

Curriculum Vita
Tanya M. Coakley, Ph.D., M.S.W.

Personal Data

Business: University of North Carolina, Greensboro
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Educational History

Aug. 2004 Ph.D., Social Work, College of Social Work
University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Aug. 2004 Statistics Minor, Statistics Department
University of Tennessee, Knoxville

May 1997 M.S.W., Social Work, College of Social Work
University of South Carolina, Columbia

May 1996 B.S.W., Social Work, Department of Social Work
University of North Carolina, Greensboro

Teaching Experience

Jan. 2006-
present University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work. SWK325 (Research Methods).
Providing undergraduate instruction in the principles of research for planning and
evaluating social work interventions.

Aug. 2005-
present University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work. SWK311 (Human Behavior and the
Social Environment). Provided instruction to undergraduate students on social science
theories of human behavior and their application within social work.

Jun. 2005-
present University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work. SWK250 (Data Analysis for Social
Work Practice). Teaching a statistics course that I developed for social work students.

Aug. 2004-
Dec. 2004 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, SWK 411 (Social Work
Methods I). Provided instruction to undergraduate students on the generalist approach
to social work practice with individuals, families, and small groups.

Aug. 2004-
present University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, SWK 413 (Field Instruction I & II and
Seminar I & II). Guiding undergraduate students' integration of social work knowledge,
skills, and values into the dimensions of practice.

Aug. 2002-
May 2003 University of Tennessee
Graduate Teaching Assistant, SW 605 (Analysis of Social Work Data I) and SW 606
(Analysis of Social Work Data II). Provided instruction for both introductory and
advanced interdisciplinary Ph.D. level statistics courses in the selection and
implementation of appropriate quantitative data analysis strategies for research.

Research Experience

- 2005 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Principal Investigator. Currently conducting a quantitative study of current and former foster parents' satisfaction, recruitment, and retention.
- 2005 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Principal Investigator. Currently conducting a quantitative study to examine the effects of North Carolina foster parent applicants' level of cultural receptivity on children's cultural identity development.
- 2005 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Principal Investigator. Currently conducting a survey to examine social work students' satisfaction, performance, and experiences in statistics courses.
- 2002-2004 University of Tennessee
Dissertation: Assessing Cultural Receptivity in Fostering: Scale Development and Validation. Conducted a national study funded by Casey Family Programs that examined the reliability and validity of an instrument that I developed to measure foster parents' level of openness to participate in activities that stimulate cultural development in children of different cultures.
- 2001-2004 University of Tennessee
Graduate Research Assistant. Member of a team funded by Casey Family Programs that conducted research on the standardized assessment of foster families.
- 2001-2004 University of Tennessee
Graduate Research Assistant. Member of a team funded by Casey Family Programs that conducted research on kinship foster families.
- 1997 University of South Carolina
Research Associate. Co-Investigator of quantitative and qualitative research on students' satisfaction with the MSW program at the University of South Carolina.
- 1997 University of South Carolina
Graduate Assistant, Black Child Development Institute. Conducted program evaluations of the Black Child Development Institute's tutoring and parent empowerment programs.
- 1996 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Research Associate. Co-Investigator of a study that examined how African-American and European-American parents were involved in educating their children.
- 1995 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Research Assistant. Collected qualitative data for a study on African-American parent involvement.

Post-M.S.W. Experience

- Apr. 2000- Apr. 2001 Guilford County Department of Social Services, Greensboro, NC
Social Worker III. Coordinated foster care and adoption services for children and families.
- Oct. 1998- Mar. 2000 Randolph County Mental Health, Asheboro, NC
Habilitation Specialist III. Coordinated intensive case management services for adults with mental retardation and mental illness who were at risk for psychiatric hospitalization.
- May 1997- Jan. 1998 Randolph County Mental Health, Asheboro, NC
Habilitation Specialist II. Supervised staff and managed the daily operations of a residential program for adults with developmental disabilities.

Other Experience

- Aug. 1996-
Apr. 1997 University of South Carolina
Graduate Intern, Black Child Development Institute. Developed, facilitated, and evaluated a parent empowerment program (Greensboro Parent to Parent) for a nonprofit agency that provided knowledge in child advocacy, effective parenting practices, and community resources.
- Aug. 1996-
Apr. 1997 University of South Carolina
Graduate Assistant, Maternal and Child Health Training Project. Member of a team that developed and organized a bi-regional conference on adolescent health.
- Aug. 1995-
Apr. 1996 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Undergraduate Student Intern, Guilford County Department of Social Services. Provided foster care services for children with special needs and their families.
- Aug. 1994-
Apr. 1995 University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Undergraduate Student Intern, Greensboro Urban Ministry. Managed daily operations of a homeless shelter for adults, provided intake services, linked residents to community resources.
- Jul. 1985-
Sep. 1993 United States Marine Corps
Supply Administration. Requisitioned supplies and managed fiscal data for the support of the Department of Defense.

Oral Presentations

- Coakley, T.M., & Orme, J.G. *Assessing the cultural receptivity of foster mothers and fathers.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Chicago, IL, 2006.
- Coakley, T.M. *Cultural receptivity: Promoting healthy cultural development and identity in foster children.* National Black Child Development Institute, Orlando, FL, 2005.
- Coakley, T.M. *Assessing cultural receptivity in fostering: Scale development and validation.* Seventeenth National Symposium on Doctoral Social Work Research, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2005.
- Coakley, T.M. *Cultural Receptivity in Fostering Scale.* Society for Social Work Research Conference, New Orleans, LA, 2004.
- Coakley, T.M., Orme, J.G., Combs-Orme, T., & Buehler, C. *Cultural receptivity in fostering.* Foster Family-Based Treatment Association 18th Annual Conference on Treatment Foster Care, Nashville, TN, 2004.
- Rhodes, K. W., Cox, M. E., Coakley, T.M., Cherry, D. Orme, J. G., Buehler, C., & Cuddeback, G. S. *Assessing foster family applicants.* Foster Family-Based Treatment Association 18th Annual Conference on Treatment Foster Care, Nashville, TN, 2004.
- Orme, J. G., Buehler, C., Rhodes, K. W., Cox, M. E., Cuddeback, G., Coakley, T., & Cherry, D. *Assessing foster family applicants.* National Foster Parent Association 34th Annual Education Conference, Orlando, FL, 2004.
- Rhodes, K.W., Cox, M.E., Coakley, T.M., & Orme, J.G. *The National Survey of Current and Former Foster Parents: Foster parents' motivations, utilization, and retention.* Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC, 2003.
- Orme, J.G., Buehler, C., Rhodes, K.W., Cox, M.E., Cuddeback, G.S., & Coakley, T.M. *Assessing foster family applicants.* Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare, Middle East Regional Conference, Knoxville, TN, 2002.
- Orme, J.G., & Coakley, T.M. *Family foster care.* Public Health Graduate

Seminar, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, 2002.
Coakley, T.M. *Youth violence*. Maternal and Child Health Bi-Regional Conference, Gulfport, MS, 1997.

Hurd, E.P., & Coakley, T.M. *Parent to Parent: Empowering parents to advocate for their children's education*. National Black Child Development Institute Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, 1996.

Coakley, T.M. *History of African-Americans in the child welfare system*. North Carolina State Association of Black Social Workers Conference, Atlantic Beach, NC, 1996.

Poster Presentation

Coakley, T.M., Cuddeback, G.S., Buehler, C., & Cox, M.E. *Kinship foster parents' perceptions of fostering*. Society for Social Work Research Conference, Washington, DC, 2003.

Articles in Press

Coakley, T.M., & Orme, J.G. *A psychometric evaluation of the Cultural Receptivity in Fostering Scale*. *Research on Social Work Practice*.

Rhodes, K.W., Cox, M.E., Coakley, T.M., & Orme, J.G. *Motivation to foster: A national study*. *Social Service Review*.

Articles under Review

Coakley, T.M., & Buehler, C. *Cultural receptivity in fostering: A conceptual framework*. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*.

Coakley, T.M., Cuddeback, G.S., Buehler, C., & Cox, M.E. *Kinship foster parents' perceptions of fostering*.

Articles in Progress

Coakley, T.M. *Assessing current and former foster parents' perceptions regarding their satisfaction and retention efforts of public child welfare agencies*.

Coakley, T.M. *Does the design of statistics courses influence proficiency and attitudes about using statistical procedures in social work practice? A study of BSW and MSW students*.

Proceedings

Coakley, T.M. *Assessing cultural receptivity in fostering: Scale development and validation*. Seventeenth National Symposium on Doctoral Social Work Research, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2005.

Test Manuals

Orme, J.G., Cox, M.E., Rhodes, K., Coakley, T.M., Cuddeback, G.S., & Buehler, C. (2003). *Casey Home Assessment Protocol: Technical Manual*.

Rhodes, K., Cox, M.E., Orme, J.G., Coakley, T.M., Buehler, C., & Cuddeback, G.S. (2003). *Casey Home Assessment Protocol: User's Guide*.

Journal Reviews

Coakley, T.M. *Research on Social Work Practice*. September 2005.

Coakley, T.M. *Journal of Adolescence*. September 2005.

Honors and Awards

- Nominated for the Human Environmental Sciences “Outstanding Teaching Award” 2005
- Nominated for the HES “Outstanding Advising Award” 2005
- New Faculty Grant, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, 2005, Principal Investigator, *An examination of foster parents’ commitment to children’s cultural development*, \$5,000
- Faculty Research Support Fund, School of Human Environmental Sciences, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, 2005, Principal Investigator, *Foster parent satisfaction and retention*, \$3,000
- Faculty Research Support Fund, School of Human Environmental Sciences, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, 2005, Co-Investigator, *Jail diversion project*, \$2,500
- Scholarly Activities Research Incentive Fund, Summer 2002 Graduate Research Assistantship, University of Tennessee
- Magna Cum Laude graduate, University of South Carolina, 1997
- Cum Laude graduate, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, 1996
- University of North Carolina, Greensboro Research Assistant Award, 1995
- North Carolina Social Work Educational Loan Fund, University of North Carolina, Greensboro (1994-1996)

Unfunded External Grant: The Lois and Samuel Silberman Fund, 2004, Principal Investigator, *An examination of foster parents’ commitment to foster children’s cultural development*, \$30,000

Professional Development

- Dissertation Committee Member, Laughinghouse, J. (Underway) UNCG Human Development and Families Studies
- Board Member, National Black Child Development Institute (2005)
- Member, Society for Social Work Research (2002-present)
- Member, Council on Social Work Education (2002-present)
- Member, National Association of Social Workers (1995-present)
- Member, National Association of Black Social Workers (2001-2004)
- Member, Carolina Alumni Association, Columbia (1997-2005)
- Member, University of North Carolina, Greensboro Alumni Association (1996-2004)
- Continued Education, Severe and Persistent Mental Illness, Greensboro Area Health Education Center (Jan. 1999-Apr. 1999)
- Qualified Developmental Disabilities Professional Certification, Randolph County Mental Health, 1998
- Co-Chair, Public Relations Committee, National Association of Social Workers, Student Organization, University of North Carolina, Greensboro (1996-1997)
- Social Work Department Representative, Intercouncil Advisory Committee, UNCG (1995-1996)
- Field Instruction Assistant Coordinator, UNCG (2004-2005)
- Member, Field Liaison Committee, UNCG (2004-present)
- Member, BSW Committee, UNCG (2004-present)
- Member, Social Work Department Faculty Committee, UNCG (2004-present)
- Member, Human and Environmental Sciences School Technology Committee, UNCG (2004-present)
- Member, University Graduate Committee, UNCG (2004-present)
- Member, University Academic Computing Committee, UNCG (2005)
- Member, Chair Search Committee, UNCG, Social Work Department (present)

Computer Skills

- Microsoft Office Applications: Access, Excel, Power Point, Word
- Statistical Software: AMOS, ATLAS, JMP, LCA Gold, LIMDEP, SAS, SPSS