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## **EDUCATION**

### **Degrees**

- Ph.D.      Health Education and Promotion  
            Kent State University  
            College of Education, Health and Human Services  
            Kent, OH  
            February 2009
- M. S.      Community Health Promotion  
            West Virginia University School of Medicine  
            Morgantown, WV  
            August 1998
- B. A.      Psychology  
            Kent State University  
            Kent, OH  
            December 1995

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Employment**

- 2014–present      Associate Professor  
                        James Madison University  
                        Harrisonburg, VA
- 2008-2014        Assistant Professor  
                        James Madison University  
                        Harrisonburg, VA
- 2006-2008        Substance Abuse Trainer/Educator  
                        Cleveland Clinic  
                        Cleveland, OH

2006-2008      Adjunct Instructor  
Department of Adult, Counseling, Health and Vocational Education  
Kent State University  
Kent, OH

2002–2006      Graduate Teaching Fellow  
Department of Adult, Counseling, Health and Vocational Education  
Kent State University  
Kent, OH

2003-2006      Standardized Patient  
Center for Studies of Clinical Performance  
Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine  
Rootstown, OH

2000-2002      Assistant Director for Health Education and Wellness – Substance  
Abuse Education  
Ohio University  
Athens, OH

1997- 2000      Community Development Specialist for Substance Abuse  
Prevention  
Westbrook Health Services  
Parkersburg, WV

1998-2000      Adjunct Faculty  
Social Sciences Division  
West Virginia University – Parkersburg  
Parkersburg, WV

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Ott, MK**, Quinn, L, & Thompson, S. (2004). A social ecological analysis of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders prevention programming. *Journal of FAS International*, 2:e11.

- Quinn, L, Thompson, SJ, & **Ott, MK.** (2006). Application of the Social Ecological Model in Folic Acid Public Health Initiatives. *Journal of Obstetric, Gynecologic, & Neonatal Nursing*, 34, 672-681.
- Ott Walter, K** & Kerr, DL. (2011). An analysis of third year medical students perceived self-efficacy to screen and counsel for alcohol use among pregnant women. *Journal of Population Therapeutics and Clinical Pharmacology*, 18: e486-e493.
- Ott Walter, K** & Baller, SL. (2012). Two approaches for using web sharing and photography assignments in teaching Health Sciences. *International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education*, 24, 383-394.
- Ott Walter, K**, Paulo, JR, & Polacek, GNLJ. (2013). Faculty perceptions on their roles in alcohol education/prevention at one university. *Journal of Drug Education*, 43, 173-182.
- Burnett, AJ, **Ott Walter, K**, & Baller SL (2013). Blackouts to lifelong memories: Digital storytelling and habitus of the college alcohol culture. *Journal of Child and Adolescent Substance Abuse* (in press).
- Kerr, DL., Ding, K., Burke, A., & **Ott Walter, K.** (2014). An alcohol, tobacco and other drug use comparison of lesbian, bisexual, and heterosexual undergraduate women. *Substance Use & Misuse*, Early Online, 1-10.
- Kowalk, K., Henry, D., **Ott Walter, K.**, & Merrell, L. (2020). Piloting Unequal Partners at a High School: Lessons Learned. *American Journal of Health Studies*, 35(3).

Merrell, L.K., Bishop, J.M, Henry, D.S., **Ott Walter, M.K.**, \*Azariah, W.Y. & \*Loughlin, K.C. (2022). Exploring young adult comfort with oral health care providers' discussion related to HPV. *Journal of Dental Hygiene*, 96(5).

\*Hilton, M., **Ott Walter, K.**, Bishop, J.M., Roberts, Elaine, Washington, R., & Coleman, A., (2022) "Student-generated podcasts: Implications for teaching and applying feminist ethics in undergraduate health science education." (Under revisions).

**Ott Walter, K.**, Bishop, J.M., Grossman, S., Merrell, L.K., Henry, D.S., Sutton, D. (2022). Drinking behaviors and mental health among college students pre and during COVID-19. *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drug Use* (under review).

Trull, L.H., Temple, A. **Ott Walter, K.** (2023). The devil is in the details: teaching an interprofessional health policy course. *Journal of Health Administration Education* (under review)

## **Reviews**

Abstract reviewer: The Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse (AMERSA). June 2010.

Review of *Drugs Across the Spectrum 6<sup>th</sup> Edition*, by Raymond Goldberg. Wadsworth Cengage Learning. September 2011.

Manuscript reviewer: *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. "The effects of e-cigarette use on alcohol and marijuana abuse symptoms in an ethnically diverse sample of young adults." December 2021

Manuscript reviewer: *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. European epidemiological patterns of cannabis and substance related body wall congenital anomalies: geospatiotemporal and causal inferential study. June 2022.

Manuscript reviewer: *American Journal of Sexuality Education*. "A mixed-methods examination of student perceptions of their formal sex education on consent, sexual assault, and intimate partner violence." January 2022

Manuscript reviewer: *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. "The impact of gentrification on access to care and services among people who use drugs in Washington, DC." April 2022

Manuscript reviewer: *American Journal of Sexuality Education*. "The cone of consent: a theoretical framework for consent education." September 2022.

Manuscript reviewer: *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*. "Vulnerable Populations: Substance and Behavioral Addictions." September 2022.

Manuscript reviewer: Sustainability. "Adolescents as ambassadors in substance abuse awareness programs: interpersonal and intrapersonal effects." October 2022

Manuscript reviewer: Sustainability. "Sustainable model for diffusion of substance abuse awareness in rural India. November 2022

## PRESENTATIONS

Kerr, DL, **Ott, MK**, and Wagner, L.  
Technology in the classroom  
American School Health Association Annual Conference  
October 14, 2003  
El Paso, TX

**Ott, MK** and Kerr, DL.  
The naked truth about adolescent sexuality  
Bowling Green State University sponsored HIV/AIDS Conference  
College students' perceptions about abstinent and virginal behaviors  
March 4, 2005  
Columbus, OH

**Ott, MK** and Kerr, DL.  
College students' perceptions about abstinent and virginal behaviors  
Ohio College Health Association  
June 16, 2005  
Dayton, OH

Thompson, M, Nash, C, **Ott Walter, K**, and Kline-Gabel, K.  
The gender climate at JMU  
James Madison University Diversity Conference  
March 21, 2011

Baller, SL, **Ott Walter, K**, and Kuntz, AM.  
Photographic representation of the dimensions of health  
Eighth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry  
May 16 - 19, 2012  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

Baller, SL, **Ott Walter, K**, and Kuntz, AM.  
Materialism and the interpretation of photographic representations of health  
Eighth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry  
May 16 - 19, 2012  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

Deacon, BN (undergraduate student), Baller, SL, Umstatted Meyer, MR, and **Ott Walter, K**.  
Qualitative differences in the classifications of barriers to physical activity: Implications for research and intervention.  
Eighth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry  
May 16 - 19, 2012  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

**Ott Walter, K**, Baller, SL, and Kuntz, AM.  
A content analysis of student created digital stories  
Eighth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry  
May 16 - 19, 2012  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

**Ott Walter, K**, Baller, SL, and Kuntz, AM.  
Digital storytelling as a means to increase critical thinking among undergraduate students  
Eighth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry  
May 16 - 19, 2012  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

Reams, A, Blavos, A, and **Ott Walter, K**.  
Their photos....their voices: Using photo voice in ATOD prevention education  
American School Health Association/Eta Sigma Gamma  
October 11, 2012  
San Antonio, TX

Sutton, DL, Blavos, A, and **Ott Walter, K**.  
Using photography to create an enriching study abroad experience for American university students.  
American School Health Association/Eta Sigma Gamma  
October 12, 2012  
San Antonio, TX

Polacek, G. N. L. J., Burnett, A. J., Carmack, H. J., & **Ott Walter, K**.  
The impact of e-cigarette marketing and factual information on college students' attitudes and intention to use.  
Data Blitz presented to the Virginia Youth Tobacco Projects Research Coalition Annual Meeting  
January 2015  
Richmond, VA

Burnett, A. J., Polacek, G. N. L. J., Carmack, H. J., & **Ott Walter, K.**  
Informing e-cigarette policy: The influence of risk messaging on students' attitudes, beliefs, and perceptions about regulation.  
8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health  
April 2015  
Washington, DC.

Wenos, J. and **Ott Walter, K**  
Trait Emotional Intelligence & Lateral Violence Among College Students  
Peace and Justice Studies Association  
October 16, 2015  
Harrisonburg, VA

**Ott Walter, K.**, Pyles, M., Tonkins, M., Davis, M., & Mabrey, P.  
Debate for Civic Learning: A collaborative model for debate across the curriculum.  
Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting  
June 2019  
Fort Lauderdale, FL

### **Poster Presentations**

**Ott Walter, K** and Kerr, DL  
An analysis of third year medical students' perceived self-efficacy to counsel and screen for alcohol use among pregnant women.  
CISAT Faculty Research Day - James Madison University  
October 2009  
Harrisonburg, VA

**Ott Walter, K** and Kerr, DL  
An analysis of third year medical students' perceived self-efficacy to counsel and screen for alcohol use among pregnant women.  
The Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse (AMERSA)  
November 5, 2009  
Bethesda, MD

**Ott Walter, K**, Paulo, JR, and Polacek, GNLJ.  
Faculty perceptions of their roles in alcohol education/prevention  
CHBS Faculty Research Day - James Madison University  
October 5, 2012  
Harrisonburg, VA

**Ott Walter, K**, Paulo, JR, and Polacek, GNLJ.  
Faculty perceptions of their roles in alcohol education/prevention  
American Public Health Association  
October 27 - 31, 2012  
San Francisco, CA

Baller, SL, **Ott Walter, K**, and Polacek, GNLJ.  
Campus programming and policy changes in the wake of a national media event: Net effect on alcohol perceptions and behaviors at one university.  
American Public Health Association  
November 2 - 6, 2013  
Boston, MA

Polacek, G. N. L. J., Burnett, A. J., Carmack, H. J., & **Ott Walter, K.** (Poster Presentation)  
Risks, Benefits, Barriers, and Peer Influence Factors Impacting College Students' Intent to Use E-Cigarettes  
DC Health Communication Conference  
April 2015  
Fairfax, VA

Merrell, L., Collazo-Vargas, E., Henry, D.S., **Ott-Walter, K.**, & Melchiori, K. (Poster Presentation)  
Lessons learned: A University pilot of Unequal Partners and considerations for future implementation.  
National Sex Ed Conference  
April 2019  
Newark, NJ.

Henry, D. S., Melchiori, K. J., Merrell, L., **Ott Walter, K.**, & Collazo Vargas, E. (Poster Presentation)  
Evaluating the Impact of a 3-part Educational Session on Rape Myth Acceptance among College Freshman.  
Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality,  
November 2018  
Montreal, QC, Canada

Libera, K., Horton, S., O'Brien, K., Gray, L., Melchiori, K. J. Henry, D. S., Merrell, L., Collazo, E., & **Ott Walter, K.**  
Sexual Assault Prevention Program Impacts Rape Myths Through Ambivalent Sexism.  
The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues Conference  
June/July 2018  
Pittsburgh, PA

**Ott Walter, K.**, Collazo-Vargas, E., Merrell, L., Henry, D. S., & Melchiori, K. J.  
Participation in a Lesson Focused on Alcohol Use and Sex as Part of a Sexual Assault Prevention Program Impacts Sex Related Alcohol Expectancies in College Students.  
National Association of Student Personnel (NASPA) Strategies Conference  
January 2019  
Washington, DC

Henry, D. S. Merrell, L. K., Bishop, J.M., **Ott Walter, M. K.**, Azariah, W. Y., & Loughlin, K. C.

“Here for my teeth, not my cooter”: Comfort with oral health care providers’ discussion related to HPV.

Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality.

November, 2021

San Juan, Puerto Rico.

\*Mashall, O. H., Henry, D., Merrell, L., **Ott Walter, K.**, Bishop, J.M.

“Exploring college men’s human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine behavior and intention”

Annual Conference of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality

November 2022

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Peachey, A., Baller, S., Merrell, L., Henry, D., **Ott Walter, K.**

Disordered eating among college students: Assessing the Impact of the COVID -19 Pandemic.

American Public Health Association

November 2022

Boston, MA

### **GRANTS/FUNDING/STIPENDS**

Title: Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities

Sponsor: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Award Amount: \$50,000

Funding Period: July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000

Title: College Freshmen Perceptions of Sexually Abstinent and Virginal Behaviors

Sponsor: College of Education Student Research

Award Amount: \$2,000

Funding Period: August 1, 2004 to April 30, 2005

Title: Madison Teaching Fellows – Gender and the Academy

Sponsor: JMU Center for Faculty Innovation

Award Amount: \$600

Funding Period: September 2009 – May 2010

Title: Madison Teaching Fellows – Alcohol and Academic Culture

Sponsor: JMU Center for Faculty Innovation

Award Amount: \$600

Funding Period: September 2010 – May 2011

Title: Madison Teaching Fellows – Alcohol and Academic Culture  
Sponsor: JMU Center for Faculty Innovation  
Award Amount: \$750  
Funding Period: September 2011 – May 2012

Title: Madison Teaching Fellows – Tier II Alcohol and Academic Culture  
Sponsor: JMU Center for Faculty Innovation  
Award Amount: \$500  
Funding Period: September 2011 – November 2011

Title: The impact of e-cigarette marketing and factual information on college students' attitudes and intention to use  
Sponsor: Center for the Study of Tobacco Products  
Award Amount: \$50,000  
Funding Period: June 1, 2014 – May 30, 2015

Title: Unequal Partners: A Pilot Evaluation Project  
Sponsor: College of Health and Behavioral Studies  
Award Amount: \$10,000  
Funding Period: July 1, 2017 – May 16, 2018