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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Social Work - University of Kansas - 1997
Master of Social Work - University of Missouri - 1987
Bachelor of Science - Southeast Missouri State University - 1981

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- 2007-present **Associate Professor, Director, Social Work Program
Eastern Kentucky University**
College of Arts & Sciences
Department of Anthropology, Sociology, and Social Work
- 2005-2007 **Associate Professor
Eastern Kentucky University**
Social Work Field Placement Coordinator (2006- 07)
College of Arts & Sciences
Department of Anthropology, Sociology, and Social Work
- 2004-2005 **Lecturer
Eastern Kentucky University,**
College of Arts & Sciences
Department of Anthropology, Sociology & Social Work
- Teaching responsibilities only - 9 courses per academic year in the B.S.W. program.
- 2004 **Associate Professor, University of Kentucky, College of Social Work**
1997-2004 **Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky, College of Social Work**
- Teaching in M.S.W. and B.A.S.W. programs: primary courses are Research Methods, Foundation Practice, and Practice with Children and Families.
 - Research focused on issues involved in child abuse and neglect including the use of volunteer citizens in service to the child welfare system.
 - Service including committee work for the College, service as a University Senate Representative, Service as a Member of the Board of Director's for State.
- 1991-1997 **Research / Teaching Assistant, University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare**
- Director of a three-year grant funded study of state CASA programs.
 - Taught MSW and BSW courses.
 - Team member on Needs Assessment project with the College of Special Education: Conducted a needs assessment for integrative services.
 - Trainer for the State of Kansas, Division of Mental Health for new case managers working with children with emotional disabilities and their families.
 - Project Coordinator for new MSW program offered on-site to child welfare workers.
 - Field Instructor– Kansas Department of Mental Health.
Field Instructor and Project Coordinator for MSW student unit in mental health program providing case management for children with disabilities and their families.
- 1990-1991 **Adjunct Faculty / Field Instructor Southeast Missouri State University,
School of Social Work**
- Taught –*Introduction to Social Work (3 semesters)* BSW.
 - Field Instructor for BSW students placed at Cottonwood Residential Treatment Center.

- 1986- 1987 **Research Assistant, University of Missouri, School of Social Work**
- Organized and carried out survey research of training programs used in state child welfare agencies.
 - Conducted survey research on alumni for University of Missouri program self study.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed publications

- Litzelfelner, P. (2007). Consumer satisfaction with court appointed special advocates, *Children and Youth Services Review*.
- Jones, B.L. , Litzelfelner, P. & Ford, J.P. (2003). Making a change or making a report: Change perceptions of citizens review panel members and child protection workers. *International Journal of Child Abuse and Neglect*, 26(6).
- Litzelfelner, P. , Collins-Camargo, C. & Jones, B. L. (2003). Models for involving citizens in the child welfare system in Kentucky: An overview. *Kentucky Children's Rights Journal*, 10(1).
- Litzelfelner, P. (2002). Court appointed special advocates: A review of their effectiveness. *Children's Legal Rights Journal*, 22(2).
- Litzelfelner, P. & Pierpont, J. (2001). Demystifying client outcomes: Identifying, monitoring, and using client outcomes in child protection. *Journal of Professional Social Work Education*, 4(2).
- Litzelfelner, P. (2001). The use of citizen review boards with juvenile offender cases: An evaluation of a pilot project. *Juvenile and Family Court Journal*, Winter.
- Litzelfelner, P., Olson, C.A., and Wiehe, V.R. (2001). Distance education: The experiences of students and instructors in delivering a social work practice course via interactive T.V. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 21(1-2).
- Litzelfelner, P. (1999). The effectiveness of CASAs in achieving positive outcomes for children. *Child Welfare*, 79(2).
- Litzelfelner, P. & Petr, C. (1997). Case advocacy in child welfare, *Social Work*, 42(4).
- Litzelfelner, P., & Poertner, J. , (1996). *The community child placement budget: An empowerment strategy*, *Journal of Community Practice*, 3 (2).
- Litzelfelner, P. , (1996). Neighborhood schools: Environmental strengths-social niches, *School Social Work Journal*, 20(2).
- Litzelfelner, P. , (1995). Children with emotional disabilities: Perceptions of siblings, *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 12 (4).

Non – Peer Reviewed Publications

Litzelfelner, P. (2001). The effectiveness of CASAs in achieving positive outcomes for children. Social Science Research: A Cross Section of Journal Articles for Discussion and Evaluation. 3rd Edition. Pyrczak Publishing: California. [Book Chapter].

Litzelfelner, P. & Petr, C., (1998). Response to letter to the editor on *case advocacy in child welfare*, [Letter to the editor]. *Social Work*, 43 (2).

Training Manuals and Reports

Litzelfelner, P. (2003). Final report: National consumer satisfaction survey. *Submitted to the National CASA Association, Seattle, WA.*

Riffe, H.A. & Litzelfelner, P. (2001). Final report: Evaluation of housing programs for persons with HIV/AIDs. *Submitted to AIDs Volunteers of Lexington (AVOL).*

Riffe, H.A. & Litzelfelner, P. (2001). Issues related to housing for people with HIV/AIDS: An annotated bibliography. *Submitted to AIDs Volunteers of Lexington. Available at the College of Social Work, University of Kentucky.*

Litzelfelner, P. (2000). Final report: An evaluation of the effectiveness of citizen review boards in improving outcomes for juvenile offenders. *Submitted to the Douglas County Citizen Review Board Program, Lawrence, Kansas.*

Litzelfelner, P. (1999). Permanency through adoption for children in foster care: A best practices model. *Submitted to The Community Connections for Children Project, College of Social Work, University of Kentucky.*

Litzelfelner, P., (1997) . Final report: Evaluating the effectiveness of CASA on outcomes for children in foster care. *Submitted to the United Methodist Health Ministries Fund of Kansas.*

Litzelfelner, P, & Poertner, J. , (1997). Training manual: *Tracking outcomes for CASA programs.* (Distributed Nationwide to 950 CASA programs).

Litzelfelner, P. & Early, T. J., (1995). Training manual: Crisis intervention with children.

GRANTS

- The Satisfaction of Parents, Child Welfare Workers and Juvenile Court Judges with CASA volunteers: A National Survey (2001). **\$32,500**, National CASA Association, Seattle, WA. [Principal Investigator].
- University of Kentucky, Summer Research Fellowship, (2001). **\$7,000**, to continue national consumer satisfaction survey.
- Citizen Review Panel Project (2001- present), **\$78,000** from the Kentucky Cabinet for Children and Families through The College of Social Work's Training and Resource Center, University of Kentucky. [Principal Investigator].

- Evaluation of a Housing Project for Persons Living with AIDs/HIV (1999-2001) **\$48,000**, AIDs Volunteers of Lexington. [Co- Principal Investigator].
- Author of Kentucky CASA Association, Start-up Grant (1998- 2000). **\$98,000** from the National CASA Association to start a Kentucky Association. [Awarded to the Kentucky State CASA Association].
- Permanency through adoption for children in foster care: A best practices model (1998). **\$5,000** from the Kentucky Cabinet for Children and Families, The Community Connections for Children Project, Janet Ford, Ph.D., P.I. College of Social Work, University of Kentucky.
- CASA Research and Evaluation, (1995-1997). **\$37,800**, United Methodist Health Ministries-Kansas. [Principal Investigator].
- Child-outcome Based Training and Consultation (1997). **\$5,000**, United Methodist Health Ministries-Kansas. [Principal Investigator].
- Citizen Review Board Program Evaluation, (1996-1997). **\$4,000**, Douglas County Citizen Review Board program funded through Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. [Principal Investigator].
- Measuring Child-Outcomes Training Manual (1997). **\$2,500**, the National CASA Association.

INVITED AND REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Litzelfelner, P. (2003, March). Preliminary findings from the national consumer satisfaction study and how to conduct program evaluations, Paper presented at the National CASA Association annual conference, Boston MA. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. (2002, June). Court appointed special advocates, foster care review boards and citizen review panels: What the empirical research suggests. Paper presented at the 1st Annual Citizen Review Board Conference, Lexington, KY. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. & Olson, C.A. (2002, March). Distance education: The experiences of students and faculty with a compressed video course. Electronic presentation presented at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Nashville, TN. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, June). Citizen involvement in child protection. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA), Denver, CO. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, May). How to conduct a CASA program evaluation, Workshop presentation at the National Court Appointed Special Advocates National Conference, Minneapolis, MN. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. (2000, January). Measuring the impact of CASA on the lives of children.

Paper presented at the National Court Appointed Special Advocates National Conference, Virginia. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. (2000, January). A study of the effectiveness of court appointed special advocates, Poster presentation at the 4th annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Charleston S.C. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (2000, April). Distance education: The experiences of students and faculty with a compressed video course. Paper presented at the Y2K Biennial Midwest Social Work Education Conference, Wisconsin Dells, WI. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (1998, November). The history and value of court appointed advocates, Paper presented at the National Child Abuse and Neglect Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (1998, July). The value and role of CASA volunteers. Poster Presentation, National Conference of the Family Foster Care Association, Anaheim, CA. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (1998, March). Findings from the Kansas study on the effectiveness of CASA volunteers. Paper presented at the National Court Appointed Special Advocates National Conference, Houston, TX. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. (1997, March). How to measure the impact of CASA on the lives of children, Presentation to the National Court Appointed Special Advocates Conference, Portland, OR. [invited].

Litzelfelner, P. (1996, September). *Assessing the impact of CASA on foster care outcomes*. Paper presented at the National Child Abuse and Neglect Conference, Washington, D.C. [refereed].

Litzelfelner, P. (1996, May). Measuring child-outcomes. Presentation at the National Conference of the National Court Appointed Special Advocates National Conference, Washington, D.C. [invited].

Selected Other Presentations

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, December). The strengths approach in social work practice. College of Social Work, University of Kentucky, Continuing Education Program.

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, August). How to track client outcomes and satisfaction. Presentation at the Illinois State CASA Conference, Bloomington, Illinois.

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, 2000, 1997). Dissertation research, current Research and doctoral experience. Presentations to University of Kentucky and University of Louisville, College of Social Work doctoral student Pro-Seminar classes.

Litzelfelner, P. (2001, April). The effectiveness of community volunteers in child protection. Presentation to the Bluegrass Citizen Review Panel Meeting, Lexington, Kentucky.

Litzelfelner, P. (2000, May). CASA research and evaluation. Presentation at the International Child Welfare Seminar, University of Kentucky College of Social Work.

Litzelfelner, P. (1999). The relationship among students, field agencies and the college of social work. Presentation at Practicum Field Instructor's Training, University of Kentucky, College of Social Work.

Litzelfelner, P. (1997, December). Advocacy in child welfare. Presentation to Child Welfare Certification Course, University of Kentucky, Video Conference to six sites in Kentucky.

SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) State of Missouri (1989- 1993).

- 1987-1991 **Clinical Social Worker, Cottonwood Treatment Center, Missouri Department of Mental Health.**
- Program planning, policy development, staff training & supervision. Coordinated treatment programs for youth. Individual and group treatment for youth.
- 1989-1991 **Social Worker, Lutheran Family and Children Services (part-time).**
- Individual and family therapy.
- 1986-1987 **Child Care Worker, Front Door Youth Center (part-time)**
- Psycho-social rehabilitation at residential treatment facility for female teens.
- 1982-1985 **Youth Specialist, Missouri Division of Youth Services**
- Psycho-social rehabilitation for male adolescents in residential setting, instructor parent education group, school liaison, student and volunteer supervisor.

TRAINING AND CONSULTATION

- **Reviewer**, Sage Publishing Company (Human Services Division) for book titled Handbook on Adoption *Summer 2005*.
- **Consultant**, Oxford University Press. 2nd Edition of Textbook, Social Work with Children and their Families: Pragmatic Perspectives. *Summer – Fall 2001*.
- **Reviewer**, [manuscript submissions] *Journal of Social Service Research*, 2000-2002.
- **Reviewer**, [presentations]. Council for Social Work Education Conference, 2002, 2003.
- **Consultant**, National CASA Association – New Training Curriculum for CASA Volunteers, Summer 2000.
- **Consultant**, The National CASA Association for Research and Program Evaluation Attend bi-annual meetings to consult with staff about research and evaluation (1997-2001).

- **Grant Reviewer** - National CASA Association (1996, 1997, 1998).
- **Consultation and Editing**, Textbook, *Social Work with Children and their Families: Pragmatic Perspectives*, Author, Christopher Petr, Ph.D., Oxford University Press. (1997).
- **Consultant to CASA Programs**,
 - DuPage County, Illinois CASA program (2002).
 - Fresno County CASA, California (2001).
 - CASA of Buckhorn, Kentucky (2001).
 - CASA of Jefferson County, Kentucky (2000 and 2001).
 - CASA of Nashville, Tennessee, Kinship Care Project (1998 – 2000).
 - CASA of Franklin County, Ohio, Educational Neglect and School Truancy (1998-2000).
- **Trainer for CASA Programs in Kentucky**,
 - CASA Volunteer Training, CASA Project of Lexington (2000, 2001, 2002).
 - CASA Volunteer Training, CASA of Madison and Clark County (2000).
- **Trainer**, Chrysalis House staff in-service, Lexington, Kentucky, *Identifying and Utilizing Client Strengths*. May, 2000.

SERVICE ACTIVITIES – UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE AND PROGRAM COMMITTEES

EKU

- 2006-present: Departmental representative to the University Senate.
- 2005-06: Chair of Search Committee for THREE tenure track positions.
- 2005-06: Faculty sponsor of student social work association (SSWA).
- 2005-06: Learning Center and Library representative for the Department.
- 2005-06: Member College Sabbatical leave committee.
- 2005-06: Participant, CAS mentoring program.
- 2005-06: Faculty mentor for McNair scholar.

Previous University Service

- 2000-03 Senator, University of Kentucky Faculty Senate
- 2000-03 Member, UK, College of Social Work Field Advisory Board
- 2000-02 Member, University of Kentucky Senate Rules Committee
- 1999-03 Admissions Committee - College of Social Work
- 1999-01 Budget Advisory Committee - College of Social Work
- 1999-01 Search Committee for New Faculty – College of Social Work
- 1998-00 Practicum Student Review Committee – UK College of social Work
- 1997-03 Research, Service and Development Committee - Chair (1997-1999)
- 1997-01 Practicum Committee – UK College of Social Work
- 1991-94 Student Representative to Ph.D. Committee, Univ. of Kansas, School of Social Work
- 1993-94 University Facilitator - Cultural Diversity Awareness, University of Kansas
- 1986-87 Student Representative - Accreditation Council, University of Missouri
- 1986-88 Faculty/Student Liaison, University of Missouri

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Academy of Certified Social Workers (ACSW), (1989 – present).

National Association of Social Workers (NASW), (1985- present).
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), (1996-present).

SERVICE MEMBERSHIPS

CASA Project of Lexington, Board of Directors (2002 – 2006).
Kentucky State CASA Board of Directors (1997 – present).
Treasurer of \$50,000 annual budget 1997-1999.
Evaluation Committee - National CASA Association. (1996 – 1998; 2004-present)
CASA Volunteer (1993 – 1997).
Child Protection Team, Division of Family Services, Cape Girardeau, MO. (1988-91)
Volunteer- Rape Crisis Center, Cape Girardeau, Missouri (1989-1990).

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

2006-07 EKU GEAR Scholar
2004 Faculty of the Year, Student Social Work Association, U.K.
1997 Kansas CASA Association Annual Service Award
1993 & 94 Excellence in Field Instruction Award
 University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare.
1986 Student Council Scholarship, University of Missouri.