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Curriculum Vita

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

- 2007 Ph.D.– *University of Utah*, Salt Lake City, Utah
Major: Parks, Recreation, and Tourism
Dissertation Title: The utilization of self-efficacy and self-affirmation to increase active living in persons with spinal cord injury or disease
- 2000 M.A. – *California State University*, Chico, CA
Major: Recreation Administration
Thesis: Decreasing specific behaviors of individuals diagnosed with schizophrenia through leisure education programs within a community setting
- 1995 B.S. – *California State University*, Chico, CA
Major: Recreation and Parks Administration
Emphasis: Therapeutic Recreation

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2007 **Assistant Professor** – California State University, Sacramento, CA
- RLS 106 – Inclusive and Therapeutic Recreation
 - RLS 125 – Therapeutic Recreation and Persons with Physical Disabilities
 - RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
 - RLS 199 – Special Problems (Independent study)
 - RLS 299 – Individual Study (Thesis research)
- Summer 2007 **Assistant Professor** – California State University, Sacramento, CA
- RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
- Spring 2007 **Assistant Professor** – California State University, Sacramento, CA
- RLS 117 – Therapeutic Recreation Service Systems
 - RLS 122 – Perspective on Leisure
 - RLS 198 – Co-curricular Activities (Independent study)
 - RLS 199 – Special Problems (Independent study)
 - RLS 299 – Individual Study (Thesis research)
 - RLS 202 – Policies, Issues, and Trends in Leisure
 - RLS 500 – Culminating Experience (Thesis research)

- Fall 2006 **Assistant Professor** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 125 – Therapeutic Recreation and Persons with Physical Disabilities
 - RLS 116 – Therapeutic Recreation Principles and Practice
 - RLS 100 - Recreation and Leisure Lifestyles
 - RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
 - RLS 198 – Co-curricular Activities (Independent study)
 - RLS 199 – Special Problems (Independent study)
 - RLS 299 – Individual Study (Thesis research)
 - RLS 500 – Culminating Experience (Thesis research)
- Summer 2006 **Assistant Professor** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
 - RLS 295 – Therapeutic Recreation Internship Graduate
- Spring 2006 **Assistant Professor** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 100 - Recreation and Leisure Lifestyles
 - RLS 117 – Therapeutic Recreation Service Systems
 - RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
 - RLS 198 – Co-curricular Activities (Independent study)
 - RLS 199 – Special Problems (Independent study)
- Fall 2005 **Assistant Professor** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 119 – Leisure Education
 - RLS 122 – Perspectives on Leisure
 - RLS 125 – Therapeutic Recreation and Physical Disabilities
 - RLS 195D – Therapeutic Recreation Internship
- Summer 2004 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 198 – Field Experience
 - RLS 298 – Graduate Student Field Experience
- Summer 2003 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 198 – Field Experience
- Spring 2003 **Instructor** – *University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah*
- PRT 3320 – Recreation Programming and Leadership
- Fall 2002 **Instructor** – *University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah*
- PRT 3320 – Recreation Programming and Leadership
- Summer 2002 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 198– Field Experience
- Spring 2002 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 100 – Recreation and Leisure Lifestyles
 - RLS 106 – Leisure Services and People with Disabilities
 - RLS 119 – Introduction to Leisure Guidance
 - RLS 198/199 – Special Projects
 - RLS 299 – Graduate Student Project
- Fall 2001 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*
- RLS 100 – Recreation and Leisure Lifestyle
 - RLS 106 – Leisure Services and People with Disabilities
 - RLS 122 – Perspectives on Leisure
 - RLS 125 – Therapeutic Recreation & Physical Disabilities
 - RLS 191/199 – Service Learning & Special Projects

Spring 2001 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*

- RLS – 122 Perspectives on Leisure
- RLS – 122 Perspectives on Leisure

Fall 2000 **Lecturer** – *California State University, Sacramento, CA*

- RLS 122 – Perspectives on Leisure
- RLS 125 – Therapeutic Recreation & Physical Disabilities

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2006-current **Research Director** – *Ability First Sports Camp, California State University, Chico, CA*

- Assisted with developing research agenda to examine the impact camp has on youth with physical disabilities
- Trained counselors and graduate students on research procedures
- Secured funding for pilot study to be submitted for National Institute of Health funds
- Established relationship with the National Center on Physical Activity and Disability to work collaboratively on established research agenda
- A joint CSU campus project to provide research opportunities for Masters students in Therapeutic Recreation from California State University, Sacramento

2005-2007 **Research Staff Member** – *The Rehabilitation Center at the University of Utah Hospital*
Salt Lake City, UT

- Assisted in developing research protocol for the Spinal Cord Injury Form
- Constructed instrument to identify impact of adapted recreation and sports
- Provided feedback and guidance on submission of grants
- Research staff member on Spinal Cord Injury Forum research

2004-2005 **Research Assistant** – *The Rehabilitation Center at the University of Utah Hospital*
Salt Lake City, UT

- Assisted with recreational outreach program for persons with spinal cord injury
- Provided recreational therapy to patients in acute rehabilitation
- Constructed instrument to identify leisure needs of persons with a spinal cord injury
- Team member of program and research development for recreational outreach

2004-current **Program Evaluation** – *Ability First Sports Camp, California State University, Chico, CA*

- Assisted in constructing instrument to evaluate effectiveness of the camp
- Trained counselors on how to administer the evaluation of the camp
- Collaborated with CSU, Chico to provide research opportunities for Masters students in Therapeutic Recreation from CSU, Sacramento

2003-2005 **Contract Researcher** – *RSLM, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah*

- Designed instrument to measure inclusive recreation through golf
- Principle investigator responsible for on-site data collection and monitoring of activities at model site

2003-2004 **Research Assistant** – *Real Choice Grant, State of Utah, Department of Human Services,*
Salt Lake City, Utah

- Conducted focus groups to determine decision making for long term care placement
- Assisted with the construction of instrument to administer on long term care
- Utilized the MAUT (Multi Attribute Utility Technique) Evaluation Process
- Coordinated data entry and participated in writing final technical report

- 2002-2004 **Research Assistant** – *Project GAIN: Golf, Accessible, and Inclusive Networks*, Salt Lake City, Utah
- Managed data collection for five model sites across the nation
 - Prepared technical reports for the United States Golf Association and the National Alliance on Accessible Golf
 - Prepared interim and final report for grant
 - Presented findings at local, state, and national conferences

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2007-current **Facilitator** – Breathe California, Sacramento, CA
- Plan and organize teambuilding initiatives for high school students
 - Implemented activities to facilitate discussion on tobacco prevention among adolescents
 - Responsible for securing additional facilitators for retreats and workshops
- 2004-current **Head Counselor**- *Ability First Sports Camp, California State University, Chico, CA*
- Supervise counselor staff
 - Assist with the social evening program for campers
 - Responsible for providing care for campers with physical disabilities
- 2003-2004 **Group Facilitator** – *Leadershape, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah*
- Planned and organized teambuilding initiatives for college students
 - Implemented activities to facilitate discussion on leadership with integrity
 - Responsible for evaluation of activities provided
- 1999-2005 **Activities Therapist** – *County Mental Health Treatment Center, Sacramento, CA*
- Planned and implemented recreation therapy groups & special events
 - Responsible for documentation on assigned patients
 - Supervised therapeutic recreation student internships
- 1997 – 1999 **Program Coordinator** – *Do-It Leisure Oroville Center, Oroville, CA*
- Supervised social recreation and day treatment program for individuals diagnosed with a mental illness
 - Supervised student internships
 - Responsible for budgetary operations & grant monies
- 1995 – 1997 **Director of Recreation Therapy** – *Sierra Sunrise Village, Chico, CA*
- Supervised recreation and therapy program for seniors with disabilities
 - Responsible for implementing HCFA and Title 22 guidelines
 - Implemented therapeutic recreation student internship program

PUBLICATIONS

- Rose, A., **Piatt, J. A.**, Zahl, M., & Kim, K. (accepted 2007). The effect of a self-efficacy based forum on life satisfaction for individuals with spinal cord injury or disease. *Annual in Therapeutic Recreation*, 17. (submitted for review March, 2007)
- Piatt, J. A.**, & Compton, D. M. (2007). The impact of self-efficacy and self-affirmation on active living in persons with spinal cord injury or disease. *Abstracts from the 2007 American therapeutic recreation association research institute*. Pp. 32-37.
- Witter, E., **Piatt, J.**, & Mattingly, K. (2006). Social Competence: Evaluation of an outpatient therapeutic recreation treatment program for children with behavioral disorders. *Therapeutic Recreation Journal*, 40(4), 241-254 .

Piatt, J. (2001). Perspectives on leisure values and attitudes – What are yours? In, Olson, E.G. (Ed.), *Perspectives on leisure: Toward a quality lifestyle* (1st ed., pp. 99-106; 2nd ed., pp. 99-106). Kendall/Hunt; Dubuque, Iowa.

Piatt, J. (2001). Perspectives on questionable leisure. In Olson, E.G. (Ed.), *Perspectives on leisure: Toward a quality lifestyle* (1st ed., pp. 181-189; 2nd ed., pp.181-190). Kendall/Hunt: Dubuque, Iowa.

BOOK REVIEWS

Piatt, J.A. (accepted 2007). Review of the book: Rouse, P. (2004). *Adapted games and activities: From tag to team building*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.(submitted for review January, 2007).

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Compton, D., **Piatt, J.**, Kim, K., & Robb, G. (2005). *Project GAIN (Golf: Accessible and Inclusive Networks). Final Report*. Technical Report submitted to the United States Golf Association.

Piatt, J., Rosenbluth, J., Smith, S., Ballard, L., Waters, K., & Davis, M. (2004). *TRAILS for U: (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills)*. A proposal for development of a recreational outreach program for spinal cord injury. Unpublished Technical Report.

Compton, D., Ellis, G., & **Piatt, J.** (2004). *MAUT model for long term care decision making*. Unpublished Technical Report. Real Choice, State of Utah, Department of Human Services.

Piatt, J. & Compton, D. (2004). *Making decisions to provide the best program: The MAUT approach*. Unpublished Newsletter. TR Newslines: California Parks & Recreation Society.

Compton, D. & **Piatt, J.** (2004). *Project GAIN: Interim report of research*. Unpublished Technical Report. National Alliance for Accessible Golf and the United States Golf Association.

Compton, D., Robb, G., & **Piatt, J.** (2003). *Project GAIN: Golf Accessible and Inclusive Networks*. Unpublished CD. National Institute on Inclusive Recreation.

Piatt, J.A. (2003). *Increasing self-efficacy in individuals with disabilities through inclusive recreation*. Unpublished Newsletter. TR Newslines: California Parks & Recreation Society.

Compton, D., Robb, G., **Piatt, J.**, & Bates V. (2002). *Project GAIN (Golf: Accessible & Inclusive Networks), Training Manual*. Unpublished manuscript. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

PRESENTATIONS

Piatt, J. A. & Zahl, M. (2007). Student Institute: Interviewing: Let's mock it up! Presented at the American Therapeutic Recreation Association Annual Conference Research Symposium, September 11, 2007.

Piatt, J. A. & Zahl, M. (2007). Student Institute: Professionalism in the TR field. Presented at the American Therapeutic Recreation Association Annual Conference Research Symposium, September 11, 2007.

Piatt, J. A., & Compton, D. A. (2007). The impact of self-efficacy and self-affirmation on active living in persons with spinal cord injury or disease. Presented at the American Therapeutic Recreation Association Annual Conference Research Symposium, September 11, 2007.

Jorgensen, L. J. & **Piatt, J. A.** (2007). Exactly...What is a strategic plan? Presented at the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation & Park Training Conference, Sacramento, CA, March 10, 2007.

Rose, A., **Piatt, J.**, Zahl, M., Kim, K., Rosenbluth, J., & Compton, D. (2007). The impact of self-efficacy on active living and life satisfaction for individuals with spinal cord injury or disease. Presented at the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation & Park Training Conference, Leisure Research & Education Symposium, March 9, 2007.

- Piatt, J.** & McLachlin, L. (2007). The Paralympics – what is the role of the recreation therapist? Presented at the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation & Park Training Conference, Therapeutic Recreation Institute, Sacramento, CA, March 7, 2007.
- Piatt, J.** & Bates, D. (2006) So, you got new TR ideas? Presented at the Therapeutic Recreation Fall Workshop District II, November 3, 2006.
- Pinch, K., & **Piatt, J.** (2006). It is not DEAD! Keeping TR in the university. Presented at National Therapeutic Recreation Society Conference, Seattle, WA, October 10-14, Seattle, WA.
- Ballard, L., Compton, D., Rosenbluth, J., Kim, K., **Piatt, J.**, & Zahl, M. (2006). Spinal cord injury/disease: A transitional care model. Accepted to be presented at American Association of Spinal Cord Injury National Conference, Las Vegas, NV, September, 2006.
- Smith, S. & **Piatt, J.** (2005). TRAILS for U: Developing a recreation outreach program for spinal cord injury and other physical disabilities. Presented at the Utah Recreation Therapy Association, Salt Lake City, UT, March 29, 2005.
- Ives, J. & **Piatt, J.** (2005). Purpose driven art resources for youth. Presented at The California Parks & Recreation Society General Conference, March 11, 2005.
- Piatt, J.**, Rosenbluth, J., Smith, S., Ballard, L., Waters, K., & Davis, M. (2004). Trails for U (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills). A recreational outreach program for spinal cord injury. Presented to the University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics Rehabilitation Center, December 21, 2004.
- McLachlin, L., Lanham, R., & **Piatt, J.** (2004). Ability first youth sports camp. Presented at the National Therapeutic Recreation Society Institute, Reno, NV, October 15, 2004.
- Piatt, J.** & Jordan, D. (2004). Finding answers to your questions: A research roundtable. Presented at National Institute on Recreation Inclusion, Austin, TX, September 11, 2004.
- Compton, D. & **Piatt, J.** (2004). Critical Issue Paper #2.1: Issues of inclusion – Indicators: What we know from research. Presented at the World Leisure Conference University of Queensland, Australia, September 15, 2004.
- Compton, D., **Piatt, J.**, & Coco-Ripp, J. (2004). Grant Writing Workshop. Presented at Midwest Symposium on Therapeutic Recreation, St. Louis, MO, April 19, 2004.
- Piatt, J.**, Compton, D. & Talbot, S. (2004) Real Choice: Making the correct long term care decision. Presented at Midwest Symposium on Therapeutic Recreation, St. Louis, MO, April 21, 2004.
- Compton, D., **Piatt, J.**, & Robb, G. (2003). Project GAIN: (Golf Accessible and Inclusive Networks). Presented at National Recreation and Park Association, October 23, 2003.
- Piatt, J.**, Piatt, T., Compton, D., & Tuloic, M. (2003). Project GAIN: Promoting inclusion using golf as the agent of change. Presented at the California Parks and Recreation Society Therapeutic Recreation Institute, San Jose, CA, March 19, 2003.
- Piatt, J.**, Bloom, K., & Crofts, K. (2003). Beyond playing the game: Its all in the timing. Presented at the Utah Recreation Therapy Association Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, March 24, 2003.
- Bloom, K., **Piatt, J.**, & McGrath, T. (2003). Creating a program evaluation tool kit. Presented at Utah Recreation & Park Association, Logan, UT, March 24, 2003.
- Compton, D. & **Piatt, J.** (2003). Project GAIN: Using golf as a vehicle for social inclusion in the community. Presented at Utah Recreation & Parks Association, Logan, UT, March 24, 2003.

Compton, D., Robb, G. & **Piatt, J.** (2003). Project GAIN: Developing self-efficacy, specialization, and intentionality through golf. Presented at the Midwest Symposium on Therapeutic Recreation, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, April 29, 2003.

Piatt, J. & Hill, E. (2003). Experiential education and therapeutic recreation: What are we or you doing? Presented at Midwest Therapeutic Recreation Symposium, April 30, 2003.

Piatt, J. (2003). Disability awareness: Cognitive impairments and accessible golf. Presented at Project GAIN Training Session for Golf Professionals, January 8, 2003, Sacramento, CA.

Piatt, J. (2002). Inclusion; What is it? Session presented at the Project GAIN Training Session for Golf Professionals, October 30, 2002, Salt Lake City, UT.

Martinez, K. & **Piatt, J.** (2002). Activities that promote team building. Presented at the California Parks & Recreation Society Therapeutic Recreation Institute, and The California Parks & Recreation Society General Conference, March, 2003, Los Angeles, CA.

Piatt, J. (2000). The Role of Leisure Education on Reducing Specific Behaviors Among People with Mental Illness. Session presented at the Research Symposium, California Parks & Recreation Society Conference, March, 2003, Ontario, CA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

McLachlin, L. & **Piatt, J. A.** (accepted 2008). Recreation programming inclusion round two: To integrate or not. Invited to present at the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation & Park Training Conference, February 26 – 29, 2008.

McLachlin, L. & **Piatt, J.** (2007). Recreation programming inclusion: To integrate or not. Presented at the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation & Park Training Conference, March 9, 2007.

Piatt, J., Pinch, K., & Wyckoff B. (2005) Working at Wellness. Presented at the Life Center, California State University, Sacramento, October 14, 2005.

Smith, S., **Piatt, J.**, & Zahl, M. (2005). I don't want to hear about it! When is the best time to promote recreation? Presented at American Therapeutic Recreation Association, Salt Lake City, UT, October 11, 2005.

Jorgensen, L. & **Piatt, J.** (2005). Doctoral students' forum. Presented at the SPRE Teaching Institute, January 16, 2005, Sacramento, CA.

Compton, D. & **Piatt, J.** (2003). Project GAIN: Promoting community resourcefulness through golf. Presented at the Utah Recreation Therapy Association Conference, March 24, 2003, Salt Lake City, Utah,

Piatt, J. (2001). Recreation therapy, it works! Justifying our profession through research. Presented at the California Parks & Recreation Society District II Therapeutic Recreation Fall Workshop, November 6, 2002, Yuba City, CA.

WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

Piatt, J. (2006, 2000, 1997, 1996). Therapeutic Recreation Fall Workshop – California Parks & Recreation Society District II. Coordinated workshop on current issues in therapeutic recreation.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2007-present **Life Center** – *Director* – California State University, Sacramento

2007-present **Faculty Professional Development Committee** – *Member* – California State University, Sacramento

- 2006-present **Outstanding Teaching Award** – *Committee Chair* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006-2007 **Life Center** – *Co-Director* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006-2007 **College of Health & Human Services Academic Council** – *Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006 **General Education Course Review Subcommittee** – *Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006-2007 **Academic Senate** – *Alternate* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-2007 **Life Center Advisory Committee** – *Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Library Services** – *Department Representative* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006-present **Gerontology Faculty Meetings** – *Department Representative* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2004-2005 **Student Advisory Committee (SAC)** – *President* – Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
- 2003-2004 **Student Advisory Committee (SAC)** – *Committee Chair Tenure Track Review* - Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Department, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
- 2001-2002 **Curriculum Assessment Coordinator**- Department of Recreation & Leisure Studies, California State University, Sacramento
- 2001-2002 **Student Portfolio Coordinator** -Three units assigned time to coordinate and supervise Student Portfolio Development, California State University, Sacramento

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- 2006 **Search Committee Generalist Position** – *Committee Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2006 **Search Committee Community Position** – *Committee Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Therapeutic Recreation Option** – *Coordinator* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-2007 **Recreation and Parks Major Association** – *Faculty Advisor* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Internship Committee**– *Committee Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Curriculum Committee** – *Therapeutic Recreation Curriculum Reviewer* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Outreach Committee** – *Committee Member* – California State University, Sacramento
- 2005-present **Student Scholarship and Awards Reception** – *Committee Chair*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2007-present **American Therapeutic Recreation Association Annual** – *Associate Editor* – A publication of the American Therapeutic Recreation Association
- 2007-present **Society of Parks and Recreation Educators Board**– *Co-Chair Silent Auction* – National Recreation and Parks Association.

- 2006-present **Student Development Team** – *Co-Chair* – American Therapeutic Recreation Association
- 2006-present **California State University TR Faculty Retreat** – *Chair* – California State University
- 2006-2007 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** -*Membership Chair* –California Parks & Recreation Society
- 2006 **Journal of Park and Recreation Administration** – *Reviewer*
- 2006 **Leisure Sciences** – *Reviewer* – A Journal of Leisure Research
- 2005-2007 **SCHOLE** - *Associate Editor* – A Journal of Leisure Studies and Recreation Education
- 2004 **SCHOLE**- *Reviewer* - A Journal of Leisure Studies and Recreation Education
- 2003 **World Leisure Journal** -*Reviewer* – A International Journal on Leisure Issues and Research
- 2003-2004 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** - *Membership Chair* - California Parks & Recreation Society
- 2002 **Journal of Park and Recreation Administration** – *Reviewer* – National Recreation and Parks Association
- 2002-2003 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** - *Past Director* - California Parks & Recreation Society
- 2001-2002 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** - *Director* - California Parks & Recreation Society
- 1999-2000 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** – *Northern Senior Representative* – California Parks & Recreation Society
- 1998-1999 **Therapeutic Recreation State Board** - *Northern Junior Representative* – California Parks & Recreation Society
- 1997-1998 **Therapeutic Recreation Section, District II** - *President* – California Parks & Recreation Society
- 1996-1997 **Therapeutic Recreation Section, District II** - *Vice-President* – California Parks & Recreation Society
- 1996-1997 **Links Across Time Golf Tournament** - *Volunteer Coordinator* –The Boys and Girls Club and The Sierra Sunrise Retirement Village
- 1995-1996 **Therapeutic Recreation Institute** – *Committee Member* - California Parks and Recreation Society

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2007-present **Breathe California: Youth and young adult tobacco prevention program** – *Facilitator* – Sacramento, CA
- 2006-present **State of California Gerontology training for residential care for the elderly** – *Facilitator* – Sacramento, CA
- 2006-present **Leukemia Society Team in Training** – *Volunteer* – Sacramento, CA
- 2006 **International Paralympic Committee** – *Distinguished Guest* – Winter Games, Tornio, Italy

- 2004-2006 **TRAILS (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Lifestyle Services)** – *Executive Committee Member* – Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2005 **Project GAIN/Neuroworx Golf Tournament**– *Silent Auction Coordinator* – University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2003 **University of Utah Neuropsychiatric Unit Adolescent Outpatient Unit** – *Volunteer*- Salt Lake City, UT
- 2003 **SPLORE (Special Populations Learning Outdoor Recreation and Education)** – *Volunteer*- Silent Auction, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2002-2003 **Fore Golf, Disabled Sports USA** - *Volunteer* –Sacramento, CA
- 2002- 2005 **Water Ski Program, Disabled Sports USA**- *Volunteer* – Sacramento, CA
- 2002-2003 **Leukemia Society Team in Training** - *Volunteer & Fund Raiser* –Sacramento, CA
- 1999-2000 **WAVE (Water Adventures in Varied Environments) Camp** - *Volunteer* – California State University, Sacramento, CA

GRADUATE COMMITTEE'S

- First Reader – *Shakira Blessingame* (anticipated completion date Fall 2007)
- First Reader – *Alejandra Gallardo* (anticipated completion date Spring 2008)
- First Reader – *Alyssa Rose* (completed Summer 2006)
- Second Reader– *Rachel Fusi* (anticipated completion date Fall 2007)
- Second Reader – *Robert Wyckoff* (anticipated completion date Spring 2008)
- Second Reader – *Brandon Lavin* (completed Summer 2007)
- Second Reader – *Nicole Frankowiak* (completed Fall 2006)
- Second Reader – *Chris Surawski* (completed Fall 2005)
- Second Reader – *Amy First* (anticipated completion date Spring 2008)

FUNDED PROJECTS SUBMITTED

- 2007 **Research Staff** – University of California Davis Adaptive Sport and Recreation Clinic
Submitted to Take Action: Healthy People, Places, and Practices in Communities Project
Amount: \$4,975 (Submitted March 20, 2007)
- 2006 **Principal Investigator** – Ability First Sports Camp
Submitted to National Institute of Health Pilot Study Program
University of California, Davis
Amount: \$11,000 (Submitted October, 2006)
- 2004 **Support Staff** – TRAILS (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills): A Recreational Outreach Program
Submitted to Paralyzed Veterans of America Education and Research Grant
Amount: \$66,938 (Submitted February 1, 2005)
- 2003 **Research Assistant** – TRAILS (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills): A Recreational Outreach Program
Submitted to George S. and Dolores Dore Eccles Foundation
Amount: \$79,621

FUNDED PROJECTS

- 2006 **Research Consultant** – TRAILS (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills):
A Recreational Outreach Program
Submitted to Paralyzed Veterans of America Education and Research Grant
Amount: \$66,000 (Accepted April, 2006)
***Co-author of proposal submitted*
- 2005 **Co-Principal Investigator**– Utilization of self-efficacy and self-affirmation SCI Forum to
increase active living in persons with spinal cord injury or disease
Christopher Reeves Paralysis Foundation
Amount: \$10,000
***Author of proposal submitted*
- 2005 **Research Assistant** – TRAILS (Therapeutic Recreation and Independent Leisure Skills):
A Recreational Outreach Program
Craig H. Neilsen Foundation
Amount: \$100,000
***Co-author of proposal submitted*
- 2003 **Research Assistant** – Real Choice Grant
Funded by the State of Utah, Department of Human Services
Amount: \$31,623
- 2002 **Research Assistant** – Project GAIN (Golf: Accessible and Inclusive Networks)
Funded by the United States Golf Association
Amount: \$88,926
- 2000 **Instructor**– Service-Learning Grant for RLS 125: Therapeutic Recreation & Physical
Disabilities
California State University, Sacramento
Amount: \$1,000

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2005 **The Utah Recreation and Parks Association Graduate Student Scholarship**
The Utah Recreation and Park Association
Amount: \$1,000
- 2003-2007 **The California State University Forgivable Loan/Doctoral Incentive Program**
The California State University Chancellor's Office
- 2003 **Research Award in Therapeutic Recreation**
California Parks & Recreation Society, Sacramento, CA
- 2001 **Outstanding Accomplishments in Therapeutic Recreation**
California Parks & Recreation Society District II, Sacramento, CA

OTHER RECOGNITIONS

- 2006 **Outstanding Doctoral Student**
The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2004 *Nominated for: Elizabeth Fuhriman Gardner Prize for the Outstanding Woman*
Student in the Health Sciences (Nominated by professors as a candidate from the Parks,
Recreation, and Tourism Department)
The College of Health Sciences
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

2004 **Inspirational Doctoral Student**
The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

CERTIFICATIONS

2004-2007 Master Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (MTRS) License State of Utah
2004-2005 Professional Management of Assaultive Behavior (PMAB) Certified
1999-2002 Professional Assault Response Specialist (PART) Certified
1996-current Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS)
1996-current Recreation Therapist Certified (RTC) State of California
1992-current Certified CPR & First Aid

ORGANIZATIONS

2004-2005 Utah Recreation Therapy Association
2002-current National Therapeutic Recreation Society
1995-current Golden Key Honor Society
1993-current California Parks & Recreation Society
1992-1995 American Therapeutic Recreation Society
2005- current American Therapeutic Recreation Society