

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

PhD Student in Interdisciplinary Health Sciences **2023-Present**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of IHS

Master of Social Work **2023**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Social Work

Bachelor of Science Health Promotion **2019**
The University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Public Health Sciences

Research Experience

PhD Research Associate **2023-Present**
Reducing Mental Health Disparities for Hispanic Adults in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region through a Community-Grounded Mental Health Engagement Program

- Assisted in developing the advisory committee.
- Develop a list of community resources for participants of the project.
- Assisted in developing manual and curriculum that will be implemented at local food pantry
- Train MSW students in curriculum that will be implemented at local food pantry
- Screen and facilitate group sessions to participants in English and Spanish as needed.

Graduate Research Assistant **2022**
A Mixed Methods Analysis of Food Security Outcomes During and After the COVID-19 Pandemic for a Comprehensive Food Pantry Program in El Paso, Texas

- Assisted in developing consent forms for data collection in Spanish
- Assisted in translating the interview guide into Spanish.
- Debrief focus group findings with the principal investigator
- Transcribe and translate the individual interviews in order to organize them into qualitative data.
- Assisted in individual interviews analysis and cleaning data.

Graduate Research Assistant **2022**
Photovoice Project: Exploring Resilience and Coping Skills to Prevent Cancer and Chronic Diseases among Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.

- Develop a list of community resources for participants of the project.
- Assist with the facilitation of sessions for the participants.

- Communicate with participants on a daily basis.
- Assisted in developing the advisory committee.
- Assisted with quantitative analysis
- Assisted in developing consent forms for data collection in Spanish

Graduate Research Assistant

2022

Better Understanding Mental Health Help-Seeking and Treatment Engagement for Hispanic Adults in El Paso County, Texas.

- Research articles on Mental Health Services and needs among the Hispanic/Latino population
- Develop a list of Mental Health resources for community members
- Assisted in developing consent forms for data collection in Spanish
- Facilitate focus groups in Spanish and English
- Debrief focus group findings with the principal investigator
- Transcribe and translate the focus groups from the program in order to organize them into qualitative data.
- Assisted in focus group analysis and cleaning data.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2018

Mujer Saludable, Familia Feliz/ Healthy Women, Happy Family Program

- Promote services such as HIV and Hepatitis C, and recruit people to attend the interventions offered by the program, weekly.
- Create flyers to promote nutrition classes along with food demonstrations.
- Conduct nutrition classes to the community at the housing department, senior center, and schools, monthly.
- Enter data into different databases, such as SPARS and Qualtrics, weekly.
- Create flyers in English and Spanish to promote upcoming program events, monthly.
- Providing community health workers with material for classes, weekly.
- Transcribe the focus group from the program in order to organize it into qualitative data.
- Manage a group of 10 community health workers(CHWs)
- Assist Principal investigator and evaluators with Focus Groups.

Internship Experience

Intern

2023

El Paso County Attorney's Office, Protective Order Unit (Victim Resource Program)

- Provide applicants with Crisis Counseling
- Create a Needs Assessment for every applicant
- Provide applicants with Social Services Information and Referrals/ Service Coordination
- Assist with the development of ongoing comprehensive safety planning
- Assist with Application Assistance: Crime Victim Compensation, SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, Financial Assistance Programs, etc.

Intern

2022

Canutillo Independent School District, Coordinated School Health Program.

- Create flyers to promote SHAC Meetings.
- Research on Title IX policies among school districts

- Work with Elementary Schools in order to update parents of students with unexcused absences.
- Assisted with house visits to parents of students with multiple unexcused absences within the school district
- Attend SHAC Meetings.
- Develop minutes for SHAC Meetings
- Review the Student Support Services Department Website and analyze areas that can be changed to facilitate parents' access to information.

Intern **2019**

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Desert Mountain AHEC Program

- Promote events in the West Texas region for the community.
- Help develop flyers to promote health career classes for high school students as well as other hands-on activities.
- Conduct classroom presentations about health careers to schools, monthly.
- Enter data into AHEC'S database for classes given in the community.
- Develop a needs assessment for three counties (El Paso, Culberson, and Presidio) covered by Desert Mountain AHEC Program.

Awards

Eta Sigma Gamma National Chapter Recognition Award **2019**

National Eta Sigma Gamma

Robert J. Synovitz Distinguished Service Award **2019**

National Eta Sigma Gamma

Student Organization of the Year **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

UTEP Gold Standard Organization **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Collegiate RSO of the Year- College of Health Science **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Category of the Year- Honor Society **2019**

UTEP Student Engagement & Leadership Center

Presentations

Escalante, R, Mallonee, J, Robles, E, Segovia, J, Salazar-Hinojosa, L. (April 2024) Qualitative Exploration of Beliefs, Barriers, and Recommendations for Improving Mental Health Care and Access for Hispanic Adults in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region. (Southwest Social Science Association 2024 Annual Meeting) New Orleans, LA. [Presentation]

Mallonee,J,**Escalante,R**,Robles,E,Ramirez, N.(October 2023) Development of a Community Grounded Culturally Responsive Mental Health Engagement Program for Hispanic Adults. (Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting) Atlanta,GA.[Presentation]

Escalante,R,Mallonee,J,Robles,E,Kwon,K,Ramirez,N.(September 2023) Pensamientos y Platicas: A Community-Grounded Mental Health Engagement Program.(Viva la Salud Conference) El Paso,TX. [Poster]

Mallonee, J, **Escalante, R**.(February 2023) FreshStart's Impact On Those In Need - A Bilingual Community Presentation.El Paso,Tx.[Presentation]

Mangadu,T,Alarcon,P,Priego,J,**Escalante,R**,Billings,A,Warling,A,Umuucu,E,Thimbriel,R, Tapia,I.(March 2022) Rural Communities Opioid Response Program Implementation Consortium,Poster Exhibit,Society for Public Health Education Annual Conference. [Poster]

Escalante, R,Priego, J,Mangadu, T.(March 2020) TX Public Health Region 10 U.S.-MX Border Counties Rural Communities Opioid Response Program - Planning (RCORP-P) Consortium.(HRSA Reverse Site Visit)Washington,DC.. [Poster]

Escalante,Rosa, Camacho,D, & Fuentes, E.(May 2019) West Texas Area Health Education Center Needs Assessment. HSCI 4600 Practicum in Community Health Poster Exhibit, UTEP, El Paso TX. [Poster]

Publications

Mallonee, J., **Escalante, R.**, Robles, E. H., & Tucker, C. (2023). "Something very taboo": A qualitative exploration of beliefs, barriers, and recommendations for improving mental health care and access in the Paso del Norte U.S.-Mexico border region. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 11.

Certifications

Texas Victim Assistance Training(TVAT) **2022-Present**
The Texas Department of Criminal Justice Victim Services Division

Photovoice Training Voices and images:A Research Method **2022-Present**
The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)

Responsible Conduct of Research **2022-Present**
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training for Trainers Certified **2021-Present**

UT Health San Antonio/ School of Nursing

Mental Health First Aid USA Certified 2019-2022
National Council for Behavioral Health

QPR for Suicide Prevention Certified 2018-Present
The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)

Human Subjects Research 2018-Present
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)

Student & Professional Organizations

Phi Alpha Honor Society-Omicron Theta 2023-Present
Member

Student Association of Social Workers 2021-2022
Member

National Association of Social Workers, Texas-Rio Grande Chapter 2020-Present
Member

Students for Public Health 2018-2019
Member

Eta Sigma Gamma 2017-2019
President Spring 2019

- Managed five ESG officers and oversaw members
- Organization named Collegiate RSO of the Year- College of Health Science and Gold Standard Organization
- Organization received Eta Sigma Gamma National Chapter Recognition Award

Sergeant at Arms Fall 2018

- Communicate with leadership to establish dates of organization meetings.
- Arrange meeting room reservations and ensure communicating arrangements with leadership to be provided to members.

Health Promotion Student Association 2017-2019
Member

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars UTEP Chapter 2014-2019
Member

Alpha Lambda Delta UTEP Chapter
Member

2014-2019

General Work Experience

Program Coordinator

2020-2021

RCORP-I (Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation)
Aliviane Inc, El Paso, Texas

- Manage up to 2 people under my supervision.
- Support the treatment for and prevention of substance use disorders (SUD), including opioid use disorders (OUD) in the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster and Jeff Davies.
- Build relationships among stakeholders in the communities of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster and Jeff Davies.
- Attend meetings among the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies to promote the project, monthly.
- Recruit participants among the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Conduct meetings with members from RCORP-P Consortium, monthly.

Project Coordinator

2019-2020

RCORP-P (Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Planning)
Aliviane Inc, El Paso, Texas

- Manage up to 2 people under my supervision.
- Support the treatment for and prevention of substance use disorders (SUD), including opioid use disorders (OUD) in the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Assisted in developing consent forms for data collection in Spanish and English
- Translate data collection instruments into Spanish.
- Build relationships among stakeholders in the communities of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Attend meetings among the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies to promote the project, monthly.
- Recruit participants among the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Assist facilitator of Focus groups in Spanish.
- Conduct surveys among members of the communities of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Develop a Needs Assessment, Strategic Plan, and SWOT Analysis for the counties of Hudspeth, Culberson, Presidio, Brewster, and Jeff Davies.
- Conduct meetings with members from RCORP-P Consortium, monthly.

Customer Service Representative/Lead

2016-2018

Parking and Transportation Services
(UTEP) , El Paso, Texas

- Manage up to 4 people under my supervision.

- Assist Students, Faculty and Staff members with appeals and traffic fines.
- Perform job interviews to possible candidates for job positions.
- Work in special projects assigned by the Assistant Director from the department.
- Process and organize Staff and Faculty appeals.
- Customer service, process refunds and returns for parking permits for Faculty, Staff and students.
- Answering phones and emails from Faculty, Staff and Students.
- Assists Faculty, Staff, students and visitors with questions in regards of parking at the University.
- Entering citations into the system and assigning a responsible customer.
- Process charges and refunds in Banner.
- Assist customers purchasing a permit and returning permits.
- Assist CSG over the radio with the information requested.