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EDUCATION

PhD, 2018 Florida International University (expected graduation Spring 2019)

Robert Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work

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Miami, FL 33199

MSW, 2014 University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

College of Social Work

Area of Concentration: Policy and Social Welfare

School Social Work

SCHOLARLY FOCUS

Primary Interests: Older Offenders: PTSD, Older Veteran Offenders: Reintegration: Health

Disparities of Offenders: Quality of Life: Psychological Well-being of Older Adults; Homelessness; Crime & Violence Prevention; Criminal Justice and Public Policy; Evidence Based Policy, Community Based

Research, Cost-benefit Analysis, and Program Evaluation

Secondary Interests: Program design and evaluation; evidence-based practice

HONORS & AWARDS

Research Assistant 2017-2018 Florida International University Research Assistant 2014-2015 Florida International University Graduate Assistant 2011-2014 University of South Carolina Alpha Chi, National Honor Society for Undergraduate Alpha Phi Sigma, Criminal Justice Honor Society Alpha Kappa, Delta Sociology Honor Society National Association of Social Workers

Pi Kappa Alpha Member & Alumni -Education Chair, 2009

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

May 2016 to 20018

Florida International University

Miami, FL Adjunct Professor

Summer 2018

SOW 3401 Research Methods SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy I

Spring 2018

SOW 3233 Social Welfare Policy II

SOW 3233 Social Welfare Policy II (Hybrid Course)

Fall 2017

SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy I

SOW 3233 Social Welfare Policy II (Fully Online)

Summer 2017

SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy CCJ 4701 Data and Analysis (Fully Online)

Spring 2017

SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy

CCJ 4700 Research Methods in Criminal Justice (Hybrid Course)

Fall 2016:

SOW 3232 Social Welfare Policy and Services I SOW 3233 Social Welfare Policy and Services II CCJ 4064 Criminal Justice and the Constitution

Summer 2016:

CCJ 2020 Introduction to Criminal Justice CCJ 4700 Research Methods in Criminal Justice

August 2014 to Present

Florida International University

Miami, FL

Research Assistant

Conducting research on retirement among a diverse population of baby boomers in Miami-Dade County.

Assisted the primary investigator in writing and researching a grant to be funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Using qualitative practices to identify barriers for aging adults.

Reporting findings in a collaboration with United Way of Miami-Dade-County.

January 2017 to Present

FIU Policy Committee

Miami, FL

Committee member on the FIU Policy Committee devised to reevaluate and restructure the current formatting of the FIU Social Work policy courses.

August 2013 to May 2014

South Carolina HIV/ AIDS Council (SCHAC)

Columbia, SC *Field Placement*

Assisted in grant writing through researching literature on people living with HIV/AIDS, dealing with mental illness and incarceration.

Developed knowledge and skills to effectively work on issues related to minority populations, health care and sexually transmitted disease.

Gained experience working with a non-profit organization through understanding budgeting, strategic planning, funding and the breakdown of these responsibilities.

August 2013 to May 2014

Transitions Homeless Shelter

Columbia, SC Field Placement

Applied theories and specific interventions to help clients reach treatment plan goals.

Assisted clients with managing disabilities claims.

Created the policy and procedures manual for managing Veterans, as well as physically and mentally disabled persons.

August 2011 to May 2014

University of South Carolina

Columbia, SC Graduate Assistant

Provided administrative support for students and offices. Supervised research lab in the School of Social Work.

PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

- **Lukic, A.,** & Beaulaurier, R. *An Exploration of Incarcerated Veterans and their Unaddressed Needs.* Abstract accepted for presentation at 2017 College of Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX.
- Lukic A. & Maschi, T., *Analysis of U.S. Compassionate-Release-Laws: Advancing Rights in Prison.* Abstract accepted for presentation at 2017 College of Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX.
- Ruggiano, N., **Lukic, A.,** Blowers, A., & Doerner, J. *Chronic Health Self-management among Prisoners: Current Understandings and Directionsfor Policy, Practice, Research.* Abstract accepted for presentation at 2016 American Society of Crimnology 72nd Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Ruggiano, N., **Lukic, A.,** Blowers, A., & Doerner, J. *Chronic Health Self-management among Prisoners: Current Understandings and Directionsfor Policy, Practice, Research.* Abstract accepted for presentation at the 2016 Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
- Maschi, T., & **Lukic**, **A**. Construing Care and Community: A Practice Model for Providing Supportive Services That Reunite Aging People in Prison with Their Families and Communities. Abstract accepted for presentation at the 2016 Scientific Meeting of the Society for Social Work Research, Washington, DC.
- Maschi, T., Morgen, K., & **Lukic**, **A**. Race, Age, and Health Outcomes Among the Incarcerated: Implications for Preventive Healthcare in Prison. Abstract accepted for presentation at the 2016 Scientific Meeting of the Society for Social Work Research, Washington, DC.
- Maschi, T., **Lukic, A.**, & Koskinen, L. *Coming Out of Prison: A Qualitative Exploration of LGBT Elders in the Criminal Justice System.* Abstract accepted for presentation at the 2016 Scientific Meeting of the Society for Social Work Research, Washington, DC.
- **Lukic, A.**, & Ruggiano, N. Advancing our Understanding of Aging Prisoners: Intersections of Policy, Practice, and Research. Abstract accepted for presentation at the 2015 Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.
- Ruggiano, N., Schottefer, L., O'Driscoll, J., **Lukic, A.**, & Chirito, F. *The Role of Perceived Health and Disability in Retirement Planning among a Diverse Sample of Women*. Abstract submitted for review for presentation at the 2015 Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL.

Ruggiano, N., Schottefer, L., Chirito, F., O'Driscoll, J., **Lukic, A.**, & Sias, K. (April 2015). *Growing Older in Miami: Perspectives and Concerns from a Diverse Sample of Urban Baby Boomers*. Paper accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, Miami, FL.

Technical Reports

Ruggiano, N., Schottefor, L., O'Driscoll, J., **Lukic, A**., & Chirito, F. (April 2015). *Looking Forward: Perspectives on Retirement among a Diverse Population of Baby Boomers in Miami-Dade County*. Report presented to the United Way of Miami-Dade County.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Project FIU V.E.T.S.

Miami, FL

Lead researcher for identifying needs and improving resources for veteran students attending Florida International University.

Assisted in developing and evaluating program to address this population and use funds provided from Citi financial grant.

Awarded 100,000 for phase one of the study.

United Way Research Project

Looking Forward: Perspectives on Retirement among a Diverse Population of Baby Boomers in Miami-Dade County

Primary Investigator: Nicole Ruggiano, PhD, MSW

Role: Research Assistant

Project Description: This research involved English, Spanish, and Creolelanguage focus groups with a diverse sample of Baby Boomers in Miami-Dade County. Participants were asked questions regarding their expectations and experiences with retirement. The focus group data were systematically coded and analyzed for themes.

Duties: Literature review, qualitative data analysis, report writing.

Uniform Crime Report (UCF)

Operated and exercised software while working on federal grants involving Governors Highway Safety Program (GHSP).

Conducted specific research analysis for community funding resourcing the Uniform Crime Report.