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**EDUCATION:**

**Doctorate of Occupational Therapy (OTD), May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
Huntington University, Huntington, IN  
GPA: 3.851/4.0

**Bachelor of Arts in Social & Behavioral Sciences, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**  
Concentration: Psychology  
Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ  
GPA: 3.31/4.0

**CREDENTIALING:**

**Associate Ergonomics Professional (AEP) #2274**  
Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics  
November 2018

**Occupational Therapist Registered (OTR) #387569**  
National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, Inc.  
July 2017

**LICENSURE  
INFORMATION:**

Indiana Occupational Therapy Licensure #31006390A (Current)  
Indiana Massage Therapy Licensure #MT2140527 (Current)  
New Jersey Massage Therapy Therapy Licensure #18KT00737800 (Inactive)

**EMPLOYMENT &  
ENTREPRENEURIAL:**

**Huntington University, Fort Wayne, IN**  
**Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy, Doctorate (OTD)**  
**Doctoral Capstone Coordinator**  
**(January 2019 – Present)**  
8 credit hours taught per academic year  
Guide student development into advanced practice areas  
Monitor compliance of student projects within accreditation standards  
Instruct competency courses for student preparation into clinical rotations

**Lutheran Health Network Home Health (LHC Group), Fort Wayne, IN  
(July 2018 – Dec 2018), (January 2019 – Present) PRN**

Home Health Care management of home safety and I/ADL performance  
Evaluation/assessment, durable medical equipment, assist equipment/devices,  
manual therapy, neuro re-ed, therapeutic exercise, home modification

**Rehabilitation Hospital of Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, IN  
(May 2018 – Present) PRN**

Neurological/orthopedic level evaluation/assessment of selfcare performance  
items within an intensive 15 hour per week rehabilitation center  
Utilization of the Functional Independence Measure (FIM) to assess a patient's  
level of disability as well as change in patient status in response to rehab

**Indiana Institute of Technology, Fort Wayne, IN  
Adjunct Professor of Exercise Science**

**(August 2018 – December 2018)**

6 credit hours taught per academic year  
Instructed theories of strength & conditioning sections  
Placed student for observation hours within occupational therapy settings  
Facilitated employment opportunity for student with manual therapy experience

**Presence Health @ Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, IN  
(January 2018 – December 2018) PRN**

Provided SNF-level evaluation & treatment to primarily geriatric population  
Collaborated with COTAs on plan of care treatments for established continuity

**North Ridge Village Nursing and Rehab Center, Albion, IN  
(July 2017 – July 2018), (August 2018 – Present) PRN**

Occupational Therapist and Assistant Director of Rehab (ADOR)  
Provided SNF-level evaluation & treatment to primarily geriatric population  
Managed projections and RUG levels  
Led patient-family care plan meetings, interprofessional trainings  
Developed restorative nursing program competencies to increase patient care  
Coordinated therapist schedules and arranged PRN staffing

**Ergonomics & Injury Prevention Program (Sky Rehabilitation, LLC)**

Established training manuals, marketing materials, proposals, and protocols  
Attended meetings in Kansas City, MO to present to CEO and Business  
Development Manager on content and projections

**Consolidated Edison, Inc., New York, NY  
(January 2017 – April 2017)**

Residency OTD paid project for ergonomics environmental, health & safety  
Improved employee well-being and overall system performance  
Analyzed job tasks with a variety of evidence-based tools  
Identified risk factors to establish a plan for mitigation of risks  
Resolved the corporate policy & procedures for the ergonomic program

Launched deliverables on intranet (i.e. home exercise programs, assessments & fact sheets)  
Presented at monthly department wide events

**Massage Envy, Fort Wayne, IN  
(November 2014 – December 2016)**

Managed scheduling of client caseloads, evaluations, follow-ups  
Treated neuromusculoskeletal pain and discomfort of clients  
First therapist trained in Stretch Technique Protocol in Fort Wayne  
Worked with high level professional athletes in Fort Wayne area  
Practiced specialty areas of sport massage, medical massage, and myofascial release techniques

**ProCare Rehabilitation, LLC, Colts Neck, NJ  
(August 2013 – May 2014)**

Assisted therapy staff in all day-to-day operations of clinic  
Scheduled patients and contacted insurers

**CONTINUING  
EDUCATION:**

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association Fall Conference – Nov. 2018**

IUPUI – Indianapolis, IN  
Presenter & Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association – NE District – October 2018**

Virtual Dementia Tour – 2.0 Contact Hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association – NE District – July 2018**

Rock Steady Boxing: Fighting Back Against Parkinson's! – 2.0 Contact Hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association – NE District – May 2018**

Insight into the Acute-Care World – 2.0 Contact hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**University of Saint Francis School of Health Sciences – November 2017**

Kinesiology Taping Course, Neurorecovery Unlimited, Angela Reimer –  
8.0 Contact Hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association – NE District – November 2017**

Legislature and Mental Health – 2.0 Contact Hours

Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association – NE District – August 2017**

Grade “A” Prep from Student to Practitioner – 2.0 Contact Hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference – April 2017**

Philadelphia, PA  
Participant & volunteer

**Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health – February 2017**

Work, Health, and Well-being: Frameworks, Evidence, and Applications –  
20.75 Contact Hours  
Boston, MA  
Fellowship Receptient & participant

**Matheson Ergonomic Evaluation Cetification Program – January 2017**

Certified Ergonomic Evaluation Specialist (CEES) course – 30 Contact Hours  
Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**American Society of Hand Therapists Annual Conference – Sept. 2016**

Washington, DC  
Presenter & participant

**The International Institute on the Model of Human Occupation – Oct. 2015**

Indianapolis, IN  
Participant

**American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference – April 2015**

Nashville, TN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association Annual Meeting – Sept. 2015**

Indianapolis, IN  
Participant

**Indiana Occupational Therapy Association Annual Meeting – May 2015**

Fort Wayne, IN  
Participant

**The Institute for Therapeutic Massage – October 2013 – May 2014**

Massage and Bodywork Studies Program, Inc – May 4th, 2014  
Certificate of Completion: 650 training hours  
Haskell, NJ  
Student

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Member – The American Occupational Therapy Association; # 000004403855

Member – Indiana Occupational Therapy Association; #679

Member – National Board Certification in Occupational Therapy; #387569

Member – Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics; #2274

## **BOARD POSITIONS:**

Northeast District Director  
Indiana Occupational Therapy Association  
February 2019 – Present

## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Love in Action: Food Drive  
Pine Hills Church  
Volunteer

American Occupational Therapy Association  
Volunteer  
April 2017

Wheels for the World: Haiti – Missions Trip  
Wheelchair Mechanic  
January 2015

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION:**

*Fellowship Grant*, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, May '16  
*National Society of Collegiate Scholars*, Seton Hall University, '09 to '13  
*Athletics Spirit Award*, Seton Hall University, May '10

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

Short, N., Harmsen, R., Kjellgren, G., O'Neill, C., Pinney, H., Rivera, A., & Warnaar, V. (2017). Use of Dexteria application to improve fine motor coordination in the nondominant hand. *Journal of Hand Therapy: Official Journal of the American Society of Hand Therapists*. 30(1). 106-108.  
doi: [10.1016/j.jht.2016.03.014](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jht.2016.03.014)

## **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

Indiana Occupational Therapy Association | Indianapolis, IN  
IOTA Fall Conference & Annual Meeting, November 17, 2018  
“Baby Boomers and Work-Injury Prevention: Promoting Ergonomics for the Aging Population who Does not Plan on Retiring” (Introductory)

Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc. | New York, NY  
Woman’s Coalition: “A Morning of Wellness,” March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
“Office Ergonomics & Safety”

American Society of Hand Therapy | Washington, DC  
Scientific Papers I, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
“Use of Dexteria application to improve fine motor coordination in the nondominant hand”

Indiana Occupational Therapy Association | Fort Wayne, IN  
Poster Presentation, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
“Lateral Epicondylitis: Exploring Pain Interventions”

## **RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:**

Rivera, A. D. (2017). Work-related Injury Prevention Program (WRIPP). Huntington University OTD Program Residency Project, New York, NY.  
<https://www.huntington.edu/graduate/occupational-therapy/residency/residency-projects-class-of-2017>

Short, N., Harmsen, R., Kjellgren, G., O’Neill, C., Pinney, H., Rivera, A., Warnaar, V. (2016). Use of Dexteria app to improve fine motor coordination in the non-dominant hand. Huntington University OTD Program, Fort Wayne, IN.

Garbutt, S., LaRowe, J., Love, L., Rivera, A., Schweinsberg, K. (2015) Perceived Benefits of Servant Leadership: First Year OTD Student Caregiver Experiences at a Faith-Based Organization Serving Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities. Huntington University OTD Program, Fort Wayne, IN.

## **COURSES TAUGHT IN FIELD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:**

### **HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY:**

Spring 2019 OTD 733 – Capstone Development Seminar  
OTD 745 – Professional Competency

Summer 2019 OTD 743 – Capstone Project Design (Scheduled)

Fall 2019 OTD 733 – Capstone Development Seminar (Scheduled)

**COURSES TAUGHT IN FIELD OF  
EXERCISE SCIENCES:**

**INDIANA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY:**

Fall 2018      PHED3810 AA – Theories of Strength & Conditioning  
                    PHED3810 AB – Theories of Strength & Conditioning

**ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC  
TEACHING EXPERIENCES:**

**HUNTINGTON UNIVERSITY:**

Guest Lecturer – Fort Wayne, IN Campus – January 2015, 2016, 2019  
“Manual Therapy in Occupational Therapy”

Guest Lecturer – Huntington, IN Campus – February 2016  
“Graduate Studies: What to expect within an allied healthcare program”

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