

Education

- M.S.W. **Washington University**, George Warren Brown School of Social Work, St. Louis, Missouri, May 2001. Concentration: Women's Issues.
- B.A. **Carleton College**, Northfield, Minnesota, graduated *magna cum laude*, June 1997. Major: American Studies. Concentration: Educational Studies.

Experience

- **Northeastern Illinois University**, Chicago, Illinois 6/07 - present
 - **Instructor** 8/13 – present
 - **Affiliate Faculty, Women's & Gender Studies Program** 1/13 – present
 - **Adjunct Lecturer** 1/09 – 8/13
 - **Consultant, Child Advocacy Studies Program**, completed needs assessment of community agencies to determine desire for new Child Advocacy program at Northeastern and synthesized results 1/10 – 7/10
 - **Program Specialist, Adult & Women Student Programs**, 6/07 – 7/08 advocated for women and adult students at Northeastern, planned awareness-raising events on issues such as domestic violence, and assisted with numerous committees
- **Deborah's Place**, Chicago, Illinois
 - **Teresa's Interim Housing Program Administrator**, managed shelter for homeless women, provided administrative and clinical supervision for staff and interns, responded to client crises, and collaborated with other departments and agencies to provide services for clients 9/01- 5/07
7/05 – 5/07
 - **Case Manager & Counselor**, provided case management services to over 50 homeless women and empowered women to journey from homelessness to housing through assisting with familial, health-related, educational, and employment goals 8/02 – 6/05
 - **Learning Center Coordinator**, coordinated educational center for homeless and formerly homeless women, supervised staff, created and taught five humanities classes 9/01 – 8/02
- **Options Counselor, Reproductive Health Services of Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region**, St. Louis, Missouri, provided counseling and support for women with problem pregnancies and conducted pre-procedural interviews to assess women's certainty regarding their abortion decisions 12/99 – 7/01

- **Community Education Intern, YWCA Regional Sexual Assault Center**, St. Louis, Missouri, assisted in development and implementation of presentations on childhood sexual abuse, sexual harassment, and sexual assault; provided crisis intervention counseling and advocacy for survivors in emergency rooms and through hotline; and completed 40 hours of training for Sexual Assault Response Team 11/00 – 5/01
- **Domestic Violence Intern, The Women’s Center**, St. Charles, Missouri, answered domestic violence hotline, assisted with grant reporting and documentation, and completed 40 hours of training for Missouri Coalition Against Domestic Violence 6/00 – 10/00
- **East Metro Learning Center Coordinator, Minnesota Literacy Council**, St. Paul, Minnesota, supervised and provided support for 50 tutors and 200 learners of adult basic reading and ESL and coordinated Center’s expansion and move to a new site 9/98 – 7/99
- **VISTA Literacy Coordinator, Minnesota Campus Compact**, Minneapolis, Minnesota, compiled a handbook on America Reads that was distributed to 800 individuals in 38 states, provided technical assistance to Minnesota campuses regarding their childhood literacy programs, and organized workshops and trainings as well as state and national conferences 8/97 – 8/98

Selected Presentations

- “Strengths-Based Services,” Housing Opportunities for Women, Chicago 7/14/14
- “Crisis Intervention,” Housing Options, Evanston 1/26/11
- “Research Community Presentation on the Effects of Violence on Students’ Retention at NEIU,” Northeastern Illinois University 12/7/09
- “Violence, Memory, and Student Success in College,” at National Women’s Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia 11/13/09
- “Responding to Student Concerns Related to a Survey of Traumatic Experiences,” Northeastern Illinois University Research Community 2/20/08
- “Trauma,” Advanced Mental Health Training, Deborah’s Place 6/25/07
- “Assessing Clients’ Risk to Self or Others,” Franciscan Outreach Association, Chicago 3/23/07
- “Psychopharmacology,” Basic Mental Health Training, Deborah’s Place 2/6/07
- “Moral Development: Piaget and Gilligan,” Advanced Mental Health Training, Deborah’s Place 3/29/06

- “The Long-Term Impact of Trauma,” Trilogy Mental Health Center, Chicago 10/25/05
- “Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy: A Brief Overview,” Advanced Mental Health Training, Deborah’s Place 10/12/04
- “Building Partnerships,” VISTA Orientation, Minneapolis 8/13/98
- “Literacy and Social Justice,” VISTA Orientation, Minneapolis 8/14/98
- “Literacy and Social Justice,” University of Minnesota YMCA, Minneapolis 5/20/98

Publications

- “Literacy and America Reads: Tools for Meaningful Social Change,” *Generator: Journal of Service-Learning and Youth Leadership*, 18(1) Spring 1998
- *The America Reads Challenge in Minnesota: Resources, Programs, & Models Handbook* Winter 1998

Research Experience

- Interviewed 18 representatives of community agencies regarding Child Advocacy Studies Minor, Northeastern Illinois University 1/10 – 7/10
- Participant in Research Community focusing on the impact of violence on students’ retention and graduation, Northeastern Illinois University 9/07 – 12/09
- Case Manager for Chicago Housing & Health Partnership (CHHP) Research Project 7/04 – 6/05
- Research Assistant, Motor Vehicle Crash Study – Positive Byproducts of Trauma, Washington University 9/99 – 10/00

Teaching Experience

- Developed and taught Introduction to Child Advocacy Studies at Northeastern Illinois University Spring 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Spring 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010
- Taught Introduction to Women’s and Gender Studies at Northeastern Illinois University Fall 2014, Spring 2012, Spring 2009, Fall 2009
- Designed and taught Humanities Courses at Deborah’s Place 1/02 – 8/02

Volunteer Experience

• **Peterson School, Chicago, Illinois**

- Chair, Parent Advisory Council
 - President, Friends of Peterson
 - Co-Chair, Unity Through the Arts and Sciences
- 9/14 - present
 - 6/14 – present
 - 12/13 - present