



CURRICULUM VITAE

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Date: 10-2-26

School: Health Professions

Department/Program: Counseling

Current Title: Assistant Professor - Clinical

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Initial Appointment at LSUHSC Date: 08-17-26

Education: Undergraduate: Dillard University, BA Psychology, 2018

Graduate/medical: LSUHSC, MS Clinical Mental Health Counseling, 2020

University of New Orleans, Ph.D. Counselor Education, 2026

Certification: National Certified Counselor (NCC), 2021-Present

Licensure: License Professional Counselor (LPC), LA, #8493, 2023-Present

Academic, Professional, and Research Appointments: CADA Prevention and Recovery 2021-2023

Tulane University, 2023-2026

LSUHSC, 2026-Present

Awards and Honors: Louisiana Counseling Association *Future Professional Award*, 2025

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Formal Course Responsibilities: Multicultural and Psychosocial Aspects of Counseling; LSUHSC; Instructor

Vocational/Career Counseling Development; LSUHSC; Instructor

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

Revised: January 2021

Revised: August 2024

Major Area of Research Interest: Relationship Dynamics; Family Systems in Multicultural Counseling, Commitment in Romantic Relationships, Religion/Spirituality in Counseling; Mentoring Relationships

Journal Publications:

Rachlinski, R. W., & **McFarland, K. A.** (2025). Applying Supervision to Animal Assisted Therapy: Using the Integrative Development Model. *Journal of Counselor Preparation and Supervision*, 19(2), 4.

Scientific Presentations/Published Abstracts/Oral Sessions and Posters:

“Navigating Feelings of Loneliness as Counseling Students and New Professionals”, ACA Conference 2024

“Creating Counter-Spaces for Black Female Counselor Education Students: Fostering Career Mentoring Relationship”, Black Mental Health Symposium 2022

“Great Aspirations for Diverse Learners: Supporting Career Readiness Amongst BIPOC K-12 Students”, The Annual European Branch of the American Counseling Association (EB-ACA) Virtual Conference 2021

“Preparing For Graduate School”, Dillard University 2019

SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION

University/Institutional Service:

LSUHSC (campus) committees:

School committees: Professional Development; Community Engagement

Departmental committees: Alumni; Class Officers; White Coat Ceremony

Membership in Professional Organizations: American Counseling Association (ACA) 2019-Present

Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development (AMCD) 2019-Present

ACA Graduate Student and New Professionals Committee, 2023-2025

Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Honors Society Member, 2021-Present