

Wendy L. DuCassé, MSW, LCSW

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- Expected 2023** **Doctor of Social Work**
University of Kentucky – Lexington, Kentucky
- Graduated 2015** **Graduate Certificate: Nonprofit Management and Leadership**
University of Missouri-Saint Louis – Saint Louis, Missouri
- Graduated 2004** **Master of Science: Social Work**
Saint Louis University – Saint Louis, Missouri
- Graduated 2002** **Bachelor of Science: Social Work**
Southeast Missouri State University - Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Academic/Teaching Experience

- 2022 - Current** **Director of Field Education**
Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri
- Acts as leader in School of Social Work.
 - Oversees field education model for BSSW, MSW, and online program.
 - Manages and directs strategic direction Office of Field Education.
 - Supports both staff and students academically and emotionally.
 - Provides orientation and training for all social work field instructors in metropolitan Saint Louis area.
 - Teach undergraduate and graduate level social work courses, integrative field seminars, and serves as field liaison.
- 2021 - Current** **Online Instructor**
Aurora University, Aurora, Illinois
- Teaches BSW field instruction to bachelor's level students.
 - Prepares quizzes, tests, and examinations to assess student learning.
 - Supports student throughout their field instruction and placement.
 - Designs detailed learning plans for struggling students based on test, homework, and assignment records.
- 2014 - Current** **Online Instructor**
Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, New Hampshire

- Teach courses to bachelor's level students.
- Modify lessons and curriculum to accommodate diverse learners by using strategies such as peer-assisted learning and group work.
- Fosters student curiosity and interest through creative hands-on activities.

2014 - Current

Online Instructor

Simmons University, Boston, Massachusetts

- Teaches courses to master's level students.
- Utilize online learning platform to provide asynchronous content.
- Fosters student curiosity and interest through creative hands-on activities.

Courses Taught

Bachelors Level

SWK4220 BSW Field Instruction

HSE101, Introduction to Human Services

HSE220, Communication Skills for Human Service Professionals

HSE315, Role and Impact of Trauma

HSE320, Human Services Organizational Systems

HSE480, Human Services Capstone

HN115, Human Services Program and Profession

HN144, Human Behavior and the Environment

HN205, Applied Skills for Human Services

HN299, Associates Capstone for Human Services

HN370, Child and Family Welfare

HN377, Studies in Child and Adolescent Development

Masters Level

SWO 411, Human Behavior in the Social Environment

SWO 414, Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis

Employment Experience

2016 - 2022

Social Worker

Special School District of Saint Louis County, St. Louis, Missouri

- Conducted group therapy sessions and managed cases to address psychosocial needs.
- Assessed for barriers to learning and social issues in students.
- Trained and guided teachers on how to identify and support students.
- Developed Functional Behavioral Assessment and Positive Behavioral Intervention Plan to identify cause of problem behavior, formulate strategies to address behavior and teach new behavioral skills.

2013 - 2016

Behavioral Health Consultant

Peoples Health Centers, St. Louis, Missouri

- Assisted medical providers in developing behavioral modification plans for patients.
- Assessed mental health needs of all patients encountered and provided crisis intervention services for individuals.
- Coordinated referrals for patients' external service needs.
- Facilitated patient education classes on topics including parenting, anger management, stress, and depression.
- Completed substance abuse screenings using SBIRT and referred patients to treatment as needed.
- Acted as Co-chair of Patient Satisfaction Committee, conducted annual survey, and compiled data for reporting to stakeholders.
- Served as field instructor for BSW and MSW practicum students.
- Facilitated student groups on anger management, self-esteem, social skills, positive body image, grief, loss, and sobriety.

2011- 2015

Facilitrainer

National Conference for Community and Justice of Metropolitan St. Louis, Saint Louis, Missouri

- Facilitated discussions around issues of diversity, social justice, and anti-oppression.
- Revised curriculum related to social justice and anti-oppression studies.
- Supervised youth at residential leadership academy for students in grades 9-12.
- Mentored and coached Delegate Leaders.
- Coordinated mental health services throughout leadership academy.

2007 - 2012

District Social Worker

Brentwood School District, Brentwood, Missouri

- Served as school liaison between students, families, administration, and mental health agencies.
- Trained school faculty and staff regarding mental health issues, diversity, and violence prevention.
- Provided crisis support to students and staff.
- Coordinated district-wide charitable activities.
- Conducted regular home visits with at-risk families and connected them to community resources.

Affiliations

Nu Lamda Mu Honor Society, Member

Phi Alpha Honor Society, Member
School Social Work Association of America, Member
National Education Association, Member
Council for Social Work Education, Member

Publications

Collins, L., DuCassé, W. and Forsyth, R.] (2021). [Navigating the Political Landscape] In T. Cox, T. Fitzgerald, & M. Alvarez. (Eds.) (in press). *The Art of Becoming Indispensable: What School Social Workers Need to Know in Their First Three Years of Practice*. Oxford University Press.