

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

Graduate Research Assistant **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

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.

- 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

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

Mangadu, T., Alarcon, P., Priego, J., **Escalante, R.**, Billings, A., Warling, A., Umucu, 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]

Professional Reports

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 2014-2019
Member

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.