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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy May 2011

Louisiana State University

School of Social Work

Baton Rouge, LA

Dissertation: *The Predictive Ability of Demographic and Psychosocial Risk Factors,*

*School-Related Characteristics, and Service Interventions on Grade Attainment*

*Among At-Risk Elementary School Children in a Truancy Prevention Program*

Master of Social Work August 2007

Louisiana State University

School of Social Work

Baton Rouge, LA

Thesis: Interrelationships Between Demographic, Psychosocial, and Academic

Characteristics and GED Attainment Among At- Risk Youth

Bachelor of Arts May 1985

Louisiana State University

College of Arts and Sciences

Baton Rouge, LA

Major: Arts and Sciences in Social Work

Certification

Licensed Master of Social Work (LMSW), License #9931(Active) January 2008

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

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##### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Dismantling the school to prison pipeline, school dropout prevention, school-based intervention programs, school social work and school mental health, delinquency prevention and juvenile justice, evaluation, intervention research

FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

U. S. Department of Education, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE). Performance Partnership Pilots (P3) for Disconnected Youth: *Baton Rouge P3*. CFDA 84.420A.

Co-Author (with Cecile Guin, Sam Robison, Cassie Dinecola). Primary role: Principal Investigator. (FINALIST, Award pending, $671,304.00). October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2018.

U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health. Youth Empowerment Grant II (YEP II): *LSU YEP Village.* CFDA Number 93.910. Co-author (with Cecile Guin, Bret Blackmon, Sam Robison). Primary role: Principal Investigator. ($1.5 million). September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2017.

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs’ Bureau of Justice 2014. Violent Gang and Gun Crime Reduction Program (Project Safe Neighborhoods): *Gardere Safe Neighborhood.* OMB Number 1121-0329. Co-author (with PI Cecile Guin). (Funded). 2014.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health services Administration (SAMHSA). Transformation Transfer Initiative (TTI): *Criminal Justice Collaborative Demonstration*. Co-author (with PI Cecile Guin). Primary role: Lead evaluator. ($221,000). 2012 to 2015.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health services Administration (SAMHSA): LA Office of Public Health. Linking Actions of Unmet Needs in Children’s Health (LAUNCH): *LAUNCH Lafayette Parish.* Grant Award No: SM061295.Writing Team with PI- Cecile Guin. ($800,000). September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2018.

PEER REVIEWED MANUSCRIPTS

Jaggers, J., Robison, S. B., Rhodes, J. L. F., Guan, X., & Church, W. (forthcoming, 2015). Predicting adult criminality among Louisiana’s urban youth: Poverty, academic risk, and delinquency. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*.

Thomas, J. M., Lemieux, C. M., Rhodes, J. L. F., & Vlosky, D. A. (2011). Early

truancy intervention: Results of an evaluation using a regression discontinuity design.

*Children and Youth Services Review, 33* (9), 1563-1572.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Thomas, J.M., Lemieux, C. M., Cain, D., & Guin, C. C. (2010) Truancy

Assessment and Service Centers (TASC): Engaging elementary school children and their families. *School Social Work Journal, 35*(1), 83-100.

Manuscripts in Review

Blackmon, B., Robison, S., B., & Rhodes, J. L. F. (In Review-2015). Impacts of Geographic, Behavioral and School-Related Factors on Juvenile Offending in a Southern U.S. State.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Thomas, J. M., & Liles, A. (In review-2015). Predictors of Grade Retention Among Children in an Elementary School Truancy Intervention.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Lemieux, C. M., & Lim Y. (In Review-2014) Reasons for School Dropout among At-Risk Youth: Investigating the Factor Structure of the National General Educational Development (GED) Survey Instrument.

Final and TechNical Reports

Rhodes, J. L. F., Guin, C. C., Maberry, S., & Blackmon, B. (2015) Behavioral health court policies and procedures: A manual template. Report prepared for the Transformation Transfer Initiative (TTI) grant funded by SAMHSA through the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Behavioral Health. Baton Rouge, LA: LSU College of Human Sciences and Education, Office of Social Service Research and Development.

Guin, C. C., Rhodes, J. L. F., Daly, C., Duhe, D., Dinecola, C., Robison, S. B., & Blackmon, B. (2015). *The role of education in preventing the development of delinquency and adult criminality.* Report of the Reentry and Committee Team 4, Education and Reentry Subcommittees for The Louisiana Sentencing Commission. Baton Rouge, LA: LSU College of Human Sciences and Education, Office of Social Service Research and Development.

Guin, C. C., Myer, R. B., Rhodes, J. L. F., Robison, S. B., Thomas-Smith, J., & Winchester, E. (2013). *Truancy Assessment and Service Center (TASC): Final report May 1999-December 2012*. Baton Rouge, LA: LSU College of Human Sciences and Education, Office of Social Service Research and Development.

Xu, P., Guan, X., Rhodes, J. L. F., Robison, S. B., Guin, C.C., Barnes, S., Tian, X., Ulrich, J.,

Sheldon, P., Myer, R.B., & Pietruszkiewicz, S. (201l). *The Louisiana Dropout Study.* Baton Rouge, LA: LSU School of Social Work, Office of Social Service Research and Development.

##### PEER REVIEWED NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Dinecola, C., & Rhodes, J L. F. “Parenting Practices for School Engagement” Presentation at the School Mental Health Conference of the American Council for School Social Work at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA, February 27, 2015.

Guan, X. & Rhodes, J. L. F. “Propensity score matching (PSM) in a longitudinal study of at-risk youth. Presentation at the 2015 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in New Orleans, LA, January 17, 2015.

Robison, S. B. & Rhodes, J. L. F. “Predictors of school dropout, juvenile delinquency, and adult criminality in a southern U.S. state” Presentation at the 2015 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in New Orleans, LA, January 18, 2015.

Blackmon, B., & Rhodes, J. L. F. “Reducing Juvenile Justice Involvement through a Childhood Truancy Intervention” Presentation at the 2014 National School Social Work Conference of the American Council for School Social Work at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA, February 11, 2014.

Guan, X. , Dinecola, C., & Rhodes, J. L. F. “A State-wide Examination of Disaster-Exposed Children in a School Setting: Attendance, Academic Performance, and Behavioral Changes After Hurricane Katrina” Paper presented at the 2014 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in San Antonio, TX, January 18, 2014.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Guan, X., & Lemieux, C. M., “Adolescence-limited vs. life course persistent: Individual, Academic, & School-Related Predictors of Offenders. Paper presented at the 2014 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in San Antonio, TX, January 16, 2014.

Richard, L., & Rhodes, J. L. F. “Assessment and measurement in school-age children and programs: School Social Work Effectiveness Evaluation Tool (SWEET),” Paper presented at the 2014 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in San Antonio, TX, January 18, 2014.

Guan, X. & Rhodes, J. L. F. "School Discipline Practices: Predictors of Juvenile and Adult Patterns of Offending Among At-Risk Children" Paper presented at the 2013 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in San Diego, CA, January 20, 2013.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Guan, X., & Lemieux, C. M. "Individual, Academic, and School-Related Predictors of Offending: Early Versus Late Onset" Paper presented at the 2013 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in San Diego, CA, January 19, 2013.

Rhodes, J. L. F. “Attendance initiatives: Let’s look at playing hooky: Its perils and our practices” Presentation at the 2012 Annual Summit of the American Council for School Social Work in Bloomingdale, IL, June 25-26, 2012.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Lemieux, C. M., & Thomas, J. M. “Examining the Predictive Ability of Demographic, School-Related, and Psychosocial Risk Factors for On-Time Grade Attainment Among At-Risk Elementary School Children In An Early Truancy Intervention” Paper presented at the 2012 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research in Washington, DC, January 11-15, 2012.

Thomas, J. M., Lemieux, C. M., & Rhodes, J. L. F. “An Evaluation of the Truancy Assessment and Service Center (TASC) Early Truancy Intervention Program with a Regression Discontinuity Design: A Replication Study” Paper presented at the 2012 Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research to be held in Washington, DC, January 11-15, 2012.

Rhodes, J. L. F. & Thomas-Smith, J. “The Louisiana Model for Addressing Truancy in Elementary Schools: The Truancy Assessment and Service Center (TASC) program” Paper presented at the National Center for School Engagement 1st National Conference on School Success in Denver, CO on October 28, 2011.

Rhodes, J. L. F. “State of Louisiana Truancy Intervention Initiative: Intensive Case Management Program for Elementary School Children and Their Families” Panel presentation at the American Council on School Social Work 2nd National Research to Practice Summit in Bloomingdale, IL on Monday, June 27, 2011.

Rhodes, J. L.F., Thomas, J. M., & Lemieux, C. M. “Examining Program Effectiveness and Components of a Truancy Prevention Intervention Among At-Risk Elementary School Aged Children” Paper presented at the National Organization of Forensic Social Work in New Orleans, LA on Wednesday, April 20, 2011.

Rhodes, J. L. F., DeJohn, T. V., & Maccio, E. M. "Research Made Real: Engaging Students in Service-Learning Research Courses " Paper presented at the Council on Social Work Education in Portland, OR on Sunday, October 17, 2010.

DeJohn, T. V., Rhodes, J. L. F. & Maccio, E. M. "Service-Learning Using an Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) Model" Paper presented at the Council on Social Work Education in Portland, OR on Friday, October 15, 2010.

Thomas, J. M., Vlosky, D. A., Rhodes, J.L.F., & Lemieux, C. M. “[The Efficacy of an Intensive Case Management Early Truancy Intervention Program: Preliminary Results from a Regression Discontinuity Design](http://sswr.confex.com/sswr/2010/webprogram/Paper12086.html)” Paper presented at the 14th Annual Conference for the Society for Social Work and Research in San Francisco, CA on January 17, 2010.

Rhodes, J.L.F. “Examining truancy prevention program decisions for elementary school children at high risk for continued chronic absences” Paper presented at the 2nd National Research Conference on Child and Family Programs and Policy in Bridgewater, MA on July 17, 2009.

Rhodes, J. L. F., Lemieux, C. M., & Lim, Y. “Investigating the Factor Structure of the National

GED Survey Instrument” Paper presented at the National Dropout Prevention/Network

Conference in Atlanta, GA on November 19, 2008.

Thomas, J. M., Trainham, A., & Rhodes, J.L.F. “Louisiana Truancy Assessment and Service Centers: Outcomes of Judicial Intervention for Elementary School Students” Paper presented at the National Organization of Forensic Social Work Annual Conference in Hartford, CT on May

31, 2008.

##### PEER REVIEWED STATE PRESENTATIONS

Dinecola, C. & Rhodes, J. L. F. “Keeping promises: A community-based participatory research. LSU School of Social Work Annual Conference held in Baton Rouge, LA on April 23, 2015.

Rhodes, J. L. F. “Playing hooky: Its perils and our practices” Louisiana School Social Work Conference, American Council for School Social Work held at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA on February 18 and 19, 2013.

Rhodes, J. L. F. “The value of our practice: How to evaluate and communicate impact” Louisiana School Social Work Conference, American Council for School Social Work held at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA on January 30 and 31, 2012.

##### PEER REVIEWED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Rhodes, J.L.F. Life Course and Aging “Underlying constructs of the demographics GED testing program form: Characteristics of at-risk youth who return to school to improve life outcomes. Poster presented at the LSU Life Course and Aging at the Lod Cook Center on March 13, 2009.

Vlosky, D.A., Trainham, A., Rhodes, J.L.F., Thomas, J.M., Clark, J.A., & Smith, J.T.“TASC: Early, Swift & Intensive Intervention to Combat Truancy in Louisiana.” *Poster presented at the Chancellor's Service-Learning & Civic Engagement Showcase* held at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, LA on December 7, 2007.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Rhodes, J. L. F. “The Story of YEP Village: Empowering Our Youth for Life Success” Guest speaker for the Compassion in Action Circle speaker series on July 29, 2015.

Rhodes, J. L. F. & Robison, S. B. “Poverty matters: What’s working to help families and children in Louisiana?” Panel presentation at the 4th Annual Cradle to Prison Campaign Summit of the Children’s Defense Fund in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on October 17, 2012.

Rhodes, J. L. F. “Let’s look at playing hooky: Its perils and our practices” Keynote presentation at the 56th Annual Training and Conference of the Louisiana Juvenile Officer’s Association in Lafayette, Louisiana on March 20, 2012.

INVITED GUEST LECTURES

Rhodes, J. L. F. (2015, September 10). *Culturally competent research in community development interventions*. Presented to SW 7003: Research I. Instructor Younghee Lim, LSU School of Social Work, MSW program.

Rhodes, J. L. F. (2015, February 18). *Integration of theory, research, and practice.* Presented to Colloquium II Doctoral course. Instructor Younghee Lim, LSU School of Social Work, Doctoral program.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Juvenile Delinquency Social Work elective: *Practices and Policies in K-12 Schools and Juvenile Delinquency.* Instructor Wesley Church on November 4, 2014 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. *The Family-School Partnership*. Workshop presentation for the Louisiana Parent Education Network (LAPEN) on March 12, 2014.

Rhodes, J. L .F. & Robison, S. B. *The Louisiana longitudinal data initiative*. LSU School of Social Work Faculty, Staff, and Student presentation on March 26, 2013.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Social Work Grant Writing MSW course: *The Evaluation Component* Instructor Mary Ellen Brown on March 19, 2013 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Child and the Community course: *School Policies Impacting Attendance and Dropout*. Instructor Mary Ellen Brown on June 11, 2012 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Advanced Social Policy MSW course: *Practices and Policies in K-12 Schools and Juvenile Delinquency.* Instructor Dana Hunter on April 2, 2012 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for School Social Work MSW course: *Program evaluation for social workers in the school setting*. Instructor Laura Richard on November 29, 2011 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J.L.F., & Thomas-Smith, J. *Bi-annual TASC Case Management and Database   
Training* at the LSU School of Social Work, 2008 - 2012.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Child and the Community course: *Home Education*. Instructor Phyllis Lefeaux on October 17, 2011 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Child and the Community course: *School Dropout.* Instructor Mary Ellen Brown on June 9, 2011 at LSU School of Social Work.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Child and the Community course: *Truancy prevention and school dropout.* Instructor Dr. Tara DeJohn on June 9, 2010 at LSU School of Social Work.

Lemieux, C. M., Rhodes, J. L. F., Thomas, J. M . *Social work doctoral education.* Workshop at the 2009 NASW-Louisiana Annual Conference held at the Hilton Capitol Center in Baton Rouge, LA on May 1, 2009.

Thomas, J. M., & Rhodes, J. L. F. *Playing hooky: Facts, figures and life course implications*. Louisiana Chapter/NASW Continuing Education Program at Greenwell Springs Hospital in Greenwell Springs, LA on March 12, 2009.

Rhodes, J. L. F., & Vlosky, D. A.TASC: *Targeting Attendance and Strengthening Communities*. Louisiana Department of Education School Safety Summit in Alexandria, LA on February 27, 2009.

Rhodes, J. L. F. Guest lecturer for Human Behavior and the Social Environment MSW course: *Middle Childhood*. Instructor Dr. Juan Barthelemy on November 12, 2008 at LSU School of Social Work.

THESIS AND DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Steven Mayberry. Interventions for disconnected youth. Projected dissertation defense 2016.

William Dabne. Charter schools. General Exam 5/9/14. Projected dissertation defense 2016.

Melissa Ledoux. Quantitative-correlational/topic: Knowledge of vocational school scholarships among school counselors and social workers. Thesis defended 4/2014.

Samantha Bates. Mixed methods study/topic: First generation college students and university support. Thesis defended 4/2014.

Rachel Suzanna Foretich. Government Spending and Child Well-Being: A Correlational Study of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Countries. Thesis defended March 2013.

Jena L. Ourso. Family-related risk factors and their associations with behavior problems of children in foster care. Thesis defended July 11, 2013.

TEACHING

Doctoral course: SW 7905 Independent Reading in Social Work Practice. Fall 2015.

Undergraduate Course: SW 4070: Special Topics/ Youth Intervention & Engagement (Service-

Learning). Fall 2015 (New Course developed).

Graduate Course: SW 7905 Independent Readings and Research in Social Work Practice. Fall

2014; Spring 2015

Graduate course: SW 7503 Agency & Community Contexts for Social Work Practice Fall 2014

Graduate course: SW7905 Independent Reading and Research in SW Practice Fall 2014

Doctoral course: SW 7905 Independent Reading in Social Work Practice. Fall 2013

Undergraduate course: SW 3007 Juvenile Delinquency at LSU. Fall 2011- 2013 (Course

Re-developed Fall 2011)

REVIEWER

*Juvenile delinquency: Mainstream and crosscurrents, 3rd edition* (to be determined) by J.R. Fuller. Review panelist 2014. Oxford University Press, New York.

*Children & Schools*, NASW Press. Contributing Editor (2015-2018).

Social Work Experience

* Louisiana State University (LSU), College of Human Sciences and Education, School of Social Work/Office of Social Service Research & Development

Assistant Professor-Research, 8/15/2011 to present

* Research Team Member with education focus: Choice Neighborhood and Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation grants, 2013-present
* Community Resource Treatment Court of the Lafayette Sheriff’s Office. Mental health court evaluator, 1/2013 to present
* Truancy Assessment and Service Center (TASC) Program Director 9/2012 to 6/2013; TASC-Research Director – 8/2011 to 9/2012
* LSU School of Social Work/Office of Social Service Research & Development Research Associate V - 5/2011 to 8/2011
* LSU School of Social Work/Office of Social Service Research & Development

Truancy Assessment and Service Centers (TASC) – 8/2007 to 5/2011

Graduate Research Assistant, TASC monitor, evaluation team

* LSU Mental Health Center, Internship – 5/2007 to 8/2007

Individual and group counseling

Supervisor, Phyllis Lefeaux, LCSW

* Capital Area Center for Addictive Disorders, Internship - 5/2006 to 8/2006

Women in Recovery from Addictions Program (WRAP); Intensive Outpatient Treatment

Supervisor: Angel Rushing, LCSW

Conducted intakes with ASI instrument, assessment, team staffing, treatment plans, and Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOP) groups

* Baton Rouge Mental Health, Internship - 6/1982 to 8/1982

Supervisor: Beth Stewart, BCSW

Outpatient program for mental health clients

Intake interviews, assessment, and individual and group treatment

OTHER EXPERIENCE

* Ascension Parish GED Testing Center - 9/2001 to 5/2007

GED Chief Examiner

Supervisor: Ginger Weber

Responsible for all facets of administration of the testing center

Conducted weekly testing at Center, and testing at the La. National Guard’s

Youth and Job Challenge Programs at the Gillis Long Center in Carville, La.

Counseling of students and families for testing accommodations

* East Baton Rouge Department of Elections - 2001 to 12/2006

Commissioner-in-Charge

Supervisor: Rosemary Cannon

Coordination and supervision of polling commissioners at voting precinct

Conducting elections

* Daniel Rhodes Publishing – 1981 to 2011

Art Manager, self–employed

Wholesale and retail art sales, bookkeeping, ordering and purchasing, banking, and representing artist at local and regional art shows

www.RhodesPrints.com

* Educator – 1989 to 2005

Home educated children from grades K-12

Tutor for home education students,

Middle and high school English classes and composition workshops,

Home Education Science Fair Director, 1998-2001

La. Humanities and Science Symposium home education liaison, 1998-2003

SERVICE (University, College, School, Community)

2014-16 LSU, School of Social Work: Policy Committee, Co-Chair

2014-17 Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre Board of Trustees: member

2013-15 LSU Consortiums for Civic Engagement: Committee member

2012-15 Faculty Senator for the LSU, College of Human Sciences and Education, School of

Social Work

2013 LGBTQ Youth Group Advisory Committee

2012-2014 LSU College of Human Sciences and Education: Engagement Committee

2012-2013 LSU School of Social Work: Diversity Committee

2011-2015 Louisiana Legislature Education/ReEntry Committee of the Louisiana Sentencing

Commission, Commission alternate

2011-present American Council of School Social Work, Executive Board member, Director of

Research and Development. Conference planning in NOLA 2012-15

2011 Big Buddy- Day of the Mentor Program

2010-12 National Charity League, Sustaining Member

2009-11 LSU School of Social Work Doctoral Committee, Student Representative

2009-present Louisiana Volunteer Service Association (LAVA), Volunteer

2009- 1995 Pre-Teen America Scholarship and Recognition Program, Baton Rouge, LA,

National and Louisiana consultant and program adjudicator

2006 Carville Job Corps Academy Academic Advisory Board, member

2005 Volunteer post-Hurricane Katrina, Baton Rouge General Medical Hospital/

ER triage/Medical special needs unit, River Center Evacuee Shelter,

LSU Field House Special Needs Shelter

2005-2000 National Charity League; Grade level Advisor

2005-2004 Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre Board of Directors, member

2005- 1999 Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre (BRBT) Auxiliary Board; President, 2004-05

1998-2001 EBR District and LA State Science Fair Judge

HONORS AND AWARDS

* LSU Faculty Travel Award 2014
* LSU Faculty Travel Award 2013
* LSU Economic Opportunity Research Graduate Assistantship/Economic Development Assistantship 2007-2011
* Marwood Ahrens Scholarship in Addictive Disorders, 2006
* Alpha Delta Mu, Social Work Honor Society, Vice-president, 2006-07
* Alpha Gamma Delta Academic Full Scholarship, 1981
* LSU Mortar Board Honor Society, 1981
* Mu Sigma Rho Honor Society, 1981
* LSU Board of Supervisors Academic Scholarship, 1978-1980

AFFILIATIONS

* American Council on School Social Work (ACSSW), Executive Board, Director of Research and Development
* National Association of Social Workers (NASW), Member
* National Dropout Prevention Center/Network, Member
* Society of Social Work Research (SSWR), Member