RYAN J. KAUFMAN

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Sociology

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

In Progress Expected: Aug 2023

M.A. Business Management

Emphasis in Leadership Doane University

B.A. Organizational Communication

Bachelor of Arts Organizational Communication Minor in Psychology Doane University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Instructor of Record - Sociology 320 The Sociology of Sports

 Provided asynchronous virtual instruction, develop weekly lesson plans, and administered grades for students in fall 2022 and spring semesters of 2023.

Instructor of Record – Sociology 252 Health, Medicine, & Society

 Provided asynchronous virtual instruction, develop weekly lesson plans, and administered grades for assigned students in spring, and students in a condensed 8-week summer session of 2022.

Graduate Teaching Assistant – Sociology 101

 Provided in-person instruction, develop weekly lesson plans, and administered grades for 4 assigned sections in Fall of 2020;
 administered grades for 2 cohorts in Spring of 2021

Graduate Teaching Assistant - Sociology 101

 Provided recitation instruction, developed syllabus, and administered grades for 4 assigned section.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Research Assistant – Dr. Kimberly A. Tyler, PI

May 2016

Dec 2018

2022 – Present

2022

2020-2021

2019-2020

Sept 2022 - Dec 2022

 Recruited and administered quantitative surveys for Dr. Kimberly Tyler.

Project Volunteer - Rural Drug Addiction Research Center

Jan 2022 – Present

 Recruited, virtual or in-person interviews, and message framing for Dr. Dennis McChargue.

Research Assistant - Rural Drug Addiction Research Center

Oct 2020 - May 2022

 Recruited, virtual or in-person interviews, and data management for Dr. Roberto Abadie.

Research Assistant – Rural Drug Addiction Research Center

May 2021 – Dec 2021

 Data management, statistical analysis, and empirical writing for Dr. Jeffrey Smith and Dr. G. Robin Gauthier

PRESENTATIONS

Kaufman, Ryan. 2021. "We weren't told: Opiate agonist treatment and Benzodiazepines risk among people who use drugs in a Midwest Setting.". Paper presented at the annual Symposium on Substance Use Research, Lincoln, NE, November 17.

Nov 2021

Kaufman, Ryan, and Daniel Schaefer. 2021. "Public / Private Insurance, Social Placement, & Treatment of Substance Misuse". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, IL, November 9.

Nov 2021

Kaufman, Ryan, and Emily Kaufman. 2021. "The Service of Saving a Life".Panelist. Building Bridges for Your Career: From Surviving to Thriving.Presented at the annual Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska annual student conference, Omaha, NE, April 23.

Apr 2021

Kaufman, Ryan, and Dr. Christina Falci. 2021. "Social Life, Cognitive Resources, and Distress: Moderating and Mediating the Effects of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Substance Misuse". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE, March 20.

Mar 2021

Kaufman, Ryan. 2020. "Protective Factors for Substance Abuse for Apr 2020 Adults with Adverse Childhood Experiences". Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society, Omaha, NE, April 19. (Cancelled due to COVID-19).

Kaufman, Ryan, and Dr. Christina Falci. 2020. "Gender Differences in Mental Health Outcomes and Countervailing Effects.". Poster presented at the Annual Ogle Colloquium of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of Sociology. Lincoln, NE. October 30.

Oct 2020

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Preparation for Review

Kaufman, Ryan. "We weren't told: Opiate agonist treatment and Benzodiazepines risks among people who use drugs in a Midwest setting".

Ryan Kaufman & Dr. Lisa Kort-Butler. "An exploration of 12-step groups, stigma, and social support"; Midwest Sociological Society Annual Conference, April 2023

Ryan Kaufman & Dr. Lisa Kort-Butler. "Stigmatizing attitudes, beliefs, and policy: Blurring the lines between medicine and justice."; American Society of Criminologist Annual Meeting 2024;

AWARDS

Fernando I. Rivera Sociology Research Award	2021
Nicholas Babchuk Graduate Student Research Award	2021
Department of Sociology Teaching Award	2021
Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting and Membership Grant	2021
Ogle Fellowship	2020
Certificate of Recognition for Contributions to Students – UNL	2020
Pinnacle Award – Doane University	2016

RELATED EXPERIENCE / COMMUNITY SERVICE

University of Nebraska- Lincoln Alcohol Council

Advocate / Student Representative

2021 - 2023

Assist and provide practical knowledge and experience relating to University JED Campus Initiative. Specially advocating personal and pragmatic experience in identifying high-risk students and their support in transition, screening opportunities, and substance use/misuse support at the individual and community levels.

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Instructor 2017 – Present

Present empirical-based evidence, and interrelated personal experience, to U.S. service members and their families on a variety of topics, including but not excluding, Suicide Prevention and Intervention, Substance Use / Misuse, Mental Health Rates and Prevention, Interpersonal Communication, Relational Communication, Community Services Integration, Education, and Vocational Opportunities.

At Ease USA

Board Vice-President, Chair of Marketing & Fundraising

2019 - 2023

Serve board to assist in educating stakeholders, consumers, and interested parties of ongoing individual and community barriers and research regarding the treatment of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in Veterans, Women experiencing intimate partner violence, and children experience / witnessing violence.

University of Nebraska- Lincoln Mental Health Team

Advocate / Student Representative

2019 - 2020

Volunteered to serve Big Red Resilience initiative and programming's Mental Health Committee by providing personal and professional efforts as they related to obstacles, navigations, and use of health insurance, impact of leave policies, substance use/misuse and recovery opportunities, local coordination and access to care.

Forlorn Hope, Inc.

Board Secretary

2017-2020

Provide research as background for related agenda items of board meetings, coordinate resources to execute monthly board meetings. Recordkeeping. Presented timeline, plans, and administrative actionable items for board members and stakeholders to execute mission, vision, and values of the non-profit group.

State of Nebraska Governor's Advisory Board on Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Vice President of the Board

2015-2019

Assisted in the gathering of evidence for grants, policy drafting, and decisions to place forth formal recommendations to the State of Nebraska Department of Behavioral Health for legal recommendations to the State Legislative Unicameral.

State of Nebraska Behavioral Health Education Network

Board Member 2017-2019

Provided practical knowledge regarding experience in gaps of services, training, and trauma informed care infrastructure pertaining to mental health services / providers in rural Nebraska.

WORKSHOPS COMPLETED

Mediation and Moderation Stata	2021
Grant Writing Workshop	2021
Creating a Vivid Vision for Your Career	2020
Teaching Strategies that Increase Instructor-Student Connection	2020
Essentials for Getting Started	2020
Linear Regression: Fitting Models and Interpreting Results	2020
Facilitating Group Work in an Online or Hybrid Classroom	2020
Teaching Sociology	2020
Diversity and Inclusion in Education Workshop	
	2019

MEMBERSHIPS

American Sociological Society	2019-present
American Society of Criminology	2019-present
Midwest Sociological Society	2019-present
Nebraska Association of Sociology Graduate Students	2019-present
Team Rubicon	2014-2020
Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America	2013-2017

COMMUNITY AWARDS

Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska Courage Award	2019
Texas A&M of San Antonio Award of Veteran and Military Excellence	2017
Grand Island Independent Extraordinary Person Award	2015
Adult Peer Change Agent of the Year	2015
Nebraska National Guard Volunteer of the Year	2015

REFERENCES

Dr. Kimberly Tyler Willa Cather Professor of Sociology University of Nebraska-Lincoln Department of Sociology 717 Oldfather Hall Lincoln, NE 68588-0324

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