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## **EDUCATION**

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### **Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (2013)**

Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO

Doctoral Capstone: *Factors Impacting Readiness for Low Vision Interventions in Older Adults*

### **Bachelor in Social Work and Minor in Criminal Justice (2010)**

Illinois State University, Normal, IL

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

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College of Nursing and Health Profession Service Award, Arkansas State University,  
Jonesboro, AR, 2022.

College of Nursing and Health Profession Advising Award, Arkansas State University,  
Jonesboro, AR, 2018.

## **ACADEMICS POSITIONS**

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Academic Fieldwork & Capstone Coordinator

July 2016 - present

Associate Professor

Department of Occupational Therapy

Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR

## **CLINICAL POSITIONS**

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Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Jonesboro, AR

April 2014 – May 2021

Occupational Therapist

- Served as an occupational therapist for an in-patient rehabilitation facility for adults aged 18 and older.
- Evaluated adults with a variety of diseases and deficits.
- Facilitated treatment, discharge planning, and patient assessment to improve occupational participation.
- Lymphedema Champion for providing treatment and management of lymphedema.
- OT representative during the development and implementation of the STAR program for oncology rehab.

## TEACHING

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### Associate Professor, Occupational Therapy Department

Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR 2016-present

- Develop courses that align with the curriculum design.
- Teach Doctoral students to meet accreditation standards
- Facilitate laboratory practicums with students
- Participate in academic program meetings and institutional governance.
- Courses:
  - OTD 5113 Gross Anatomy & Neuroscience
  - OTD 5053 Occupational Health and Wellness
  - OTD 5273 Clinical Reasoning Skills II
  - OTD 6123 Clinical Reasoning Skills III
  - OTD 7123 Population Health
  - OTD 7212 Health Care & Social Systems

### Academic Fieldwork & Capstone Coordinator, Occupational Therapy Department:

Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR 2016-present

- Teach capstone sequence for Doctoral students
- Oversee Doctoral Capstones as one of the program's degree requirements
- Ensure all fieldwork and capstones adhere to accreditation standards
- Develop, implement, and monitor adherence to fieldwork and capstone policies and procedures
- Implement and coordinate the academic program's evaluation process for the fieldwork education and Doctoral Capstone Experience.
- Provide ongoing communication with fieldwork educators, coordinators, and clinical agreements.
- Facilitate placement, supervision, and communication with students during fieldwork and Doctoral Capstone experiences.
- Monitor the academic performance of students.
- Courses:
  - OTD 7271 Capstone Preparation I
  - OTD 7281 Capstone Preparation II
  - OTD 726V-001 & 002 Level III Fieldwork Doctoral Rotation
  - OTD 625V Level IIA Fieldwork
  - OTD 720V Level IIB Fieldwork
  - OTD 6172 Level I FW Older Adult
  - OTD 6262 Neuro Rehab
  - OTD 6152 FW I Psychosocial

## Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications:

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- Mohler, A., & Brown, A.** (2022). SELTEC: Service and experiential learning through engagement in the community: A level I fieldwork model: Part 2. *Journal of Occupational Therapy Education*, 6(1), 1-22. <https://doi.org/10.26681/jote.2022.060110>
- Green, A., Tedder, **M., Mohler, A., & Carpenter, A.** (2022). Examining the Effects of passenger conversation on older adult driving. *Student Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 3(1), 14-23. <https://doi.org/10.46409/001.JIMW7567>
- Ghai, P., **Mohler, A., & Morrison, M.** (2020). Enriched Tai Chi (ETC) Program Enhance Quality of life for Older Adults in Assisted Living Facility: Feasibility Study. *The Open Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 9(4), 1-11. <https://doi.org/10.15453/2168-6408.1789>
- Mohler, A. & Miller, M.** (2020). Social Participation Facilitators and Barriers Among Older Adults Residing in Assisted Living. *Journal of Allied Health*. 49(4), 263-269. PMID: 33259571.
- Mohler, A. & Brown, A.B.** (2020). Using Fieldwork to Emphasize Emerging Practice. *American Occupational Therapy Association, Special Interest Section*. 5(3), 14-16.
- Brown, A. & **Mohler, A.** (2020). SELTEC: Service and Experiential Learning Through Engagement in the Community: A level I FW Model: Part 1. *Journal of Occupational Therapy Education*. 4(3), 1-19. <https://doi.org/10.26681/jote.2022.060110>
- Mohler, A., Neufeld, P., & Perlmutter, M.** (2015). Factors Impacting Readiness for Low Vision Interventions in Older Adults. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 69(4), pg. 1-10. <https://doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2015.014241>

## Periodical Publications

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- Mohler, A.** (2020). Social Participation in Assisted Living Facilities: Occupational Therapy's Role and Scope. *Arkansas Geriatric Collaborative*.
- Mohler, A.** (2020). Promoting Safe Driving Among Older Adults Using Driving Simulation Technology. *Arkansas Geriatric Collaborative*.

## Conference Presentations

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- Mohler, A.,** (2024). Fostering Resilience to Enhance Your Academic Career. Platform presentation at Arkansas Council for Women in Higher Education, online conference.
- Mohler, A., & Colbert, T.** (2023, July). *Parkinson's Boot Camp: Advancing the Care of Parkinson's Disease Through an Interprofessional Collaborative Approach*. Poster presented at Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association. Jonesboro, AR.

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- Mohler, A., & Norton, K.** (2023, July). *Breaking Barriers Through a Parkinson's Community Boot Camp*. Poster presented at Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association. Jonesboro, AR.
- Mohler, A. & Nelson, A.** (2022, April). *Occupational Needs of Bereaved Military Families*. Poster presented at AOTA Inspire 2022 Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Mohler, A. & Parnell, L.** (2022, August). *Resilience in Occupational Therapy and Occupational Therapy Assistant Practitioners*. Poster presented at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy Congress 2022, Paris, France.
- West, J. & **Mohler, A.** (2022, August). *Occupational Therapy in Disaster Management: Role in Northeast Arkansas*. Poster accepted for presentation at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy Congress 2022, Paris, France.
- Mohler, A.** (2021, August). *Social Implications of Living with Lymphedema*. Paper presented at the International Lymphedema Framework Conference 2021, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Mohler, A., Riley, L., & Thompson, H.** (2021, August). *Occupational Deprivations for Individuals Living with Lymphedema*. Paper presented at the International Lymphedema Framework Conference 2021, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Mohler, A. & Brown, A.** (2021, March). *Application of Service and Experiential Learning Through Engagement in the Community*. Presented at the Fieldwork Educator CoP. Online forum.
- Mohler, A., Bolin, A., & Huddleston, M.** (2020, April). *Implications of Passenger Conversations on Reaction Time in the Elderly Population*. Poster accepted for presentation at the AOTA Annual Conference & Expo 2020. The conference was canceled due to COVID-19.
- Stroud, A., King, K., & **Mohler, A.** (2020, April). *The Relationship of Life Experiences and Social Participation of Older Adults*. Poster accepted for presentation at the AOTA Annual Conference & Expo 2020. The conference was canceled due to COVID-19.
- Mohler, A., & Miller, A.** (2020, April). *Social Participation Facilitators and Barriers Among Older Adults Residing in Assisted Living*. Poster accepted for presentation at the AOTA Annual Conference & Expo 2020. The conference was canceled due to COVID-19.
- Grayson, O. & **Mohler, A.** (2020, April). *The Impact of Disability on a College Freshman Experience*. Poster accepted for presentation at the AOTA Annual Conference & Expo 2020. The conference was canceled due to COVID-19.
- Brown, A. & **Mohler, A.** (2019, August). *Creating Change through Service and Experiential Faculty-Led Learning Experiences*. Paper presented at the Nexus Summit 2019, Minneapolis, MN.

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**Mohler, A., & Brown, A.** (2018, October). *SELTEC: Service and Experiential Learning Through Engagement in the Community*. Poster presented at the AOTA Education Summit, Louisville, KY.

**Mohler, A., & Miller, A.** (2018, September). *Social Participation Facilitators and Barriers Among Older Adults Residing in Assisted Living*. Poster presented at Community Health Centers of Arkansas, Hot Springs, AR.

Ghai, P. & **Mohler, A.** (2018, March). *Effect of Enriched Tai Chi Exercise Program on Quality of Life of Older Adults Residing in the Assisted Living Facility*. Poster presentation at Create @ A-STATE, Jonesboro, AR.

## Grant Experience

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The Kays Foundation. *Fostering Student Learning Through a Clinical Skills Laboratory*. Amount awarded: \$21,653.05. Role: Principle Investigator.

A-State Student Research & Creativity Grant Competition. *The Effects of a Disability Simulation on College Students' Perceptions of Disabilities*. Amount awarded: \$4890.00. Role: Co-Principle Investigator.

Arkansas State University, College of Nursing and Health Professions. *Clinical Skills Interventions for Low Vision*. Amount awarded: \$1,000.00. Role: Principle Investigator.

Arkansas Methodist Medical Centered, Chateau on the Ridge. *Service Learning Through Community Engagement*. Amount awarded: \$1000.00. Role: Principle Investigator.

## Peer Reviewer

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- American Occupational Therapy Association: Education Summit, Abstract Reviewer, 2021 - present
- American Occupational Therapy Association, Inspire Conference, Abstract Reviewer 2022 - present
- Create @ A-STATE, Abstract Reviewer, 2022 - present
- F.A. Davis, Manuscript reviewer, 2020 - present
- Journal of Allied Health, Manuscript Reviewer, 2018 – present
- Journal of Occupational Therapy Education, Manuscript Reviewer, 2018 – present

## SERVICE

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**Faculty Senate President**, 2024 - present.  
Arkansas State University

### Arkansas State University - University, College, & Department Committees:

- Department Committees:
  - OTD Faculty Search Committee, Chair, 2023 - present
  - OTD Viability Review Committee, Member, 2021-present

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- OTD/OTA ad hoc Administrative Assistant Committee, Member, 2020 – present
- OTD Advisory Board Committee, Chair, 2019 – present
- Student Occupational Therapy Association, Chair, 2017 – present
- Occupational Therapy Student Association, Member, 2016 - present
- OTA/OTD Admission Committee, Member, 2016 – present
- OTA/OTD Academic Progression Committee, Member, 2016 – present
- OTA/OTD Curriculum Committee, Member, 2016 – present
- OTA/OTD Strategic Planning Committee, Member, 2016 – present
  
- College Committees:
  - Scholarship Committee, Member, 2023 – present
  - Viability Review Committee, Member, 2023
  - Department PRT Committee, Member, 2022 - present
  - DPT Director of Clinical Education Search Committee, Member, 2021
  - *ad hoc* Advanced IPE Webpage & IT Committee, Chair, 2021- 2022
  - CNHP Dean Search Committee, Member, 2021
  - College Media Committee, Member 2020 – present
  - Advanced IPEC Committee, Member, 2019 – present
  - Infection Control Committee, Member, 2019 – 2021
  - College of Nursing and Health Professions Clinical Relations Committee, Member, 2016 – 2017
  
- University Committees:
  - Academic Hearing Committee, Member, 2023 – present
  - Student Disciplinary Committee, Member, 2022 – present
  - Faculty Retention Committee, Member, 2022 – 2023
  - Faculty Senate Nomination Committee, Member, 2021
  - Graduate Council, Member, 2021 – present
  - Library Committee, Member & Chair, 2020 - present
  - *ad hoc* Constitution & Bylaws Committee, Chair, 2020 – 2022
  - Undergraduate Graduation and Academic Credit Appeals, Committee, Member, 2020 – present
  - Faculty Senate, Member, 2020 – 2022
  - Academic Hearing Committee, Member, 2019 – 2020

**Regional, State, & Committees & Service:**

- Regional:
  - Fieldwork Educator Co-P, 2020 – 2022
  - CarFit Coordinator Committee, Member, 2018 – present
  - AARP Arkansas Regional Driver Safety Committee, Member, 2018 - present
  
- State:
  - Arkansas Academic Fieldwork Coordinator Consortium, Member, 2024 - present
  - Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association (AROTA), Treasurer, 2021 – 2023
  - OTD Consortium Committee, Member, 2019 - present
  - Northeast Arkansas District Committee- Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association, District

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Chair, 2016 – 2021

- Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association Committee, Executive Board Member, 2016 – 2023

○ Community:

- St. Bernard Medical Center Fall Prevention Committee, Member, 2017 – 2018

○ National Committee

- AOTA Disciplinary Council, Member, 2020 - present
- *ad hoc* Capstone Innovation Committee, Member American Occupational Therapy Association, 2018 – 2020

**Professional Presentations**

*The Benefits of Animal Assisted Therapy in Grief Resolution*, (July 2023). Arkansas Geriatric Collaborative Platform Presentation, Jonesboro, AR.

*What is Occupational Therapy ?*, (2021, November). Arkansas State University - Department of Psychology & Counseling, Jonesboro, AR.

*Let's Talk: Should I Stay or Should I Go ?*(2021, February). Lighthouse Group of Northwest Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.

*What is Occupational Therapy?*(2019, April). Presented at the Medical Application for Science and Health (MASH) for the University of Arkansas for Medical Science, Jonesboro, AR.

*Promoting Safe Driving Among the Elderly Through Carfit*. (2019, February). Presented at Encompass Health Rehabilitation Center, Jonesboro, AR.

*Occupational Therapy's Role and Scope*. (2019, February). Presented at Wynne High School, Wynne, AR.

*Animal Assisted Therapy*. (2019, February). Presented at Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital, Jonesboro, AR.

*SELTEC: Service and Experiential Learning Through Engagement in the Community*. (2018, February). Presented at the Clinical Field Instructor Seminar, online forum.

*Occupational Therapy's Role in CarFit*. (2018, May). Presented at The American Associations of Retired People (AARP), Little Rock, AR.

*Complete Decongestive Therapy*. (2018, March). Presented at Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital, Jonesboro, AR.

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*Occupational Therapy and Shoulder Mobilization.* (2018, October). Presented at the Medical Application for Science and Health (MASH) for the University of Arkansas for Medical Science, Jonesboro, AR.

*What is Occupational Therapy?* (July 2017). Presented at the Museum of Discovery, Jonesboro, AR.

*Occupational Therapy Across the Lifespan.* (2017, May). Presented at the Medical Application for Science and Health (MASH) for the University of Arkansas for Medical Science, Jonesboro, AR.

*Occupational Therapist's Role in Geriatrics.* (2017, April). Presented at the clinical and Field Instructor Seminar, Jonesboro, AR.

### **Professional Service**

AOTA Inspire Conference Fall 2022. (2022, October). *Fall Academic Leadership Council-Doctoral Capstone Committee.* Online forum. Role: Group Facilitator

ALS Walk. (2022, September). The ALS Foundation for Life. Jonesboro, AR. Role: Event Coordinator.

Parkinson's Bootcamp. (July 2022 - present). Arkansas State University & Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Principle Investigator & Event Coordinator

Community Needs Assessment. (2021, November). *Identifying Economic and Community Partners for the A-State OT Program.* Role: Facilitator.

Arkansas State University, University of Central Arkansas, & Arkansas Children's Hospital. (2020, November). *Intra-professional Collaboration: Student Seminar.* Role: Event Coordinator.

Health and Wellness Program for Older Adults in Assisted Living. (2021-2022). Wesley on the Ridge, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Program Organizer.

Video Development: *Independent Living Skills.* (December 2020). H.O.W.L Transition Program Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Project Manager.

Arkansas State-Wide Distribution of the American Occupational Therapy. (2019, October). *Patient-Driven Payment Model: What the New Model Means for Practice.* Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Event Coordinator.

CarFit Event. (2018 – 2022). Arkansas State University. Jonesboro, AR. Role: Event Coordinator.

Senior Expo. (2018 – 2022). Nettleton Baptist Church, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Occupational Therapy Student Coordinator.

Community Action Poverty Simulation. (2019 - 2023, September). Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR. Role: Event Facilitator.



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Senior Olympics. (2018 & 2019, September). Paragould Community Center, Paragould AR. Role: Volunteer Coordinator.

NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine IPEC Workshop (2017 - 2019). St. Bernards Medical Center. Jonesboro, AR. Role: Event Coordinator.

Policy and Advocacy Meeting with President Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association (AROTA) Elect. (October 2017). Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR. Event Coordinator.

### **Consultation Services**

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Jonesboro (2016 – present)

- Provide feedback with grant writing to enhance evidence-based practice.
- Guide site in best research practice.

Northeast Arkansas Community (2018 – present)

- Serve as consultant for driving rehab for local hospitals and rehabilitation sites.
- Conduct driving evaluations.

### **Program Development**

- Program Facilitator, Parkinson's Boot Camp Community Awareness
  - Arkansas State University College of Health Professionals and Encompass Rehabilitation partnered together to raise awareness about Parkinson's throughout the community and provide therapy-specific care for clients and care partners. Through collaboration, the organizations can provide a free community boot camp focusing on therapy-specific training to enhance the quality of life. The free event provides a week-long intensive boot camp emphasizing high-intensity activities with holistic principles to meet the individual needs of each client participating in the camp. The activities aim to increase physical, cognitive, and social participation.
- Carfit Event
  - Technician Training & Event Coordinator
  - Educational program developed by AAA, AARP, and AOTA to offer older the opportunity to check how well their vehicle "fits" them. Established the CarFIT program in Northeast Arkansas to serve the older adult community.

### **CERTIFICATIONS**

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*Certificate in Effective College Instruction.* (2022, August). The Association of College and University Educators and The American Council on Education (ACUE). Online.

*Poverty Simulation Facilitator Training.* (2018, April). Community Action Poverty Simulation Facilitator Training, St. Louis, MO.

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*Strategic Grant Development Writing.* (2017). Institute for Strategic Funding Development.  
Little Rock, AR.

*Introduction to Driver Rehabilitation.* (2017). The Association for Driver Rehabilitation Specialist.  
Daytona Beach, FL.

*Manual Lymph Drainage (Vodder Technique) and Complete Decongestive Therapy.* (2015, April).  
Academy of Lymphatic Studies. Tampa, FL.

## **PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE & MEMBERSHIPS**

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- AARP, Member
- National Board Certification of Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) Member #323609
- Arkansas State Medical Board, Occupational Therapy License #OTR2698
- American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) Member
- Arkansas Occupational Therapy Association (AROTA) Member
- World Federation of Occupational Therapy (WFOT) Member