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**ACADEMIC TRAINING**

**VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY**, Valdosta, Georgia  
Master of Social Work

**May 1999**

**WESLEYAN COLLEGE**, Macon, Georgia  
Bachelor of Art, Psychology

**May 1997**

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**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

**University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL**

**2012– present**

**Director of Field Education/Instructor**

- Coordinate all student practicum/internships; Approximately 600 students in practicum each year and over 500 agencies contracted.
- Network throughout the State of AL and nationally to secure agencies for student practicum.
- Maintain contracts and liability and monitor relationships with existing agencies.
- Provide on-going training and education to field instructors and students.
- Work as a team member with other faculty members in relation to challenges in the field.
- Manage the field program including agency approvals, student placements, and evaluations.
- Provide service to University community and the larger social work community.
- Teach Integrative Seminar.

**Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA**

**2002-2012**

**Director of Field Instruction/Instructor**

- Coordinate all student practicum/internships; Approximately 100 students in practicum each year and over 100 agencies contracted. Approximately 1000 hours a year is spent on managing the field ecosystem.
- Network throughout the State of GA to secure agencies for student practicum.
- Maintain contracts and liability and monitor relationships with existing agencies.
- Provide on-going training and education to field instructors and students.
- Work as a team member with other faculty members in relation to challenges in the field.
- Manage the field program including agency approvals, student placements, and evaluations.
- Provide service to VSU community and the larger social work community.
- Teach practicum seminar, practice in schools and social work practice.

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**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

**PINNACLE COUNSELING SERVICES, Valdosta, GA**

**2008 – 2012**

**Contract Therapist**

- Provide therapy based on theraplay principles.
- Provide counseling services to children and families.
- Assess children/families' psychosocial needs.
- Identify strengths and limitations of families.
- Identify resources for families and children.
- Evaluate interventions and services for family and children.

**SERENITY HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE, Valdosta, GA**

**Contract Hospice Social Work**

**2008 – 2012**

- Provide counseling services to patient, family, and significant others
- Assess patient/family psychosocial response to terminal illness.
- Evaluate coping skills in crisis situation.
- Assist patient, family, and hospice care staff in utilizing resources.
- Explore and evaluates patient/family financial situation and offers resources.
- Assist in providing individual and or group bereavement counseling.

**MERIDIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, Jasper, FL**

**2001 – 2002**

**Contract Therapist**

- Educated students on violence prevention.
- Assessed referred at-risk students.
- Provided short-term therapy and referred when appropriate.
- Worked as a team player with parents, school staff, and other agencies.

**COVENANT CARE SERVICES, Macon, GA**

**2001 – 2002**

**South Georgia Caseworker**

- Provided services and counseling to birthmothers who dealt with a crisis pregnancy or adoption throughout South GA.
- Responsible for creating and maintaining relationships with practitioners (family and OBGYN) for adoptions and crisis pregnancy referrals.
- Collaborated to create a team approach with other agencies and providers.
- Oversaw local Advisory Board.
- Worked to create adoption and parenting plans with birthmothers.

**HAMILTON COUNTY SCHOOLS, Jasper, FL**

**2000 – 2001**

**Guidance Counselor**

- Oversaw counseling and child study program.
- Assessed children for learning and behavioral concerns.
- Worked as a team with teachers, parents, and community.
- Networked within the community to secure resources for students.
- Educated students in relation to guidance and social skills.
- Coordinated and oversaw events and programs dealing with various topics.
- Testing Coordinator.

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program**

- Coordinated and managed the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program for the county.
- Taught abstinence based curriculum to students 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Trained and educated staff, parents, and community members.
- Selected, supervised, and trained local teen leaders.
- Collaborated with other programs and the community to plan events.
- Worked within the school health clinic to assess and treat students.

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**COURSES TAUGHT**

SW 100-901 Introduction to Fields in Social Work Practice  
SW 210 -901 Family and Child Welfare  
SW 443 Seminar Generalist Practice  
SW 444 Field Preparation Seminar  
SW 490 Field Education  
SW 534 Integrative Seminar  
SW 590 Field Education I  
SW 595 Field Education II

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**UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA COMMITTEES**

Member, Search Committee for Program Manager (FYERI)	<b>Spring 2021</b>
Member, General Education Taskforce Ethics Sub-Committee	<b>Fall 2020</b>
Member, Core Curriculum Oversight Committee	<b>Fall 2019- present</b>
Member, University Assessment Committee	<b>Fall 2019- present</b>
Member, Learning in Action Advisory Board	<b>Fall 2019- present</b>
Alternate, Faculty Senate	<b>Fall 2019-present</b>
Member, Campus Safety Committee	<b>Fall 2016-2019</b>

**SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK COMMITTEES**

Member, Ad-hoc Policy/Grievance Sub-committee	<b>Fall 2020-present</b>
Member Dean's Search Committee	<b>Spring 2020-present</b>
Chair, Field Advisory Committee, School of Social Work	<b>Spring 2012-present</b>
Chair, Field Education Program Committee	<b>Fall 2018-present</b>
Member, Executive Committee, School of Social Work	<b>Fall 2012-present</b>
Member, MSW Program Committee, School of Social Work	<b>Fall 2012-present</b>
Member, BSW Program Committee, School of Social Work	<b>Fall 2012-present</b>
Member, SBIRT Implementation and Improvement Committee	<b>Fall 2017-2019</b>

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**EXTERNAL COMMITTEES**

Member, Alabama Field Consortium	<b>Fall 2015-present</b>
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Member, Council on Field Education, CSWE  
Member, BPD Planning Committee  
Chair, Alabama Field Consortium

Fall 2014-Summer 2020  
Fall 2019-Spring 2020  
Fall 2015-2017

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Member, Council on Social Work Education	2002-present
Member, Society for Social Work and Research	2018-present
Member, School Based Health Center Steering Committee	2011-2012
Member, Therapy Institute	2009-2012
Member, State School Social Workers Executive Board	2005-2012
Member, District 11, School Social Worker Association	2005-2012
Member, School Social Workers Association of America	2005-2008
Department of Family and Children Services	2002-2005
Student Intern Workgroup	
Member, Department of Family and Children Services Consortium	2003-2007
Member, Covenant Care Services Advisory Board, Valdosta, GA	2001-2002
Member, School Advisory Board, C.H.E., Jasper, FL	2000-2001
Member, Grant Writing Committee, C.H.E., Jasper, FL	2000-2001
Member, Sunshine Committee, C.H.E., Jasper, FL	2000-2001
Partners in Education Award, Jasper, FL	2000-2001
Member, Hamilton County Interagency Committee, Jasper, FL	1998-2000
Member, National Association of Social Workers	1997-present
Member, Alpha Delta Mu National Social Work Honor Society	1998
Member, Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences	1996
Member, Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology	1996

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## AWARDS

Nominated for: Morris Lehman Mayer Premier Award, Division of Student Life	January 2021
Field Director of the Year AL-MS Social Work Education Conference	October 2016

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## PUBLICATIONS

Horton, A.G., Gibson, K.B., & **Curington, A.M.** (2020). Exploring reflective journaling as a learning tool: An interdisciplinary approach. *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*. Special Issues Edition. (Accepted, in press)

Ruggiano, N., Ellis, T., Gibson, K. B., Smith, S. T., Turner, C. A., **Curington, A. M.**, Phelps, C. C., Ferruccio, A., Fendley, K. (2020). The Unity Wall project: a student-led community organizing effort to advance public discourse on social justice, *Journal of Community Practice*, DOI:10.1080/10705422.2020.1757007

Kay, E. S. & **Curington, A. M.** (2018) Preparing masters' students for social work practice: the perspective of

field instructors, *Social Work Education*, 37:8, 968-976, DOI: [10.1080/02615479.2018.1490396](https://doi.org/10.1080/02615479.2018.1490396)

**Curington, A.M.** & Hitchcock, L.I. (2017, July 28). *The Social Media Toolkit for Social Work Field Educators*. Retrieved from <http://www.laureliversonhitchcock.org/2017/07/28/social-media-toolkit-for-social-work-field-educators-get-your-free-copy/>

Co-Investigator, School of Social Work, University of Alabama. (Feb. 2018-Present). Title: *Flying-In to Washington, D.C.: A Policy Experiential Learning Experience among Social Work Students*. The primary aim of this qualitative project is to obtain participant feedback from social work students who participate in a two-day policy and advocacy experiential learning experience in Washington, D.C.

Meacham, M.G., Tandy, C., Giddings, M., Vodde, R., **Curington, A.**, Morris, B. & Holliman, D. (2004) The thorny dilemma of gate keeping versus inclusion for students with disabilities: The response of one program. *Journal of Disability and Rehabilitation in Social Work*, 3 (4), 69-88.

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## RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Curington, A.M., Dozier, K., & Smith, B. My Voice Matters: Exploring Underrepresented Students' Experiences in Field" (July 2019 -Present).

Carlson, C. E., Lou, Y., Jackson, M. S., Nelson-Gardell, D. M., **Curington, A. M.** Undergraduate and graduate students' interests and barriers to international social work education. *Journal of Social Work Education*. (Journal Article, In Preparation; Not Yet Submitted).

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## EDITOR ROLES

*Journal of Clinical Social Work*. Reviewer/Referee, Reviewed manuscripts for special issue "Clinical Supervision". (June 2019 - November 2020).

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## PRESENTATIONS

**Curington, A.M.**, Phelps, C. Smith, S.T., & Gibson, K. (2020). *Challenges in Field Placement: One Program's Response to Address Inequity*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting.

Smith, S. T., **Curington, A.M.** (2021). *Helping Field Students Build Professional Competency*. Bachelors Program Directors Annual Meeting.

**Curington, A.M.** (2020). *Ethics and Etiquette: Technology and Best Social Work Practice*. Fall Conference. October 22-23, 2020.

**Curington, A.M.** (2020). *Bridging the Gap Between Higher Education and School Social Workers to Train Field Students*. School Social Workers Association of Georgia. Clayton, GA January 2020.

**Curington, A.M.**, Williamson E., Parker, J. Jackson, R. Maurer, M., Lyons, S., & Pharris, A. (2019). *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Collaboration within*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 23-27, Denver, CO.

Kay, E.S., & **Curington, A.M.** Gibson, K., & Turner, C (2019). *An Exploration of Field Instructors' Perspectives on Field Education Standards*. (Poster Presentation). Council on Social Work

Education Annual Program Meeting, October 23-27, Denver, CO.

Carroll, M.J., **Curington, A.M.** Hitchcock, L.I. & Snider R. (2019). *Evolving Social Work's Signature Pedagogy with the Social Media Toolkit for Field Education*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 23-27, Denver, CO.

Carroll, M.J., **Curington, A.M.** Hitchcock, L.I. (2019) *Developing a Professional and Ethical Online Presence for Social Work Practice*. Fall Social Work Conference, The University of Alabama, October 18, 2019, Tuscaloosa, AL

**Curington, A.M.** & Hitchcock. L.I. (2019). *Incorporating Technology into Ethical Social Work Practice and Supervision*. The University of Alabama Continuing Education Program, August 2, 2019, Tuscaloosa, AL

Kay, E.S., & **Curington, A.M.** (2019). *An Exploration of Field Instructors' Perspectives on Field Education Standards*. (Poster Presentation). 23rd Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, California.

**Curington, A.M.** & Hitchcock. L.I. (2019). *Incorporating Technology into Ethical Social Work Practice and Supervision*. The University of Alabama Continuing Education Program, January 25, 2019, Tuscaloosa, AL.

Phelps, C., Gibson, K. & **Curington, A.M.** (2018). *Policy and Interprofessional Education: Expanding Field Education Experiences to Washington, D.C.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 8-11, 2018, Orlando, FL.

Carroll, M.J., Hitchcock. L.I. & **Curington, A.M.** (2018). *Helping Social Work Students develop a Professional Online Presence for Interprofessional Communication*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Field Education Institute, November 8-11, 2018, Orlando, FL.

**Curington, A.M.** (2018) *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Collaboration within*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 8-11, Orlando, FL.

Carroll, M.J., **Curington, A.M.**, & Hitchcock. L. I. (2018). *Developing a Professional and Ethical Online Presence for Social Work Practice*. Social Work Fall Conference, October 18-19, Tuscaloosa, AL

Horton, A.G, **Curington, A.M.** & Gibson K.B (2018). *Cultivating Self-care among Health Professionals: An Interdisciplinary Approach*. 2018 ASNA Annual Convention, October 4, 2018, Opelika, AL.

**Curington, A. M.** (2018). *Social Media Toolkit*. Spring Social Work Conference, University of Missouri, April, 2018.

**Curington, A.M.** & Hitchcock. L.I. (2018). *Developing an Ethical Professional Online Presence for Social Work Practice: Incorporating Social Media Ethics into Field Education*. 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Jacksonville State University Social Work Conference, March 2, 2018.

**Curington, A. M.** & Hitchcock, L. I. (2018). *Social Media Toolkit for Social Work Field Educators*. Webinar for the Committee on Field Education, Council on Social Work Education, January, 2018.

**Curington, A.M.** (2017) *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Collaboration within Schools of Social Work*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX.

- Curington, A.M. & Gibson, K. (2017).** *A Field Experiential Policy and Advocacy Experience in Washington, DC.* 46th Annual Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, October 4-6, 2017, Delta State University, MS.
- Curington, A. M. & Gibson, K. (2017).** *From Reflection to Action: Facilitating a Social Work Student-Led Response.* 46th Annual Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, October 4-6, 2017, Delta, State University, MS.
- Curington, A. M. (2017).** *Ethical Supervision: Why it Matters!* Margaret Tullios Field Symposium, Delta State University, MS.
- Curington, A. M. & Hitchcock, L.I. (2017)** *Social Media: A Toolkit for Field Educators.* Bachelors Program Directors Annual Program Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Curington, A.M. & Hitchcock, L.I. (2016)** *Social Media: A Toolkit for Field Educators.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- Curington, A.M. (2016)** *Regional Field Consortia: One Size Does not fit all!* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Curington, A.M. (2016)** *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Collaboration within Schools of Social Work.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- Curington, A. M. (2015)** *Everyday Ethics.* Doing What Matters for Alabama's Children Conference, January 26, 2016, Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Curington, A. M. & Durham, L.(2015)** *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Technology.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 14-18, Denver, CO.
- Curington, A. M. (2015)** *Handling Difficulties in Field.* 44th Annual Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, October 29-30, 2015, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS.
- Huebner, R., McKinney, B, & **Curington, A. M. (2015)** *Putting the "I" Back in Team.* 44th Annual Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, October 29-30, 2015, Hattiesburg, MS.
- Curington, A.M. & Petrila, A. (2014)** *Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices: Gatekeeping.* Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 23-26, Tampa, FL.
- Curington, A.M. (2015)** *Everyday Ethics.* Fall Social Work Conference, August 27-28, 2015, Tuscaloosa, AL.
- Curington, A. M., Snider, R., Duke, J., Savage, A. & Murdy, V. (2014)** *Rekindling the Alabama Mississippi Field Director Flame: Sharing, Strategizing, and Stepping Out.* 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, October 9-10, 2014, Tuskegee University
- Curington, A. M. & Snider R. (2014)** *Navigating Student Participation in Child Welfare Placements.* Fall Social Work Conference, August 28-29, 2014, Birmingham, AL
- Curington, A. M. (2014).** *Strengths-Based Supervision.* Jefferson County DHR Leadership Institute. May 14,

2014, Birmingham, AL.

Sanger, M., Hilson, F., **Curington A. M.** (2014). *Facilitating Student Discussions of Challenging and Divisive Issues through "Collaborative Conversations"*. BPD, March 2014, Louisville, KY.

**Curington, A. M.** (2013) *Strengths-Based Supervision*. Fall Social Work Conference, August 2013, Birmingham, AL.

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## FIELD EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

**Curington, A.M.** (2020-2021). *Justice Based Field Education*. Field Instructor Remote Workshop The University of Alabama, September 2020 and January 2021.

**Curington, A.M.** (2019). *Promoting Fairness and Belonging in Field Placements*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, July 19, 2019.

**Curington, A.M.** (2019). *Enhancing Supervision through Field Instruction*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 3, 2019.

**Curington, A.M.** (2018). *Enhancing Supervision through Field Instruction*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, August 10, 2019.

**Curington, A.M.** (2018). *Collaborate. Innovate. Transform*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 4, 2018.

**Curington, A.M.** (2017). *Emerging Trends in Field Education*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 5, 2017.

**Curington, A.M.** (2016). *The Art of Supervision*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration. The University of Alabama, July 29, 2016.

**Curington A.M.** (2016). *Navigating a New Era in Field*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 8, 2016.

**Curington A.M.** (2015). *Creative Innovative Learning Opportunities*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, August, 14, 2105.

**Curington A.M.** (2015). *Maximizing Student Learning in Field Placements*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 1, 2015.

**Curington A. M.** (2014). *Navigating the Field Process*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, August 1, 2014.

**Curington A.M.** (2014). *The Essentials: What you need to know for field*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, Birmingham, AL, June 6, 2014.

**Curington A.M.** (2014). *The Essentials: What you need to know for field*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, Gadsden, AL, May 9, 2014.

**Curington A.M.** (2014). *The Essentials: What you need to know for field Part I*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, January 2014.



**Curington A.M.** (2013) *Handling Difficulties in Field*. Field Instructor Workshop, The University of Alabama, August 2013.

**Curington A.M.** (2013). *Bringing Back the Basics: Essential Elements of Supervision*. Field Instructor Workshop & Celebration, The University of Alabama, March 2013.

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## INSTRUCTIONAL WORKSHOPS

**Curington A.M.** (2019). *Creating a Professional Digital Presence*. UA/UWA In-Service Education, The University of Alabama, June 25, 2019.

**Curington, A. M. & Hitchcock, L.I.** (2019) *Incorporating Technology into Ethical Social Work Practice and Supervision*. School of Social Work, The University of Alabama, January 25, 2019.

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## GRANT WORK

Berryhill, M. (Principal), **Curington, A. M.** (Co-Principal), Morgan, H. (Co-Principal), Guyotte, K. (Co-Principal), Culmer, N. (Co-Principal), McDaniel, S. (Co-Principal), Wind, S. (Co-Principal), Leveraging a school-based behavioral support framework to scale-up adolescent depression treatment in schools: A RE-AIM evaluation of tele-delivered Interpersonal Psychotherapy for Adolescents, National Institutes of Health - NIH, Federal \$433,050.00. Currently Under Review. Proposal Number: 21-0486

Ruggiano, N. & **Curington, A.M.** (January,2020). Legislative Engagement and Advocacy Development Toolkit (LEAD-T) CSWE Field Initiative in Policy Practice. Submitted proposal for funding.

Ruggiano, N. & **Curington, A.M.** (February, 2018). Bridging Field to the Capitol. CSWE Field Initiative in Policy Practice. Submitted proposal for funding.

**Curington, A.M. & Phelps, C.** (2016). CSWE Field Initiative in Policy Practice. Submitted proposal for funding.

Giddings, M., **Curington, A.M.**, Smith C. Tucker, L. (2006) Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Caring Across Communities: Mental Health Services in Schools. Applied for Grant, did not secure funding.

**Curington, A.M. & Bouchard, S.** (2000). Mini Teen Pregnancy Prevention Grant in the amount of \$1000.00 to fund activities and resources for teen pregnancy prevention month. Grant given through Florida Wages.

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## TECHNICAL MANUALS

Curington, A. (2020-2021). *Field Education Handbook*. School of Social Work. The University of Alabama

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