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RESEARCH SKILLS

- Advanced knowledge of research design and implementation (e.g., randomized controlled trials, correlational, cross-sectional, and longitudinal designs; interview and survey methodology)
- Six years of experience conducting quantitative and qualitative data analysis, using statistical software for quantitative data (e.g., SPSS, R, Excel), and inductive and deductive coding for qualitative data
- Ability to disseminate research findings to diverse audiences and backgrounds (e.g., community partners, fellow colleagues, participants, and conference attendees)
- Highly organized, conscientious, and analytical

EDUCATION

WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Faculty of Science: Master of Arts, Psychology

2018 - 2019

- Graduated with High Distinction (GPA: 12.00 / 12.00)
 - Master's thesis: Exploring the Female Autism Phenotype: Personal Identity Formation and Well-Being in Autistic Females

Faculty of Science: Honours Bachelor of Arts, Psychology (Concentration: Research Specialist) 2013 – 2018 Minor: Philosophy

Graduated with High Distinction (GPA: 11.62 / 12.00)

Undergraduate Research Projects:

Honours thesis in developmental psychology
 Internship: Participatory Action Research study (Qualitative)
 2016 – 2017
 2015 – 2016

CONESTOGA COLLEGE, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Preparatory Communications & Mathematics

• Focus for Change Certificate 2009

TEACHING & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistantships

WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Research in Developmental Psychology (PS375)

FALL, 2018

2009; 2011 - 2012

Research Assistantships

CHRISTIAN HORIZONS (RESOURCE & LEADERSHIP CENTRE), KITCHENER, ONTARIO

Research Assistant in Clinical and Research Services

SUMMER, 2018

• Conducted literature reviews in diverse topics (e.g., self-determination, quality of life, dignity, respect) as they relate to individuals with developmental disabilities (e.g., Autism, Down Syndrome)

WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Research Assistant in Dr. Newton's Personality & Development in Adulthood Lab

2017 - 2019

- Regularly attended lab meetings to discuss research projects (e.g., deadlines, responsibilities, etc.)
- Entered participants' data into the system and ran statistical analyses as required
- Aided in developing a report that was disseminated to participants and to the community

Research Intern at the Centre for Community Research, Learning, and Action (CCRLA)

2015 - 2016

• Designed and implement a qualitative, participatory action research study examining the barriers to participation for girls attending recreational programs in the Waterloo Region

Research Assistant in Dr. Todd Ferretti's Cognitive Psychology lab

SUMMER, 2015

 Helped design and implement an EEG study exploring language comprehension and temporal perspectives

Research Assistant in Dr. Christian Jordan's Social Psychology lab

2014 - 2015

Observed and instructed participants, organized time-slots, and set up an implicit-association test (IAT)
 using MediaLab software

OTHER EXPERIENCE

CRAWFORD & COMPANY CANADA, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Junior Call Centre Agent in Claims Alert Division

2010

- Worked under pressure taking emergency insurance claims, including automobile accidents, fatalities, house fires, floods, and theft from the general public
- Successfully entered hundreds of claims from the general public, brokers, adjusters, and other clients into the Claims Alert database
- Demonstrated ability to use tact in delicate circumstances to handle customer complaints and defuse reactive clients

Office Support Worker for Appraisal Management Services

2007 - 2008

- Entered hundreds of car insurance claims into the Auto Appraisal database
- Was required to have an eye for detail, time management, professionalism in the workplace, and the ability to work independently
- Improved productivity by providing computer technical advice to coworkers to maximize efficiency and reduce time loss.

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

Internal Awards

WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY, WATERLOO, ONTARIO

Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies Scholarship (\$5,000)	2018-2019
Laurier Graduate Fellowship (\$1,541)	2018
Faculty of Science Students' Association: Research Assistant Scholarship (\$1,000)	2017-2018
Varietas Scholarship (\$1,000)	2016-2017
Women in Science: Hypatia Award (\$500)	2017

External Awards

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Canadian Graduate Scholarship - Master's (CGS-M) (Awarded) (Valued at \$17,500)	2019
Autism Scholars Award (Alternate) (Valued at \$18,000)	2019-2020
Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) (Awarded) (Valued at \$15,000)	2018-2019
Undergraduate Student Research Awards Program (NSERC-USRA) (Awarded) (Valued at \$5,625)	2015

Publications & Conference Presentations

Publications

*Vokes, S., *Barry, E., Wilson, C., Pulla, V., & Shacter, J. (2019). Gaining insight into Youth Programming & the Inclusion of Girls. *Critical Social Work*, 20(1), 88-108. doi:10.22329/csw.v20i1.5962

Note: the (*) symbol indicates co-first authorship.

Conference & Poster Presentations

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario	
Symposium on Aging Research (SOAR): Rapid-Fire Presentation	May 2019
 Presented preliminary findings from Master's thesis 	
Symposium on Aging Research (SOAR): Poster Presentation	May 2019
Presented Master's thesis poster	
Awarded Best Poster Presentation	
Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario	
Grad Student Research and Development Symposium: Poster Presentation	Apr. 2019
Presented findings from Master's thesis	
Master's Thesis Conference: Poster Presentation	Mar. 2019
 Presented findings from Master's thesis Community Psychology Research Day: Conference Presenter 	Apr. 2017
Presented updated research findings from SCRP Internship with fellow intern	APR. 2017
Undergraduate Thesis Conference: Poster Presentation	Mar. 2017
Presented research findings from Honours thesis	777 M. 2017
THE YOUTH ENGAGEMENT COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE, KITCHENER-WATERLOO, ONTARIO	
Guest Presenter	May 2016
 Presented findings from CCRLA Internship to youth service providers 	MAY 2016
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CENTRE FOR COMMUNITY RESEARCH, LEARNING, & ACTION (CCRLA), KITCHENER-WATERLOO,	Ontario
Conference Presenter	Apr. 2016
 Presented research findings with fellow interns to the community, stakeholders, and fe 	llow researchers
Christian Horizons, Kitchener, Ontario	
Student Conference: Poster Presentation	
Presented poster: "Investigating Individual Outcomes Over Time: A Desire-Preference	Aug. 2018
Model of Support"	
Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario	
Development 2018 Conference: Poster Presentation	May 2018
Presented findings from Honours thesis	
Professional Activities	
Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders	
Peer Reviewer	2018 – Present
Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario	
Scientific and Report Writing Workshop with Robert Kail	2018
Career Development Certificate – Advanced	2017
Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans Course	2014
on Research Ethics (TCPS-2)	
Waterloo Region District School Board, Waterloo, Ontario	
Essential Skills Upgrading Tutor	2016
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