

CURRICULUM VITAE

Susan L. Iliff MA, OTR/L

EDUCATION

- SU 2012-present Enrolled in PhD/OT Doctoral Program
Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas
In eighth semester; anticipated completion date Fall 2018
- 2009 Master of Arts, Occupational Therapy (post-professional degree program)
Area of Concentration: Pediatrics
Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas
Thesis: "Sensitivity of the Print Tool: Discriminating Children With and Without Handwriting Difficulties"
- 2005-2006 Independent Study in Occupational Therapy
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) Program
Introduction to Mexican Traditional Medicine and Spanish Language
- 1998 Bachelor of Science, Occupational Therapy
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- FA 2012, 2013, 2014 OCC TH 514: Introduction to Occupation and Health, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Independently taught course and developed new lectures and class activities; coordinated fieldwork observations as part of the course
- 7/2011-present Academic Fieldwork Coordinator/Lecturer II, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Coordinate Level I and Level II clinical fieldwork experiences for graduate OT students; develop new and existing fieldwork sites, conduct site visits, educate and advise fieldwork educators and act as a liaison for students, fieldwork educators, and community; assist faculty in teaching labs for applied courses; plan, coordinate, and present Spring and Fall FW Educator workshops
- SP 2011-present Graduate Seminar OCC TH 594/599D, Fieldwork II Preparation and Planning, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Prepare OT graduate students for Fieldwork II; discuss expectations, required paperwork, NBCOT exam preparation, NM Licensure regulations; coordinate various guest speakers and panels for seminar
- 2004-2007,
2010- present Problem Based Learning Facilitator, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Facilitate OT graduate students in discussion, problem solving, and reflection/feedback on various case studies in the field of occupational therapy
- 2006-2010 Research Developer and Supervisor, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Co-designed and participated in ongoing research study involving the hand use of children and handwriting, supervised and trained graduate OT students on evaluations and procedures for the duration of the project, and currently working on manuscripts for publication

2004-2007 Adjunct Faculty, Lab Facilitator and Lecturer for OCC TH 545L Occupation Across the Lifespan & OCC TH 620L Applied Occupations II: Pediatrics, University of New Mexico/Albuquerque Public Schools Collaborative Program, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Prepared and presented lectures pertaining to Lifespan Development and Pediatrics in Occupational Therapy graduate courses, coordinated and carried out course labs while concurrently performing part-time duties as a school-based OT

2000-2007, 2010-2011 Level I & Level II Clinical Fieldwork Educator, Albuquerque Public Schools Albuquerque, New Mexico and Creative Therapy Services, Rio Rancho, New Mexico
Mentored/supervised graduate OT students for 4-12 week periods, instructed students in school-based therapy methods tapering my instruction/support according to AOTA guidelines, co-facilitated and planned a student-lead group for duration of level II fieldworks

RELATED EXPERIENCE/SERVICE/COMMITTEES

December 2014 Board Member for LifeROOTS
Attend monthly meetings; participate in business discussions and fundraising events for the agency; support their mission and vision. LifeROOTS is a non-profit agency serving children and adults with special needs.

June 2013-present Fieldwork Advisory Board Director
Lead monthly meeting with FW Educators from the ABQ community to discuss FW issues, make improvements to documents, communicate changes, and plan FW Educator Conferences

November 2013 Manuscript Reviewer for Physical & Occupational Therapy in Pediatrics.

SP 2013-present Student Disability Committee Program Representative/SOM/HSC/UNM
Meet to discuss accommodation requests for students and develop learning plans.

FA 2012-present Career Day Faculty Coordinator
Facilitate & delegate coordination of event with OT graduate students. Career fair takes place the first week of September every year

FA 2011-present Admissions Reviewer and Application Scorer
Review and score applications and letters of reference for prospective students every fall semester

10/2011 to present Occupational Therapy Student Performance Assessment (OTSPA) Coordinator
Coordinate/facilitate the assessment by collaborating with other team members to create a schedule, reserve rooms and gather all necessary materials; review the day with students; complete follow-up paperwork and evaluations, present to faculty results; create new cases for following year

10/2011-present Thesis Project Committee Member
Serve on graduate-level thesis project committees, review thesis and approve

7/2011-present Area Health Education Center Committee Member for OT Program/ (AHEC)/SOM/HSC
Meet monthly to discuss and facilitate student education/clinical rotations in rural areas of NM

- 7/2011-present Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA) Faculty Advisor
Oversee the SOTA process; attend all SOTA meetings; act as a resource and advise students in procedures and fundraising opportunities
- 7/2010-7/2011 Department Manager, Lead Occupational Therapist, Creative Therapy Services, Rio Rancho, New Mexico
Provided clinical and community-based services to clients and families 0 to 80 years, supervise students, conduct handwriting intervention program classes
- 8/2002-present Curriculum Specialist, Conference Presenter, Handwriting Without Tears, Cabin John, Maryland
Represent the company at state and national level educational conferences by informing attendees about the benefits of using the program, describe and demonstrate curriculum methods to professional educators and families, and present conference workshops sessions and web-based trainings to administrators, educators, and parents
- 8/2005-5/2006 New Mexico LEND Fellow, LEND Program, Center for Development and Disabilities, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Participated in various leadership building activities (research, clinical experiences, conference planning, learning new evaluation assessments, understanding public policy and NM legislation on early childhood programs) with an interdisciplinary group of medical professional graduate students
- 8/1998-5/2007 School-based Occupational Therapist, Albuquerque Public Schools, Albuquerque, New Mexico
Screened and evaluated preschool and elementary students with and without special needs for qualification of services, provided therapy services (direct, collaborative with PT or SLP & consultative) to students and families, and evaluated/monitored progress of Individual Education Plan (IEP) goals
- 6/1998-8/1998 Staff Occupational Therapist, Bay Cliff Health Camp, Bay Cliff, Michigan

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- FA 2012 AOTA Fieldwork Educator Certificate Program Attendee/certified, Phoenix, AZ
- 1998-present National Board for Certification of Occupational Therapy Inc. (NBCOT) #1028054, Recertification valid until March 2015—*in renewal process*
- 2007-present Certified Infant Massage Instructor, International Institute of Infant Massage Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 2007-present Handwriting Specialist, Handwriting Without Tears Level I Certification #182, Cabin John, Maryland

LICENSURE TO PRACTICE

- 1998-present State of New Mexico # 1354
- 1998-2015 State of New Mexico Educational License # 268383

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 1998-2001 American Occupational Therapy Association #46047
- 2003-present
- 2003-present New Mexico Occupational Therapy Association
NMOTA Liaison for the University

PROFESSIONAL PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

- Upcoming in 4/2015 Iliff, S., & Struckmeyer, L. Building Community with a Fieldwork Advisory Board. Annual Conference of the American Occupational Therapy Association, Nashville, Tennessee (poster)
- 4/2010 Chrisman, S., Burtner, P.A., & Candler, C. Sensitivity of the print tool: Discriminating children with and without handwriting difficulties. Annual Conference of the American Occupational Therapy Association, Orlando, Florida (poster)

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 11/2014 Article submission to OT Practice; "Creating Community with a Fieldwork Advisory Board" submitted 11/2014, accepted 12/2014, to be published in January 2015 fieldwork issues edition
- 12/2013 Manuscript submission to Journal of Occupational Therapy, Schools & Early Intervention; "Discriminating Children With and Without Handwriting Difficulties Using The Print Tool" submitted 8/2012, accepted 5/2013, and published 12/11/13

INVITED LECTURES

- 9/2014 "Fieldwork 101: The Basics on Program Development and Supervision" Guest speaker at the New Mexico Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 9/2011 "Establishing A Collaborative Relationship During Fieldwork" Guest speaker at the New Mexico Occupational Therapy Association Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 1/2010 & 1/2008 "How Playful, Evidence-based Strategies Overcome Learning Delays" Guest speaker at the Early Childhood Winter Conference for Harris County Department of Education, Houston, Texas & National Indian Educational Association Conference, Seattle, Washington
- 5/2009 "Play Your Way Toward Early Literacy Success" Guest speaker at the Ohio Early Care and Education Conference, Columbus, Ohio
- 6/2007 "Preparation Through Play: The FUNdamentals of Handwriting Readiness" Guest speaker at the Arizona Early Learning Institute, Scottsdale, Arizona
- 7/2007 "Work That Pencil to Cut Remediation" Guest speaker at the New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators 36th annual summer conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 1/2006-3/2006 "To Teach Handwriting or Not To Teach Handwriting? That is the Question" Co-presenter for CE workshops, Roswell, Farmington, Las Cruces, and Santa Fe, New Mexico

4/2004 “Get Set for School: Play, Write, and Sing!” Guest speaker at the Nashville Area Association for the Education of Young Children, Nashville, Tennessee

7/2003 “Better Handwriting for All Abilities” Guest speaker at CEU Saturdays at the Rehabilitation Hospital of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico

WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES (Coordinated &/or presented)

Fall 2014 “Empowering Your Practice with EBP”, UNM OT Graduate Program Fieldwork Education Workshop, Albuquerque, NM; *coordinated and presented*

Spring 2014 AOTA Fieldwork Educator Certificate Workshop, AOTA, Albuquerque, NM; *coordinated and hosted*

Fall 2013 “Growing Together: Tools to Transform the Fieldwork Relationship”, UNM OT Graduate Program Fieldwork Education Workshop, Albuquerque, NM; *coordinated and presented*

Spring 2013 “Building A Foundation For Your Fieldwork Program” UNM Occupational Therapy Graduate Program Fieldwork Education Workshop, Albuquerque, NM; *coordinated and assisted Gail Stockman, OTR/L*

WEB BASED TRAININGS (WEBINARS) (created & performed)

4/2009 & 11/2008 “Top Ten Questions About Handwriting Without Tears”—co-developed and co-presented with Susan Little, OTR/L

12/2009 & 2/2009 “Ten Award Winning Things To Do to Prepare Preschoolers for Kindergarten”—co-developed and co-presented with Tania Ferrandino, OTR/L

SELECTED CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES (attended)

12/2014 Learn @ Lunch: How Do I Overcome Student Resistance to Active Learning and Small-Group Work?, Office of Medical Educator Development, UNM SOM, Albuquerque, NM

10/2014 AOTA Academic Leadership Conference—combined Program Directors and Academic Fieldwork Coordinators, New Orleans, LA

9/2014 NM OT Association Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM

4/2014 How to Flip Your Course, Office of Medical Educator Development, UNM SOM, Albuquerque, NM

3/2014 Facilitation for Results, Workshop, UNM Ombuds/Dispute Resolution Services, Albuquerque, NM

3/2014 AOTA Fieldwork Educator Certificate Workshop, AOTA, Albuquerque, NM

10/2013 What is professionalism? Workshop, UNM Ombuds/Dispute Resolution Services, Albuquerque, NM

9/2013 Crucial Confrontations training, UNM HSC, Albuquerque, NM

9/2013 NM OT Association Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM

- 5/2013 Designing Courses for Effective Student Learning, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 4/2013 AOTA Annual Conference, San Diego, CA
- 2/2013 Got Conflict? Conflict Resolution and Mediation Training for University Faculty, UNM Ombuds/Dispute Resolution Services, Albuquerque, NM
- 2/2013 Get Students to Focus on Learning Instead of Grades: Metacognition is the Key!, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 2/2013 Assessing Student Work with Rubrics and Pulling It Together and Getting Real Students to Really Discuss, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 1/2013 Teaching with Clickers and Defining, Assessing, and Using Learning Outcomes for Your Course, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 1/2013 Designing Effective PowerPoint Presentations: Theoretical and Practical Perspectives, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 10/2012 AOTA Academic Leadership Conference—combined Program Directors and Academic Fieldwork Coordinators, Orlando, FL
- 10/2012 Wiki Workshop: Teaching with Wikis to Build and Share Knowledge, UNM Office of Support for Effective Teaching, Albuquerque, NM
- 4/2012 Fostering Student Professionalism: Creating Discussion Around Values, UNM, Albuquerque, NM
- 11/2011 AOTA Fieldwork Educator Certificate Workshop, AOTA, Scottsdale, AZ
- 10/2011 Interaction Skills for Success: Essentials for Leadership Course, UNM, Albuquerque, NM
- 9/2011 Busting Through Communication Chaos, UNM, Albuquerque, NM
- 9/2011 NM OT Association Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM
- 12/2010 First Strokes—Multi-sensory Handwriting Workshop, The Handwriting Clinic, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 11/2010 Microcurrent Electro-Acupuncture Techniques & Accelerated Rehabilitation with Essential Oils, Rio Rancho, New Mexico
- 7/2010-11/2010 Samurai Camp, Klemmer & Associates, Inc., Petaluma, California
- 4/2010 Heart of the Samurai Workshop, Klemmer & Associates, Inc., Petaluma, California
- 4/2009 & 4/2010 American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference & Expo, Houston, Texas & Orlando, Florida
- 12/09 Advanced Leadership Seminar, Klemmer & Associates, Inc., Petaluma, California

- 9/2009 2-day Handwriting Without Tears Workshop, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 9/2009 Personal Mastery, Klemmer & Associates, Inc., Petaluma, California
- 6/2009 Understanding Ayres Sensory Integration, AOTA, Bethesda, Maryland
- 2/2008 Symposium on Animals as Therapeutic Agents: Dogs in Practice, Dogwood Therapy Services, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 8/2007 Exploring Written Communication-New Perspective in Handwriting Intervention, EASi Therapy and Diagnostic Services, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 3/2007, 2/2005 Fieldwork Education Workshops, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
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- 8/2007 School Assessment of Motor and Process Skills (Schools AMPS) Course, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
- 6/2006 & 10/2006 Sensory Integration and Praxis (SIPT) Course I: The Sensory Integration Perspective and Course IV: Intervention and Treatment, El Paso, Texas