CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

May 2020-present Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) candidate, University of Georgia, College

of Public Health, Department of Health Promotion and Behavior

Concentration: Health Promotion and Behavior

Research Area: Substance Use

Major Professor: Dr. Jessica Muilenburg Admission to candidacy: May 2023

2020-2022 Masters of Public Health (M.P.H.), University of Georgia, College of

Public Health, Department of Health Promotion and Behavior

Concentration: Health Promotion and Behavior

2016-2020 Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion (B.S.), University of Georgia,

College of Public Health, Department of Health Promotion and Behavior

Concentration: Health Promotion and Behavior

ASSISTANTSHIPS

August 2020-present Project Manager, Graduate Research Assistant, University of Georgia,

College of Public Health, Department of Health Promotion and Behavior

Grant: R01AA025954

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Aug 2023-present Role: Project Manager

University of Georgia, College of Public Health, Department of Health

Promotion and Behavior

R01AA025954 Muilenburg/Kershaw (PIs) 2018-2023

Understanding Relapse and the Impact of Social Networks and

Geographic Settings During Treatment for Alcohol-Related Problems. The goal of this study is to investigate the intersection of social networks and environments on those entering treatment for alcohol related problems.

2020-2023 Role: Graduate Research Assistant

University of Georgia, College of Public Health, Department of Health

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INSTRUCTION

Aug 2022-Dec 2022 Teaching Assistant for one section of Professional Writing for Health

Promotion

2021-2022 Teaching Assistant for 3 sections of Freshman Year Odyssey 1001:

Exploring Sexual Health Expectations in Society at the University of

Georgia

PUBLICATIONS

2022 Title: *Impact of COVID-19-related Isolation on Individuals in Treatment*

for Substance Use

Authors: Ondrusek, A., Townsend, E., Warnock, C. A., Lowe, S.,

Muilenburg, J., Kershaw, T.

In progress

2021 Title: *Harm Reductionist approach to Coping with COVID-19 related*

trauma

Authors: Ondrusek, A., Townsend, E., Warnock, C. A., Muilenburg, J.,

Kershaw, T. In progress

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

October 2023 AHSR

Poster presentation

Title: So what does contribute to alcohol relapse? The patient's perspective

on the Dynamic Model of Relapse's constructs

November 2022 APHA

Poster presentation

Title: Factors related to study Retention during COVID-19

May 2022 UCONN Center for MHealth and Social Media Annual Conference

Virtual poster

Title: Impact of COVID-19 Isolation for folks in treatment for SUD

October 2021 APHA

Round table talk

Title: Harm Reductionist approach to Coping with COVID-19 related

trauma

October 2021 **AHSR**

Virtual poster

Title: "What's missing is the person": Treatment and recovery support disruption during COVID-19 among people in treatment for substance use

SERVICE

2023-2024 **Student Engagement Committee**

Member

Role: Collaborate with other students in the department and department heads to plan and carry out events to engage the entire department.

2022-2023 **Dean Student Advisory Committee**

Member

Role: Voice my opinions as the HPRB representative of what can be done in the department and/or college to the dean

Online MPH Director Search Committee 2023

Student representative

Role: Assist in the interviewing of the online MPH director candidates, serve as the voice of the students in the HPRB graduate school, and voice my opinion on the pros and cons of each candidate

2022 **Health Promotion and Behavior Department Head Search Committee**

Student representative

Role: Assist in the interviewing of the department head candidates, serve as the voice of the students in the HPRB graduate school, and voice my opinion on the pros and cons of each candidate

2021 **Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee**

Student representative

Role: Serve as the student voice on a committee with University of Georgia staff making decisions about overall academic policy of the College including coordination of degrees, consistency across degree programs, compliance with CEPH accreditation requirements, and other educational functions as they arise.

2020 **Georgia DPH COVID-19 Information Distribution**

> Role: As a team of 3, we created infographics, fliers, billboards, and social media posts related to COVID-19 information (virus, vaccine, resources) to be distributed by the DPH

HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

2024 Excellence in Service Award

University of Georgia- Department of Health Promotion and Behavior Awarded for demonstrating outstanding community and university service

work while in the program.

2023 Stuart and Renee Feldman Health Disparities Awareness Fund

University of Georgia

This award is given to students who show a greater understanding of health disparities and the outcomes faced by underserved and

disadvantaged populations.

2022 Health Promotion and Behavior Award for Outstanding Achievement

University of Georgia

2020 Delta Omega National Honorary Society in Public Health

Beta Chi Chapter

Member

2020 Student Leadership Institute

Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health

Conference where graduate students in the field of Public Health discussed

the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion and how as young

professionals, we can improve the workforce

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023 **Japan Study Abroad-** Kitakyushu, Miyajima, Yamaguchi, Nara

University of Georgia

Co-Leader

Role: Assist Dr. Muilenburg in leading 13 undergraduate students on a study abroad in Japan by assisting in cultural immersion, ensuring safety

protocols, and guiding health promotion related discussions

2019 **Japan Study Abroad**- Hiroshima, Kosi City, Tokyo

University of Georgia

Student

Description: work with Japanese university students on brainstorming accessibility improvement the city could make and then presenting our

suggestions to the mayor of Kosai City

WORK EXPERIENCE

2020-2023 Trader Joe's

Position: Crew member

2019-2020 Walton Wellness

Position: Intern

Description: assisted in creative problem solving, connecting businesses in the community, marketing, and data compilation for the non-profit who's

primary focus was to alleviate food insecurities in Walton County