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**PhD,** School of Social Work, The University of Georgia (2004)

**Master of Social Work**, Our Lady of the Lake University @ San Antonio (2001)

**B.A.** (Sociology), Louisiana State University (1997)

**Research Interests:** health & aging **|** risk & resilience **|** standardized measurement

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE**

**Licensed Master Social Worker**

* State of Louisiana, 2006 – present
* State of Georgia, 2002 – 2012

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**Louisiana State University (LSU) School of Social Work**

* Associate Professor, 2012 – present
* Assistant Professor, 2006 – 2012

**Appalachian State University (ASU) Department of Sociology & Social Work**

* Assistant Professor, 2004 – 06

**ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS**

***Coordinator*, LSU Social Work Graduate Certificate in Gerontology Program**

2009 – 2012; 2014 – present

***Director of Academic Programs*, LSU Life Course & Aging Center,** 2008 – 2010

**SCHOLARSHIP**

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

1. **Wilks**, S.E., Cain, D.S., Reed-Ashcraft, K.B., & Geiger, J.R. (in press). Gerontological competencies among MSW Students: Evaluation of a Gerontology Specialization Program. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*. DOI: 10.1080/01634372.2017.1325811
2. **Wilks**, S.E., Boyd, P. A., Bates, S. M., Cain, D. S., & Geiger, J. R. (in press). Montessori-based activities among persons with late-stage dementia: Evaluation of mental and behavioral health outcomes. *Dementia: The International Journal of Social Research and Practice.* DOI: 10.1177/1471301217703242
3. Boyd, P.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Geiger, J.R. (in press). ADL assessment among nursing home residents with advanced dementia: Psychometric reevaluation of the Bristol Activities of Daily Living Scale. *Health & Social Work*.
4. Geiger, J.R., **Wilks**, S.E., Guillory, S.A., Goodson, K., Spivey, C.A., & Isaza, J.E. (in press). Psychological coping strategies among post-surgery posterior lumbar interbody fusion patients: Predictive values on pain and functioning outcomes. *Journal of Pain Management*.
5. Rabalais, A.M., **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., & Bates, S.M. (in press). Prominent feelings and self-regard among survivors of suicide: Does time heal all wounds? *Illness, Crisis & Loss.* DOI: 10.1177/1054137316637189
6. **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., Bates, S.M., & Wright, A.L. (in press). Reference accuracy among research articles published in *Research on Social Work Practice*. *Research on Social Work Practice*. DOI: 10.1177/1049731515626802
7. Mitchell-Williams, M., Skipper, A., Alexander, M., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2017). Reference list accuracy in social work journals: A follow-up analysis. *Research on Social Work Practice, 27,* 348-352. DOI: 10.1177/1049731515578536
8. Lewis, L. M., **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J. R., Barthelemy, J. J., & Livermore, M. M. (2017). College student attitudes toward police in south Louisiana: A racial divide. *Africology:* *Journal of Pan African Studies, 10,* 206-223.
9. Bates, S.M., Ball, A., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2016). Psychometric reevaluation of the Parental Press for Academic Achievement and Postsecondary Planning Scale. *Research on Social Work Practice, 26*, 583-590. DOI: 10.1177/1049731514557698
10. **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., Boyd, P.A., & Chaney, C. (2015). Psychometric properties of the Coping Inventory for Task Stressors: Evaluation among African American and Caucasian, Alzheimer’s disease caregivers. *Journal of Pan African Studies, 7*(9), 4-30.
11. Geiger, J.R., **Wilks**, S.E., Lovelace, L.L., Chen, Z., & Spivey, C.A. (2015). Burden among male, Alzheimer’s caregivers: Effects of distinct coping strategies. *American Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease & Other Dementias, 30*, 238-246.
12. Geiger, J.R., **Wilks**, S.E., & Livermore, M.M. (2014). Predicting SNAP participation in older adults: Do age categorizations matter? *Educational Gerontology, 40,* 932-946.
13. Maccio, E.M., DeRosa, S.M., **Wilks**, S.E., and Wright, A.L. (2014). Age differences in LGBT attitudes toward marriage equality. *Advances in Social Work, 15*, 428-443.
14. **Wilks**, S.E., Ketchum, M., Chen, Z., & Bowman, A. (2013). Psychometric reevaluation of the Spiritual Support Scale. *Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work, 32*, 313-323.
15. Gough, H.R., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2012). Rotational field placements: Integrative review and application to gerontological social work. *Social Work Education: The International Journal*, *31*, 90-109. DOI: 10.1080/02615479.2010.549222
16. Little, K.G., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2011). Psychometric evaluation of a proposed Alzheimer’s aggression scale. *American Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease and Other Dementias, 26,* 373-380. DOI: 10.1177/1533317511414553
17. **Wilks**, S.E., Little, K.G., Gough, H.R., & Spurlock, W.J. (2011). Alzheimer’s aggression: Influences on caregiver coping and resilience. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work, 54*, 260-275. DOI: 10.1080/01634372.2010.544531
18. **Wilks**, S.E., & Spivey, C. A. (2010). Resilience in undergraduate social work students: Social support and adjustment to academic stress. *Social Work Education: The International Journal, 29*, 276-288*.* DOI: 10.1080/02615470902912243
19. Gough, H.R., **Wilks**, S.E., & Prattini, R.J. (2010). Spirituality among Alzheimer’s caregivers: Psychometric reevaluation of the Intrinsic Spirituality Scale. *Journal of Social Service Research, 36*, 278-288. DOI: 10.1080/01488376.2010.493848
20. Chisholm-Burns, M.A., Spivey, C.A., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2010). Social support and immunosuppressant therapy adherence among adult renal transplant recipients. *Clinical* *Transplantation, 24*, 312-320*.* DOI: 10.1111/j.1399-0012.2009.01060.x
21. **Wilks**, S.E., Spivey, C. A., & Chisholm-Burns, M. A. (2010). Psychometric reevaluation of the Immunosuppressant Therapy Adherence Scale among solid-organ transplant recipients. *Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice, 16,* 64-68. DOI: 10.1111/j.1365-2753.2008.01115.x
22. **Wilks**, S.E., Kadivar, Z., Guillory, S., & Isaza, J. (2009). Age, exercise exertion, and low back pain: A follow-up study with psychological adaptation factors. *Journal of the Louisiana State Medical Society, 161*, 340-342.
23. **Wilks**, S.E. (2009). Support for Alzheimer’s caregivers: Psychometric evaluation of familial and friend support measures. *Research on Social Work Practice, 19*, 722-729. DOI: 10.1177/1049731508329404
24. **Wilks**, S.E. (2008). Psychometric evaluation of the shortened Resilience Scale among Alzheimer’s caregivers. *American Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease & Other Dementias, 23,* 143-149. DOI: 10.1177/1533317507313012
25. Guillory, S.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Isaza, J. (2008). Perceived low back pain among consistent exercise participants: Examining the effects of age and exertion. *Journal of the Louisiana State Medical Society, 160*, 27-34*.*
26. **Wilks**, S.E., & Croom, B. (2008). Perceived stress and resilience in Alzheimer’s disease caregivers: Testing moderation and mediation models of social support. *Aging & Mental Health: An International Journal, 12*, 357-365. DOI: 10.1080/13607860801933323
27. **Wilks**, S.E. (2008). Resilience amid academic stress: The moderating impact of social support among social work students. *Advances in Social Work*, *9*, 106-125.
28. **Wilks**, S.E., & Vonk, M. E. (2008). Coping through private prayer: Mediating burden and resiliency among Alzheimer’s caregivers. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work, 50,* 113-131. DOI: 10.1300/J083v50n3\_09
29. **Wilks**, S.E. (2006). Intrinsic spirituality among Alzheimer’s caregivers: A pathway to resiliency. *Advances in Social Work, 7*(1), 76-100.
30. Kolomer, S.R., Lewinson, T., Kropf, N.P., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2006). Increasing aging content in social work curricula: Perceptions of key constituents. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work, 48*, 97-110. DOI: 10.1300/J083v48n01\_07
31. Robinson, M. M., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2006). “Older but not wiser”: What custodial grandparents want to tell social workers about raising grandchildren. *Social Work and Christianity, 33*(2), 164-177*.*
32. **Wilks**, S.E., & Spivey, C.A. (2004). Views of reference list accuracy from social work journal editors and published authors. *Advances in Social Work, 5*(2), 172-182.
33. Spivey, C.A., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2004). Reference list accuracy in social work journals. *Research on Social Work Practice, 14*, 281-286. DOI: 10.1177/1049731503262131

**Manuscripts in Revision/Review**

* **Wilks**, S.E., Guillory, S.A., Geiger, J.R., Goodson, K., Begault, T.S., Chen, Z., & Isaza, J.E. (in review). Assessing psychological resilience among pre-spine surgery patients in Louisiana: Psychometric evaluation of the Brief Resilient Coping Scale. *Journal of the Louisiana State Medical Society*.
* Simpson, G. M,, Stansbury, K., **Wilks**, S.E., Pressley, T., Parker, M., & McDougall, G. J., Support groups for Alzheimer’s caregivers: Creating our own space in uncertain times. *Clinical Gerontologist*.

**Book Chapters and Reviews**

**Book Chapters**

* + **Wilks**, S.E., Bates, S.M., & Wright, A.L. (2015). Spirituality, coping, and psychological resilience among Alzheimer’s caregivers. In *Spirituality: Global practices, societal attitudes, and effects on health.* Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers, Inc.
  + Kropf, N.P., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2003). Grandparents raising grandchildren. In B. Berkman & L. Harootyan (Eds.), *Social work and health care in an aging society: Education, policy, practice, and research* (pp. 177-200). New York: Springer.

**Book Review**

* + **Reviewer**: Chonody, J., & Teater, B. (in press). *Social work practice with older adults.* Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

**Funding Activity**

***Funded***

* Wilks, S. E., principal investigator/program director. (2014 – 2017). *Behavioral Health Education and Training for Master’s Level Social Work Interns: Meeting the Preventive and Interventional Needs of At-Risk Youth in Louisiana*. Funded by U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration. **Total grant amount: $1.5 million**
* Wilks, S.E. (2015). *Assessment of Caregiver Needs across Louisiana.* Funded by AARP – Louisiana chapter. **Contract amount: $10,000.**
* Wilks, S.E. (2013 – 15). *Evaluation of Program Services at Charlie’s Place Respite Center, Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area*. Funded by Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, LA. **Contract amount: $25,000**.
* Wilks, S. E. (2013 – 2014). *Montessori activities to enhance health and well-being among individuals with Alzheimer’s disease: A program evaluation*. Contract funded by Poydras Home Retirement Community of New Orleans, LA. **Contract amount: $18,000**.
* Wilks, S. E. (2008 – 10). *Examining an appraisal model of burden, coping, and resilience: Differences among African American and Caucasian Alzheimer’s caregivers*. Funded by The John A. Hartford Foundation, administered by the Gerontological Society of America. **Grant amount: $100,000**.
* Wilks, S. E. (2007). *The impact of social support on perceived stress and emotional resilience among Alzheimer’s caregivers*. Funded by the Louisiana State University Council on Research Summer Stipend Program. **Amount: $5000**.
* *Family Support/Family Resource Center Database Management Project*. (FY 2004-2005). Contract with the North Carolina’s Division of Social Services. Principal investigators: Kellie Reed Ashcraft & John Turner, Appalachian State University. **Amount: $93,980**.
  + Wilks, S. E., Research Associate
* Nash, B., Greene, D., Peacock, J., Seitz, T., & Wilks, S.E. (2005). *Creating research papers that will make everyone proud: A manual for sociology and social work majors*. Faculty Academic Development Textbook Grant. Funded by the Appalachian State University Hubbard Center. **Amount: $150**.

**In Review**

* **Wilks**, S. E., principal investigator. (in review). *Louisiana State University School of Social Work BHWET Program: Targeted enhancement in integrated behavioral health care across the lifespan.* Proposal submitted to U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources & Services Administration. Proposed total grant amount: $1.92 million.

***Unfunded***

* *Mental and Behavioral Health Training for Graduate Social Work Interns: Meeting the Needs and Demands of Vulnerable and Underserved Populations in Louisiana.* (2012). Proposal to be submitted to the United States Department of Health & Human Services, Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA-12-181). Total amount requested: $485,000.
  + Role: principal investigator
* *Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians Leadership Development Program*. Submitted to Physicians Foundation. (2012). Total amount requested: $99,170. Role: primary research investigator
* Wilks, S. E. (2010). *Leadership in Alzheimer’s care and geriatric social work: Education, training, and scholarship*. Grant proposal submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services, Geriatric Academic Career Award Program. **Recommended for approval (though unfunded) by the DHHS Objective Review Committee**. Amount requested: $374,955.
* Cherry, K.E., Garrison, M.E., Sasser, D.D., Wilks, S.E., & Marks, L.D. (2010). *Post-disaster recovery in rural communities: Individual and family resilience.* Grant proposal submitted to the United States Department of Agriculture: Cooperative State Research, Education, Extension Service (USDA/CREES) and the National Science Foundation. Amount requested: $399,999.

**National, International Conference Presentations**

* **Wilks**, S.E., Boyd, P.A., & Geiger, J.R. (2016, November). *Reevaluation of the Bristol Activities of Daily Living Scale among persons with late-stage dementia*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 69th Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
* **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., & Chen, Z. (2016, November). *Respite care with Alzheimer’s caregivers: A two year evaluation on psychological health.* Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 69th Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
* **Wilks**, S.E., Cain, D.S., Reed Ashcraft, K., & Geiger, J.R. (2016, November). *Gerontological competencies among MSW Students: Evaluation of a gerontology specialization program*. Presented at the Council on Social Work Education’s 62nd Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
* Bates, S.M., **Wilks**, S.E., Chaney, C., Geiger, J.R., & Ball, A. (2016, January). *Psychometric reevaluation of the Coping Inventory for Task Stressors: Distinguishing between African American and Caucasian, Alzheimer’s disease caregivers.* Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research 20th Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
* **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., Boyd, P.A., & Bates, S.M. (2015, November). *Montessori activities and late-stage dementia: Evaluation with behavioral and social outcomes*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 68th Annual Scientific Meeting, Orlando, FL.
* **Wilks**, S.E., & Boyd, P.A. (2015, January). *Psychometric reevaluation of the Coping Inventory for Task Stressors*. Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research 19th Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
* Ball, A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Bates, S.M. (2015, January). *Psychometric reevaluation of the Parental Press for Academic Achievement and Postsecondary Planning Scale*. Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research 19th Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.
* **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., & Livermore, M. (2014, November). *Predicting SNAP participation among older adults: Does age categorization matter?* Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington, DC.
* **Wilks**, S.E., Geiger, J.R., & Lovelace, L. (2014, November). *Burden among male Alzheimer’s caregivers: Effects of distinct coping strategies*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington, DC.
* **Wilks**, S. E., Ketchum, M. M., & Gough, H. R. (2013, November). *Rotational field placements: Overview and application to gerontological social work*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America 66th Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
* **Wilks**, S. E., Chen, Zibei, & Bowman, A. (2013, January). *Psychometric reevaluation of the Spiritual Support Scale*. Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research 17th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.
* DeRosa, S.M., **Wilks**, S.E., & Maccio, E.M. (2011, January). *Perspective differences on policy and social politics between older and younger LGBT adults*. Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research 15th Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.
* Cherry, K., Garrison, M.E.B., **Wilks**, S.E., Jackson, E., Brigman, S., Sullivan, M., & Broome, K. (2010, November). *Post-disaster resilience in younger and older adults*. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s 63rd Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
* Simpson, G. M., Stansbury, K., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2010, March). *An Alzheimer’s male caregivers’ support group: Creating our own space.* Presented at the 2010 Aging in America Conference, Chicago, IL.
* Guillory, S.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Isaza, J.E. (2009, July). *Factors of psychological adaptation among patients with posterior lumbar fusion*. Presented at the 2009 Joint Meeting of the North American Spine Society and Japanese Society for Spine Surgery and Related Research, Maui, HI.
* Chisholm-Burns, M.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Spivey, C.A. (2009, April). *Psychometric reevaluation of the Immunosuppressant Therapy Adherence Scale among solid organ transplant recipients*. Presented at the 2009 American College of Clinical Pharmacy International Congress in Clinical Pharmacy, Orlando, FL.
* Chisholm-Burns, M.A., Spivey, C.A., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2009, April). *Social support and immunosuppressant therapy adherence among adult renal transplant recipients*. Presented at the 2009 American College of Clinical Pharmacy International Congress in Clinical Pharmacy, Orlando, FL.
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2009, January). *Family and peer support for Alzheimer’s caregivers:* *Psychometric reevaluation of the Perceived Social Support subscales*. Presented at the 13th Annual Society for Social Work & Research Conference, New Orleans, LA.
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2008, November). *Successful adaptation among Alzheimer’s caregivers: Psychometric analysis of the modified Resilience Scale*. Presented at The Gerontological Society of America’s 61st Annual Scientific Meeting, National Harbor, MD.
* Guillory, S.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Isaza, J. (2008, July). *Analysis of low back pain functionality and psychological adaptation before and three-months post-op from posterior lumbar fusions*. Presented electronically at the 15th International Meeting of Advanced Spine Techniques, Hong Kong.
* Isaza, J.E., Guillory, S.A., Ferachi, L., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2008, July). *Descriptive analysis of reactions with the use of bone morphogenic protein in posterior interbody fusions.* Presented at the 15th International Meeting of Advanced Spine Techniques, Hong Kong, China.
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2007, November). *Stress and resilience in Alzheimer’s caregivers: Moderation and mediation of social support*. Presented at The Gerontological Society of America’s 60th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
* Guillory, S.A., **Wilks**, S.E., & Isaza, J. (2007, October). *Impact of age, physical exertion, and psychological adaptation on perceptions of low back pain*. Presented at EuroSpine 2007: Annual Meeting of the Spine Society of Europe, Brussels, Belgium.
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2007, August). *Perceived stress and resilience in Alzheimer’s disease caregivers: The moderating role of social support*. Presented at the 15th Annual Alzheimer’s Association Dementia Care Conference, Chicago, IL.
* **Wilks**, S. E., & Vonk, M. E. (2006, January). *Coping through private prayer: Mediating burden and resiliency among Alzheimer’s caregivers*. Presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Conference, San Antonio, TX
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2004, October). *The relationship between prayer and resiliency among Alzheimer’s caregivers.* Presented at the National Association of Christian Social Workers’ 54th Convention and Training Conference, Washington, DC
* Robinson, M. M., & **Wilks**, S. E. (2004, February). *Older but not wiser: The Church’s response to grandparent caregivers.* Presented at CSWE’s 50th Annual Program Meeting, Anaheim, CA
* **Wilks**, S. E., & Spivey, C. A. (2004, February). *Views of reference list accuracy from social work journal editors and published authors*. Presented at the Georgia Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Conference, Athens, GA
* Spivey, C. A., & **Wilks**, S. E. (2003, January). *Reference list accuracy in social work journals*. Presented at the 7th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, D. C.
* Soto, J. A., **Wilks**, S. E., & Duran, M. (2000, November).  *Elements of successful writing*. Presented at the Baccalaureate Program Directors Conference, Destin, FL.

**Other Publications and Research Activities**

* Little, K.G., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2011, February). *Alzheimer’s aggression: Influences on caregiver coping and resilience*. Presented at the 2011 LSU Life Course & Aging Center Annual Luncheon, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Cherry, K., Garrison, M.E.B., **Wilks**, S.E., Jackson, E., Brigman, S., Sullivan, M., & Broome, K. (2011, February). *Post-disaster resilience in younger and older adults*. Presented at the 2011 LSU Life Course & Aging Center Annual Luncheon, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Cherry, K. E., Garrison, M.E.B., **Wilks**, S., Jackson, E.M., Brigman, S., Sullivan, M., & Broome, K. (2010, November). Post-Disaster Resilience in Younger and Older Adults. *The Gerontologist, 50,* p. 282.
* Simpson, G. M., Stansbury, K., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2010). An Alzheimer’s male caregivers’ support group: Creating our own space. *MySocialWorkLab*. Old Tappan, NJ: Pearson Education. Available online: [www.mysocialworklab.com](http://www.mysocialworklab.com)
* Prattini, R.J., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2010, February). *Spirituality among Alzheimer’s caregivers: Psychometric reevaluation of the Intrinsic Spirituality Scale*. Presented at the 2010 LSU Life Course & Aging Center Annual Luncheon, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Invited, published research text review:
  + Wodarski, J. S., & Hopson, L. M. (2010). *Research methods for evidence-based practice*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
* **Wilks**, S. E. (2005, December). For caregivers: Is prayer the answer? *Alzheimer’s Association: The Compassion to Care, 3*.
* Nash, B., Greene, D., Peacock, J., Seitz, T., & **Wilks**, S.E. (2005, summer). *Creating research papers that will make everyone proud: A manual for sociology and social work majors*. Boone, NC: Appalachian State University Hubbard Center.

**PEDAGOGY & MENTORSHIP**

**Teaching Positions**

* **Louisiana State University** (LSU) School of Social Work

Associate Professor, 2012 – present; Assistant Professor, 2006 – 2012

* **Appalachian State University** (ASU) Department of Social Work

Assistant Professor, 2004 – 06

* **The University of Georgia** (UGA) School of Social Work

Student Instructor, 2002 – 04

**Courses Instructed**

***PhD level***

* + Research Colloquium I (LSU)
  + Intervention Research (LSU)

***Master’s level***

* Aging & Social Work (LSU)
* Social Welfare Policy/Services (ASU, UGA)
* Human Behavior in the Social Environment (LSU, UGA)
* Human Diversity & Oppression (LSU)
* Foundation Research Methods (LSU, ASU, UGA)
* Program & Practice Evaluation (LSU)
* Spirituality in Social Work (LSU, UGA)

***Undergraduate level***

* Foundation research methods (ASU)
* Basic Skills for Social Work Professionals (ASU)
* Communication in Social Work (UGA)

**Funded Doctoral Research Assistantships** (LSU)

* J. Geiger. (2014 – present). *LSU Behavioral Health Workforce & Education Training* project funded by U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.
* R. Prattini. (2009 – 2010). *Louisiana Alzheimer’s Caregivers* project funded by The John A. Hartford Foundation.
* H. Gough. (2008 – 2009). *Louisiana Alzheimer’s Caregivers* project funded by The John A. Hartford Foundation.

**Dissertation & Thesis Committees** (LSU)

***Dissertations***

* *Health Care Utilization among Older Adults: The Role of Insurance* by J. Geiger, Social Work (in progress)
  + role: chair
* *Participation in Active and Passive Music Interventions by Individuals with Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias: Effects On Agitation* by R. Prattini, Social Work (2016)
  + role: committee member
* *The Role of Religious Coping in the Marital Stability of Strong, African American Couples: A Strengths-Focused Approach* by A. Skipper, Social Work (2016)
  + role: committee member
* *Mishpacha in the American diaspora: An exploratory study of highly-involved Jewish families* by T. Hatch, Social Work (2015)
  + role: committee member
* *Clinical Practitioner to Academic Citizenship in Nursing Faculty by V. Schluter*, Educational Theory, Policy, and Practice (2014)
  + role: Dean’s representative
* *Examining the Boundary Conditions between Cognitive Control and Interference Derived from Stimulus-based and Response-based Conflict* by J. Tall, Psychology (2013)
  + role: Dean’s representative
* *Distribution of Attention and the Object Benefit in Visual Work Memory* by A. van Lamsweerde, Psychology (2013)
  + role: Dean’s representative
* *Apolipoprotein Status and Cognitive Functioning in Late Adulthood: Examining the Role of Health and Social Network Characteristics* by J. Silva, Psychology (2009)
  + role: interdisciplinary committee member
* *Etiology of Traumatic Brain Injury: Impact on Psychological Functioning* by J. Schneider, Psychology (2007)
  + role: Dean’s representative

***Theses***

* *Characteristics Associated with Improvements in Health Among Community Mental Health Clients with Thought Disorders Receiving Co-Located Primary Care Services* by M. Heintz, Social Work (in progress)
  + role: committee member
* *Reevaluation of Psychometric Properties of the Memory for Names Test* by H. Foil, Social Work (2016)
  + role: chair
* *Attitudes toward Police among College Students: Differences among Race, Social Work Status, and University History* by L. Lewis, Social Work (2016)
  + role: chair
* *Individuals with Dementia in Respite Care: Longitudinal Changes in Anxiety, Social Engagement, and Problem Behaviors* by R. Mills, Social Work (2016)
  + role: chair
* *Interrelationships among Physical Health, Health-Risk Factors, Psychosocial Characteristics and Social Support in Individuals with Major Depressive Disorder Receiving Integrated Care in Community Mental Health Settings* by B. Masinter, Social Work (2016)
  + Role: committee member
* *Montessori-Based Activities among Individuals Diagnosed with Dementia: A Program Evaluation* by P. A. Boyd, Social Work (2015)
  + role: chair
* *Self-Identity and Timing for Help-Seeking Behavior among Suicide Survivors* by A. Rabalais, Social Work (2015)
  + role: chair
* *The Effects of Multiple Traumatic Experiences on Young Children* by J. Brothers, Social Work (2015)
  + role: committee member
* *Infusion of Gerontological Competencies in Social Work: Analysis of its Effects on Graduate Social Work Students* by J. Rawls, Social Work (2014)
  + role: chair
* *Discrimination of Sexual Minorities and Plans to Relocate* by M. Smith, Social Work (2013)
  + role: committee member
* *Effects of Coping Strategies on Burden among Alzheimer’s Caregivers* by R. Jordan, Social Work (2012)
  + role: chair
* *The Effect of Coping Strategies among Male Alzheimer’s Caregivers* by L. McKinsey, Social Work (2012)
  + role: chair
* *Spiritual Support as Coping among Alzheimer’s Caregivers* by M.K. Schillings, Social Work (2012)
  + role: chair
* *Psychometric Evaluation of the Spiritual Support Scale* by A. Bowman, Social Work (2012)
  + role: chair
* *Psychometric reevaluation of the Revised Memory and Behavior Problems Checklist* by K. Little, Social Work (2011)
  + role: chair
* *Leaving Special Educators Behind: Analysis of No Child Left Behind and its Impact on Special Education Teacher* by J. Abel, Social Work (2009)
  + role: committee member
* *Alzheimer’s Caregiving Appraisal* by A. Fortier, Social Work (2008)
  + role: chair

**Teaching Colloquia/Institute Training**

* Stanford University School of Medicine: *Stanford Faculty Development Institute* (2009)
  + Pedagogical training for Hartford Faculty Scholars in Geriatric Research
* Hartford Policy Leadership Institute (2009)
  + Collaboration among Hartford Faculty Scholars and Hartford Nursing Scholars: workshops with public policy experts in Washington, DC
* LSU Center for Excellence in Learning & Teaching: *Infusing Creativity in Classroom* (2008)
  + Pedagogical workshop for LSU faculty

**Invited Lectures/Other Teaching Activities**

* Wilks, S. E. (2016, February). *The importance of gerontology in social work curricula*. Invited lecture given to University of Mississippi School of Applied Sciences, Oxford, MS.
* Research Practicum for doctoral students (2011)
* Independent Studies for doctoral and MSW students (2009 – present)
* Faculty Liaison: MSW field internships (2006 – present)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**Invited Lectures & Media Appearances**

* Wilks, S. E. (2017, February). *Caregiving: We Know the Negatives. Do We Know the Positive Benefits?* Lecture presented to Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E., & Geiger, J. R. (2016, June). *Sexual intimacy among persons with dementia*. Lecture presented to Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area Lunch & Learn Program, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E., & Geiger, J. R. (2016, April). *Evaluation of Charlie’s Place Respite Center*. Lecture presented to Annual Alzheimer’s Education Conference sponsored by Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E., & Jones, C. (2016, March). *Nurturing yourself as a caregiver: Social life as an essential.* Lecture presented to caregiver appreciation annual dinner, Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2014, October). *Montessori-based activities among Poydras Home residents: A program evaluation*. Lecture presented to Board of Directors and staff of Poydras Home of New Orleans, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2012, August). *Current issues and challenges working with older adults*. Lecture presented to gerontological social workers and field supervisors for the LSU School of Social Work Gerontology Specialization Program, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2012, April). *The critical need for gerontological social work*. Lecture presented at the Oncology Social Work monthly meeting, Amedisys Hospice and Home Health Services, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2012, March). *Recognizing resilience: Hartford study examining coping strategies among Alzheimer’s caregivers*. Presented at the 19th Annual Education Conference on Alzheimer’s Disease, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge: Caregiver Appreciation Luncheon. (2012, March 4). *The Advocate*, p. 4D.
* Wilks, S. E. (2012, February). *Sexual health and older adults*. Discussion given to caregiver appreciation luncheon at Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2011, July). *Male caregiver education awareness and outreach services*. Discussion given to Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area *Lunch & Learn Program* Baton Rouge, LA.
* *Conversations in Medicine*. (airdate: 2011, June 23). Baton Rouge, LA: Public Radio, Inc.
  + Interview on WRKF/Public Radio/89.3 FM, discussing results of Alzheimer’s caregiver research project funded by the John A. Hartford Foundation. Available: <http://www.wrkf.org/multimedia/index.php?id=1\>
* Panelist: *18th Annual Education Conference on Alzheimer’s Disease*. (2011, March). Supported by Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area and Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, LA
* *Alzheimer’s caregiver research benefits from the interdisciplinary collaboration of Drs. Scott Wilks and Wanda Spurlock*. (2010). Article published on the John A. Hartford Foundation’s Geriatric Social Work Initiative website.
* Wilks, S.E. (2010, June). *Cancer caregiver: The second survivor*. Lecture given at the 15th Annual Celebration of Life forum, Cancer Services of Great Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S.E. (2010, June). *The critical need for gerontological social work*. Lecture given at National Association of Social Workers-LA Chapter monthly meeting, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Resilience: Caring and coping in Alzheimer’s caregivers. (2009). *LSU Alumni Magazine, 85*, 53.
* Recognizing resilience. (2009). *LSU Research: Research & Economic Development at Louisiana State University, spring issue*, 6-9. Baton Rouge, LA: LSU Office of Research & Economic Development.
  + Highlights the professional career of Dr. Scott Wilks and his current research agenda on Alzheimer’s care (writer: R. Bacher).
* *Conversations in Medicine*. (airdate: 2009, June 4). Baton Rouge, LA: Public Radio, Inc.: Interview on WRKF/Public Radio/89.3 FM, discussing the genesis of my research with the John A. Hartford Foundation.
* Wilks, S. E. (2008, Nov). *Coping among Alzheimer’s caregivers*. Keynote address at the Memory Day Forum, Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Caregivers need support to handle constant stress. (2008, Nov 30). *The Advocate*, p. 2D. Staff writer: D. Lemoine.
  + Discusses stressors and coping skills of Alzheimer’s caregivers, supported by the research of Dr. Wilks. Available: <http://www.2theadvocate.com/features/35268804.html>
* Wilks,S. E. (2008, May). *Enhancing resilience among Alzheimer’s caregivers: The role of family and friend support*. Forum of the Alzheimer’s Association Dementia Care Conference, Lafayette, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2007, Sept). *Stress, coping, and resilience*. Presentation to Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, LA.
* Wilks, S. E. (2007, May). *Coping and resilience*. Presentation to the Cancer Services of Greater Baton Rouge, survivors support group, Lutcher, LA

**Other Community Service**

* Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area: Charlie’s Place Respite Advisory Committee, member (2013 – present)
* Louisiana Lifespan Respite Coalition, member (2012 – present)
* Editorial Board Member
  + *Journal of Gerontological Social Work* (2011 – present)
  + *Journal for the Society for Social Work & Research* (2013 – present)
* Selection Committee member, *Andrus Award* (highest volunteer honor), AARP – Louisiana (2012, 2015)
* Instructor: *Sharing the Journey* Caregiver Education Course, Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area, Baton Rouge, LA (2010)
* Facilitator: Alzheimer’s Disease Caregiver Network Group, Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area (2008 – present)
* Executive Advisory Committee, National Center on Bereavement, Hospice of Acadiana, Lafayette, LA (2010)
* Peer Reviewer: Scholarly Journals and Conferences
  + *Gerontological Society of America* Annual Scientific Meeting: invited abstract reviewer (2014 – present)
  + HRSA Behavioral Health Conference, U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services: invited abstract reviewer (2017)
  + *American Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease and Other Dementias*
  + *Journal of the American Medical Association*
  + *Geriatric Nursing*
  + *Journal of Family Issues*
  + *Comprehensive Psychiatry*
  + *The Journal of Pain*
  + *Journal of Happiness Studies*
  + *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*
  + *Advances in Social Work*

**Professional Affiliations**

* Gerontological Society of America (2007 – present)
* Association of Gerontology Education in Social Work (2014 – 2016)
* Society for Social Work and Research (2005 – present)
* Council on Social Work Education (2002 – 12; 2016)
* National Association of Social Workers (1999 – 03)

**Academic Service**

**LSU**

* Faculty Search Committee (chair), School of Social Work (2015-16)
* Discovery & Research Committee, College of Human Sciences and Education (2017 – 18)
* Communications & Public Relations Committee, College of Human Sciences and Education (2015 – 2018)
* Identifying & Tracking Graduates Committee, College of Human Sciences and Education (2012 – 2015)
* Vice-Chancellor for Research & Economic Development, Search Committee (2010)
* Life Course and Aging Center (2006 – present)
* Graduate Faculty, full faculty status (2006 – present)
* Promotions & Tenure Committee, Social Work (2012 – present)
* PhD Committee, Social Work (2008 – present)
* MSW Committee (research curriculum representative), Social Work (2006 – 2010)
* Policy Committee, Social Work (2009 – 2012; 2014 – present)
* Scholarship Committee, Social Work (2006 – 2013)
* Continuing Education Committee, Social Work (2008 – 2015)
* Program Evaluation Committee, Social Work (2008 – 2009)
* MSW Admissions Committee, Social Work (2007 – present)

**ASU**

* Graduate Faculty (2005 – 06)
* Disruptive Students Task Force (2005 – 06)
* General Education Task Force (2006)
* Academic Integrity Board (2005 – 06)
* Student Activities Committee, Social Work (2005 – 06)
* Student Association of Social Workers, faculty advisor (2005 – 06)

**UGA**

* Doctoral Program Committee (student rep), Social Work (2001 – 03)
* Social Work Student Organization (chief officer), Social Work (2002 – 04)
* Social Work Doctoral Association (2002 – 04)
* Graduate Student Association (2001 – 04)

**External Reviewer for Tenure Applicants**

* Binghamton University, State of New York, Department of Social Work (2016)
* University of Cincinnati School of Social Work (2016)

**Other Social Work Related Experience**

* Scholarly Writing Assistantship, UGA (2003)
  + Assisted students with research/scholar writing style, and adherence to the APA publication style
* Research Practicum, UGA (2002 – 03)
  + Analyzed and published data on the perceived significance of reference accuracy in published articles from journal editors and authors
* Research Practicum, UGA (2002)
  + Analyzed and published data on the accuracy of published references in the five, highest circulated social work journals.
* Research Assistantship, UGA (2001 – 02)
  + Data collection on *A Program for Grandparents Who are Raising Grandchildren*, supported by The John A. Hartford Foundation; questionnaire regarding gerontology in social work curricula
* Social Work Internship, La Familia Counseling Centers, San Antonio (2000 – 01)
  + Individual/family therapy for indigent, Hispanic clients, including referrals for additional resources; designed new *clinical progress notes* form to follow revised state regulations
* Scholarly Writing Assistantship, Our Lady of the Lake University (2000 – 01)
  + Assisted students with research/scholar writing style and adherence to the APA publication style
* Social Work Internship, St. Vincent de Paul Behavioral Health Care, San Antonio (1999 – 00)
  + In partial hospitalization setting, co-facilitated group sessions and conducted individual counseling sessions with clients diagnosed with chronic mental illness; executed psychosocial assessments and weekly clinical progress notes
* Medical Examiner, Disabilities Determinations Services, LA Dept. of Social Services (1997 – 99)
  + Collaborative review of medical records with physicians/psychologists of SSI disability claims to determine eligibility
* Volunteer, TAU Center for Chemical Dependency, Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center, Baton Rouge, LA (1998)
  + Assisted social workers and counselors in orientation of clients and families, initial client biopsychosocial assessments, group therapy sessions with clients in their 12-step program, intervention training with families of clients, and therapy sessions with clients and their families.

**CERTIFICATION**

* Louisiana Board of Ethics, Ethics Training Program for Public Servants\*
* Title IX & Sexual Misconduct Training Program\*
* Active Shooter Response Training Program (2016)
* National Institutes of Health, Human Subjects Research Training Program (2002)

\*required annually for all LSU faculty and staff

**OTHER RECOGNITION**

* *Fellow*, The Gerontological Society of America (2015 – present)
* *Faculty Scholar in Geriatric Social Work*, The John A. Hartford Foundation (2008 – present)
* *Faculty Member of the Year Award* recipient, LSU Social Work (2015 – 16)
* Named LSU *Featured Flagship Faculty* (April 15, 2011)
* Most Accommodating Faculty Award, LSU Office of Disability Services (2008)
* Outstanding Student Teaching Award, UGA School of Social Work (2003 – 04)
* National Catholic College Graduate Honor Society (2000 – 2004)
* Phi Alpha Honor Society (2000 – 2001)
* Creative Work Award, Annual Conference on Student Scholarship, Our Lady of the Lake University (two-time recipient; 1999 & 2000)