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Education

Ph D, Capella University, 2007.
Major: Human Services, Social Work and Community Services
Dissertation Title: Racial Attitudes and Cultural Awareness in White Social Workers: A Cross-Sectional, Correlational Study

MSSW, University of Texas at Arlington, 1997.
Major: Social Work

BS, West Texas A&M University, 1993.
Major: Social Work

Administrative Assignments

Department Chairperson, Department. (July 1, 2016 - Present).

Academic, Government, Military and Professional Positions

Academic

Associate Professor, West Texas A&M University. (September 1, 2000 - June 30, 2016).

Permanent Data

Associate Professor (July 1, 2016)

Licensures and Certifications

Social Work License - LMSW-IPR, Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners. (December 1993 - Present).

Professional Memberships

Baccalaureate Program Directors. (January 2000 - Present).

Council on Social Work Education. (July 31, 2017).

Development Activities Attended

Professional Development Community, "Professional Development Community," Tarleton's CII, Stephenville, TX. (August 2019 - November 2019).

Workshop, "Canvas Basics I," Tarleton's CII, Stephenville, TX, US. (June 2019).

Workshop, "Canvas Basics II," Tarleton's CII, Stephenville, TX, US. (June 2019).

Seminar, "Qualitative Research Retreat," Tarleton's CII, Glen Rose, TX. (June 4, 2019 - June 6, 2019).

Conference Attendance, "Baccalaureate Program Directors Conference," BPD, Jacksonville, FL. (March 13, 2019 - March 17, 2019).

Conference Attendance, "Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting," CSWE, Orlando, FL. (November 8, 2018 - November 11, 2018).

Workshop, "Workday Evaluations for Department Heads," Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX, US. (April 11, 2018).

Workshop, "FastTrack Leadership Workshop," Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX, US. (November 17, 2017 - November 19, 2017).

Workshop, "NVIVO Training," Tarleton State University, Stephenville, TX, US. (October 2017).

Conference Attendance, "CSWE_APM," CSWE, Dallas, TX, US. (October 19, 2017 - October 22, 2017).

Conference Attendance, "SACSCOC Assessment Conference," SACS, Austin, TX, USA. (July 16, 2017 - July 19, 2017).

Workshop, "Council on Social Work Education Reaffirmation Workshop," CSWE, Alexandria, Virginia. (June 2017).

Conference Attendance, "Baccalaureate Program Directors Annual Meeting," BPD, New Orleans, LA, USA. (March 1, 2017 - March 5, 2017).

Conference Attendance, "Academic Chairpersons Conference," Kansas State University, New Orleans, LA, US. (February 8, 2017 - February 10, 2017).

Conference Attendance, "CSWE-APM," CSWE, Atlanta, GA, USA. (November 3, 2016 - November 6, 2016).

Conference Attendance, "Baccalaurate Program Directors," BPD, Dallas, TX, USA. (March 30, 2016 - April 3, 2016).

TEACHING

Teaching Experience

Tarleton State University

SOCW 4059, International Social Work, 5 courses.
SOCW 4085, Sem: Loss & Grief, 1 course.
SOCW 4311, Child Welfare, 1 course.
SOCW 5086, Pro: Foundations of SOCW, 2 courses.
SOCW 5310, Direct Practice Foundation, 1 course.
SOCW 5321, Foundations of Social Work, 4 courses.
SOCW 5325, Research I, 2 courses.
SOCW 5330, Human Behavior, 1 course.
SOCW 5360, Adm & Leadership, 2 courses.
SOCW 5374, Advanced Clinical Research, 2 courses.

SOCW 5386, Group Work, 1 course.
SOCW 5390, Sem: International Social Work, 7 courses.

Non-Credit Instruction

Continuing Education, TSU Department of Social Work, 8 participants. (July 28, 2018 - August 4, 2018).

RESEARCH

Published Intellectual Contributions

Book Chapters

Peters, K. (2019). In Robert McKinney & Stephen Marsden (Ed.), *Ethical Study Abroad: Good Intentions Aren't Enough*. New York, NY: Handbook of Values and Ethics in Social Work/Routledge.

Refereed Journal Articles

Loya, M. A., Peters, K. (in press). Critical Literacy: Engaging Students to Enhance Cultural Humility in Study Abroad. *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping*. reflectionsandnarrativesofprofessionalhelping.org/index.php/Reflections/about

Loya, M. A., Klemm, T. (2016). Using TED Talks in the Social Work Classroom: Encouraging Student Engagement and Discourse. *Journal of Social Work Education, 52*(4), 518-523.

Jones, S., Furman, R., Loya, M. A., Alyssa, A., Nalini, N., Epps, D., Mondragon, G. (2014). The Rise of Anti-Immigrant Policies: An Analysis of Three State Laws and Implications for Social Work. *Intersectionalities: A Global Journal of Social Work Analysis, Research, Policy & Practice, 3*, 39-61.

Loya, M. A., Furman, R., Jones, S., Nystrom, G. (2014). Building Comunidad: Fundacion Humanitaria de Costa Rica. *Social Development Issues, 36*(3), 1-17.

Loya, M. A., Jones, S., Sun, H., Furman, R. (2017). Silent Struggles—the Plight of Undocumented Students in Social Work Education. *Global Social Welfare, 4*(4), 199-207. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s40609-016-0045-5>

Loya, M. A. (2012). Racial Attitudes in White Social Workers: Implications for Culturally Sensitive Practice. *PB&J: Politics, Bureaucracy, and Justice, 3*(1), 23-31.

Loya, M. A. (2011). Color-blind Racial Attitudes in White Social Workers: A Cross-Sectional Study. *Smith College Studies in Social Work, 81*(2-3), 201-217.

Nino, M., Cuevas, M., Loya, M. A. (2011). Transformational Effects of Service Learning in a University Developed Community-Based Agency. *Advances in Social Work, 12*(1), 33-48.

Nino, M., Loya, M. A., Cuevas, M. (2009). Who are the Chronically Homeless? Social Characteristics and Risk Factors Associated with Chronic Homelessness. *Journal of Social Distress & the Homeless, 19*((1-2)), 41-65.

Other

Loya, M. A., Wigington, T. *CSWE MSW Self-Study*.

Loya, M. A. *Benchmark II*.

Loya, M. A. *Benchmark I*.

Presentations Given

Loya, M. A., Peters, K. (Presenter & Author), Council on Social Work Education - APM, "First, Do No Harm; Second, Be the Change: Ethical Study Abroad: Good Intentions Aren't Enough:," CSWE. (November 10, 2018).

Loya, M. A. (Co-Chair), Boutte-Queen, N. (Co-Chair), Woody, D. (Discussant), Ayinagadda, S. (Discussant), Gummelt, G. (Discussant), Pasupuleti, S. (Discussant), Council on Social Work Education - APM, "Using Field of Study to Close Transfer Gaps: Implications for BSW Education," CSWE, Orlando, FL. (November 10, 2018).

Loya, M. A., 9th Annual Professional Training Day, "Positive Self Image as You Age: Staying Active Mentally, Emotionally, and Physically," BSW Hospice of the Southwest, Amarillo, TX. (April 28, 2018).

Loya, M. A., 4th Annual Research Conference, "Good Intentions aren't Enough: Freire, Liberation Psychology, and Volunteerism Abroad," TSU Department of Social Work - Waco, Waco, Texas. (April 13, 2018).

Loya, M. A., Kelly, W., Council on Social Work Education - APM, "Stepping Up: Peer Mentoring for New Chairs & Directors," CSWE, Dallas, Texas. (October 22, 2017).

Loya, M. A., Phillips, K. (Presenter Only), Baccalaureate Program Directors, "The Best Laid Plans: Perils and Pitfalls of Study Abroad," BPD, New Orleans, Louisiana. (March 3, 2017).

Loya, M. A. (Presenter & Author), Phillips, K. (Presenter & Author), Hord, A. (Presenter & Author), Council on Social Work Education - APM, "Piecing It Together: Experiential Learning and Interprofessional Education to Address Core Competencies," CSWE, Atlanta, Georgia. (November 5, 2016).

Loya, M. A., Council on Social Work Education - APM, "Privilege & Paperclips: Teaching Social Justice," CSWE, Atlanta, Georgia. (November 4, 2016).

Intellectual Contributions in Submission

Refereed Journal Articles

Smith, M., Loya, M. A. The Promotion of Lifelong Learning: A Study Abroad Program for Practitioners. *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping*.

Research Currently in Progress

"Perceptions of Costa Rican Host Families regarding Study Abroad Students" (Writing Results). Qualitative study of the perceptions of host families who work for the Institute of Central American Development and Studies in San Jose, Costa Rica.

"Perceptions of Staff/Faculty at a Study Abroad Agency regarding Programming and Students"
(Writing Results).
Qualitative study

"Semester-Long Study Abroad Students and Changes in Global Mindedness" (Writing Results).
Qualitative study of semester-long students studying at ICADS in San Jose, Costa Rica.

SERVICE

Department Service

Committee Chair, Advisory Committee. (September 2016 - Present).

Committee Chair, Search Committee - MSW Faculty Position. (August 2016 - April 2017).

College Service

Committee Chair, Search Committee - Associate Dean. (October 2017 - December 2018).

University Service

Committee Member, Study Abroad Workflow Group. (September 2018 - Present).

Committee Member, SACSCOC Sub-Committee (Section 8). (November 2017 - Present).

Committee Member, SACSCOS Sub-Committee (Section 12). (November 2017 - Present).

Committee Member, SACSCOC Reaccreditation Steering Committee. (October 2017 - Present).

Committee Member, International Education Advisory Council. (September 2017 - Present).

Committee Member, University Assessment Carnegie Sub-Committee. (March 5, 2017 - Present).

Committee Member, University Assessment Committee. (September 2016 - Present).

Committee Member, Graduate Council. (August 2016 - Present).

Committee Member, MSW Field Director Search Committee. (October 2018 - April 2019).

Committee Member, FYS Work Group. (April 2017 - August 2018).

Committee Member, Sociology Search Committee. (September 2016 - February 2018).

Professional Service

Committee Member, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board - Social Work FOS Advisory Committee, Austin, TX. (February 2018 - Present).

Reviewer, Journal Article. (September 2017 - Present).

Public Service

Committee Member, Stop the Silence Coalition, Stephenville, TX. (September 2017 - Present).

