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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Education

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Counselor Education and Supervision (<i>CACREP Accredited</i>) University of South Carolina - Columbia, South Carolina Dissertation Chair: Jonathan Ohrt, Ph.D.	May 2024
Master of Education (M.Ed.) Clinical Mental Health Counseling (<i>CACREP Accredited</i>) Auburn University - Auburn, Alabama Advisor: Jessica Tyler, Ph.D.	May 2021
Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Educational Psychology Mississippi State University - Starkville, Mississippi	May 2019
Associate of Arts (A.A.) Holmes Community College - Richland, Mississippi	May 2016

Awards

Ph.D. in Counselor Education Research Achievement Award College of Education - University of South Carolina	2024
Thank a Teacher Appreciation Award Center for Teaching Excellence - University of South Carolina	2023
Article of the Year Award Counseling Outcome Research and Evaluation & Association for Assessment and Research https://doi.org/10.1080/21501378.2022.2069555 .	2023
Staff Mentorship Award CarolinaLIFE - University of South Carolina	2022

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Building Rural Alliances through Collaboration and Education (BRACE) Scholarship 2020
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) - Auburn University

Counseling Practice Scholarship 2020
Alabama Counseling Association - Chapter VII

Academic and University Positions

Assistant Professor 8/2024 - present
Dept. of Counseling, Higher Education Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations (CHEF), Mississippi State University

Lecturer 6/2024 – 7/2024
Department of CHEF, Mississippi State University

Graduate Assistant, College Access and Preparation (CAP) Program Coordinator 1/2023 – 5/2024
Center for Transition Research and Leadership (CTRL), University of South Carolina - Columbia, South Carolina

CAP Team Lead 8/2021 – 5/2024
CTRL, University of South Carolina - Columbia, South Carolina.

Adjunct Instructor of Record 8/2021 – 5/2024
Department of Educational and Developmental Science, University of South Carolina - Columbia South Carolina

Clinical and Related Work Experience

Personal Development Coach and Counselor 8/2021 - 12/2022
CarolinaLIFE, University of South Carolina – Columbia, South Carolina

Clinical Services Intern 8/2020 - 7/2021
Lee County Youth Development Center – Opelika, Alabama

Secondary Clinician 8/2018 - 5/2019
Autism and Developmental Disabilities Clinic, Mississippi State University – Starkville, Mississippi

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP ACTIVITIES

Book Chapters

Ohrt, J. H., & Saunders, M. (2024). Group dynamics and process. In Gibbons, M. & Barrio-Minton, C. A. (Eds), *Case studies in counselor education* (pp. 209-210). Cognella Publishing.

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Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, & Perez, L. M. (in press). Couples and family counseling considerations for the disability community. In Uwamahoro Williams, O., & Blount, A. J. (Eds). *Practical guide to couples and family counseling*. Cognella Publishing.

Publications in Referred Journals

Smith Hill, R. B., Fields, A. M., **Castle, M.**, Perez, L. M., & Plotner, A. J. (2024). Exploring the personal identity of college students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. *Emerging Adulthood*, 12(4), 467-480. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21676968241245752>

Smith Hill, R. B., Stinnett, C., Plotner, A., Fields, A. M., Lewis, O., & **Castle, M.** (2024). An interdisciplinary approach to supporting the personal development of college students with an intellectual disability. *Inclusive Practices*, 3(1-2), 3-13. <https://doi.org/10.1177/27324745231224405>

Smith Hill, R. B., Shah, P., Plotner, A. J., **Castle, M.**, & Stinnett, C. V. (2024). Inclusive postsecondary education and self-determination: Using photovoice to centre college student voices. *Disability & Society*, 1-28. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09687599.2024.2311361>

Fields, A. M., Linich, K., Thompson, C. M., **Saunders, M.**, Gonzales, S. K., & Limberg, D. (2023). A systematic review of training strategies to prepare counselors for integrated primary and behavioral healthcare. *Counseling Outcome Research and Evaluation*. 14(1), 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21501378.2022.2069555>.

Publications in Press in Referred Journals

Fields, A. M., Lewis, O., **Castle, M.**, Smith Hill, R. B., & Stinnett, C. (in press). College students with intellectual and developmental disabilities' experiences, conception, and development of emotional wellness. *Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*.

Fields, A. M., Smith Hill, R. B., Lewis, O., **Castle, M.**, Perez, L. (in press). Initial evidence for personal development support for college students with intellectual and developmental disability: Results from a satisfaction survey. *Journal of Inclusive Postsecondary Education*.

Manuscripts under Review

Fields, A. M., **Castle, M.**, Smith Hill, R. B., Perez, L. M., & Lewis, O. (under review). Access and barriers to mental health resources for college students with intellectual and developmental disabilities: A qualitative inquiry. *Journal of Mental Health Research in Intellectual Disabilities*.

Castle, M., Gilreath, R., Fields, A. M., Smith Hill, R. B., Sookwah, R. D., Burdiss, A., & Ohrt, J. H. (under review). A wellness group protocol for college students with intellectual or developmental disability: a pilot study. *Journal for Specialists in Group Work*.

Combs, E. M., Eckstrom, L. S, Gilreath, R., **Castle, M.**, Garrett, S., & Carlson, R. G. (under review).

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A systematic review of coping, resilience, and family resilience within the LGBTQ+ population. *Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*.

Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Gilreath, R., **Castle, M.**, Smith Hill, R. B., Fields, A. M., & Lewis, O. (April, 2024). Difficult discussions and pedagogical considerations for counseling classrooms. *Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Spring 2024 Newsletter*.
- Gilreath, R., **Saunders, M.**, & Jerideau, S. (December, 2022). Considerations for school counseling supervisory relationships. *Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Fall 2022 Newsletter*.

Referred Conference Presentations

International, National, and Regional Presentations

- Castle, M.**, Gilreath, R., Horton, K., & Ohrt, J. H. (November, 2024). Wellness Counseling Intervention for College Students with Intellectual or Developmental Disability. Presentation accepted at the Southeastern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Dallas, TX.
- Castle, M.**, Sookwah, R. D., Horton, K., Jerideau, S., & LoDato, K. (November, 2024). College Students' Experiences Utilizing Wellness Mobile Applications. Presentation accepted at the Southeastern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Dallas, TX.
- Castle, M.**, Fields, A. M., & Lewis, O. (February, 2024). Evaluation of a Wellness Group Counseling Intervention for College Students with Intellectual or Developmental Disability. Presentation accepted at the Bi-annual Association for Specialists in Group Work Conference. Portland, OR.
- Smith Hill, R. B., Plotner, A. J., **Saunders, M.** (October, 2023). A Photovoice Exploration of Self-Determination: Centering Voices of College Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Poster accepted at the Annual International Conference, Division on Career Development and Transition. Reno, NV.
- Smith Hill, R. B., Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, Lewis, O., Stinnett, C. V., & Perez, L. (October, 2023). Emotional Wellness Development for College Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disability. Annual International Conference, Division on Career Development and Transition. Reno, NV.
- Saunders, M.**, Gilreath, R., Fields, A. M., Smith Hill, R. B., Sookwah, R. D., Burdiss, M. A., Ohrt, J. H., & Mills, J (October, 2023). A Wellness Group Protocol for College Students with Intellectual or Developmental Disability: A Pilot Study. Poster accepted at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Denver, CO.

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Fields, A. M., Lewis, O. J., **Saunders, M.**, Smith Hill, R. B., & Perez, L. (October, 2023). Learning is for Everyone: Creating equity in postsecondary education. Program accepted at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Denver, CO.

Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, Lewis, O. J., Smith Hill, R. B., & Ohrt, J. H. (April, 2023). Interdisciplinary approach for college students diagnosed with disabilities. Program accepted at the American Counseling Association Conference. Toronto, Canada.

Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, Lewis, O. J., & Smith Hill, R. B. (November, 2022). Understanding how college students diagnosed with intellectual and developmental disabilities develop emotional wellness through consensual qualitative research. Poster accepted at the Southeastern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Baltimore, MD.

Saunders, M., Gilreath, R., Combs, L. M., Ohrt, J. H. (November, 2022). A scoping review of mindfulness and substance misuse among college students. Poster accepted at the Southeastern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Baltimore, MD.

Smith Hill, R. B., Stinnett, C., Plotner, A., Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, & Lewis, O. J. (October, 2022). Supporting students' personal development: An interdisciplinary approach utilizing counselor education and social work. Program accepted at Think College's State of the Art Conference. Syracuse, NY.

Fields, A. M., **Saunders, M.**, Lewis, O. J., & Smith Hill, R. B. (September, 2022). Understanding how college students diagnosed with intellectual and developmental disabilities develop emotional wellness through consensual qualitative research. Poster accepted at the Association for Assessment and Research in Counseling Conference. St. Louis, MO.

Lewis, O. J., **Saunders, M.**, & Gilreath, R. (September, 2022). Effectiveness of an EcoWellness Intervention on Well-Being for College Aged Individuals with a Developmental Disability: A Single Case Research Design. Poster accepted at the Association for Assessment and Research in Counseling Conference. St. Louis, MO.

Fields, A. M., Linich, K., Thompson, C. M., & **Saunders, M.** (October, 2021). Examining training implications for mental health professionals in integrated care: A systematic review. Poster accepted at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Atlanta, GA.

Craven, L. C., Guest, J., & **Saunders, M.** (October, 2021). Using the stages of change to counsel victims of intimate partner violence. Poster accepted at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Atlanta, GA.

Local and State Presentations

Combs, E. M., Craven, L. C., & **Saunders, M.** (February, 2023). Gender non-binary competencies for counselors. Program accepted at the South Carolina Counseling Association Conference. Hilton Head, SC.

Craven, L. C., Ohrt, J. H., **Saunders, M.**, & Fields, A. M. (April, 2022). The relationship between school identification & well-being among racial minority English language learners. Poster accepted at the Southeastern School Behavioral Health Conference. Myrtle Beach, SC.

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Craven, L. C. & **Saunders, M.** (February, 2022). Using the stages of change to counsel victims of intimate partner violence. Program accepted at the South Carolina Counseling Association Conference. Hilton Head, SC.

Grant Experience

Funded Grant Proposals

Fields, A. M. Principal Investigator, Nice, M. Co-Principal Investigator, **Castle, M. Co-Principal Investigator**, & Lewis, O. Co-Principal Investigator (July, 2024). *Validating Wellness and Quality of Life Measurements on a Sample of Emerging Adults*. Association for Assessment and Research in Counseling: Sponsored Scholarship Program. \$4,500 requested to receive over the course of one year.

Keup, P. Principal Investigator, Garner, J. Co-Principal Investigator, Tissot, K, Co-Principal Investigator, Plotner, A. J., Co-Principal Investigator, **Castle, M. Contributing Author**, & Perez, L. M. (August, 2023). *South Carolina Pathways Project: A Disability-Led Collaborative Model for Student Success*. U.S. Department of Education. \$9,900,000 requested to receive over the course of five years. Funded Entities: SC Department of Education, SC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and the University of South Carolina. Subcontract \$500,000 to USC.

Plotner, A. J., Principal Investigator & **Castle, M. Co-Principal Investigator**. (July, 2023). *CarolinaLIFE - College Access and Preparation*. South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department. \$250,000 requested to receive over the course of two years.

Plotner, A. J, Principal Investigator, Wolfe, K., Co-Principal Investigator, Ohrt, J. H., Co-Principal Investigator, & **Castle, M. Contributing Author**. (July, 2023). *Project FUSION 2.0: Preparing Special Education Leaders with a Focus on Research to Practice in Transition*. U.S. Department of Education. \$1,244,391 requested to receive over the course of five years.

Saunders, M., Principal Investigator, Gilreath, R., Co-Principal Investigator, Fields, A. M., Co-Principal Investigator, Smith Hill, R. B., Co-Principal Investigator, Sookwah, R. D., Co-Principal Investigator, Burdiss, A., Co-Principal Investigator, & Ohrt., J. H., Co-Principal Investigator. (September, 2022). *Development of a Wellness Group Protocol for College Students with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities: A Pilot Study*. Southeastern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (SACES) Summer 2022 Research and Best Practice Grant. \$500 requested.

Smith Hill, R. B., Principal Investigator, & **Saunders, M., Co-Principal Investigator**. (January, 2022). *Agency and College Students with Intellectual Disabilities: A Photovoice Project*. Support to Promote Advancement of Research and Creativity (SPARC) Graduate Research Grant. \$5,000 requested.

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Mississippi State University

- COE 3133: Rehabilitation Services
 - Summer 2024
- COE 4743: Gender Issues in Counseling
 - Summer 2024
- COE 6903: Developmental Counseling and Mental Health
 - Fall 2024
- COE 8353: Vocational Rehabilitation Services
 - Fall 2024

University of South Carolina

- EDCE 210: Career Planning and Development
 - Fall 2023, Spring 2023, Spring 2024
- EDCE 360: Introduction to the Counseling Profession
 - Fall 2022
- EDCE 503: Family Counseling
 - Spring 2022
- EDCE 510: Introduction to Counseling
 - Spring 2022
- EDCE 520: Wellness and Mental Health
 - Summer 2023

Courses Co-Instructed

University of South Carolina

- EDCE 707: Career Counseling
 - Summer 2022
- EDCE 712: Comprehensive Developmental School Counseling
 - Fall 2021

Practicums and Internships Supervised

University of South Carolina

- EDCE 805: Internship in School Counseling
 - Spring 2024
 - EDCE 802: Practicum in School Counseling
 - Fall 2022, Fall 2023
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Invited Guest Lectures and Presentations

<p>EDCE 350 Interpersonal Communication Skills <i>Instructor of Record: Rachel Gilreath, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Conflict management skills</i></p>	Spring 2024
<p>EDCE 750 Educational Measurement <i>Instructor of Record: Dodie Limberg, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Qualitative methods in counselor education</i></p>	Fall 2023
<p>EDCE 720 Theories of Counseling <i>Instructor of Record: Alex Fields, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Group psychotherapy</i></p>	Summer 2023
<p>EDCE 722 Group Procedures in Counseling <i>Instructor of Record: Alex Fields, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Group termination</i></p>	Summer 2023
<p>EDCE 722 Group Procedures in Counseling <i>Instructor of Record: Alex Fields, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Clients with disabilities and group work</i></p>	Summer 2023
<p>U101 University 101: The Student and the University <i>Instructor of Record: Chelsea Stinnett, PhD</i> <i>Topic: College student mental health, wellness, and campus resources</i></p>	Fall 2022
<p>EDCE 510 Introduction to Counseling <i>Instructor of Record: Dodie Limberg, PhD</i> <i>Topic: "What happens in a counseling session?"</i></p>	Summer 2022
<p>EDCE 520 Wellness and Mental Health <i>Instructor of Record: Alex Fields, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Integrating wellness concepts into group counseling</i></p>	Summer 2022
<p>EDCE 724 Techniques of Clinical Mental Health Counseling <i>Instructor of Record: Jessie Guest, PhD</i> <i>Topic: Progress notes in counseling</i></p>	Spring 2022

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EDCE 510 Introduction to Counseling
Instructor of Record: Dodie Limberg, PhD
Topic: Clients with disabilities

Fall 2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional Affiliations

American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (ARCA)	2024 - present
Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities (SAIGE)	2024 - present
South Carolina Counselors Association (SCCA)	2022 - 2024
Association for Assessment and Research in Counseling (AARC)	2022 - present
Association for Specialists in Group Work (ASGW)	2022 - present
Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (SACES)	2022 - present
Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES)	2021 - present
Alabama Counselor Association (ALCA)	2020 - 2021
Chi Sigma Iota (CSI)	2020 - present
American Counseling Association (ACA)	2019 - present

Leadership Appointments

Editorial Board Member Teaching and Supervision in Counseling (TSC)	July 2024 – present
Special Issue Guest Reviewer American Journal of Applied Psychology <i>Special Issue Topic: Mental Health Challenges and Advances Among LGBTQ+ Communities</i>	Spring 2024 – present
2024 Conference Volunteer ASGW	Spring 2024
Awards Committee Member ASGW	Spring 2023

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2024 Conference Proposal Peer Reviewer ASGW	Fall 2023
Graduate Student Editorial Board Member TSC	Summer 2023 – June 2024
2021 Conference Proposal Peer Reviewer ACES	Fall 2021

University Service

Counselor Education Minor Course Development Advisory Committee , University of South Carolina	Spring 2022 – May 2024
Counselor Education Admissions Committee University of South Carolina	Spring 2022 – May 2024
Awards Committee Co-Chair CSI – Iota Delta Sigma Chapter, Auburn University	Fall 2020 – Spring 2021
Graduate Student First-Year Experience Mentor Auburn University	Fall 2020 – May 2021
Graduate Student Ambassador Auburn University	Fall 2019 – May 2021

Advanced Trainings

NARCAN Training University of South Carolina	August 2023
Focus on Peer Review in Academic Journals MasterClass	August 2023
SafeZone Training University of South Carolina	August 2021
Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training University of South Carolina	August 2021
Online Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy TF-CBT Web 2.0	July 2020
Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training Alabama Department of Human Resources	August 2020
Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST): Certified Caregiver LivingWorks	February 2020

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Stewards of Children
Darkness to Light

August 2019