work
SOW 3104 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
SOW 3401 Social Work Research

Dissertation Committees

Member Dissertation Committee, Melanie Bergeron, Public Affairs, Transplant
Center Criteria and Inequalities Within Transplant Waitlisting Process.
Completed: May 2019

Member Dissertation Committee, Michelle Vance, Public Affairs. An
Examination of the Florida Linking Individuals Needing Care Coordination
Program for Racial and Ethnic Minority Females. Completed: April 2019

Member Dissertation Committee, Ryan Hill, Institute of Simulation and
Technology, Using Simulation to Evaluate Basic Social Work Client

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Assessment Skills, 2014-2019

Member Dissertation Committee, Sandra Galura, Nursing,
Predictors of Immunosuppressant Adherence in Adult Renal
Transplant Recipients Surviving Five Years or More from Initial Transplant
Completed: March 2012

Member Dissertation Committee, Rebekah Hazlett-Knudsen, The influence of
attachment among a sample of juvenile violent offenders: Gender group
differences. Completed: December 2011.

Member Dissertation Committee, Karen Grippo, Psychology, Healthy Aging
and Self-Objectification: The Impact of Empowerment and
Feminist Attitudes on Body Image, Eating Behavior, and Aging
Satisfaction. Completed: July 2011

Member Dissertation Committee, Elizabeth Wack, Psychology,
Neuropsychological Profiles of Body Image Disturbance. Completed
October, 2009

Member, Dissertation Committee, Rachel Peterson, Psychology. Proposal
defended, Food for thought: the relationship between thought suppression and
weight control, Completed June 2008

Member, Dissertation Committee, Nancy Ellis, Public Affairs,
The effect of nutrition knowledge on food choices and body mass index
percentile rankings of elementary children: Results from an in- school nutrition
education program. Completed: June 2007

Clinical Employment History:

September 2008-May 2013 A Positive Body Image, LLC, Private Practice, Winter
Park, Fl.
Counseling for children, adolescents and young adults.
Specializing in Eating Disorders, Body Image Disorders
and Cutting. Counseling for ADHD, behavioral disorders,
mood disorders, and anxiety disorders

September 2003-
December 2008 Community Outreach Therapist/Supervisor Park Place
Behavioral Health Care, Kissimmee FL.
Supervision of Social Work Registered Interns. Conduct
psychosocial assessments, and testing. DSM IV diagnosis

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Individual, family and group counseling. Social Skills training. Parenting training. Anger management. Medicaid documentation

May 1998-August 2003 Adherence and Retention Strategist, National Institutes of Health, Women's Health Initiative, WNY Vanguard Center.
Behavioral consultation and counseling. Community referral. Conduct staff in services on counseling techniques. Coordinate bi-annual lecture series.

Publications

Peer Reviewed

Garcia, J., Cathey, B. S*, Shurack, R*, Brazendale, K., **Lawrence, S. A.**, Leahy, N*, Lee, E. (In press). Transition of a judo program from in-person to remote delivery during COVID-19 for youth with autism spectrum disorder. *Advances in Neurodevelopmental Disorders*

Lawrence, S. A., Garcia, J., Stewart, C., & Rodriguez*, C. (In press) The mental and behavioral impact of COVID-19 stay at home orders on social work students. *Social Work Education: The International Journal*. [I]

Lawrence, S. A., Cicale, C*, Wharton, T., Chapple, R., & Stewart, C. (In press). Empathy and attitudes about substance abuse among social work students, clinical social workers & nurses. *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*.

Lawrence, S. A., Stewart, C., & Rodriguez, C*. (2021). Are social work students academically entitled. Implications for social work education. *Social Work Education: The International Journal*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2020.1869205> [I]

Garcia, J., Leahy, N*, Brazendale, K., Quelly, S., & **Lawrence, S.** (2020). Implementation of a school-based Fitbit program for youth with Autism Spectrum Disorder: A feasibility study. *Disability and Health Journal*.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dhjo.2020.100990>

Garcia, J., **Lawrence, S.**, Brazendale, K., Leahy, N*, Fukuda, D. (2020) Brief Report: The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on health behaviors in adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder: A Preliminary Study. *Disability and Health Journal*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dhjo.2020.101021>

Stewart, C., & **Lawrence, S. A.** (2020). A multi-dimensional exploration of

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- spirituality to empathy. *Journal of Spirituality in Mental Health*, DOI: 10.1080/19349637.2020.1732266
- Whitworth, J. D., **Lawrence, S. A.**, Dziegielweski, S. F., & Mandes, C. L.* (2019). Perceptions of a military social work specialization certificate program: Implications for future programs. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 39(3), 197-211. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2019.1614712>
- Stewart, C., **Lawrence, S.**, & Burg, M. (2019). Exploring the relationship between personality and empathy: Does spirituality add to our understanding? *Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work*, 38(1), 3-20. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15426432.2018.1548953>
- Lawrence, S. A.** & Abel, E., Stewart, C., Dziuban, C. (2018) Social work students' perceptions of obesity. *Social Work Education: An International Journal*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2018.1521794> [I]
- Stewart, C. S., **Lawrence, S. A.** & Burg, M.A. (2018). The relationship of personality and spirituality to empathy. *Journal of Empirical Theology*, 31 (1), 1-17. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15426432.2018.1548953> [I]
- Gammonley, D, Mann, M., Fleishman*, D., Duran, L*., **Lawrence, S. A.** & Abel, E. (2014). Oral histories and service learning to promote geriatric competence, comfort and career interest. *Journal of Baccalaureate Social Work*, 19 (s3-s21).
- Lawrence, S.** & Abel, E. (2013): Comparing Outcomes of a Web-based MSW Course to Face-to-Face Class Outcomes: Implications for Social Work Education. *Social Work Education: The International Journal*, 38 (3), 377-391. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2012.730140> [I]
- Lawrence, S. A.**, & Hall, T., Lancey, P. (2012). The relationship between alcohol consumption, tailgating, and negative consequences. *Journal of Child & Adolescent Substance Abuse*, 21(3), 222-237. <https://doi.org/10.1080/1067828X.2012.689805>
- Lawrence, S. A.**, & Hazlett, R. & Abel, E. (2012). Obesity related stigma as a form of oppression: Implications for social work education. *Social Work Education: An International Journal*, 31(1), 63-74. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2010.541236> [I]
- Lawrence, S. A.**, Lawther, W., Jennison, V*., & Hightower, P*. (2011). An evaluation of the Early Truancy Intervention (ETI) program. *School Social Work Journal*, 35(2), 57-71.

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- Lawrence, S. A., Abel, E., & Hall, T.** (2010) Protective strategies and alcohol use among college students: Ethnic and gender differences. *Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse*, 9(4), 284-300. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15332640.2010.522894>
- Lawrence, S. A. & Azhar-Miller, A*.** (2010). Osteoporosis: Prevention and implications for social work practice and research. *Social Work in Public Health*, 25(5), 511-526. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19371910903178946>
- Lawrence, S. A.** (2010). The impact of stigma on the child with obesity: Implications for social work practice and research. *Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 27(4), 309-321. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10560-010-0208-7>
- Lawrence, S. A., Hazlett*, R., & Hightower, P*.** (2010), Understanding and acting upon the growing childhood and adolescent weight crisis: A role for social work. *Health & Social Work*, 35(2), 147-153. <https://doi.org/10.1093/hsw/35.2.147>
- Lawrence, S.A., & Rittner, B. A.,** (2009). Factors Affecting Older Women's adherence to medication and treatment. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 19(7), 859-872. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10911350902988092>
- Molina, O., Lawrence, S.A., Azhar-Miller*, A., & Rivera, M.** (2009). Divorcing abused Latina immigrant women's experiences with domestic violence support groups. *Journal of Divorce and Remarriage*. 50 (7), 459-471. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10502550902970561>
- Leon, A.M., Lawrence, S. A., Molina, O., & Toole, E.** (2008). When children weep: Integrating ecological theory into child welfare. *Illinois Child Welfare Journal*. 4(1), 144-155.
- Lawrence, S.A., Zittel-Palamara K.M., Wodarski, L.A., & Wodarski, J.A.** (2003). Behavioral Health: Treatment and prevention of chronic disease and the implications for social work practice. *Journal of Health and Social Policy*, 17(2), 25-44. https://doi.org/10.1300/J045v17n02_03
- Lawrence, S.A.** (2002). Behavioral interventions to increase physical activity. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 6(1), 25-44. https://doi.org/10.1300/J137v06n01_03
- Lawrence, S.A., Wodarski, J.S., Wodarski, L.A.** (2002). Behavioral Medicine Paradigm: Behavioral interventions for chronic pain and headache. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 5(2), 1-14.

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Zittel, K.M., **Lawrence, S.A.**, & Wodarski, J.A. (2002). Biopsychosocial model of health and healing: Implications for social work practice. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 5(1), 19-33.
https://doi.org/10.1300/J137v05n02_01

Lawrence, S.A., & Zittel, K.M. (2000). Heart transplantation: Biopsychosocial issues and implications for social work. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 3(2), 61-79. https://doi.org/10.1300/J137v03n02_05

Manuscripts Under Review

Stewart, C., & **Lawrence, S. A.** (Under Review). The relationship of personality and classroom climate to educational outcomes, *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*

Garcia, J., Cathey, B. S*, Shurack, R*, Brazendale, K., Lawrence, S. A., Leahy, N*, Fakuda, D., (Under Review). Feasibility and Acceptability of a school-based nutrition and culinary program for adolescent with autism spectrum disorder. *Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior*

Book Chapters:

Lawrence, S. A., & Mazur Abel, E. (2015). Obesity Treatment in Primary Care Practice. In Burg, M. A. & Oyama, O. (Eds.) *The Behavioral Health Specialist in Primary Care: Skills for Integrated Practice*. Springer Publishing, New York, NY, 265-286.

Lawrence, S. A., & Mazur Abel, E. (2014). Behavioral health and childhood obesity: Implications for social work practice In Mostofsky, D. (ed.) *Handbook of Behavioral Medicine*. Wiley Blackwell Publishing, Oxford, England, 892-913

Lawrence, S.A., & Zittel-Palamara, K.M. (2002). The Interplay Between Biology, Genetics and Human Behavior. In J.S. Wodarski, & S. Dziegielewski (Eds.). *The Handbook of Human Behavior in the social environment: Integrating Theory and Evidenced-Based Practice*. New York: Springer Publications.

Textbooks Under Contract:

Lawrence, S.A., Chapple, R. & Manning, L. Psychosocial Pathology for Social Workers and other Mental Health Professionals. Cognella Publishing. Expected Publication 11/2021
 Designed as an adjunctive text to the DSM-5. Include complex multidimensional cases studies, a full differential diagnosis and decision trees

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External Funding:

Garcia, J. (PI), Brazendale (Co-PI), Lee, M. (Co-I), Leonard, H., **Lawrence, S. A. (Co-I-5%)** *Development of a Family-Centered Cooking Class for Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder*. Awarded by the Healthy Weight Research Network. Total budget: \$25,000.

Lawrence, S. A., (PI- 40%), Burg, M. A (Co-PI), Wharton, T., (Co-I) Chapple, R., (Co-I) & Stewart, C. (Co-I). *Expanding SBIRT Workforce Capacity in Central Florida SBIRT Training for Faculty, Graduate Social Work Students and Community Health Professionals*. Awarded by SAMHSA. Total Budget: \$ 807,538. September 30, 2015-September 29, 2019.

Lawrence, S. A. (PI-100%), Principal Investigator. *Development of the New Early Truancy Intervention Program Manual*. Jointly funded by State Attorney's Office Ninth Judicial District (\$3,250) and College of Health and Public Affairs (\$3,250).

Lawrence, S. A. (PI-100%), *Evaluation of the Early Truancy Intervention Program*. Awarded by State Attorney's Office Ninth Judicial District. Total Budget: \$15,563

Lawrence, S. A., (PI-80%), Van Hook, M. (Co-PI) *Health Alliance Family Care Center Needs Assessment* Project. Funded by The Health Alliance Family Care Center. Total Budget: \$6,421.

Internal Funding:

Mid-Career Refresh Program Grant, University of Central Florida. \$34,948

Co-Principal Investigator, *Implementation of a school-based Fitbit intervention to increase physical activity in youth with ASD*. Awarded by Center for Behavioral Health Research and Training. Total Budget: \$4,697.

Principal Investigator, *the Relationship between Perception of Self and Physical Activity among Latino Children*. Total Budget: \$3,000, Awarded by College of Health and Public Affairs

Invited Presentations:

Obesity: Implications for Social Work Practitioners. University of Alabama, Twelfth Annual Fall Social Work Conference. Be someone's Hero: Empowering Children for Success. August 16th, 2013

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Changes in the DSM 5, What Social Workers Need to Know, Volusia County Schools, December 13th, 2013

Changes in the DSM 5, What Social Workers Need to Know, Florida Association of School Social Workers, October 25th, 2013

Medications and Social Work Practice: An overview. Orange County Public Schools. April 24, 2013

Psychopharmacology: What every social worker should know (6 hours). National Association of Social Workers, Florida Annual Conference, June 12, 2010,

Psychopharmacology 101: Training for Orange County Public Defender's Office (1 hour). December 18th, 2009

International Presentations:

Academic Entitlement in Social Work Students: Implications for Social Work Educators Social Work Education and Social Development, Royal Dublin Society, Dublin Ireland. 7/6/2018 [I]

Expanding SBIRT Workforce Capacity in Central Florida: SBIRT Training for Faculty, Graduate Social Work Students, and Community Health Professionals. Social Work Education and Social Development, Royal Dublin Society, Dublin Ireland. 7/5/2018 [I]

Self-entitled attitudes and behavior among graduate social work students: implications for the design and evaluation of instruction. European Association of Schools of Social Work, Annual Conference, Milan Italy, 7/1/2015 [I]

Advancing Social Work Education: Strengthening the Bridge between Theory and Practice. European Association of Schools of Social Work, Annual Conference, Milan, Italy 7/1/2015 [I]

National Presentations:

Innovations in Technology: An Opportunity for Social Work Education. Council on Social Work Education, Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, 10/24/2014

Advancing Social Work Education: Strengthening the Bridge between Theory and Practice. Council on Social Work Education, Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas 10/24/2014

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Research That Makes a Difference: Comparing outcomes of a web based MSW course to face-to-face class outcomes. Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 13, 2012

Research that makes a difference: Advancing practice with children experiencing divorce/family separation. Society for Social Work Research Annual Conference, January 13, 2012

Comparing the Efficacy of Teaching Methods/Modalities to Meet Student Needs. Council for Social Work Education, Annual Program Meeting, November 10, 2012

Comparing the Efficacy of Teaching Methods/Modalities to Meet Student Needs. Council for Social Work Education, Annual Program Meeting, November 10, 2012

Inclusion of Gender-Specific Policy and Theory in Forensic Social Work Education Council on Social Work Education, Annual Program Meeting, October 15, 2010

State (Florida) Conference Presentations:

Medications and Social Work. June, 2009. National Association of Social Workers, Florida Annual Conference

Psychopharmacology: What Every Social Worker Should Know (3 hours). CEU event March, 19th, 2009. National Association of Social Workers, North Florida Chapter

Psychopharmacology: What Every Social Worker Should Know (2 hours). CEU event. September 16, 2008. UCF Social Work Alumni Association and the National Association of Social Workers, Central Florida Chapter.

Medications and Social Work Practice (3 hours). National Association of Social Workers, Florida Annual Conference, June 2007

Poster Presentation: The psychosocial predictors of adherence to calcium Vitamin D study pills in Women. 26th Annual Meeting of the Southern Gerontological Society, August 2005

Specialized Training:

University of Central Florida, *Academic Leadership Academy* 2018-2019
Competitive leadership program (monthly meetings) that strengthen faculty leadership skills with a commitment to diversity.

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Honors and Awards:

Awarded, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award, University of Central Florida, 2014-2015

Awarded, Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, University of Central Florida, 2014

Awarded, Teaching Incentive Program Award, University of Central Florida, 2012-2013

Nominated, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award, University of Central Florida, 2012-2013, 2013-2014

Nominated, Chuck Dziuban Online Teaching Award, University of Central Florida, 2011-2012

Nominated, Teaching Incentive Program Award, University of Central Florida, 2008-2013

Nominated, Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, University of Central Florida, 2007-2012

Nominated, Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, University of Central Florida, Awarded Volunteer of the Year, 1996, AIDS Community Services, Education Division

Professional, Community and University Service:

Professional

Council on Social Work Education, Health Curricular Guide Task Force December 2020-Present

Manuscript Reviewer, *British Journal of Social Work* 2019-2020

Manuscript Reviewer, *Social Work and Healthcare*. 2019-2020

Editorial Board, *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*

Community

Supervision of social work registered interns

Press Conference, An Evaluation of the Truancy Intervention Program. State Attorney's Office

Member, School Health Advisory Committee, Flagler County, Fall 2007-Fall 2012

Volunteer, AIDS Community Services, Buffalo, NY, August 1997-May 2003

University

Member, Faculty Senate, April 2012-April 2014

Member, Undergraduate Research Committee, Fall 2010-Spring 2012

College

Faculty Council, CHPS, 1/2021-Present

Instructor Lecturer Promotion Committee, CHPS, May 2020-Present

Tenure and Promotion Committee, CHPS, September 2019-April 2020

Teaching Incentive Program Award Committee, COHPA August 2016-August 2017

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Co-Chair, Joint SW/CJ Faculty Search, August 2014-December 2014
Chair, Faculty Council, COHPA Fall 2012-Spring 2013
Faculty Council, COHPA Fall 2005-Spring 2012, Fall 2013-Spring 2015

Department

Committee's Chaired

Instructor Lecturer Promotion Committee, August 2019-Present
Instructor Lecturer ad hoc committee. December 2018-August 2019
Assistant Professor Search, January 2018-March 2018
Master of Social Work Program Committee, August 2013-September 2018
Online Field Coordinator Search Committee, February 2016-August 2016
Online program committee, June 2013-February 2016
Online Program Coordinator Search Committee August 2015-April 2016
Online Program advising coordinator search committee August 2015- February 2016
Online Program assistant search committee August 2015-February 2016
Online program field coordinator search committee, October 2015-December 2015
MSW program advising coordinator search committee, August 2015-February 2016
Promotion and Tenure Committee, Fall 2011- Summer 2012
Human Behavior in Social Work Committee, August 2011-August 2013
Co-Chair, School of Social Work Assessment Project, Summer 2006
Lead, School of Social Work, Quality Programs Working Group, August 2008-May 2009

Member

Curriculum Committee, August 2013-August 2020
Annual Evaluation Standards and Procedures Committee, February 2018-September 2018
Accreditation Committee, August 2014-April 2016
School of Social Work Curriculum Committee, Fall 2011- Fall 2013
MSW Program Committee, Fall 2004-Spring 2020.
Research Committee, Fall 2007-Spring 2013
Practice Curriculum Committee, Fall 2010- Spring 2012
Human Behavior in the Social Environment Committee Fall 2010-Spring 2012
Associate Director for Research, Search Committee, Fall 2010-Spring 2011
Search Committee, three instructor positions, Spring 2011
Faculty Search Committee, Fall 2006-Summer 2008.
Associate Director of Research Search Committee, Spring 2007
Administrative Coordinator Search Committee, Fall 2006
Grant Writer Search Committee, Fall 2006
Graduation/Awards Committee, Fall 2006-Spring 2009
White Paper, PhD Committee, Fall 2006
VA/ Medical School Working Group, Fall 2006

Lead Instructor

SOW6123, Psychosocial Pathology, Fall 2010- Present

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SOW6604, Medications in Social Work, Fall 2010-Present
SOW 6806, Behavioral Health Skills in Social Work- Fall 2020-Present
SOW 3104, Undergraduate Research, Fall 2010- Fall 2013
SOW 5105, Human Behavior in the Social Environment, Fall 2012-Fall 2017

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Faculty Advisor

Phi Alpha National Honors Society, Nu Pi Chapter, August 2005-August 2013

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