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Education

- 2015 **Ph.D.** in Adult Development & Aging Psychology
Cleveland State University; Cleveland, Ohio
University of Akron; Akron, Ohio
- Dissertation: "Examining the Effects of a Home-based Moderate-intensity Functional Exercise Intervention on Cognition and Function in Individuals with Dementia": Katherine S. Judge, Ph.D. (advisor)
- 2012 **M.A.** in Adult Development & Aging Psychology
Cleveland State University; Cleveland, Ohio
University of Akron; Akron, Ohio
- Thesis: "What Factors Predict Falls in Cognitively Impaired Older Adults?": Katherine S. Judge, Ph.D. (advisor)
- 2002 **M.P.T.** in Physical Therapy
Division of Physical Therapy
Ohio University; Athens, Ohio
- 1995 **B.A.** in Sports Medicine (Biology, minor)
Honors Program
Baldwin-Wallace College; Berea, Ohio

Professional Licensure and Certification

- 2015 State of Florida P.T. License #PT 30404
2014 ABPTS Board Certified Specialist in Geriatric Physical Therapy
2002 State of Ohio P.T. License #PT-10134

Honors and Awards

- 2018 American Physical Therapy Association
Margaret L. Moore Award for Outstanding New Academic Faculty Member
- 2017 Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, American Physical Therapy Association
Distinguished Educator Award
- 2016 University of Central Florida, College of Health and Public Affairs
Faculty Research Fellowship
- 2015 Cleveland State University, Department of Psychology
Federici Doctoral Research Award
- 2013; 2014 Margaret Blenkner Research Institute of the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging
Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2013 Ohio Department of Aging/Ohio Association in Gerontology Education Internship
- 2012 Grantmakers in Aging
Annual Conference Fellowship

2011 Jerome Kaplan Award for Best Graduate Student Paper: "Possible predictors of falls in cognitively impaired older adults: a literature review"
35th Annual Conference of the Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education

Appointments

2015 – Present	University of Central Florida <i>Assistant Professor, tenure-earning</i> Division of Physical Therapy School of Kinesiology and Physical Therapy <i>Core Faculty (2017 – present)</i> Disability, Aging, and Technology Faculty Cluster	<i>Orlando, Florida</i>
2017 – Present	Innovative Mobility Initiative (IMOVE™) Lab <i>Co-Director</i> Partnership I, Research Park (<i>website</i>)	<i>Orlando, Florida</i>
2018 – Present	Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions <i>Adjunct Research Fellowship</i>	<i>Provo, Utah</i>

Publications (**graduate and ***undergraduate student collaborator; underline indicates corresponding authorship)

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

Under Review

1. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K.S. & Trapuzzano, A. (under review). Knowledge Gains and Intent of Change Practice Patterns after the Leveraging Existing Abilities in Dementia (LEAD) Training Program. *American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease & Other Dementias*, submitted on November 9, 2018.
2. Mundell, S., **Dawson, N.**, Richards, J.**, Chizmar, S.** & Pabian, P. (under review). Using Interviews to Assess Non-Cognitive Traits in Physical Therapy Admissions: A Case Report. *Journal of Physical Therapy Education*, submitted November 9, 2018.
3. **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. (under review). Accepting the Challenge – Moderate-Intensity Exercise with Individuals with Dementia: A Case Series. *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*, submitted on October 19, 2018.
4. Trapuzzano, A.**, McCarthy, L. & **Dawson, N.** (under review). Investigating the Effects of the Otago Program Among Individuals with Dementia. *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*, submitted on October 16, 2018.
5. Sonne, J., **Dawson, N.** & Smith, G. (under review). Research Productivity of Doctor of Physical Therapy Faculty Promoted in the Western United States. *Scientometrics*, submitted for review on May 10, 2018.

Accepted or In Press

1. Mantel, A.A.**, Chizmar, S.**, Haffke, L.**, Trapuzzano, A.** & **Dawson, N.** (in press). An Investigation of the Predictors of Comfortable and Fast Gait Speed in Community Dwelling Older Adults. *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*. Published online before print November 9, 2018. doi: 10.1519/JPT.0000000000000216
2. Beato, M., **Dawson, N.**, Svien, L. & Wharton, T. (in press). Examining the Effects of an Otago-Based Home Exercise Program on Falls and Fall Risk in an Assisted Living Facility. *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*. Published online before print April 25, 2018. doi: 10.1519/JPT.0000000000000190
3. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K., & Gerhart, H. (in press). Findings from an Innovative Strength-Based Moderate-Intensity Exercise Interventions for Individuals with Dementia. *Dementia*. Published online before print September 13, 2017. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1471301217730951>
4. **Dawson, N.**, Gerhart, H., & Judge, K. (in press). Improved Functional Performance in Individuals with Dementia after a Moderate-Intensity Home-Based Exercise Program: A Randomized, Controlled Trial. *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*. Published online before print March, 1, 2017. <https://doi.org/10.1519/JPT.0000000000000128>

Published Manuscripts

1. **Dawson, N.**, Dzurino, D.**, Karleskint, M.** & Tucker, J. (2018). Assessing the reliability, correlation, and validity of commonly used rehab tools to measure balance. *Health Science Reports*, e98, <https://doi.org/10.1002/hsr2.98>
2. Stock, M.S., Whitson, M., Burton, A.M., **Dawson, N.T.**, Sobolewski, E.J. & Thompson, B.J. (2018). Echo intensity versus muscle function correlations in older adults are influenced by subcutaneous fat thickness. *Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology*, 44(8), 1597-1605, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ultrasmedbio.2018.04.009>
3. **Dawson, N.** & Menne, H. (2017). Can Interpreting Non-Significant Findings Inform the Lessons Learned from an Intervention? *American Journal of Lifestyle Medicine*, 11(4), 354-360. Published online before print November 5, 2015, <https://doi.org/10.1177/1559827615614571>
4. Bukach, A. M., Ejaz, F. E., **Dawson, N.**, & Gitter, R. (2017). Turnover among Community Mental Health Workers in Ohio. *Administration and Policy in Mental Health and Mental Health Services Research*, 44(1), 115-122. Published online before print December 11, 2015, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10488-015-0706-1>
5. Powers, S. M., **Dawson, N.**, Krestar, M. L., Yarry, S. & Judge, K. S. (2016). 'I wish they would remember that I forget.' The effects of memory loss on the lives of individuals with mild to moderate dementia. *Dementia*, 15(5), 1053-1067. Published online October 7, 2014. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1471301214553236>
6. Ejaz, F. E., Bukach, A. M., **Dawson, N.**, Gitter, R. & Judge, K. S. (2015). Examining Direct Service Worker Turnover in Three Long-Term Care Industries in Ohio. *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, 27(2), 139-155. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/08959420.2014.987034>
7. **Dawson, N.**, Powers, S. M., Krestar, M. L., Yarry, S. & Judge, K. S. (2013). Predictors of self-reported psychosocial outcomes in individuals with dementia. *The Gerontologist*, 53, 748-759. First appeared online October 2012. <https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gns137>

8. Krestar, M. L., Looman, W., Powers, S., **Dawson, N.**, & Judge, K. S. (2012). Including individuals with memory impairment in the research process: the importance of scales and response categories. *Journal of Empirical Research and Human Research Ethics*, 7, 70-79. <https://doi.org/10.1525/jeer.2012.7.2.70>

Manuscripts in Preparation

Dawson, N., Judge, K. & Trapuzzano, A. (in preparation). Changing the Way Rehabilitation Professionals Care for Individuals with Dementia. Future submission to *Clinical Rehabilitation*.

Tucker, J., Toubman, J.**, Richards, J.**, Mynatt, K.**, Sack, L.**, Stocker, C.**, Heisler, N.***, Osier, C.** & **Dawson, N.** (in preparation). Intergenerational Physical Activity Programming: A Systematic Review. Future submission to *Journal of Intergenerational Relationships*.

Atkins, D., Chizmar, S.**, Manoogian, D.***, Gabriel, M. & **Dawson, N.** (under review). #ChoosePT: Describing the Referral Patterns for Physical Therapy and Opioid Prescriptions for Low Back Pain. Future submission to be determined.

Judge, K.S., Dawson, N., Shelton, E., Yarry, S.J. & Looman, W.J. (in preparation). Improved Strains and Psychosocial Outcomes for Individuals with Dementia: Findings from Project ANSWERS. Innovation in Aging, submitted for review on September 1, 2018.

Gabriel, M., Atkins, D.N., **Dawson, N** & Chizmar, S**. (in preparation). The Relationship between Physician Specialty and Opioid vs. Physical Therapy Treatment for Patients with Musculoskeletal Pain Conditions. Future submission to *Health Affairs*.

Mantel, A.A.**, Zuluaga, E.**, Keough, J.** & **Dawson, N.** (in preparation). Group differences in fall risk assessment between non-fallers, single fallers, and recurrent fallers in community dwelling older adults. Future submission to *Psychology & Aging*.

Karleskint, M.**, Goddin, C.**, Davis, K.** & **Dawson, N.** (in preparation). The Wii Fit Balance Board as a Fall Risk Assessment Tool Among Older Adults. Future Submission to the *Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy*.

Karleskint, M.**, Judge, K. & **Dawson, N.** (in preparation). Exercise – The Optimal Intervention for Improving Function in Individuals with Dementia: A Literature Review. Future submission to *American Journal of Lifestyle Medicine*.

Book Chapters:

1. Judge, K.S. & **Dawson, N.** (2018). Cognitive Function. In B.R Bonder & V. Dal Bello-Haas (Eds.), *Functional Performance in Older Adults 4th Edition* (pp. 93-108). Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis.
2. Judge K.S. & **Dawson N.** (2018). Cognitive and Emotional Function: Health Conditions. In B.R Bonder & V. Dal Bello-Haas (Eds.), *Functional Performance in Older Adults 4th Edition* (pp. 181-200). Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis.
3. Sterns, H. L., & **Dawson, N. T.** (2012). Emerging perspectives on resilience in adulthood and later life: Work, retirement, and resilience. In B. Hayslip, & G. Smith (Eds.), *Annual review of gerontology and geriatrics: Emerging perspectives on resilience in adulthood and later life (Volume 32)*, New York: Springer Publishing Company, 211-230.

Executive Reports and Other Publications:

1. Gitter, R. J., Ejaz, F. E., Bukach, A. M., **Dawson, N.**, & Judge, K. S. (2013). The determinants of direct service worker turnover in Ohio [Final report]. Retrieved from the Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center website: <http://www.ohioaging.org/PDFs/2014%20Budget%20advocacy,%20longer%20summary.pdf>
2. Ejaz, F. K., Bukach, A. M., **Dawson, N.**, Gitter, R. J., & Judge, K. S. (2013). Examining direct service worker turnover in Ohio. Retrieved from Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center website: [https://osuwmcdigital.osu.edu/sitetool/sites/odswpublic/documents/EjazFinalUpdatedReportv3\(1\).pdf](https://osuwmcdigital.osu.edu/sitetool/sites/odswpublic/documents/EjazFinalUpdatedReportv3(1).pdf)
3. **Dawson, N.** & McCarthy, L. (in preparation). FOCUS: Cognitive and Mental Health and Illness: Implications for Physical Therapy (working title). Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, American Physical Therapy Association, 2018.
4. **Dawson, N.**, Beato, M., White, L. & McCarthy, L. (in preparation). FOCUS: Rehabilitation with Individuals with Dementia. Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, American Physical Therapy Association, 2019.

Grants for Research (** denotes graduate student collaborator)

1. Stock, M., **Dawson, N.** & Fukuda, D. The Mirror Neuron System as a Candidate for Preventing Muscle Weakness in Older Adults. National Institute on Aging (R15 Parent Announcement PA-18-343), 2019-2022, \$442,198. [under review]
2. **Dawson, N.**, Atkins, D. & Gabriel, M. Examining the Impact of Direct Access on Physical Therapy and Prescription Opioid Utilization in Adults Over 45 Years Old with Knee Osteoarthritis. Foundation for Physical Therapy Health Services Research Pipeline Grant, 2018-2019, \$50,000. [under review]
3. **Dawson, N.**, Garcia, J., Fukuda, D., Stock, M. & Stout, J. Effect of Carnosyn Supplementation On Cognitive Function in Older Adults (>50yrs). Natural Alternatives International, Inc., 2018-2019, \$91,262. [Funded]
4. **Dawson, N.**, Garcia, J. & Tucker, J. Examining the Effects of Grow & Play, an Innovative Intergenerational Physical Activity Program on Physical Activity Levels, Intergenerational Attitudes, and Mood. Mather LifeWays Institute on Aging Collaborative Research Partners Program, \$100,000. [Not Funded]
5. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K., Kent-Walsh, J., Garcia, J. & Hahs-Vaughn, D. Examining a Multi-Component Exercise Intervention for Individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias: A Pilot Clinical Trial. National Institute on Aging (R01 Funding Announcement PAR-18-175), 2018-2020, \$1,165,594. [assigned to Special Emphasis Panel, Not Funded].
6. **Dawson, N.**, Stock, M. & Trapuzzano, A.** Investigating the Unique Predictors of Comfortable and Fast Gait Speed in Community Dwelling Older Adults. LIFE @ UCF Richard Tucker Applied Gerontology Grant, 2017-2018, \$7,300. [Funded]

7. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K., Kent-Walsh, J. & Hahs-Vaughn, D. Examining a Multi-Component Exercise Intervention for Individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias and their Family Caregivers. National Institute on Aging (R01 Parent Announcement PA-13-302), 2017-2020, \$2,059,582. [assigned to NRCS Study Section, Not Funded]
8. Hanney, W.J., **Dawson, N.**, Rovito, M.J. & Lui, X. The influence of a web-based care coordination platform as an adjunct to physical therapy on outcomes and healthcare costs in patients with chronic low back pain. National Institute of Health (R21 Parent Announcement PA-17-00), 2017-2020, \$384,436. [Not Funded]
9. **Dawson, N.** & Tucker, J. Investigating the Impact of an Innovative Intergenerational Physical Activity Program on Older Adults and Children 8 to 11 Years Old. LIFE @ UCF Richard Tucker Applied Gerontology Grant, 2016-2017, \$4,900. [Funded]
10. **Dawson, N.**, Moya, S. & Pabian, P. The Impact of Assessing Non-Cognitive Traits through Behavioral Interviews on Admissions Decisions in Physical Therapist Education. American Physical Therapy Association Education Section, 2016-2017, \$10,000. [Not Funded]
11. Tucker, J. & **Dawson, N.** (2016). Investigating the Impact of an Innovative Intergenerational Physical Activity Program on Older Adults and Children 8 to 11 Years Old. Florida Physical Therapy Association 2016 Linda Crane Grant, 2016-2017, \$10,000. [Not Funded]
12. Wan, T. et al. (2015). U54: NIMHD Transdisciplinary Collaborative Center for Health Disparities Research on Chronic Disease Prevention. National Institute on Minority Health and Disparities. \$10,596,467.00. [Not Funded]
13. **Dawson, N.** (2014). Using Moderate-Intensity Functional Exercise to Maximize Success with Individuals with Dementia: A Home-Based Exercise Intervention. Dissertation Research Award. Office of Research, Cleveland State University. \$5,000, funded May 2014-2015. [Funded]

Other Extramural Funding Support

1. Loan Repayment Program for Clinical Researchers (NIH LRP-CR), National Institutes of Health (National Institute on Aging), up to \$70,000 (renewable up to \$140,000), 2017-19. [Not Funded]
2. Faculty Sponsored Research Support Initiative, College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida. \$2,500, Spring 2017. [Funded]
3. Faculty Sponsored Research Support Initiative, College of Health and Public Affairs, University of Central Florida. \$2,500, Summer-Fall 2016. [Funded]
4. Loan Repayment Program for Clinical Researchers (NIH LRP-CR), National Institutes of Health (National Institute on Aging), up to \$70,000 (renewable up to \$140,000), 2016-18. [Not Funded]
5. Graduate Assistantship, Department of Psychology, Cleveland State University. Tuition waiver and stipend: \$28,253.60, 2014-2015 academic year. [Funded]
6. Department of Psychology and College of Graduate Studies, Cleveland State University. 2014 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada: Student Travel Award, \$500, 2014. [Funded]

7. Graduate Assistantship, Department of Psychology, Cleveland State University. Tuition waiver and stipend: \$26,002.80, 2013-2014 academic year. [Funded]
8. Department of Psychology and College of Graduate Studies, Cleveland State University. 66th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana: Student Travel Award, \$1,081, 2013. [Funded]
9. Graduate Assistantship, Department of Psychology, Cleveland State University. Tuition waiver and stipend: \$25,758, 2012-2013 academic year. [Funded]
10. Graduate Assistantship, Department of Psychology, Cleveland State University. Tuition waiver and stipend: \$24,331, 2011-2012 academic year. [Funded]
11. Graduate Assistantship, Department of Psychology, Cleveland State University. Tuition waiver and stipend: \$20,885, 2010-2011 academic year. [Funded]

Peer-Reviewed Presentations (graduate and ***undergraduate student collaborator)**

1. Osier, C.**, Steckel, K.**, Stocker, C., Toubman, J., Viola, S.**, Tucker, J. & **Dawson, N.** (accepted). Investigating the Impact of an Innovative Intergenerational Physical Activity Program on Older Adults and Children 6 to 12 Years Old. 2019 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Washington, DC.
2. Beals, J.**, Huhn, K.**, Kallin, G.** & **Dawson, N.** (accepted). The Impact of the Movement to Music Program on Functional Mobility and Balance in Older Adults with Dementia: A Case Study. 2019 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Washington, DC.
3. McCarthy, L., Trapuzzano, A.** & **Dawson, N.** (accepted). Investigating the Effects of the Otago Program among Individuals with Dementia. 2019 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Washington, DC.
4. Trapuzzano, A.**, Chizmar, S.**, Haffke, L.** & **Dawson, N.** (accepted). What Makes Us Walk: Predictors of Gait Speed in Community-Dwelling Older Adults. 2019 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Washington, DC.
5. **Dawson, N.**, Atkins, D., Chizmar, S.**, Manoogian, D.*** & Gabriel M. (November 14, 2018). The Relationship between Physician Specialty and Treatment Modality for Osteoarthritis in Women 65+. 2018 Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in Innovating in Aging, 2(s1), 153.*
6. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K. & Trapuzzano, A.** (November 14, 2018). Impact of the Leveraging Existing Abilities in Dementia (LEAD) Training Program on Confidence and Practice Patterns. 2018 Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in Innovating in Aging, 2(s1), 131.*
7. **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. (August 11, 2018). A Strength-Based Approach to Moderate-Intensity Exercise with Individuals with Dementia: Case Series. 2018 American Psychological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, California.
8. Judge, K.S., **Dawson, N.**, Zeltinger, K.**, Beck, G.** & Layport, B.** (August 10, 2018). Understanding and Intervening Upon the Illness Experience in Individuals with Dementia. 2018 American Psychological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, California.

9. **Dawson, N.**, Toubman, J., Stocker, C., Richards, J., Mynatt, K., Sack., L., Heisler, N. & Tucker, J. (June 29, 2018). Findings from Grow & Play, an innovative intergenerational physical activity program. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association NEXT Conference and Exposition, Orlando, Florida.
10. Atkins, D., Chizmar, S.** , Manoogian, D.***, Gabriel, M. & **Dawson, N.** (June 25, 2018). The Relationship between Physician Specialty and Utilization of Physical Therapy or Prescription Opioids for Treatment of Degenerative Joint Disease: Evidence from the NAMCS. Academy Health 2018 Annual Research Meeting, Seattle, Washington.
11. Stock, M., Whitson, M., Burton, A., **Dawson, N.**, Thompson, B. & Sobolewski, E. (March 2018). The Correlation Between Fast Gait Speed and Echo Intensity in Older Adults is Influenced by Subcutaneous Tissue Thickness. 2018 International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research, Miami, FL.
12. Gammonley, D., Kay, D., Pabian, P., Miller, S., **Dawson, N.** & Tucker, J. (March 2, 2018). Impacts of a Phased Interprofessional Curriculum on Foundational and Interactional Gerontology Competencies. 2018 Annual Conference of Association of Gerontology in Higher Education, Atlanta, Georgia.
13. Moya, S., **Dawson, N.**, Pabian, P., Brown, E., Sonne, J. & Richards, J.** (February 2018). The Impact of the Behavioral Interview on Decision-Making in Physical Therapy Admissions. 2018 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
14. Mantel, A.** , Chizmar, S.** , Haffke, L.** , Trapuzzano, A.** & **Dawson, N.** (February 2018). Comfortable and Fast Gait Speeds Are Significantly Influenced by Strength and Balance. 2018 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
15. Karleskint, M.** , Dzurino, D.** , Tucker, J., Pabian, P. & **Dawson, N.** (February 2018). Reliability, Validity, and Agreement of Spatiotemporal Gait Instrumentation. 2018 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
16. **Dawson, N.**, Judge, K. & Karleskint, M.** (July 23, 2017). Results of a Moderate-Intensity Exercise Program for IWDs: Implications and Future Directions. 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, San Francisco, California. *Abstract in Innovating in Aging, 1(s1), 170.*
17. **Dawson, N.**, Toubman, J.** , Richards, J.** , Mynatt, K.** , Sack., L.** , Stocker, C.** , Heisler, N.*** & Tucker, J. (June 2017). Intergenerational Programming and Physical Activity: A Systematic Review. American Physical Therapy Association NEXT Conference and Exposition, Boston, Massachusetts.
18. Moya, S., Richards, J.** & **Dawson, N.** (February 17, 2017). Assessing Non-Cognitive Traits of Doctor of Physical Therapy Applicants through Admissions Interviews. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
19. Dzurino, D.** , Karleskint, M.** , **Dawson, N.** & Tucker, J. (February 16, 2017). Assessing the Reliability and Construct Validity of Commonly Used Rehab Tools to Measure Balance. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.

20. Karleskint, M.**, **Dawson, N.**, Dzurino, D.** & Tucker, J. (February 16, 2017). Assessing the Reliability, Agreement, and Convergent Validity between the 10MWT and GAITRite System in Healthy Adults. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
21. Keough, J.**, Zuluaga, E.**, Mantel, A.** & **Dawson, N.** (February 16, 2017). Fast Gait Speed is Associated with Falls in Older Adults: Findings from Project Runway. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
22. Mantel, A.**, Zuluaga, E.**, Keough, J.** & **Dawson, N.** (February 16, 2017). Group Differences on Performance Measures Between Non-fallers, Single Fallers, and Recurrent Fallers in Community Dwelling Older Adults. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
23. Karleskint, M.**, Goddin, C.**, Davis, K.** & **Dawson, N.** (February 16, 2017). Can the Wii Balance Board Be Used as a Fall Risk Assessment Tool for Older Adults? 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, Texas.
24. McCarthy, L., Stanley, M.M, White, L., **Dawson, N.**, Ross, B., Knott, G., Criss, M.G., Ross, C.M. & Steffes, L. (February 14-15, 2017). Working with Cognitive/Mental Health Issues across the Care Continuum. 2017 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting (pre-conference workshop), San Antonio, Texas.
25. **Dawson, N.**, Pabian, P. & Moya, S. (October 9, 2016). Implementing a mixed-methods analytical approach to admissions in physical therapy education. American Physical Therapy Association Educational Leadership Conference, Phoenix, Arizona.
26. Beato, M., Svien, L. & **Dawson, N.** (July 28, 2016). Examining the Effects of an Otago-Based Program on Falls in Residents of Assisted Living Facilities. The Exercise and Physical Activity in Aging Conference (ExPAAC II), Indianapolis, Indiana.
27. Tucker, J., Richards, C.J.**, Vandell, T.A.**, **Dawson, N.** (June 9, 2016). Effects of preference based physical activities for children ages 6-10 years in a private school setting. American Physical Therapy Association NEXT Conference and Exposition, Nashville, Tennessee.
28. **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. S. (February 18, 2016). Improved Functional Performance in Individuals with Dementia Following a Moderate-Intensity Strength and Balance Exercise Program. 2016 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Anaheim, California.
29. **Dawson, N.** & Sterns, H. (November 20, 2015). Returning to Work Following Injury or Illness – The Disablement Discussion. 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, Florida.
30. **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. (November 18, 2015). Acceptability and Feasibility of a Moderate-Intensity Home-Based Exercise Intervention for Individuals with Dementia. 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, Florida. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 55, 103.*
31. **Dawson, N.T.** & Menne, H.L. (November 8, 2014). Interpreting Non-Significant Findings: Physical Performance Measures in an Evidence-Based Program. 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Washington, D.C.

32. **Dawson, N.**, Menne, H. & Bass, D. (February 5, 2014). Changes in Physical Performances Outcomes and Falls in Individuals with Dementia: Findings from the Reducing Disability in Alzheimer's Disease Intervention. 2014 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada.
33. Judge, K. S. & **Dawson, N.** (November 22, 2013). Using a Strength-Based Approach for Developing and Implementing a Dyadic Intervention for Individuals with Dementia and Their Family Caregivers: Results from Project ANSWERS. 66th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 53, 511.*
34. Ejaz, F. E., Bukach, A. M. & **Dawson, N.** (November 20, 2013). Examining DSW Turnover in Three Long-Term Care Industries in Ohio. 66th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 53, 17.*
35. Bukach, A. M., Ejaz, F. E. & **Dawson, N.** (November 20, 2013). Turnover among Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment (CPST) Workers in Ohio. 66th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 53, 17.*
36. Bukach, A. S., **Dawson, N.** & Ejaz, F. E. (April 26, 2013). Predictors of Direct Service Worker Turnover in Ohio. Poster Presentations, 37th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Ashland, Ohio.
37. **Dawson, N.**, Krestar, M., Powers, S. & Judge, K. (April 26, 2013). Individuals with Dementia in the Research Process: Qualitative and Quantitative Findings from Project ANSWERS. 37th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Ashland, Ohio.
38. **Dawson, N.**, Menne, H. & Bass, D. (April 26, 2013). The effect of exercise on physical performance outcomes in individuals with dementia: findings from the Reducing Disability in Alzheimer's Disease intervention. 37th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Ashland, Ohio.
39. Ejaz, F., Bukach, A., **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. (March 13, 2013). Examining Direct Service Worker (DSW) Turnover in Four Human Service Industries in Ohio. 2013 Aging in America Conference, hosted by the American Society on Aging, Chicago, Illinois.
40. **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. S. (January 20, 2013). What Factors Best Predict Falls in Cognitively Impaired Older Adults? Poster Presentation. 2013 American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Meeting, San Diego, California.
41. Powers, S., **Dawson, N.**, Wilson, M. & Judge, K. S. (November 17, 2012). "I wish they would remember that I forget" - Understanding the illness experience of individuals with dementia. 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, California. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 52, 651.*
42. **Dawson, N.**, Powers, S., Krestar, M., Yarry, S. & Judge, K. S. (November 17, 2012). Predictors of Self-Reported Psychosocial Outcomes in Individuals with Dementia. 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, California. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 52, 651.*
43. Sterns, H. L. & **Dawson, N.** (November 18, 2012). Older workers & resilience: Finding their way back on the job. 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, California. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 52, 718.*

44. Krestar, M. L., Powers, S. M., **Dawson, N. T.**, Yarry, S., & Judge, K. S. (April 28, 2012). "I wish they would remember that I forget": Insight on memory loss from individuals with dementia. Poster presented at the Cleveland Psychological Association student poster session, Cleveland, Ohio.
45. **Dawson, N.**, Powers, S., Krestar, M. & Judge, K. S. (April 20, 2012). Predictors of psychosocial outcomes in individuals with dementia. 36th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Youngstown, Ohio.
46. Powers, S., **Dawson, N.**, Krestar, M. & Judge, K. S. (April 20, 2012). The effects of memory loss on the lives of individuals with mild to moderate dementia. 36th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Youngstown, Ohio.
47. **Dawson, N.** & Sterns, H. L. (February 25, 2012). Resilience & working longer. The 38th Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Meeting and Educational Leadership Conference, Arlington, Virginia.
48. **Dawson, N.** & Culler, K. (February 25, 2012). "When the going gets tough, the tough get going": Coping in graduate school and professional development transitions. The 38th Association for Gerontology in Higher Education Annual Meeting and Educational Leadership Conference, Arlington, Virginia.
49. **Dawson, N.**, Powers, S. & Wilson, M. (November 21, 2011). Psychosocial constructs from the perspective of an individual with dementia. 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in The Gerontologist, 51, 513.*
50. Powers, S., **Dawson, N.**, & Wilson, M. (November 21, 2011). Insight on memory loss through the eyes of the dementia patient. 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in Gerontologist (51), 513*
51. Yarry, S., **Dawson, N.** & Judge, K. S. (November 21, 2011). A strength-based cognitive rehabilitation approach for individuals with dementia. 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in Gerontologist (51), 513-514.*
52. Wilson, M., Powers, S. & **Dawson, N.** (November 21, 2011). Including individuals with dementia in the research process: understanding the impact of scales and response categories used in surveys. 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts. *Abstract in Gerontologist (51), 514*
53. Judge, K., Wilson, M., **Dawson, N.** & Powers, S. (November 19, 2011). Implementing Interventions for Individuals with Dementia (Acquiring new skills while enhancing remaining strengths (ANSWERS): a dyadic cognitive rehabilitation and educational skills training program for individuals with dementia). 64th Annual Scientific Meeting, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts.
54. **Dawson, N.** (October 14, 2011). Unique predictors used in assessment of falls in cognitively impaired older adults. Ohio Physical Therapy Association Fall Scientific Symposium "Aging: Putting Science into Practice", Columbus, Ohio.
55. **Dawson, N.** (April 15, 2011). Coping with declining mobility in older adults. 35th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Columbus, Ohio.

56. **Dawson, N.** (April 15, 2011). Possible predictors of falls in cognitively impaired older adults: a literature review. 35th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Columbus, Ohio.

Abstracts under Review (graduate student and *** undergraduate student collaborator)**

1. Kay, D., Wharton, T., Pabian, P., Miller, S., **Dawson, N.**, Tucker, J. & Gammonley, D. (submitted). Health Profession Students' Perceptions of Leadership, Hierarchy and Expertise Utilization on Interprofessional Health Care Teams. 2019 Southern Group on Educational Affairs Regional Meeting, Orlando, Florida.

Invited Presentations & Lectures

1. **Dawson, N.** & Rolle, E. (May 12 & 13, 2018). Using Evidence-Based Approaches for Assessment and Treatment of Functional Disability in Geriatric Rehabilitation. Total Rehabilitation Centre. San Juan, Trinidad. Honorarium received.
2. **Dawson, N.** (2018). Code of Ethics & Standards of Practice in Physical Therapy. American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties, Online Review Course of the Neurological Certification Examination.
3. Hanney, W. & **Dawson, N.** (September, 26, 2017). The Management and Prevention of Back Pain. Learning Institute for Elders (LIFE) @ UCF. Orlando, FL. Honorarium received.
4. Dangiolo, M. & **Dawson, N.** (July 7, 2017). Falls in the Elderly. Learning Institute for Elders (LIFE) @ UCF. Orlando, FL.
5. **Dawson, N.** (January 20-21, 2017). Using Evidence-Based Approaches for Assessment and Treatment of Functional Disability in Geriatric Rehabilitation. Baton Rouge Physical Therapy – Lake. Gonzales, LA. Honorarium received.
6. **Dawson, N.** (September 26, 2015). PT Management of Patients with Dementia: Using a Strength and Functionally Based Approach. Florida Physical Therapy Association Fall Conference. Orlando, FL.
7. **Dawson, N.** (February 26, 2015). Psychosocial Aspects of Illness and Disability. NEOPTA District Meeting. Southwest General Hospital.
8. **Dawson, N.** (January 30, 2015). PT Management of Patients with Dementia: Using a Strength and Functionally Based Approach. Ohio University, Doctor of Physical Therapy Program lecture. Honorarium received.
9. Caulkins, M. (scheduled, November 13, 2014). Environmental Correlates of Falls in Health Care Settings. *Respondents:* **Dawson, N.** & Hodgson, C. Life in Balance: Fall Prevention from Multidisciplinary Perspectives, Annual Kent State University Symposium on Aging, Kent, Ohio.
10. **Dawson, N.** (July 18, 2014). PT Management of Patients with Dementia: Using a Strength and Functionally Based Approach. Marion Technical College Continuing Education Program, Marion, Ohio. Honorarium received.

11. **Dawson, N.** (March 29, 2014). PT Management of Patients with Dementia: Using a Strength and Functionally Based Approach. Ohio Physical Therapy Association Annual Conference, Columbus, Ohio. Honorarium received.
12. **Dawson, N.** (March 27, 2014). Helping Them Stay on their Feet: Physiological Risk Factors and Assessment of Falls in Older Adults. Pre-Conference Symposium: *One Step at a Time: Interdisciplinary Symposium on Falls Prevention*. 38th Annual Conference, Ohio Association for Gerontology & Education, Dayton, Ohio. Honorarium received.
13. **Dawson, N.** (February 1, 2012). Staying on your feet: How to keep your balance & prevent falls. Heather Knoll Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Tallmadge, Ohio.

Mentorship of Student Research

Faculty Mentor: Innovative Mobility Initiative (IMOVE™) Lab Research Assistants

1. Toubman, J., Mynatt, K., Richards, J., Stocker, C., Sack, L. & Heisler, N. Investigating the Impact of an Innovative Intergenerational Physical Activity Program on Older Adults and Children 8 to 11 Years Old. *Faculty Mentors: N. Dawson & J. Tucker.*
2. Dzurino, D., Karleskint, M., Hurtado, A. & Shirazi, S. Determining the reliability and agreement of overground walking and treadmill walking for various gait measurements in healthy adults. *Faculty Mentors: N. Dawson, J. Tucker & H. Huang.*
3. Karleskint, M. & Dzurino, D. Determining the agreement in gait and balance measurements for commonly used assessment tools. *Faculty Mentors: N. Dawson & J. Tucker.*

Advisor: Doctor of Physical Therapy Capstone

1. Carrion, M., Jahan, F. & Sarto, A. (Spring 2020, ongoing). Working Title: Examining the Impact of a Falls Prevention Program in Continuous Care Retirement Community. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
2. Combs, K., Goodale, M., Snider, C. (Spring 2020, ongoing). Working Title: Investigating the Effects of Grow & Play on Physical Activity and Intergenerational Attitudes of Older Adults. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
3. Garbe, E., Garib, R. & Peller, A. (Spring 2020, ongoing). Working Title: Examining the Reliability and Validity of the NIH Toolbox® Standing Balance Test. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
4. Beals, J., Huhn, K. & Kallin, G. (Spring 2019, ongoing). Discovering the effects of the Movement to Music program on the balance of individuals with dementia. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
5. Chizmar, S., Haffke, L. & Trapuzzano, A. (Spring 2019, ongoing). What Makes Us Walk: Predictors of Gait Speed in Community Dwelling Older Adults. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
6. Atkinson, C., Pettofrezzo, T. & Walker, S. (Spring 2018, completed). Spatiotemporal Parameters of Gait and Association to Falls. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
7. Davis, K., Goddin, N. & Karleskint, M. (Spring 2017, completed). Can the Wii Balance Board be used as a Fall Risk Assessment Tool among Older Adults? *Advisor: N. Dawson.*

8. Keough, J., Mantel, A. & Zuluaga, E. (Spring 2017, completed). Project Runway: Is Fast Gait Speed Associated with Falls? *Advisor: N. Dawson.*
9. McBratney, R. & Seely, E. (Spring 2016, completed). Considering Community-Dwelling Older Adults: Which Components of a Multi-Factorial Exercise Program Are Most Effective for Preventing Falls? A Systematic Review. *Advisor: N. Dawson.*

Co-Advisor: Doctor of Physical Therapy Capstone

1. Hollis, A., Jimenez, D. & Knott, S. (Spring 2020, ongoing). Working Title: Otago-based Exercise Compared to Skill Therapy Interventions. *Advisors: M. Beato & N. Dawson.*
2. Berry, O., Guest, A. & Perez, J. (Spring 2019, ongoing). Effects of slackline training on gait performance and fear of falling in healthy older adults. *Advisors: C. Rothschild & N. Dawson.*
3. Winterberger, L., Morton, E. & Iadorola, C. (Spring 2018, completed). Can the Wii Balance Board be used as a Fall Risk Assessment Tool among Post-Stroke Patients? *Advisors: M. Beato & N. Dawson.*

Consultant: Doctor of Physical Therapy Capstone

1. Rogel, S., Miley, M. & Hess J. (Spring 2016, completed). Investigating the Influence of a School Based Physical Activity Program on Fitness Measures in Children with and without Developmental Disabilities, in Grades K-3. *Advisor: J. Tucker.*
2. Crouse, N. & Daniels, J. (Spring 2016, completed). Evaluating the Impact of Educational Interventions on the Perceived Accessibility of ADA-compliant Outdoor Recreational Facilities for Individuals with Mobility Disabilities. *Advisors: J. Tucker & C. Doerger.*
3. Humphries, K., Francis, D. & Lebovitz, G. (Spring 2016, completed). Usage trends and theoretical knowledge of electrotherapeutic agents in physical therapist practice: a survey. *Advisor: C. Rothschild.*
4. Richards, C. & Vandell, T. (Spring 2016, completed). Effects of Preference Based Physical Activities for Children Ages 6-10 Years in a Private School. *Advisor: J. Tucker.*

Graduate Research Committee (Master's Thesis/Doctoral Dissertation)

1. Perez, A. (ongoing, Master's Thesis). Grandma Got Passed Over by a Manager: The Intersection of Age and Gender in Hiring. *Advisor: B. Fritzsche (Psychology).*
2. Baker, K. (ongoing, Doctoral Dissertation). The Relationship between Psychosocial Factors and the Effect of Music on Exercise Performance: A Mixed-Methods Approach. *Advisor: J. Garcia (Exercise Science).*
3. Smith, A. (ongoing, ClinScD Capstone). Working Title: Montessori Method as a treatment with patients with dementia in the skilled nursing setting to increase attention to task for increased independence during completion of daily activities. *Advisor: T. Jordan (Speech-Language Pathology program at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions, Provo, UT).*

Faculty Supervisor: HSC4912 (Undergraduate Direct Independent Research)

1. Heisler, Nicholas: Summer 2016, Fall 2016, Spring, 2017. Assisted on Intergenerational Physical Activity Project through the Innovative Mobility Initiative Lab.

Teaching Experience

2015 – Present	University of Central Florida Instructor, PHT 7521C (Fall Semester) Management of Physical Therapy Services II Instructor, PHT 7780C (Fall Semester) Advanced Gerontology in Physical Therapy Instructor, PHT 6521 (Fall Semester) Management of Physical Therapy Services Instructor, PHT 6374C (Spring Semester) Gerontology in Physical Therapy Practice Instructor, PHT 5003 (Summer Semester) Foundations of Physical Therapy Co-Instructor, PHT 5125L (Summer Semester) Clinical Kinesiology Lab Co-Instructor, PHT 7134C (Spring 2017) Physical Therapy Integrations II Co-Instructor, PHT 7219L (Summer 2018) Theories & Procedures II
2018 – Present	GREAT Seminars and Books Instructor, Evidence Based Management of Patients with Dementia
2013 – Present	Summit Professional Education Instructor, Evidence-based Management of Balance and Falls Disorders Instructor, A Strength-Based Approach to Rehabilitation for Individuals with Dementia Instructor, Using Evidence-based Approaches for Successful Assessment and Treatment of Functional Disability in Older Adults
2010 – 2015	Cleveland State University Guest Lecturer, Advanced Interactions IV <i>Doctor of Physical Therapy Program, Summer 2012 – 2015</i> Instructor, Introduction to Psychology <i>Department of Psychology, Spring 2013</i>

Guest Lecturer, Lifespan Development
Doctor of Physical Therapy Program, Summer 2012

Instructor, Psychology 101 Recitation
Department of Psychology, Fall 2010, Spring 2011

Graduate Research Experience

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| 2010 – 2015 | Cleveland State University
Graduate Assistant, Research Assistant
Supervisor: Katherine S. Judge, Ph.D. | <i>Cleveland, Ohio</i> |
| 2011 – 2015 | Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging
Margaret Blenkner Research Institute
<i>August 2013 to May 2015</i>
Graduate Research Fellowship
Supervisor: David Bass, Ph.D. | <i>Cleveland, Ohio</i> |
| | <i>January 2013 to August 2013</i>
Graduate Research Assistant Supervisor: Heather Menne, Ph.D.
Project: Ohio Replication of Reducing Disability in Alzheimer's Disease | |
| | <i>September 2011 to December 2012</i>
Graduate Research Assistant Supervisor: Farida K. Ejaz, Ph.D.
Project: Examining Direct Care Worker Turnover in Ohio | |

Service Activities

Professional Service

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| 2017 – Present | National Institutes of Health, Early Career Reviewer |
| 2017 – Present | Alzheimer's Society, Research Grant Reviewer |
| 2017 – Present | <i>Physiotherapy Theory and Practice</i> , Reviewer |
| 2016 – Present | American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties
Geriatric Specialty Council (2018 – 2022)
Specialization Academy of Content Experts, Item Writer (2016 – 2018)
Geriatric Specialty Exam Standard Setting Committee (2016) |
| 2015 – Present | <i>Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy</i> , Reviewer |
| 2015 – Present | Florida Physical Therapy Association, Member
Geriatric Special Interest Group, Chair (2017 – Present) |
| 2014 – Present | American Psychological Association, Member
Division 20, Member |
| 2013 – Present | <i>The Gerontologist</i> , Reviewer |
| 2011 – Present | The Gerontological Society of America, Member |
| 2011 – Present | Sigma Phi Omega (Gerontology Honor Society), Xi Chapter
Student Representative, National Executive Board (2012-2015) |
| 2000 – 2003;
2010 – Present | American Physical Therapy Association, Member
Geriatrics, Research, and Education Sections
Cognitive & Mental Special Interest Group (co-Academic Liaison)
Credentialed Clinical Instructor (2003 – Present) |

2011 – 2013 Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Member
2011 – 2015 Ohio Association for Gerontology and Education, Member

University Service

2016 – Present UCF Health Sciences HIPAA Collaborative
2015 – Present Legacy Pointe @ UCF, Health & Wellness Task Force
2015 – 2016 Assistant Professor Development Program

College Service

2015 – Present Instructor/Lecturer Promotion Committee (Chair, 2015)
2015 – Present Technology Advisory Committee

Program Service

2016 – Present UCF DPT Professional Standards Committee, Chair
2016 – Present UCF DPT Admissions Committee
2016 – Present UCF DPT Curriculum Committee
2017 – 2018 Search Committee (Director of Clinical Education)
2016 – 2017 Search Committee (Director of Clinical Education)
2015 – 2016 Search Committee (Job #36036)

Clinical Experience

2017 – Present	Rehabcare, Inc (Kindred) Physical Therapist (per-diem), Village on the Green	<i>Longwood, FL</i>
2008 – 2015	Sprenger Healthcare, Inc. Therapy Partners, Inc. Staff Physical Therapist, Heather Knoll	<i>Tallmadge, Ohio</i>
2007 – 2008	Santera Rehabilitation, Inc. Director of Rehab Services, Stratford Commons	<i>Solon, Ohio</i>
1996 – 2007	NovaCare Rehabilitation Manager of Clinical Operations <i>March 2006 – June 2007</i>	<i>NE Ohio Market</i>
	Center Manager <i>May 2005 – March 2006</i>	<i>Mayfield Village, Ohio</i>
	Center Manager, Center Coordinator of Clinical Education <i>September 2004 – May 2005</i>	<i>Raleigh, NC</i>
	Staff Physical Therapist, Center Coordinator of Clinical Education <i>June 2002 – September 2004</i>	<i>Brook Park, Ohio</i>
	Rehabilitation Aide <i>January 1996 – June 2002</i>	<i>Cleveland, Ohio</i>

2003 – 2010

Marymount Hospital
Physical Therapist - PRN

Garfield Heights, Ohio

Professional References

Professional references available upon request