

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

1972-1977 Ph.D. in Personality and Clinical Psychology, Duke University

1968-1972 B.A. in Psychology; graduated cum laude, Yale University

Licensure:

1981-2013 Licensed Psychologist, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Professorial Experience:

2008-Present Professor of Psychology, Bucknell University

1994-2008 Professor of Psychology, Boston College

1987-1994 Professor of Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University

1982-1987 Associate Professor of Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University

1977-1982 Assistant Professor of Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University

Administrative Experience:

2008-2015 *Provost, Bucknell University*— Responsible for promoting and sustaining excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service for 3500 students and 400 faculty members.

2005-2008 *Director, Center on Aging and Work, Boston College*— With a \$3 million grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, responsible for the design and implementation of interdisciplinary research by the Center's 24 investigators focused on the opportunities and challenges associated with the aging workforce. See www.bc.edu/agingandwork for more information.

1994-2007 *Dean, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences, Boston College*—Responsible for the graduate education of more than 1100 graduate students in 17 departments and the work of more than 400 faculty in those departments.

1994-2005 *Associate Vice President for Research, Boston College*—Responsible for the research programs of 600+ faculty. Supervised the development, submission, and management of externally funded projects.

- 1988-1992 *Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies, College of Health and Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University*
- 1985-1986 *American Council on Education Fellowship in Academic Administration, The Pennsylvania State University and Cornell University*
- 1983-1985 *Professor-in-Charge of the Graduate Program, Department of Individual and Family Studies, The Pennsylvania State University*
- 1982-1987 *Professor-in-Charge, Department of Individual and Family Studies, The Pennsylvania State University*
- 1979-1986 *Associate Chairman, The Gerontology Center, The Pennsylvania State University—*
- 1976-1977 *Assistant to the President, Terry Sanford, J.D., Duke University (part-time position)—*
- 1970-1971 *Assistant to the President, William Birenbaum, J.D., Staten Island Community College, City University of New York (part-time position)*

Awards:

- 2016-17 Civic Innovation Fellow, The Hasso Plattner Institute of Design, Stanford University
- 2015-present Senior Fellow in Social Innovation, The Lewis Institute, Babson College
- 2015-16 Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University
- 2015 Endeavour Fellow, Australian National University
- 2013 Lifetime Contribution to the Psychology of Aging, Committee on Aging, American Psychological Association
- 2012 Fulbright, IEA Fellowship (India)
- 2003 M. Powell Lawton Award for Distinguished Contribution in Applied Gerontology, Retirement Research Foundation and Division of Adult Development & Aging, American Psychological Association.
- 2000 Fulbright, IEA Fellowship (Japan).
- 1992 Evan G. and Helen G. Pattishall Award for Outstanding Research Achievement, College of Health and Human Development, The Pennsylvania State University.
- 1987 Visiting Distinguished Gerontologist, The College of Saint Scholastica, Duluth, MN. June 8-26
- 1985-1986 American Council on Education Fellow in Academic Administration, The Pennsylvania State University and Cornell University.
- 1984 Elected to Sigma Xi.
- 1982-1985 Kellogg National Fellowship, W. K. Kellogg Foundation.
- 1980 Research Fellowship, The Gerontological Society.

1976-1977 Public Health Service Predoctoral Research Fellowship.

1975 Duke University Graduate School Research Award.

Teaching Experience:

Undergraduate Introductory course, Designing Your Bucknell

Undergraduate introductory course, The Mature Years

Undergraduate advanced course, Adult Development

Undergraduate advanced course, Programs and Services for Older Adults

Undergraduate Seminar, Professional Issues in Human Development (Ethics)

Undergraduate Honors Seminar, Issues in the Study of Individual and Family Development

Graduate Seminar, Psychology and Aging

Graduate Seminar, Issues in the Study of Individual and Family Development

Graduate Seminar, Qualitative Research on Adult Development and Aging

Graduate Seminar, Life Events and Intervention

Graduate Seminar, Mental Health and Aging

Graduate Program Experience (in addition to Administrative Experience)

Chair of nine master's thesis committees

Chair of 18 dissertation committees

Member of 50+ master's or doctoral committees

Professional Societies:

American Association of Applied and Preventive Psychology (Fellow), American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Public Health Association, American Psychological Association (Fellow) Divisions 12, 20, and 27, American Psychological Society (Fellow), Gerontological Society of America (Fellow), National Academy of Social Insurance, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (Fellow).

Recent Editorial and Review Activities:

2008-Present Fellow, TIAA-CREF Institute

2007-2010 Member, Editorial Board, Annual Review of Gerontology & Geriatrics

2005-2008 Member, Editorial Board, Generations, American Society on Aging

1979-Present Ad Hoc Reviewer, American Psychologist, Human Development, Journal of Applied Gerontology, Journal of Consulting & Clinical Psychology, Journal of Family Issues, Journal of Community Psychology, Journal of Gerontology, The Gerontologist, Psychology and Aging

Recent Grants Funded: (of more than \$6 million in funding in my career)

2015-2019 Bridge to Retirement: Bridge to Diversity (with Dean George Shields). Andrew Mellon Foundation

- 2012-2015 Student Entrepreneurship. Accenture
- 2012-2015 Engineering Success Alliance. Hearst Foundation
- 2010-2014 Environmental Programming. Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- 2010-2013 Diversity Collaboration (with Dickinson & Lafayette). Teagle Foundation

Recent Publications: (of 9 books, and more than 100 chapters and articles)

Recent Books:

Segal, D., Qualls, S.H., & Smyer, M.A. (in press). Aging and Mental Health (3rd ed.). New York: John Wiley & Sons Inc.

Segal, D., Qualls, S.H., & Smyer, M.A. (2011). Aging and Mental Health (2nd ed.). Malden, MA: Blackwell Publishers.

Read, C., Green, R., & Smyer, M.A. (Eds.) (2008), Aging, Genetic Technology, and the Future. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Qualls, S.H. & Smyer, M.A. (Eds.), (2007), Aging and Decision-Making Capacity: Clinical, Family, and Legal Issues. New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Pruchno, R. & Smyer, M.A. (Eds.) (2007). Challenges of an Aging Society: Ethical dilemmas, political issues. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Recent Invited Chapters:

Lichtenberg, P.A., Qualls, S.H. & Smyer, M.A. (2015). Competency and decision-making capacity: Negotiating health and financial decision-making. In P.A. Lichtenberg & B.T.. Mast (eds.), APA Handbook of Clinical Geropsychology, vol. 2. (pp. 553-579) Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.

Smyer, M.A., Besen, E*. & Pitt-Catsoupes, M. (2009). Boomers and the many meanings of work. In R. Hudson (ed.), Boomer Bust? The New Political Economy of Aging. (vol. 2) (pp. 3-15). New York: Praeger.

Smyer, M.A. & Pitt-Catsoupes, M. (2009). Work-life policies: The changing landscape of aging and work. In Booth, A & Crouter, A. (Eds.). Work-Life Policies that Make a Real Difference for individuals, families, and organizations. (pp. 309-322). Washington, D.C.: Urban Institute Press.

Smyer, M.A. & Pitt-Catsoupes, M. (2009). Collaborative work: What's age got to do with it? In Czaja, S.J. & Sharit, J. (Eds.). The Future of Work for an Aging Population. (pp. 144-164). Baltimore, Md: Johns Hopkins University Press.

Smyer, M.A. (2007). Aging and decision-making capacity: An overview. In Qualls, S.H. & Smyer, M.A. (Eds.), (2007), Aging and Decision-Making Capacity: Clinical, Family, and Legal Issues. (pp. 3-24). New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

Smyer, M.A. (2007). Epilogue. In Qualls, S.H. & Smyer, M.A. (Eds.), (2007), Aging and Decision-Making Capacity: Clinical, Family, and Legal Issues. (pp. 323-328). New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

* student or post-doctoral fellow co-author

Recent Refereed Articles:

Smyer, M.A. (2017). Greening gray: Climate action for an aging world. Public Policy & Aging Report, 27 (1), 4-7.

Smyer, M.A. (2016). Is there a secret to aging well? The Solutions Journal, 7(1), 55-61.
Available at <http://www.thesolutionsjournal.com/node/237448>

Gatz, M, Smyer, M.A. & DiGiglio, D. (2016). Psychology's contribution to the well being of older Americans. American Psychologist, 71(4), 257-267

James, J.B., Matz-Costa, C., & Smyer, M.A. (2016). Retirement security: It's not just about the money. American Psychologist, 71(4), 334-344.

Karel, M.J., Gatz, M. & Smyer, M.A. (2012). Aging and mental health in the decade ahead: What psychologists need to know. American Psychologist, 67, 184-198.

Shen, C., Smyer, M.A., Mahoney, K., et al. (2008). Does Mental Illness Affect Consumer Direction of Community-Based Care? Lessons from the Arkansas Cash and Counseling Program. The Gerontologist, 48, 93-104.

Smyer, M.A. & Pitt-Catsoupes, M. (2007). The Meanings of Work for Older Workers. Generations, XXXI (1), 23-30.

DiGilio, D. & Smyer, M. (2006). Mental Health and Aging at the 2005 White House Conference on Aging: Two steps forward, one step back. Public Policy & Aging Report 16 (1), 18-21.

Other Recent Writings:

Smyer, Michael A. (2016). Picture this: A clean and health bay. *San Francisco Examiner*, June 5, 2016. <http://www.sfexaminer.com/picture-clean-healthy-bay/>

[What can John Glenn's second space flight teach us about climate change?](#)

A Lesson Unlearned from Hurricane Katrina: The elderly are still the most vulnerable to weather events
<http://www.psmag.com/health-and-behavior/a-lesson-unlearned-from-hurricane-katrina>

Aging Population Could Drive O'Bama's Climate Change Policies
<http://www.cnn.com/2015/07/12/opinions/smyer-aging-and-climate-change/>

Smyer, M.A. (2014). A second adolescence? Balancing autonomy and beneficence in late life. Aging Today. American Society on Aging. 479.

Research Papers and Presentations:

More than 400 papers and invited talks at national meetings, universities, or legislative hearings.

Other Recent Activities:

- 2017-2022 Member, Board of Directors, The Eagles Mere Foundation
- 2015-2018 Member, Board of Directors, The Eagles Mere Conservancy
- 2017-2020 Member Board of Directors, Foxdale Village, State College, PA
- 2013-2015 Member, Board of Directors, Foxdale Village, State College, PA
- 2010-2015 Member, Advisory Board, Institute for the Ages, Sarasota, FL
- 2001-Present Elected Member, The Piper Foundation, Lock Haven, PA
- 2000-2008 Elected Member, Wellesley Town Meeting, Wellesley, MA
- 1978-Present Member, Rustical Quality String Band, State College, PA—Washboard Player and Vocalist. Recordings: 1980: "RQSB"; 2003: "Rescued from Obliv

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Professional References:

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