

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

In progress:

2019 Doctor of Philosophy in Interdisciplinary Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso

Completed:

2012 Master of Science, Clinical Research Administration, Walden University.

2006 Bachelor of Science, Business Administration, University of Phoenix

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- ◆ Director-Research Oversight & Compliance, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso (2013 – Present)
- ◆ Research Conflict of Interest Official, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso (2013 –Present)
- ◆ Interim Director, Laboratory Animal Resources Center (LARC), The University of Texas at El Paso (2019-present)
- ◆ IRB Administrator, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso (2009 – 2013)
- ◆ Clinical Coordinator, Department of Internal Medicine, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center-El Paso (2006 – 2009)
- ◆ Billing Coordinator/Screeener, MPIP/Department of Internal Medicine, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center-El Paso (2003 – 2006)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- ◆ Community Educator II, Department of Pediatrics (Genetics), University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (2001 – 2003)
- ◆ Administrative Medical Instructor, Business Skills Institute, El Paso, TX (2000)
- ◆ Assistant Clinical Instructor, Career Centers of Texas of El Paso (1999 – 2000)
- ◆ Basic Life Support Instructor (CPR) through American Heart Association, JumpStarter (1999-2010)

COMMITTEE SERVICE

Hablando de la Salud de la Mujer Symposium-Committee Member	2008-2009
Child Crisis Center of El Paso-Board Director	2012-2014
Rotary Club of West El Paso	2017-2020
The University of Texas at El Paso IRB-ongoing appt	2016
The University of Texas at El Paso IACUC-ongoing appt	2016
The University of Texas at El Paso IBC-ongoing appt	2016

AWARDS

On-Campus Student Enrollment Program (UT System funds), 2014
 University of Texas at El Paso, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects
 Amount awarded: \$6,189.00
 Purpose: Hire, train and educate a research assistant for regulatory assurances

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Association of Medical Assisting	1997
American Heart Association (Basic Life Instructor)	1999
Society of Clinical Research Associates (SoCRA)	2007
Certified Clinical Research Professional (CCRP)	2007

Professional Training Sessions:

UTEP Training & Development: Having Difficult Conversations	5/5/21
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CONFERENCES

OHRP Virtual Research Community Forum- Northwell Health, Feinstein Institutes of Medical Research, Human Research Protection Program, "Embracing Diversity and Innovation in Research"	May 2022
Preparedness Detections, Prevention, Response, and Control, sponsored by the ORAU Council of Sponsoring Institutions	March 2022
IACUC 101 Series	Nov 2019

