

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 1982 **Bachelor of Arts**, University of Virginia, Biology
- 1988 **Doctor of Philosophy**
Medical College of Virginia (MCV)
Field of study: Human Genetics
Dissertation advisors: Walter Nance, Ph.D., M.D., and Barry Wolf, Ph.D., M.D.
- 2009 **Masters of Social Work**,
Tulane University School of Social Work

Postdoctoral Training

- 1988 - 1990 **Postdoctoral Fellowship**
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA),
Neuro-Psychiatric Institute and Department of Pediatrics
Field of study: Medical Genetics and Genetic Epidemiology
Mentor: Anne Spence, Ph.D.
- 1990 – 1992 **Postdoctoral Fellowship**,
Louisiana State University Health Science Center (LSUHSC)
Department of Biometry and Genetics
Field of study: Statistical Human Genetics
Mentor: Robert Elston, Ph.D.

LICENSURE & BOARD CERTIFICATION

- 1990 **American Board of Medical Genetics**, Board certification
Diplomat, Ph.D. Medical Geneticist
- 2011 **Louisiana Board of Social Work**
Board Certified Licensed Master of Social Worker (LMSW)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Faculty and Research Appointments

1990	Research Associate UCLA, Departments of Neurology and Ophthalmology
1992 - 1994	Instructor Louisiana State University Health Science Center (LSUHSC) Department of Biometry and Genetics
1994 - 1995	Adjunct Assistant Professor (non-salaried) Department of Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
1994 - 1996	Assistant Professor Department of Biometry and Genetics, Louisiana State University Health Science Center
1994 - present	Assistant Professor and Co-director Children's Hospital Neurofibromatosis Clinic Department of Pediatrics, Division of Genetics Louisiana State University Health Science Center
1995 - 2005	Assistant Research Professor Department of Psychiatry and Neurology and Hayward Genetics Center Tulane University School of Medicine
1997 - 2001	Adjunct Assistant Professor Department of International Health and Development Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
Sept, 2005 - 2006	Guest Researcher NIH/National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
2006 - 2008	Independent Research Contractor NIH/National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
Feb-July, 2006	Volunteer Adjunct Assistant Professor , (post Hurricane Katrina appointment) Department of Psychiatry and Neurology and Hayward Genetics Center Tulane University School of Medicine
July, 2006 - 2017	Adjunct Assistant Professor (part-time) Department of Psychiatry and Neurology and Hayward Genetics Center Tulane University School of Medicine
July, 2017 - 2019	Assistant Professor (full time) Department of Psychiatry and Hayward Genetics Center Tulane University School of Medicine
Jan, 2019 - present	Associate Professor (full time) Department of Psychiatry and Hayward Genetics Center Tulane University School of Medicine

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS (continued)

Administrative Appointments

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| 2000 -
present | <p>Director of Graduate Studies, Hayward Genetics Center
Faculty administrator for the Master's in Medical Genetics and Genomics program and the chair of the Genetic Center's Graduate Education Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate with prospective students interested in the program; review applications, chair the Admissions Committee • Work to promote the Master's program by speaking to pre-medical interest groups; keep the website and Facebook page for the program up to date and active • Oversee students' progress and address specific student issues • Prepare, revise, and update the departmental graduate student handbook, the student orientation book, and the self-assessment report for the Graduate School • Coordinate course scheduling and teaching responsibilities • Write letters of recommendation for medical schools, other professional schools and employment opportunities; perform mock interviews with students • Counsel graduate students on career-related, academic, and personal issues • Collect data, perform statistics and track alumni progress and careers • Represent the Genetics Center at SOM education- related committees |
| 2015 -
present | <p>Director of Student Support and Wellness, Office of Student Affairs
Primary responsibility is to help medical students navigate personal and academic issues; serve as ombudsperson; assist students with issues of professionalism; foster a culture of "wellness" in the Medical School.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counsel students regarding academic, personal, and professional issues; make referrals to mental health providers and lawyers, etc. • Increase awareness and assessment of wellness/support/professionalism • Work with students and the Mental Health and Wellness Coalition (MHWC) to coordinate initiatives geared toward improving mental health and wellness • Organize support groups and workshops for students • Liaise with Tulane Counseling Center (CAPS), The Office of Accessibility and Tulane Office of Student Resources and Support Services. • Advocate for increased resources on the Medical School campus • Serve as faculty leader for the Tulane Learning Communities (TLC) • Identify and advocate for wellness education in the curriculum |

Honors and Awards

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| 1980 | Phi Sigma Biology Honor Society |
| 1980 | Intermediate Academic Honors, University of Virginia |
| 1986 | Roscoe D. Hughes Pre-doctoral Fellowship in Human Genetics (MCV) |
| 1994 | Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund Awardee |
| 2016, 2018, 2020 | |
| 2022, 2024 | W. Clifford Newman Student Advocacy Award, Tulane Owl Club |

CLINICAL ACTIVITIES

1983 - 1984	Student intern , Genetic Counseling Clinic, Medical College of Virginia
1988 - 1989	Postdoctoral Fellow , Tay Sachs Clinic, UCLA
1988 - 1990	Postdoctoral Fellow , Genetic Counseling Clinic, UCLA
1988 - 1990	Postdoctoral Fellow , UCLA Cleft Lip and Palate Clinic, Rancho Los Amigos
1990	Counselor , Jules Stein Ophthalmology Dept, UCLA, Retinitis Pigmentosa Clinic
1994 - 1995	Counselor , General Genetics Clinic, Children's Hospital, New Orleans
2007 - 2009	Social Work Intern , Catholic Charities of New Orleans
2011 - 2012	Coordinator , Children's Hospital Down Syndrome Clinic
1994 - 2018	Founding Co-Director , Children's Hospital Neurofibromatosis Clinic

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1982 - present	Member , America Society of Human Genetics
1985 - 2005	Member , Sigma Xi Research Society
1991 - 2006	Member , American Association for the Advancement of Science
1992 - 2006	Founding Member , International Genetic Epidemiology Society
1993 - present	Founding Fellow , American College of Medical Genetics
1994 - present	Member , National Neurofibromatosis Foundation
1996 - 2006	Member , International Society of Psychiatric Genetics
2000 - 2005	Member , Tourette syndrome Association
1999 - 2007	Professional Member , Obsessive Compulsive Foundation
2003 - 2006	Founding Member , Obsessive Compulsive Foundation Genetics Collaborative
2010 - present	Member , Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics (APHMG)
2015 - present	Member , International Association of Science Educators (IAMSE)
2015 - present	Member , Association of American Medical Colleges, Group on Student Affairs

Board Membership

1997 - 2006	Archivist , International Genetic Epidemiology Society (IGES)
2012 - 2016	Executive Board Member , Course Directors Special Interest Group Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics

NATIONAL ADVISORY/REVIEW COMMITTEES

Reviewer: grants and projects

1994	Member , NIH Advisory Board for the 3 rd edition <u>Basic Mechanisms of the Epilepsies</u>
1999	Scientific Peer Grant Reviewer , Department of Defense (DoD), U.S. Army Medical Research Material Command, Neurofibromatosis Research Program
2000 - 2004	Grant Reviewer , NIGMS Minority Biomedical Research Support (MBRS) Program
2009	Grant Reviewer , Obsessive Compulsive Foundation
2015, 2016	Abstract Reviewer for the American Society of Human Genetics annual meeting: section on Genetic Counseling, ELSI, Education, and Health Services Research

NATIONAL ADVISORY/REVIEW COMMITTEES (continued)

Scientific Journal Ad Hoc Reviewer

Neuropsychiatric Genetics,
Genomics
Pediatric Nephrology
Epilepsia
American Journal of Human Genetics
Neurology
CNS Spectrum
American Journal of Psychiatry
Medical Science Educator
Trends in Genetics
BMJ Open
Teaching and Learning in Medicine
Genetics in Medicine

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE

National Service and Committees

1993	Founding Fellow , American College of Medical Genetics
1997 - 2000	Item Writer , Ph.D. Medical Genetics Board exam for the 1999 American Board of Medical Genetics Certification Examination
2002	Organizing Committee Chair “Medical Symposium on Neurofibromatosis”
2002	Member, Executive Committee “Louisiana Genetics Education Partnership: Science in the New Millennium”
2003	Co-Chairman , American Society of Human Genetics Educational Session: “Psychiatric Genetics: Progress and Promise?”
2003	Founding member , Obsessive Compulsive Foundation Genetics Collaborative
2012- 2013	Section leader , Genetics Competencies Review Committee Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics
2012- 2015	Executive committee member and Meeting Planning committee Course Directors Special Interest Group Association of Professors of Human and Medical Genetics (APHMG)

Departmental and University Service and Committees

Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center

1994 – 1996	Member , LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics Graduate Student Committee
1994 - 1996	Member , LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics Computer Equipment Committee
1994 - 1997	Member , LSUHSC Human and Molecular Center of Excellence
1994	Member , LSUHSC Graduate Faculty Council, School of Graduate Studies

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE (continued)

Departmental and University Service and Committees (continued)

Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium

2002, 2003 **Mentor**, Summer Cancer Research Internship Program
 2004 - 2015 **Judge**, Summer Cancer Research Internship Program

Tulane University School of Medicine

1998 - present **Member**, Graduate Education Committee, Hayward Genetics Center
 2010 - present **Interviewer**, Tulane Medical School Admissions
 2010 - present **Facilitator**, Foundations in Medicine Ethics sessions
 2010 - 2015 **Member**, T1 Course Directors committee
 2011 - 2013 **Member**, Student Affairs Committee
 2012 - 2014 **Member**, HEAL-X curriculum committee
 2013 - present **Founding Member**, Tulane Society for Women in Medical Education Research
 2013 - present **Member**, Admissions committee
 2013 - 2016 **Member**, Curriculum committee
 2014 - 2016 **Member**, School of Medicine Curriculum committee
 2014 - 2016 **Electives sub-committee**, School of Medicine Curriculum committee
 2014 - 2016 **T1 Course directors committee**,
 2014 - 2016 **Chair**, Professionalism sub-committee of T1 Course Directors committee
 2014 - present **Member**, Biomedical Science Graduate Curriculum Committee
 2015 - present **Tulane Learning Communities**, Community Director
 2016 - present **Tulane Learning Communities**, Executive Committee, Faculty Advisor
 2015 - 2017 **Member**, Ad Hoc Committee on Student Promotion and Professionalism
 2017 - 2020 **Member**, Medical Education Research Cohort
 2018 – present **Executive Committee Member**, Tulane School of Medicine Wellness Committee
 2018 – present **Faculty member**, The Program in Medical Ethics & Human Values
 2022 - present **Member**, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences JEDI CAT (Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Curriculum and Training) Committee

Community Service

1994-2018 Children's Tumor Foundation, LA Chapter, Clinical Support
 2001-2023 New Orleans Jewish Day School, President and Board Member
 2006-2010 New Orleans Melton School, Chair, Advisory Committee
 2006-present Congregation Anshe Sfard, Board Member, Treasurer, and Secretary
 2012 Organizer, Genetic Carrier Testing, Tulane Hillel
 2012 Jewish Family Services, volunteer delivery of Passover baskets
 2012 Avodah Jewish Service Corps, Chair, Annual Fundraiser
 2013-present Avodah Jewish Service Corps, Advisory Board Member
 2014 Genetic Carrier Screening volunteer, TribeFest, New Orleans
 2015-2018 Limmud Fest, Advisory committee, Co-chair Spirituality program committee
 2019-2024 Jewish Federation volunteer corps, member
 2022-present Jewish Children's Regional Service – Case Committee member (determine support for special needs cases)
 2024-present Albert Schweitzer Fellowship advisory board

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Course Directorships (courses for which I had primary responsibility or large contribution)

1984	Course Director and Lecturer , “Human Genetics”, Explorer Scouts (high school)
1989	Lab Director , "Mathematical Modeling in Human Genetics", UCLA (1 hour/week, 8 week quarter, undergraduate students)
1990	Instructor , “Genetic Risk Assessment”, University of California, Irvine (two day short course, genetic counseling students)
1992 - 1995	Instructor , "Statistical Methods in Human Genetics", LSU (3 lectures)
1995	Co-director , “Advanced Topics in Genetics - Linkage”, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics and Biometry, graduate students (3 hours per week; 14 week semester)
2000 – 2004	Co-Director , “Serotonin and Behavior”, Tulane University School of Medicine Elective (2 hours/week; 8 weeks, medical students)
2003	Course Director , “Genetic Dissection of Complex Traits”, Tulane School of Medicine (3 hours per week; 14 week semester, Masters student)
1996-present	Co-instructor , “Introduction to Medical Genetics”, Hayward Genetics Center, annually (5 lectures of 22, Masters students)
2006 - present	Course Director , “Research Methods”, Tulane University, annually (team taught: 4 lectures of 22, plus administrative duties for course, Masters students)
2008-present	Director , Hayward Genetics Grand Rounds, (1 hour/week, 30 weeks annually)
1999-present	Course Director , “Population Genetics and Genetic Epidemiology”, Tulane University, annually (3 hours per week; 14 week semester, Masters students) Sole instructor for course
1996-present	Instructor , “Medical Genetics” First Year Medical Students course, (6 lectures of 25)
2010 - 2015	Course Director , “Medical Genetics” Tulane School of Medicine First Year (T1) course, annually (6 lectures of 25, medical students) Full administrative duties for course 2010- 2015, Lecturer 1996 - present.
2011-present	Facilitator , Foundations in Medicine Ethics sessions (6 per year, medical students)
2015	Course Director , “Understanding Ancestry” Special Topics course (3 hours per week; 14 week semester, 1 Masters student)
2018-2020	Facilitator , Self-Directed Learning for first year Medical Students
2021-2024	Course Director , Elective in Mind Body Medicine, Medical students

Teaching assistantships

1981	Teaching Assistant , Intro Biology, UVA, (pre-nursing students)
1981 - 1982	Tutor , Intro Biology course, UVA, (premedical students)
1983 - 1986	Lecturer , "Cell Biology", MCV, (3 lectures, medical students)
1984 - 1986	Lecturer , "Dental Genetics", MCV, (3 lectures, dental students)
1984 - 1986	Lecturer , "Linkage Analysis", Intro Human Genetics, MCV, (graduate students)
1989	Teaching Assistant , “Medical Genetics”, UCLA, (medical students)
1989	Teaching Assistant , “Genetics Epidemiology” UCLA, (graduate students)

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES (continued)

Single Lectures in other Courses

- 1995, 1996 **Lecturer**, "Medical Genetics - Psychiatry" - Third Annual Yale/Ochsner Comprehensive Review of Psychiatry and Neurology, (Board review for MDs)
- 1997 **Lecturer**, "Genetic Epidemiology of Mental Illness"; and "Epidemiology of OCD" lectures for "Epidemiology of Mental Illness", Tulane School of Public Health
- 1999 **Guest Teacher**, "Human Genetics", 3rd - 7th grade, Torah Academy of New Orleans
- 2000 - 2005 **Lecturer**, "Genetic Epidemiology of Cardiovascular Disease" in Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology, Tulane School of Public Health, (graduate students), annually
- 2000 - 2005 **Small Group Facilitator**, "Human Behavior", Tulane (medical students)
- 2003 **Lecturer**, "Psychiatric Genetics" lecture in "Foundations in Medicine II: Normal and Abnormal Human Behavior" course. Tulane School of Medical, (medical students)
- 2003, 2004 **Guest Teacher**, "Human Genetics", New Orleans Jewish Day School (5th grade)
- 2007, 2011 **Guest Teacher**, "Human Genetics", Lusher Middle School (7th grade)
- 2008 - present **Lecturer**, "Psychiatric Genetics" lecture in "Clinical Aspects", Hayward Genetics Center, Tulane School of Medicine, (graduate students), annually
- 2009 - present **Lecturer**, "Psychiatric Genetics" lecture in "Nursing Genetics", Louisiana State University School of Nursing. (Nursing students), biannually
- 2010- present **Lecturer**, "Pharmacogenetics and personalized medicine " lecture in "Genetic Epidemiology and Population Genetics", LSUHSC, (graduate students), annually
- 2014 **Lecturer**, "Genetic aspects of OCD", Tulane T3 Psychiatry clinical rotation
- 2021 **Session leader**, "Be well to lead well", workshop for Leadership in Healthcare course (Graduate and medical students)
- 2018- present **Lecturer**, "Psychiatric Genetics and Genetic Counseling" lecture in "Brain, Mind and Behavior" Tulane, second year medical school course, annually
- 2023 **Presenter** "Residency Day: how not to get overwhelmed" Tulane medical students
- 2024 **Presenter** "Educational and Behavioral research" Tulane medical students, ASPIRE program

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member

- 1995 Pornprot Limprasert – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 1996 Janice Prist – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 1996 Diptasri Mandal – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 1997 Smita Premkumar – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 1998 Christina Macias Justice – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 2005 Tara Turley – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
- 2008 Cong Xing Li – Member, Tulane Hayward Genetics Program
- 2008 Chunbo Shao – Member, Tulane Hayward Genetics Program
- 2012 Elisa Ledet – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES (continued)**Masters Thesis Committee**

1995	Katie Hanson – Member, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
1997	Browyn Westling – Chair, LSUHSC Dept. of Genetics
2002	Jennifer O’Conner – Chair, Tulane Hayward Genetics Program

Tulane Hayward Genetics Center Masters Research Paper Mentor

2003	Larry Chan, Mailekaluhea Ahuna
2004	William Guntherson, Amy Stratton
2005	Yasir Kahn, Zeina Khodr
2006	April Adams, Sean DeBarros
2007	James Huggins
2008	Will Moiser
2009	Xiaoying Fu
2010	Alex Woehlke, Megan Killion,
2011	Michael De France
2012	Nicholas Broccoli, Bendan Reiser, Mansoor Zaheer
2013	James Ulrich, Travis Kerr
2014	Zach Hansen
2015	Zaid Choudhry
2016	Kourtney Castille, Nathan Dvorkin
2017	Fendhua Zhu, Brittany Bosarge
2018	Jerome Tuttle-Roache, Jawn Manning
2019	Mary Kate Luddy, Eric Chow
2020	Rachel Greenberg, Timothy Nass
2021	Deborah Ofuso, Ethan Diamond
2022	Anna Padua, Mallory Britz
2023	Tea Natelaui
2024	Hayley Winslow

Faculty Advisor for Student Interest Groups

2014- present	Mentor, American College of Medical Genetics (ACMG) Student Interest Group
2015- present	Phoenix Society (Student group for Wellness)
2016- present	Mental Health and Wellness Coalition (MHWC)
2017-2019	Fitness and Medicine (FaM)
2017-present	Tulane Wilderness Interest Group (TWIG)
2020-2022	Medical students with disabilities and chronic illnesses
2021-present	Medical Genetics Interest Group

Other mentorship positions

2020	Albert Schweitzer Fellowship – mentor for Althea Alquitran
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EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES (continued)

Teaching Awards

2011	Nominated for Best First Year Class: Medical Genetics – course director
2012	Nominated for Best First Year Class: Medical Genetics – course director
2013	Nominated for Best First Year Class: Medical Genetics – course director
2014	Nominated for Best First Year Class: Medical Genetics – course director

Curriculum Development

2011	Foundations in Medicine course: Creator of discussion session on “Ethical Issues in Genetics”
2012-2014	Health Education Adaptive Learning Experience (HEAL-X): Genetics curriculum director - HEAL-X was an accelerated MD curriculum created for students with PhDs
2013-present	First year (T1) Medical School Integration Curriculum Development committee
2014-2016	Chair, T1 Professionalism committee - Designed an approach for documenting and remediating lapses in professionalism. Created an interactive session for first year medical students to address issues of professionalism and giving feedback
2018-present	Program in Medical Ethics and Human Values, member- working to increase ethics and humanities in the medical school curriculum
2018-present	Foundations in Medicine course: Creator and facilitator of session on “Professionalism and Feedback”
2018-present	Foundations in Medicine course: Creator and facilitator of session on “Wellness plan for Medical school”
2019-present	Foundations in Medicine course: Creator and facilitator of Inter-professionalism session on “Social Determinants of Health”
2019	Interdisciplinary Seminar (IDS): Creator and facilitator ‘Eeny, meeny, miny, moe’: Personal values, specialty choices and dealing with the stress of decision making
2023	Foundations in Medicine course: Creator and facilitator of session on “Ethical issues in Medical Genetics”
2025	Interdisciplinary Seminar (IDS): Creator and facilitator “Ethnicity, Ancestry, Race, ‘Population of origin’ – what does it all mean?”

Workshops Developed for Student Support and Wellness

Taming the Tiger I: Dealing with Step Anxiety
 Taming the Tiger II: Well-being during Step
 Workshop on Test Anxiety
 Wellness Workshop
 Confronting Imposter Syndrome
 Mind Body Medicine – Workshop on mindfulness
 Wellness for Step
 Wellness for clerkships

INVITED ADDRESSES

Intramural

Tulane Hayward Genetics Center Grand Rounds

- "Genetic Analysis of Epilepsy Syndromes", Spring 1994
- "The Genetics of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder", Dec. 1996
- "Neurofibromatosis type 1 - an Update", Dec. 1998
- "Twin Studies", Nov. 1999
- "A Complete Genome Screen in Sib Pairs Affected by Tourette Syndrome" Jan. 2000
- "Issues and Calculations for Forensic Evidence", March 2001
- "Pharmacogenetics of Antipsychotic Treatment: Lessons Learned From Clozapine", Jan. 2002
- "Update on the Genetics Studies of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder", March 2003
- "Neurofibromatosis: Update of Treatment and Cognitive Issues", November, 2012
- "What is new in medical (genetics) education? March, 2017
- "Journal Club: False positives in Direct to Consumer testing", September, 2018
- "State of Medical Genetics education" April, 2019
- "How to Talk about Race in the Genomics Era" Oct, 2020
- "Jews, Genes and Identity" April, 2020, February 2021, and January 2023
- "Ethnicity, Ancestry, Race, 'Population of origin' – what does it all mean?", Sept, 2024
- "Assessing information and disinformation" February, 2025

Tulane Department of Psychiatry and Neurology Grand Rounds

- "The Genetics of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder", Dec. 1997
- "The Genetics of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder", 1999
- "Psychopharmacogenetics", 2009
- "Genetics in Psychiatry", October, 2014

Tulane University Department of Epidemiology

- "Genetic Epidemiology and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder", March 2002

Tulane Student Bioethics Special Interest Group

- "Case studies in Genetics and Ethics", Oct, 2015
- "More case studies in Genetics and Ethics", February 2017

Tulane Student Psychiatry Interest Group

- "Genetics in Psychiatry", November, 2015
- "Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and why it is hard to find genes" November, 2018

Tulane Student Genetics Interest Group and Jewish Student Association

- "Jews and Genes: The history of Jewish Genetic Disorders", March 2017
- "Jews, Genes and Identity" Dec 2024

Tulane ASPIRE Research Group

- "Educational and Behavioral Research", June 2019, 2023, 2024

Tulane Counseling Center

- "The culture and stressors of medical school", October, 2022

INVITED ADDRESSES

Local

1. "Polymorphism" - Advanced Human Genetics Graduate Course, MCV, 1984
2. "Hemoglobinopathies" - Advanced Human Genetics Graduate Course, MCV, 1984 – 1986
3. "Career Opportunities in Genetics" - Intro Biology, JS Reynolds Community College, 1985
4. "Genetic Disorders in Man" - Nursing Class, Richmond Memorial Hospital, 1985, 1986
5. "Psychiatric and Behavioral Genetics" - Psychiatric Residents, Harbor, UCLA, 1989
6. "Genetic Aspects of Neurofibromatosis" - Children's Hospital, New Orleans, 1994
7. "Advanced Topics in Genetics-Linkage" - LSUHSC Graduate Course, 1994
8. "New Research in Neurofibromatosis (NF)" - LA Chapter, National NF Foundation, 1995
9. "Population Genetics for Forensic Uses" - Forensic Genetics Workshop, Tulane Univ. Dept. of Biochemistry, Nov, 1996, Dec, 1997
10. "Issues in Mental Illness and Health Research" (panel discussant) - Contemporary Issues Involving Risks/Benefits in Research meeting, New Orleans, March, 1997
11. "Genetics of Psychiatric Disorders" Manic-Depressive Support Group, DePaul, June, 1997
12. "Genetics of Psychiatric Disorders" - Louisiana State University Health Science Center, Psychiatry Residency Program, Oct. 2000, May 2001
13. "The Genetics of Neurofibromatosis" The LA chapter of the National Neurofibromatosis Foundation, March, 2001
14. "Understanding research and the genetics of psychiatric disorders" Manic-Depressive Support Group at DePaul Hospital, July, 2001
15. "Neurofibromatosis and Cognitive deficits" 1st Medical Symposium on Neurofibromatosis, Children's Hospital, March 2007
16. "Neurofibromatosis" 2nd Medical Symposium on Neurofibromatosis, Children's Hospital, November, 2010
17. "Neurofibromatosis: Update of Treatment and Cognitive Issues" Children's Hospital Genetics meeting, Nov. 2012
18. "Genetics", Lusher Middle School seventh grade science class, 2012
19. "Jewish ethics and the Jewish Response to Genetic Testing", Limmud, New Orleans, 2012
20. "Neurofibromatosis Overview", Neurofibromatosis Symposium for Patients and Families Children's Hospital of New Orleans, February, 2014
21. "Clinical Issues in Neurofibromatosis" Children's Hospital Grand Rounds, July 2014.
22. "Genetic testing and Jewish Genetic disorders", Congregation Anshe Sfard, February, 2015
23. "Genetics of Addiction" Grace House, New Orleans, May, 2015.
24. "23 and You: Jews and Genes", Limmud, New Orleans, 2018
25. "CRISPR and ethical issues", Shir Chadash Synagogue, 2023

National

1. "Genetic and Biochemical Study of Biotinidase Activity" - Yale Univ. Pop. Genetics Group, 1987 and UCLA, Harbor Med. Center, Division of Med. Genetics, 1987
2. "Linkage analysis of Juvenile Myoclonic Epilepsy" - MCV Alumni Symposium, 1989, Indiana Univ., Dept. of Genetics, 1990, Univ. of Minn., Institute of Human Genetics, 1990 and Univ. of Maryland, Dept. of Human Genetics, 1990

INVITED ADDRESSES (National cont.)

3. "Genetics of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder" - Robert Heath Lectureship, Tulane University Department of Psychiatry Continuing Education symposium, 1994
4. "Using LIPED and LODLINK computer programs" - S.A.G.E. annual workshop, 1994
5. "OCD and Tourette's syndrome: Genetic implications" - Tulane Univ. Dept of Psychiatry and Neurology, "Obsessive Compulsive Spectrum Disorders" CME Program, Dec, 1996
6. "Juvenile myoclonic epilepsy with absence linked to chromosome 1p." - Southern Genetic Group meeting, July, 1997
7. "Neurofibromatosis 101" Children's Tumor Foundation Forum June, 2012.
8. "Tulane's Masters Program in Human Genetics" Southern Genetic Group meeting, Jacksonville FL, July, 2012
9. "Genes for Generalist" American College of Physicians, New Orleans, LA April, 2018
10. "23 and Us: Jews, Genes and Identity", Jewish Women's group, Richmond, Va. Dec 2018

International

1. "Is there a fast track to mapping human epilepsy genes?", Third International Symposium and Workshops: Basic Mechanisms of the Epilepsies, San Diego, CA, April, 1996
2. "Overview of genetics of the epilepsies" Third International Symposium and Workshops: Basic Mechanisms of the Epilepsies, San Diego, CA, April, 1996
3. "Genetic Analysis of Complex Diseases", Keynote speaker, Universidad de la Ciudad de Mexico, Coloquio En Internacional En Investigación Genómica (International Colloquium on Genetic Research), 2004

WORKSHOPS CHAIRED AT NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

1. "Is there a fast track to mapping human epilepsy genes?" Workshop at the Third International Symposium and Workshops: Basic Mechanisms of the Epilepsies, San Diego, CA 1996
2. "Psychiatric Genetics: progress and promise?" Educational Workshop. Co-organizer and Moderator, American Society of Human Genetics, Los Angeles CA, 2003
3. "Neurofibromatosis" 1st Medical Symposium on Neurofibromatosis, Children's Hospital of New Orleans, 2007
4. "Neurofibromatosis" 2nd Medical Symposium on Neurofibromatosis, Children's Hospital of New Orleans, 2010
5. Neurofibromatosis Symposium for Patients and Families, Children's Hospital of New Orleans, 2014
6. "Genetics Education Across the UME Continuum " Course Directors Special Interest Group Association of Professors of Human and Molecular Genetics meeting. Napa, CA, 2014
7. "Genetics/Genomics Education: From Pupils to Parents" Co-Chair, Concurrent platform session American Society of Human Genetics meeting, Baltimore, MD, 2015
8. "Reflections on Curriculum Transitions through a Genetics Lens" Course Directors Special Interest Group Association of Professors of Human and Molecular Genetics meeting. Clearwater, FL, 2015
9. "Watch Out for the Bumps! Transitioning to a Systems-Based Curriculum", International Association of Medical Science Educators (IAMSE), San Diego, CA, 2015

Workshop Participant or panelist

1. Genetic Analysis Workshop 8, Pajeros, Dunes, CA, 1992
“The Genetic Analysis Workshops (GAWs) are a collaborative effort among genetic epidemiologists to evaluate and compare statistical genetic methods. For each GAW, topics are chosen that are relevant to current analytical problems in genetic epidemiology, and sets of real or computer-simulated data are distributed to investigators worldwide. Results of analyses are discussed and compared at meetings.”
2. Genetic Analysis Workshop 11, 2001
3. Genetic Analysis Workshop 12, 2003
4. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder Genetics Consortium, 2003. This workshop discussed the formation of a consortium of researchers interested in the Genetics of OCD. The group eventually became part of the Obsessive Compulsive Foundation.
5. AAMC 2021 Integrating Quality Conference “Mitigating the COVID-19 Pandemic’s Impact on Medical Student Well-Being”. Presenter, June, 2021

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Intramural

- 6/2018 – 6/2019 **Tulane Office of Medical Education’s Mini-Grant Award**
 “Screening and Assessment of Learning and Study Strategies”. \$2000
Role on project: Principal Investigator /mentor
- 6/2018 – 6/2019 **Tulane Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching**
 Faculty Learning Community Grant, \$500
 "What predicts future success for students who struggled in the first 2 years of medical school?"
Role on project: Principal Investigator
- 07/01/19 – 06/30/20 **Carol Lavin Bernick Faculty travel award**
 travel funds to attend the Faculty Training in Mind-Body Medicine retreat given by the Institute for Integrative Health

Tulane Student Summer ASPIRE grants Faculty mentor for the following projects:

- 2020: “Exploring the Relationship between Resilience and Psychological Well Being in Tulane Medical Students”. Student researcher: Alexandria Jones.
- 2021: “One-year Impact of COVID-19 on the Mental Health and Well-being of Tulane Medical Students” Student researcher: Zabrina Reyes.
- 2021: “Effects of Early Clinical Exposure on Medical Student Wellbeing”
 Student Researcher: Andrew Parker
- 2022: “Impact of COVID-19 on Medical Student Mental Health.”
 Student researcher: Aizaria Ermekbaeva
- 2023: “Rates of Perceived Stress, Anxiety and Depression Amongst Tulane Medical Students”
 Student Researcher: Ameena Oyesile
- 2024: “Assessing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) curriculum”
 Student researchers: Ahona Mukherjee and Kailin Citron.
- 2024: “Mental health and well-being of medical students across the curriculum”
 Student researcher: Katie McLeod

National

- 03/01/92 - 03/29/93 **NIH/NHLBI, Robert Elston (PI)**
 “Major Genes for Cardiovascular Disease Risk Factors.”
 \$44,600, direct costs, 1 year. *Role on Project: Research Associate*
- 03/01/92 - 02/28/97 **NIH/NHLBI (HL388-44), Gerald Berenson (PI)**
 “Early Natural History of Arteriosclerosis”
Role on project: Consultant

- 06/01/94 - 05/31/99 **NIH/NIMH 3 R29 MH49755, Karen Weissbecker (PI)**
 “Family Studies of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.”
 \$349,907 direct costs
Role on project: Principal Investigator
- 07/01/94 - 06/30/97 **NARSAD Young Investigator Award, Karen Weissbecker (PI)** (National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression)
 “Comorbidity, Familial Aggregation and the Inheritance of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.”, \$59,920 direct costs over two years.
Role on project: Principal Investigator
- 12/01/94 - 11/30/95 **NIH (Subcontract with UCLA), Antonio Delgado-Escueta (PI)**
 “Clinical and Molecular Genetics of Juvenile Myoclonic, Childhood Absence, and Grand Mal Epilepsies” \$10,689 subcontract direct costs, 1 year.
Role on project: Consultant
- 04/01/01 - 04/01/03 **Contract with Brown Foundation, Jules Puschett, M.D. (PI)**
 Tulane University Medical School, Department of Medicine. Supported by the Brown Foundation, "Study of the Mechanism of Volume Mediated Hypertension." *Role on project: Co-Investigator*
- 07/01/03 - 12/30/04 **Obsessive Compulsive Foundation, Karen Weissbecker (PI)**
 “Clinical and Genetic Studies of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder With and Without Tics.” \$30,000 direct costs. *Role on project: Principal Investigator*
- 10/01/02 - 06/30/05 **NIH/NHLBI, Tran He (PI)**
 “Genetic Epidemiology of Blood Pressure Intervention.” This projects studies the interaction between genes and environment on the reduction of hypertension in Chinese population put on a salt restricted diet. \$5,621,158 direct costs. *Role on project: Co-Investigator*
- 9/01/05 - 8/30/07 **SERGG**
 “A Pilot Project to Study the Effects of 3 Cofounders on NBS” \$35,664 direct costs. *Role on project: Co-investigator*
- 02/01/06 - 01/31/07 **NIH/NHGRI Subcontract**
 “The Frequency of Smith-Lemli-Opitz Syndrome and Hypcholesterolemia in a Population with Autism.” *Role on Project: Consultant*
- 2015- 2016 **LSU Pediatrics Intramural Clinical and Translational Grant**
 Regina Zambrano, M.D (PI).
 “The Use of Dermatoglyphics as a Diagnostic Tool in the Genetics Clinic”
Role on project: Co-Investigator
- 2010 – 2018 **Children’s Tumor Foundation - Clinic Network**
 Support for annual Medical Symposium and travel to meeting
 \$6000 or \$1000 direct costs annually (depending on year)
Role on Project: Clinic and Workshop Coordinator
- 4/30/19 – 2023 **Association of Pediatric Program Directors Learn grant**
 “Identifying Electronic Residency Application Service filters that predict medical student success in pediatric residency”
 Jessica Debord, PI, *Role on project: Investigator*

RESEARCH PROJECTS – (presently unfunded)

1. Assessing Medical Student Mental Health and Wellness – A multisite initiative
2. Genetics Master's Program assessing outcomes and impact on career choices and attitudes and knowledge of genetics testing
3. Assessment of Tulane wellness initiatives
4. Assessment of Tulane Learning Communities
5. Racial and Social Justice in Medical Education alumni survey

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