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Education

DSW 2018 Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

MSW 2006 The University of Southern Mississippi- Hattiesburg, MS

BSW 2001 The University of Southern Mississippi-Hattiesburg, MS

Professional Employment

2021- present Social Work Program Director, Clinical Assistant Professor, Mississippi State University-Meridian Campus

- Oversee all aspects of program development, enrollment growth, student recruitment and retention efforts.
- Hire, orient, support, and supervise faculty members.
- Perform budgeting responsibilities and other BSW administrative duties.
- Teach undergraduate courses.
- Develop, review, revise, update, and monitor program curriculum and syllabi.
- Develop, revise, and oversee policies for the BSW program.
- Lead efforts to maintain alignment with professional standards and CSWE accreditation requirements.
- Promote the knowledge, skills, and values expected of professional Social Workers, and consistently role model them.
- Demonstrate a commitment to develop professionally as a teacher, scholar, and practitioner.

2012- 2021 Director of Field Education, MSU-Meridian Campus

- Responsible for the overall administration and educational direction of field education
- Recruitment, assessment and selecting field settings as field instruction sites;
- Establish and maintain a cooperative dialogue between the student, faculty, agencies, and field instructors.
- Maintain current contact information on approved field agencies and field instructors;
- Consult with administrative agency personnel on matters involving the provision of adequate field instruction, orientation, selection and training of Field Instructors, and maintenance of field instruction standards;
- Interpret the Program's philosophy of education, the organization and content of the educational curriculum, program's competencies and their characteristic practice behaviors, and field instructor standards to the social service agencies and Field Instructors;
- Share pertinent information about field education students with field agencies;
- Place and monitor students to specific social service agencies following appropriate

- consultation with students, advisors, and Field Instructors; and
- Plan and provide orientation, training, and other staff development experiences for field education settings and field instructors that focus on the practice behaviors that operationalize the program's competencies.

2007-2012

Social Work Supervisor- South Mississippi State Hospital- Purvis, MS

- Supervise caseload of mentally ill adults in an inpatient acute hospital setting.
- Establish discharge planning and referrals to community agencies.
- Complete psychosocial assessments and family intakes.
- Orient new employees about social service duties and documentation.
- Educate social work students on the role of a social worker in the mental health profession.

2005-2007

Volunteer Coordinator -The University of Southern Mississippi-Hattiesburg, MS

- Recruited, oriented, and supervised interdisciplinary student and community volunteers on agency policies and procedures.
- Organized, planned and facilitated group and agency and volunteer special events.
- Maintained volunteer files, records, reports, and database, including tracking volunteer hours.
- Coordinated scheduling, payroll and facilitate weekly staff meetings.
- Distributed weekly volunteer newsletters of upcoming events and programs.
- Acted as site liaison for volunteer students and university instructors.

2004-2005

Social Work Institutional- Ellisville State School- Ellisville, MS

- Conducted client assessments to determine needs and areas of assistance.
- Maintained client caseload and overseer of financial account.
- Worked with interdisciplinary team to address and determine client needs.
- Facilitated individual and group sessions for social and behavioral programming.
- Coordinated social events and outings.

2002-2004

Social Work Institutional- North Mississippi State Hospital- Tupelo, MS

- Conducted psychosocial assessments and discharge planning.
- Assisted patients with applications for state, federal and local services.
- Co-facilitated individual and group educational sessions.
- Made referrals to local community agencies.

Courses

Social Work Services in Schools
Social Work Practice I
Social Work Practice II
Social Work Practice III
Senior Seminar
Social Work Field Practicum

Social Work Field Seminar
Introduction to Research Methods
Social Issues with Vulnerable Populations

Publications/ Research/ Grants

Swindell, M., Thompson, R., **Savage, A.** (2019) *Research Basics for BSW College Students*, Maitland, FL, Xulon Press.

Jackson, C., **Savage, A.**, Donahue, J., Gaddis, A. (2018) *Making Sense of Poverty Through the Use of Simulative Learning*. *Journal of Baccalaureate Social Work*.

Mississippi State University Center for Community Engaged Learning Mini-Grant \$500.00 (2019-2020)- course SW 3533, Social Work in Communities and Organizations.

Presentations & Conferences

Savage, A. (2021) *Social Work Summit- Preparing for Practice and Guide to Grad School: Mississippi Social Work Licensing*, Belhaven University, Virtual Presenter

Savage, A. (2020) *Social Work Ethics and the Pandemic*, 26th Annual Care Lodge Conference on Interpersonal Violence, Meridian, MS

Savage, A. (2019) *Empowering our Passion for Change*. Social Work Retreat, Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts.

Savage, A. (2019) *Preparing for the Licensure Part I*. Licensure Prep Workshop, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS

Savage, A. (2019) *Preparing for the Licensure Part II*. Licensure Prep Workshop, Mississippi State University, Meridian MS

Savage, A. (2018) *The Good, The Bad & The Ugly*, Field Instructor Training, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS

Savage, A. (2017) *NASW Revised Code of Ethics: "What Field Instructors Need to Know."* Field Education Training, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS

Savage, A. (2017) *Gatekeeping: A Critical and Ethical Issue*. Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, Delta State University, Cleveland, MS

Savage, A. (2017) *Recognizing and Integrating Research in Practice*. Field Education Training, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS

Savage, A. (2017) *Addressing Ethical and Diversity in Practice and Social Media*. Field Education Training, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS

- Savage, A. (2016) Co-presenter *Gatekeeping: Who's Job Is It?* Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference, Phenix City, AL
- Savage, A. (2016) *Diversity: What's the Big Deal?* East Mississippi Planning Development District Conference, Biloxi, MS
- Savage, A. (2015) *Ethics and Social Media: Preparing Students for Practice*, Field Instructor Training, Mississippi State University, Meridian, MS
- Savage, A. (2015) *Diversity in the Workplace*, East Mississippi Planning Development District Conference, Biloxi, MS
- Savage, A. (2015) Co-Presenter *Bent but Not Broken*, NASW MS Chapter Conference, Biloxi, MS
- Savage, A. (2014) (Panel) *Sharing, Strategizing and Stepping Out*, AL/MS Social Work Education Conference, Tuskegee, AL
- Savage, A. (2014) *Back to Basics: Core Social Work Values: The Building Blocks of Practice*, Mississippi Conference on Social Welfare, Philadelphia, MS
- Savage, A. (2014) (Poster) *Back to Basics: Core Social Work Values: The Building Blocks of Practice*, NASW National Conference, Washington, DC
- Savage, A. (2014) *Back to Basics: Core Social Work Values: The Building Blocks of Practice*, MS NASW Annual Conference, Biloxi, MS
- Savage, A. (2013) *Understanding and Applying the CSWE EPAS and Core Competencies for Field Directors and Coordinators*, AL/MS Annual Conference, Natchez, MS
- Savage, A. (2013) *Back to Basics: Core Social Work Values*, Delta NASW Program Unit, Cleveland, MS
- Savage, A. (2011) *Mental Health Awareness*, Hattiesburg Convention Center, Pearl River Valley Opportunity Training, Hattiesburg, MS
- Savage, A. (2011) *Providing Resources for the Mentally Ill*, Pearl River Valley Opportunity Workshop, Columbia, MS
- Savage, A. (2011) *Advocating for the Mentally Ill in an Acute Care Setting*, Hattiesburg Multi-Purpose Center, Hattiesburg, MS.
- Savage, A. (2010) *Field Placement in Mental Health*-The University of Southern Mississippi, MSW /BSW students
- Savage, A. (2009) *Social Work Practice in Mental Health*- The University of Southern Mississippi, BSW, MSW students

Awards and Distinctions

BPD Educators of Color Committee Chair (2020-present)
Peer Reviewer- Research on Social Work Practice Journal, Dr. Bruce Thyer, Editor
Mississippi Conference on Social Welfare President Award
Phi Alpha Honor Society Student Advisor- Mississippi State University-Meridian Campus
Field Instructor of the Year- The University of Southern Mississippi
Employee of the Quarter- South Mississippi State Hospital
Center for Human Rights and Civil Liberties Student Co-Chair
BSW Club President/Vice-President

Community Service

Wesley House
United Way of East Mississippi
Pinebelt Association for Families
Hattiesburg Mobile-Bouie Renaissance Festival
American Red Cross
Salvation Army
Mobile-Bouie Addictions Counseling Project

Organizations & Affiliations

Mississippi State University Faculty Senate Representative (2018-2021)
Wesley House Community Center Board Member (2021-present)
Mississippi Human Trafficking Planning Subcommittee (2019- present)
NASW- MS Macro Social Work Chair (2021-present)
NASW-MS Southern District Representative (2019-2021)
Founder and Chairman of Mississippi Field Consortium (2019-present)
NASW Voting engagement Initiative Member (2020)
Mississippi Conference on Social Welfare- Executive Director (2019-2021)
Mississippi State University Community Engagement Fellow (2018)
Mississippi Conference on Social Welfare- President 2016-2017
National Association of Social Work- Mississippi CNLI Region I Representative
Pinebelt Association for Families- Board President
MS State Board of Examiners for Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists- Licensed
Master Social Worker, Licensed Bachelor Social Worker
National Association of Social Work
National Association of Social Work- MS Chapter- PACE committee member
Phi Alpha Honor Society
Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference
Mississippi State University- Phi Alpha Faculty Advisor
The University of Southern Mississippi School of Social Work Field Instructor