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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. in Sociology	University of Texas at Austin	1988-1992
M.A. in Sociology	Baylor University	1986-1988
B.A. in Sociology and English	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	1982-1986

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Professor of Sociology	East Texas Baptist University	2000 to present
Associate Professor of Sociology	East Texas Baptist University	1996-2000
Assistant Professor of Sociology	East Texas Baptist University	1992-1996
Instructor of Behavioral Sciences	East Texas Baptist University	1991-1992
Instructor of Sociology	Concordia Lutheran College	1989-1991

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

Dean, School of Natural and Social Sciences, East Texas Baptist University, 2019 to present.

Interim Dean, School of Natural and Social Sciences, East Texas Baptist University, 2018-2019.

Chair, Department of Behavioral Sciences, East Texas Baptist University, 2018- present.

Chair, Department of Psychology and Sociology, East Texas Baptist University, 2013-2017.

Research assistant on a study about inequality in the labor force supervised by Dr. Larry Raffalovich at the University of Texas at Austin, Jan., 1989 through Aug., 1990.

Research assistant for quality of life study for the East Texas Council of Governments Region conducted by M. Ray Perryman Consultants, Inc., Summer 1988.

Research assistant on several quality of life studies conducted by the Baylor Center for Community Research and Development, August, 1986 through August, 1988.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCES:

Remote Summit, Arizona State University (virtual conference), June, 2022.

Remote Summit, Arizona State University (virtual conference), July, 2020.

Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Greenville, SC March, 2017.

Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Atlanta, GA, April, 2016.

Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Denver, CO, April 2015.

Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Charlotte, NC, April, 2014.

Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society in Atlanta, GA, April, 2013.

Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in San Diego, CA, April 2012.

Christian Faculty and Staff Forum at LeTourneau University, Longview, TX, January, 2011.

Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Houston, TX, March 2010.

Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Las Vegas, NV, March 2008.

Children and Death workshop in Shreveport, LA, January 2004.

SIDS Alliance National Conference in Orlando, FL, November, 2002.

Northeast Regional Convention “Finding Our Way Forward: Addressing the Issues of SIDS and Unexpected from Birth to Three,” in Seacaucus, NJ, November, 2001.

Chair of Demography and Human Ecology Section at Southwestern Sociological Association meeting, San Antonio, TX, March, 1991.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

“Do We Practice What We Preach?: The Correlation between Religious Beliefs and Practices”, Paper presented with Dr. Mark Miller at Southern Sociological Society Meeting, Greenville, SC, March, 2017.

“The Influence of Religious Beliefs and Behavior on Alcohol and Drug Use at a Small Denominational University”, Paper presented with Dr. Mark Miller at Southern Sociological Society Meeting, Charlotte, NC, April, 2014.

“The Influence of Religious Beliefs on Alcohol and Drug Use at a Small Denominational University”, Paper presented with Dr. Mark Miller at Southwestern Sociological Association meeting, San Diego, CA, April, 2012.

“The Anguish of Loss: Living, Laughing and Loving Again” presented to Grief Support Group sponsored by Sullivan Funeral Home, Marshall, TX, September, 2010.

“Do Churches Practice What They Preach: An Examination of Church Charity”, Paper presented with Dr. Mark Miller at Southwestern Sociological Association meeting, Houston, TX, March, 2010.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during ETBU 101 at East Texas Baptist University, August 20, 2007.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during ETBU 101 at East Texas Baptist University, August 21, 2006.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during ETBU 101 at East Texas Baptist University, August 21, 2005.

“Weeding out Bitterness” guest speaker at MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meeting, April 1, 2004.

“The Anguish of Loss: Living, Laughing and Loving Again” keynote speaker address, Seeds of Hope: 2004 Family Bereavement Conference, Infant Death Center of Wisconsin, March 27, 2004; also led two “break-out sessions”: Living with Tough Decisions and Couple’s Grief.

“The Anguish of Loss: Living, Laughing and Loving Again” session presented during the SIDS Alliance National Conference, November 15, 2002.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during new student orientation at East Texas Baptist University, August 21, 2001.

“Diversity in the Classroom” presented to the Center for the Professional Development of Teachers, September 25, 2000.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during new student orientation at East Texas Baptist University, August 22, 2000.

Smith, Laurie E. “Teaching Research Methods in a Small Campus Environment” in Teaching Sociology at Small Institutions. American Sociological Association: Washington, D.C., 1999.

Member of panel discussion on violence, Chapel, East Texas Baptist University, November 1999.

“Making the Grade.” Session on study skills presented during new student orientation at East Texas Baptist University, August 23-24, 1999.

Guest Speaker at Belton High School Honors Banquet, November 21, 1996.

"The Overlooked Contributions of Women to the Development of American Sociology: An Examination of AJS Articles from 1895- 1926. " Paper presented at American Sociological Association meeting, Washington, D.C., August, 1995.

"The Overlooked Contributions of Women to the Development of American Sociology: An Examination of AJS Articles from 1895-1926." Presentation made during Faculty Chapel at East Texas Baptist University, October, 1994.

Young, Laurie E. Patterns of Victimization in Rape. Doctoral Dissertation, 1992.

Member of panel for discussion on date rape, Chapel, East Texas Baptist University, October, 1991.

"Examining Growth in the Heart of Texas Region." Presentation made to Heart of Texas Council of Governments, August, 1988.

"The Influence of Population Projections on Policy Decisions: A Computer-Based Analysis of Growth in the Heart of Texas Region." Paper presented at Southwestern Sociological Association meeting, March, 1988.

Lyon, Larry, Laurie Young, Tillman Rodabough, Mike Mansfield, and Steve Harkreader. The Influence of Population Projections on Polio Decisions. A Technical Report in 7 volumes presented to the Heart of Texas Council of Governments, 1988.

Young, Laurie and Larry Lyon. "HOTCOG Projections Near Completion." Research Reports, Vol. 5, No. 1, Spring 1988.

Young, Laurie. The Influence Of Population Projections on Policy Decisions: A Computer-Based Analysis of Growth in the Heart of Texas Region. Thesis, 1988.

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Honors and Awards:

Professor with Distinction, East Texas Baptist University, 2018.
Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2002, 2005, 2006.
Outstanding Young Women of America, 1997.
Phi Kappa Phi, University of Texas at Austin, 1990.
Graduate Student Fellowship, Baylor University, 1988.
Alpha Kappa Delta, Honor Society for Sociology, 1987.
Alpha Chi Award for highest G.P.A. in graduating class, UMHB, 1986.
Loyalty Cup, highest honor awarded to graduating senior, UMHB, 1986.
Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities, 1986.
Outstanding Young Women of America, 1985.
Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society for the Social Sciences, 1985.
Alpha Chi Honor Society, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, 1984.

Professional Memberships:

Southwestern Social Science Association
Southwestern Sociological Association
American Sociological Association
Southern Sociological Society