

April Marie Young

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Education

Masters of Public Health

Expected April 2010

University of Kentucky

Bachelor of Arts in Biology with Honors, *cum laude*

May 2007

Transylvania University, Lexington, KY

- 3.644 GPA; 6 semesters on Dean's List
- 2007 Ruchman Biology Award, Morrison Scholar, Robert C. Byrd Scholar
- Psychology Minor
- Relevant Coursework: Medical Anthropology, Bioethics, Immunology, Human Sexuality, Human Development, Behavioral Pharmacology, Nutrition, Social Psychology,
- **Study Abroad at Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia** Spring 2005

Relevant Clinical & Research Experience

Research Coordinator

August 2007 - present

University of Kentucky College of Education and Counseling Psychology

- COMPASS Grant: Outcomes of Teacher Training in Autism: Perform administrative tasks, manage research personnel, recruit participants for study, perform data entry and literature reviews, draft reports for communication with parents and teachers, maintain financial records, assist in managing grant finances and writing budgets, assist in webpage design, data analysis
- Vaccine Acceptance Among Parents of Children with Autism: literature review, applied for and received IRB approval, designed and administered questionnaires, performed data entry, currently conducting data analysis
- Out-of-pocket Expenses and Outcomes for Families of Children with Autism: literature review, currently conducting data analysis, manuscript in preparation

Research Collaborator

June 2007 - present

University of Kentucky College of Public Health

- Influences on HPV Vaccine Acceptance among Filipino Women: Developed HPV vaccine acceptance protocols for use in the Philippines, served as liaison between researchers at the University of Kentucky and medical personnel in the Philippines, consulted Philippine public health officials in the development of a culturally appropriate protocol, identified and secured potential venues for participant recruitment

Research Assistant

September 2008 - present

Rural Center for AIDS Prevention (RCAP)

- Planning of webpage on which rural health administrators can create tailored HIV prevention materials, review and editing of a HIV prevention manual for rural health clinics

Research Assistant

April 2006-August 2007

University of Kentucky College of Public Health, Department of Health Behavior

- Correlates of Intent to be Vaccinated Against HPV: An Exploratory Study of College-Aged Males: Reviewed current research on HPV and on factors that may increase infection risk, designed a survey to identify relationships between men's beliefs and sexual behaviors and their willingness to be vaccinated against HPV, applied for and received IRB approval for the survey and for modifications to an original HPV vaccine project designed by my supervisor, scheduled and managed administration of nearly 300 surveys in one week while strictly maintaining participant confidentiality, performed all data entry, published in:

Crosby R, Benitez J, and Young A. Correlates of Intent to be Vaccinated Against HPV: An Exploratory Study of Rural and Urban Young Males. *Health Education Monograph Series*. 25(2); 2008: 18-20.

Research Assistant

February 2006-April 2006

University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Department of Behavioral Science

- Conducted literature reviews for the development of new research projects in the areas of extreme physiological response to stress and olfactory conditioning
- Completed certification in the protection of human research subjects

Volunteer

January 2004 – January 2005

University of Kentucky Hospital Pediatric Clinic, Lexington, KY

- Completed HIPAA certification
- Served as a nurse assistant, performed general patient intake, including taking and recording patient vitals, collected samples for urinalysis and conducted vision and hearing tests
- Communicated with patients and guardians, directed questions to the overseeing physicians

Speaker, HPV Vaccine Panel

March 2007

Transylvania University, Lexington, KY

- Communicated with community and university leaders about the behavioral, cultural, and educational barriers to HPV vaccine acceptance, presented research findings to and addressed concerns of the Transylvania student body

Student Researcher

Summer 2004

Kentucky Biomedical Research Undergraduate Training, Lexington, KY

- Developed proficiency in experimental design, conducted independent and collaborative research, analyzed experimental methods and results, maintained detailed records of procedures and results
- Trained in the techniques of DNA extraction and purification, PCR, electrophoresis of proteins and DNA, differential centrifugation and protein content assay using fresh tissue, basic histology, restriction mapping, genetic transformation, and cell culture
- Developed problem-solving skills, introduced to methods of research design, advanced cross-disciplinary communication skills

Community Involvement

Member, Sexual Harassment and Assault Resource Committee

November 2005 – May 2007

Transylvania University, Lexington, KY

- Received training to assist victims of sexual harassment and assault
- Organized sexual violence awareness programs for incoming students, lobbied on behalf of students for improved campus safety, helped organize and advertise self-defense classes, skits, and speakers

Community Service Chairperson, Student Athlete Advisory Committee

Fall 2004-May 2007

Transylvania University, Lexington, KY

- Served as liaison between varsity athletic teams and the university community service coordinator, organized community service activities for Transylvania athletic teams

Volunteer

July 2005

Tsunami Volunteer Center, Khao Lak, Thailand

- Assisted with community restoration in tsunami-devastated areas under supervision of Thai led organization

Volunteer

March 2006

Alternative Spring Break—Hurricane Katrina, Ocean Springs, MS

- Completed and delivered orders at local distribution center, assisted in restoration of hurricane-damaged home

Leadership and Teaching Experiences

- Athlete** Fall 2003-May 2007
Transylvania University Varsity Basketball & Tennis Teams
- Tennis Captain (2006) Basketball Captain (2006/07)
 - Developed strong communication and leadership skills
 - Strengthened work-ethic, self-discipline, team-work, and time-management skills
- Tutor** Fall 2004-May 2007
Transylvania University Natural Sciences Division
- Tutored fellow undergraduate students in general chemistry and in lower- and upper-level biology classes teaching
- Member** Fall 2006-present
Omicron Delta Kappa (Honorary Leadership Fraternity)
- Assisted in organization of educational, community, and leadership activities on campus
- Member** Fall 2006-present
Psi Chi (Honorary Psychology Fraternity)
- Member** Fall 2006-present
Phi Delta Epsilon (Pre-Medical Fraternity) Fall 2003 – Fall 2005

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References

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