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Education

2013 *Doctor of Philosophy - University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, USA*
 Department of Kinesiology and Community Health
 Advisor: Dr. Edward McAuley, Major: Kinesiology

2013 *Master of Science - University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, USA*
 Department of Kinesiology and Community Health
 Advisor: Dr. Edward McAuley, Major: Kinesiology

2007 *Master of Arts – University of Mumbai, India*
 Department of Applied Psychology
 Advisors: Drs. Gautam Gawli and Priscilla Paul, Major: Counseling Psychology

2005 *Bachelor of Arts - University of Mumbai, India*
D.G. Ruparel College
 Major: Psychology

Professional Experience

USA, 2008-present

08/2017- present *Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Urbana, Illinois*

08/2013- 07/2017 *Assistant Professor, Division of Kinesiology, Health and Sport Studies Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan*

06/2016- 07/2017 *Part-time Faculty, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, School of Medicine, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan*

08/2008-07/2013 *Graduate Research Assistant, Exercise Psychology Lab, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Urbana, Illinois*

India, 2003-2008

06/2007-05/2008 *Lecturer, Department of Psychology, South Indian Education Society's College for Arts and Science, Sion, Mumbai*

06/2007-05/2008	<i>Visiting Faculty – Psychology, Mumbai University Institute of Chemical Technology, Matunga, Mumbai</i>
06/2005-05/2008	<i>Lecturer in German, D.G. Ruparel College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mahim, Mumbai</i>
06/2003-05/2006	<i>Instructor in German, Center for Excellence - Academy for Foreign Languages, Mumbai</i>

Research Experience

Ongoing Projects:

Effects of Yoga, Strength and Aerobic Exercise on Cognition in Adult Cancer Survivors

A 12-week randomized controlled trial examining the effects of yoga and aerobic exercise compared to a stretching and strengthening control group on cognitive function in middle aged cancer survivors.

Role: Principal Investigator

Optical Measures of Cerebral Arterial Function as Predictors of Brain and Cognitive Aging

A cross-sectional and longitudinal study examining the relationship between cerebral arterial function, and associated risk factors, with cognitive health and risk for mild to severe cognitive impairment.

Role: Co-I

Immediate and Delayed Acute Effects of Yoga and Interval-based Exercise on Cognitive Function

A repeated measures study examining the acute (immediate) effects of a 20-minute yoga session vs. a 20-minute high intensity interval exercise session on cognitive function in college students.

Role: Principal Investigator

The Effects of a Season Long Yoga Intervention on Performance, Fitness, and Well-being in UIUC NCAA Athletes

A weekly yoga intervention measuring cognitive abilities, reductions in stress and anxiety, and physiological outcomes in collegiate athletes.

Role: Principal Investigator

Completed Projects:

Physical Activity and Well-being in Formal and Informal Caregivers (2017-2019)

A cross sectional study examining physical activity levels, patterns and preferences among formal (paid) and informal (unpaid) caregivers to improve psychological well-being.

Role: Principal Investigator

Exercise Preferences and Quality of Life among Cancer Survivors (2018-2019)

A pilot cross sectional study examining physical activity and sleep patterns in cancer survivors across various stages and types of cancer and its associations with well-being and quality of life.

Role: Principal Investigator

Correlates of Physical Activity and Functional Fitness in Urban African American Older Adults (National Institutes of Health, P30 AG015281; 2014 – 2015)

A cross sectional study designed to improve our understanding of the factors that influence physical activity in African American older adults living in urban settings by utilizing the social cognitive theory framework.

Role: Principal Investigator, Michigan Center for Urban African Aging Research Pilot Grant

Effects of Long-term Yoga Practice on Cognition, Brain Structure and Function (2015-2017)

A cross sectional study examining the differences in cognitive functioning, assessed using neuropsychological tests and magnetic resonance imaging techniques among yoga experts and age-, sex-matched control participants.

Role: Principal Investigator

Effects of Regular Yoga Practice on Cognition in College Students (2014 – 2017)

A non-randomized semester long trial examining the effects of 12-weeks of yoga practice in comparison with aerobic exercise on cognition in college students participating in the Lifetime Fitness Activities at WSU campus.

Role: Principal Investigator

Patterns of Physical Activity, Cognition and Functional Fitness in Stroke Survivors (2016 - 2017)

A cross sectional study examining level and pattern of physical activity, cognitive functioning and functional fitness in stroke survivors.

Role: Principal Investigator

Comparing Physical Activity Monitors against Energy Expenditure assessed using a Cardiovascular Fitness Test (2015-2016)

A study comparing estimates of energy expenditure from a variety of activity monitors (Basis®, FitBit®, Polar®, Actigraph®, JawBone®) at low, moderate, and high intensities against cardiorespiratory energy expenditure in a sample of college students.

Role: Principal Investigator

Stretching & Yoga Exercise Trial (SAY Exercise Trial – dissertation 2012-2013)NCT01650532

A randomized controlled trial examining the effects of an 8-week intensive yoga intervention on cognition and functional fitness in older adults in comparison to an attentional control stretching group.

Role: Principal Investigator

Advisor: Edward McAuley

Study of Aerobic and Yoga Exercise (SAY Exercise – independent study 2011-2012)

A pilot study investigating acute effects of 20-minute yoga and aerobic exercise sessions on cognition and affect in college students.

Role: Principal Investigator

Advisor: Edward McAuley

Manuscripts Under Review

1. Burzynska, A. Z., Ganster, D.C., Fanning, J.F., Salerno, E. A., **Gothe, N.P.**, Voss, M.W., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A.F. (2020 submitted, under peer review). Occupational Physical Stress is Negatively Associated with Hippocampal Volume and Memory in Older Adults. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*. Manuscript ID: 552614
2. **Gothe, N.P.** (2019 submitted, under peer review). Light vs. Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity and Executive Function in African American Adults. *Aging and Mental Health*. CAMH-2020-0063
3. **Gothe, N.P.**, Erlenbach, E., Streeter, S. & Lehocvec, L. (2019 submitted, under peer review). Effects of Yoga, Aerobic, and Stretching and Toning Exercises on Cognition in Adult Cancer Survivors: Protocol of the STAY Fit Randomized Controlled Trial. *Trials*. MS-4571858302025292

Peer-Reviewed Publications

All time: h-index: 27, i10-index: 36, citations: 3552

Since 2015: h-index: 26; i10-index: 36, citations: 2902

1. **Gothe, N.P.** & Bourbeau, K. (2019). Associations Between Physical Activity Intensities and Physical Function in Stroke Survivors. *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*. DOI: [10.1097/PHM.0000000000001410](https://doi.org/10.1097/PHM.0000000000001410)
2. **Gothe, N.P.**, Ehlers, D.K., Salerno, E.A., Fanning, J., Kramer, A.F. & McAuley, E. (2019). Physical Activity, Sleep and Quality of Life in Older Adults: Influence of Physical, Mental and Social Well-being. *Behavioral Sleep Medicine*, 1-12. DOI: [10.1080/15402002.2019.1690493](https://doi.org/10.1080/15402002.2019.1690493)
3. **Gothe, N.P.**, Khan, I., Hayes, J.M., Erlenbach, E., & Damoiseaux, J.S. (2019). Yoga Effects on Brain Health: A Systematic Review of the Current Literature. *Brain Plasticity*. 1-17. DOI [10.3233/BPL-190084](https://doi.org/10.3233/BPL-190084)
4. **Gothe, N.P.**, Hayes, J. M., Temali, C., & Damoiseaux, J. S. (2018). Differences in Brain Structure and Function Among Yoga Practitioners and Controls. *Frontiers in Integrative Neuroscience*, 12, 26. DOI: [10.3389/fnint.2018.00026](https://doi.org/10.3389/fnint.2018.00026)
5. Kendall, B., Bellovary, B., & **Gothe, N. P.** (2018). Validity of wearable activity monitors for tracking steps and estimating energy expenditure during a graded maximal treadmill test. *Journal of Sports Sciences*, 37(1), 42-49. DOI: [10.1080/02640414.2018.1481723](https://doi.org/10.1080/02640414.2018.1481723)
6. Voss, M. W., Sutterer, M., Weng, T. B., Burzynska, A. Z., Fanning, J., Salerno, E., **Gothe, N.P.**, Ehlers, D.K., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A. F. (2018). Nutritional supplementation boosts aerobic exercise effects on functional brain systems. *Journal of Applied Physiology*, 126, 77-87. DOI: [10.1152/jappphysiol.00917.2017](https://doi.org/10.1152/jappphysiol.00917.2017)

7. **Gothe, N.P.** (2018). Correlates of Physical Activity in Urban African American Adults and Older Adults: Testing the Social Cognitive Theory. *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*, 52(9), 743-751. DOI: [10.1093/abm/kax038](https://doi.org/10.1093/abm/kax038).
8. Engels, H.J., Kendall, B., Fahlman, M.M., **Gothe, N.P.**, & Bourbeau, K. (2018). Salivary Immunoglobulin A in Healthy Adolescent Females: Effects of Maximal Exercise, Physical Activity, Body Composition, and Diet. *The Journal of Sports Medicine and Physical Fitness*, 58(7-8), 1096-1101. DOI: [10.23736/S0022-4707.17.07845-8](https://doi.org/10.23736/S0022-4707.17.07845-8)
9. Scott, L. C., Atkinson, F., & **Gothe, N. P.** (2017). The Long-Term Effects of Sport-related Concussions on Cognition in Interscholastic and Collegiate Athletes: A Meta-analysis of Cross-Sectional Studies. *Archives of Sports Medicine*, 1(2), 48-57. DOI: [10.36959/987/229](https://doi.org/10.36959/987/229)
10. Burzynska, A. Z., Jiao, Y., Knecht, A. M., Fanning, J., Awick, E. A., Chen, T., **Gothe, N.P.**, Voss, V.W., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A. F. (2017). White matter integrity declined over 6-months, but dance intervention improved integrity of the fornix of older adults. *Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience*, 9, 59. DOI: [10.3389/fnagi.2017.00059](https://doi.org/10.3389/fnagi.2017.00059)
11. **Gothe, N.P.**, Kramer A.F & McAuley, E. (2017). Hatha Yoga Practice Improves Attention and Processing Speed in Older Adults: Results from an 8-week Randomized Control Trial. *Journal of Alternative and Complementary Medicine*, 23(1), 35-40. DOI: [10.1089/acm.2016.0185](https://doi.org/10.1089/acm.2016.0185)
12. **Gothe, N.P.**, Keswani, R. & McAuley, E. (2016). Yoga Practice Improves Cognition by Attenuating Stress Levels. *Biological Psychology*, 121(A), 109-116. DOI: [10.1016/j.biopsycho.2016.10.010](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsycho.2016.10.010)
13. Fanning, J., Porter, G., Awick, E.A., Wójcicki, T.R., **Gothe, N.P.**, Roberts, S.R., Ehlers, D.K., Motl, R.W., & McAuley, E. (2016). Effects of a DVD-delivered exercise program on patterns of sedentary behavior in older adults: a randomized controlled trial. *Preventive Medicine Reports*, 3, 238-243. DOI: [10.1016/j.pmedr.2016.03.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pmedr.2016.03.005)
14. Fanning, J., Awick, E.A., Wójcicki, T.R., **Gothe, N.P.**, Roberts, S.A., Ehlers, D.K., Motl, R.W., & McAuley, E. (2016). Effects of a DVD-delivered exercise intervention on maintenance of physical activity in older adults. *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*, 13(6), 594-598. PMID:26595937, DOI: 10.1123/jpah.2015-0173
15. Oberlin, L.E., Verstynen, T.D., Burzynska, A.Z., Voss, M.W., Prakash, R.S., Chaddock-Heyman, L., Wong, C.N., Fanning, J., Awick, E., **Gothe, N.P.**, Phillips, S.M., Mailey, E., Ehlers, D., Olson, E.A., Wojcicki, T., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F., Erickson, K.I. (2016). White matter microstructure mediates the relationship between cardiorespiratory fitness and spatial working memory in older adults. *NeuroImage*, 131, 91-101. DOI: [10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.09.053](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.09.053)
16. Voss, M.W., Weng, T.B., Burzynska, A., Wong, C.N., Cooke, G.E., Clark, R., Fanning, J., Awick, E., **Gothe, N.P.**, Olson, E.A., McAuley, E., & Kramer, A.F. (2016) Fitness, but

- not physical activity, is related to functional integrity of brain networks associated with aging. *NeuroImage*, 131, 113-125. DOI: [10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.10.044](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.10.044)
17. **Gothe, N.P.** & McAuley, E. (2016) Yoga is as good as Stretching-Strengthening Exercises in Improving Functional Fitness Outcomes: Results from a Randomized Controlled Trial. *The Journals of Gerontology Series A: Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences*, 71 (3): 406-411. DOI:[10.1093/gerona/glv127](https://doi.org/10.1093/gerona/glv127)
 18. Kendall, B.J. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2016). The Effect of Aerobic Exercise Interventions on Mobility among Stroke Patients: A Systematic Review. *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*, 95(3), 214-224. DOI: [10.1097/PHM.0000000000000416](https://doi.org/10.1097/PHM.0000000000000416)
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 20. **Gothe, N.P.** & Kendall, B. (2016). Barriers, Motivations and Preferences for Physical Activity among African American Older Adults. *Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine*, 2, 1-8 DOI: [10.1177/2333721416677399](https://doi.org/10.1177/2333721416677399)
 21. **Gothe, N.P.** & McAuley, E. (2015). Yoga and Cognition: A Meta-analysis of Chronic and Acute Effects. *Psychosomatic Medicine*. 77(7), 784-797. DOI: [10.1097/PSY.0000000000000218](https://doi.org/10.1097/PSY.0000000000000218)
 22. **Gothe, N. P.**, Wójcicki, T. R., Olson, E. A., Fanning, J., Awick, E., Chung, H. D., Zuniga, K.E., Mackenzie, M.J., Motl, R.W. & McAuley, E. (2015). Physical activity levels and patterns in older adults: the influence of a DVD-based exercise program. *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*, 38(1), 91-97. DOI: [10.1007/s10865-014-9581-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10865-014-9581-6)
 23. Burzynska, A.Z., Wong, C.N., Voss, M.W., Cooke, G.E., **Gothe, N.P.**, Fanning, J., et al. (2015). Physical Activity Is Linked to Greater Moment-To-Moment Variability in Spontaneous Brain Activity in Older Adults. *PLoS ONE* 10(8): e0134819. DOI: [10.1371/journal.pone.0134819](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0134819)
 24. **Gothe, N. P.**, Kramer, A. F., & McAuley, E. (2014). The Effects of an 8-Week Hatha Yoga Intervention on Executive Function in Older Adults. *The Journals of Gerontology Series A: Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences*, 69(9), 1109-1116. DOI: [10.1093/gerona/glu095](https://doi.org/10.1093/gerona/glu095)
 25. Mailey, E., **Gothe, N.P.**, Wójcicki, T.R., Szabo, A.N., Olson, E.A., Mullen, S.P., Fanning, J.T., Motl, R.W. & McAuley, E. (2014). Influence of allowable interruption period on estimates of accelerometer wear time and sedentary time in older adults. *Journal of Aging and Physical Activity*. 22(2), 255-260. DOI: [10.1123/japa.2013-0021](https://doi.org/10.1123/japa.2013-0021)
 26. **Gothe, N.P.**, Fanning, J., Awick, E., Chung, D., Wójcicki, T.R., Olson, E.A., Mullen, S.P., Voss, M., Erickson, K.I., Kramer, A.F. & McAuley, E. (2014). Executive function

- processes predict mobility outcomes in older adults. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 62(2), 285-290. DOI: [10.1111/jgs.12654](https://doi.org/10.1111/jgs.12654)
27. Burzynska, A.Z., Chaddock-Heyman, L., Voss, M.W., Wong, C.N., **Gothé, N.P.**, Olson, E.A., Knecht, A., Lewis, A., Cooke, G., Wojcicki, T.R., Fanning, J., Chung, H.D., Awick, E., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F. (2014). Physical activity and cardiorespiratory fitness are beneficial for aging white matter. *PLOS One*. 9(9): e107413. DOI: [10.1371/journal.pone.0107413](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0107413)
 28. Leckie, R. L., Oberlin, L. E., Voss, M. W., Prakash, R. S., Szabo-Reed, A., Chaddock-Heyman, L., Phillips, S.M., **Gothé, N.P.**, Mailey, E., Vieira-Potter, V.J., Martin, S.A., Pence, B.D., Lin, M., Parasuraman, R., Greenwood, P.M., Fryxell, K.J., Woods, J., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F. & Erickson, K. I. (2014). BDNF mediates improvements in executive function following a 1-year exercise intervention. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*, 8, 985. DOI: [10.3389/fnhum.2014.00985](https://doi.org/10.3389/fnhum.2014.00985)
 29. Voss, M.W., Heo, S., Prakash, R.S., Erickson, K.I., Alves, H., Chaddock, L., Szabo, A.N., Mailey, E.L., Wójcicki, T.R., White, S.M. and **Gothé, N.P.**, (2013). The influence of aerobic fitness on cerebral white matter integrity and cognitive function in older adults: Results of a one-year exercise intervention. *Human Brain Mapping*, 34(11), 2972-2985. DOI: [10.1002/hbm.22119](https://doi.org/10.1002/hbm.22119)
 30. Mullen, S.P., Wójcicki, T.R., Mailey, E.L., Szabo, A.N., **Gothé, N.P.**, Olson, E.A., Fanning, J., Kramer, A. and McAuley, E. (2013). A profile for predicting attrition from exercise in older adults. *Prevention Science*, 14(5), 489-496. DOI: [10.1007/s11121-012-0325-y](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11121-012-0325-y)
 31. McAuley, E., Wójcicki, T.R., **Gothé, N.P.**, Olson, E.A., Szabo, A.N., Fanning, J., Mailey, E.L., Phillips, S.M., Motl, R.W., Mullen, S.P. (2013). Effects of a DVD-Delivered Exercise Intervention on Physical Function in Older Adults. *Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences*, 68(9), 1076-1082. DOI: [10.1093/gerona/glt014](https://doi.org/10.1093/gerona/glt014)
 32. **Gothé, N.P.**, Pontifex, M.B., Hillman, C.H. & McAuley, E. (2013). The Acute Effects of Yoga on Executive Function. *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*, 10(4), 488-495. DOI: [10.1123/jpah.10.4.488](https://doi.org/10.1123/jpah.10.4.488)
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36. Verstynen, T., Lynch, B., Miller, D., Voss, M., Prakash, R., Chaddock, L., Basak, C., Szabo, A., Olson, E., Wojcicki, T., Fanning, J., **Gothe, N.P.**, McAuley, E., Kramer, A., & Erickson, K. R. (2012). Caudate nucleus volume mediates the link between cardiorespiratory fitness and cognitive flexibility in older adults. *Journal of Aging Research*, 2012:939285 DOI: [10.1155/2012/939285](https://doi.org/10.1155/2012/939285)
37. Mullen, S. P., Olson, E. A., Phillips, S. M., Szabo, A. N., Wójcicki, T. R., Mailey, E. L., **Gothe, N.P.**, Fanning, J. T., Kramer, A.F. & McAuley, E. (2011). Measuring enjoyment of physical activity in older adults: invariance of the physical activity enjoyment scale (PACES) across group and time. *International Journal of Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity* 2011, 8:103. DOI: [10.1186/1479-5868-8-103](https://doi.org/10.1186/1479-5868-8-103)
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Invited Review:

45. McAuley, E., Szabo, A., **Gothe, N.P.**, & Olson, E. A. (2011). Self-efficacy: Implications for physical activity, function, and functional limitations in older adults. *American Journal of Lifestyle Medicine*, 5(4), 361-369. DOI: [10.1177/1559827610392704](https://doi.org/10.1177/1559827610392704)

Book Chapter:

46. McAuley, E., Mailey, E. L., Szabo, A. N., & **Gothe, N.P.** (2012). Physical activity and the personal agency: Self-efficacy as a determinant, consequence, and mediator. In Martin Ginis, K. A. (Ed.), *Handbook of Physical Activity and Mental Health*. London: Routledge

Published Peer-Reviewed Abstracts

1. Streeter, S. **Gothe, N.P.** (2020). Associations of light vs. moderate to vigorous physical activity with fatigue and stress in cancer survivors. Poster to be presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA, April 2020.
2. Erlenbach, E., Streeter, S., & **Gothe, N.P.** (2020). Influence of weekend sitting time and moderate-to-vigorous physical activity in predicting cardiovascular fitness among college students. Poster to be presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA, April 2020.
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Unpublished Abstracts

1. Catalano, M. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2020). Yoga and cancer survivorship: A systematic review of yoga interventions to reduce fatigue. Poster to be presented at the 2020 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Illini Union, April 2020. +**This was a James Scholar Project for Madison Catalano.**
2. Aerra, A., Pindus, D., **Gothe, N.P.**, Greenwald, M. & Naar, S. (2020). Cognitive Control in Minority Adolescents with Obesity: Relationship to Physical Activity and Sedentary Time. Poster to be presented at the 2020 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Illini Union, April 2020. +**This was an Undergraduate Research Project (KIN 385) for Akhil Aerra.**
3. Kim, E., Catalano, M. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2019). Cancer Survivors' Exercise Preferences and Expectations. Poster presented at the 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Illini Union, April 2019. +**This was a James Scholar Project for Eunice Kim.**

4. Catalano, M., Kim, E. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2019). Reverse Roles: Caregivers Taking Care of Themselves With Physical Activity. Poster presented at the 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Illini Union, April 2019. +**This was a James Scholar Project for Madison Catalano.**

Research Grants and Funding

Ongoing:

Campus Research Board Award 04/2018 – 01/2021

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign **Gothe, N. (PI)**

Project: *Effects of Yoga and Aerobic Exercise on Cognition in Adult Cancer Survivors*

A 12-week randomized controlled trial examining the effects of yoga and aerobic exercise compared to a stretching and strengthening control group on cognitive function in middle aged cancer survivors.

Budget: \$29,957 direct costs only

National Institute on Aging, 1R01AG053952 08/2018 - 04/2023

Fabiani, M. & Grattone, G. (PIs) **Gothe, N. (Co-I)**

Project: *Optical measures of cerebral arterial function as predictors of brain and cognitive Aging*

A cross-sectional and longitudinal study examining the relationship between cerebral arterial function, and associated risk factors, with cognitive health and risk for mild to severe cognitive impairment.

Budget: \$3,459,850 (\$2,233,445 direct costs)

National Institute on Aging, 1R01AG053952 09/2016 -05/2021

Co-PIs: Erickson, K., McAuley, E., Kramer, K.F., & Burns, J.

Gothe, N. (Consultant)

Project: Investigating Gains in Neurocognition in an Intervention Trial of Exercise.

A 12-month monitored exercise intervention with 3 arms 1) 150 minutes/week aerobic exercise, 2) 225 minutes/week aerobic exercise and 3) stretching and strengthening control, that investigates improvements in brain health in cognitively normal older adults.

Budget: \$21,994,979

National Institute of Nursing Research, 1R01NR016093-01A1 02/2017 – 12/2021

PI: Larson, J.

Gothe, N. (Consultant)

Project: Active for Life: Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

This project examines the effects of an exercise and behavioral program, called Active-Life, to promote physical activity in people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. A sedentary lifestyle is very common in older people with chronic disease and if this program is successful it will be used to promote physical activity and improve the health of people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Budget: \$349,380 (Y1) direct costs

Pending:

National Institute on Aging, 1R01AG066630-01 04/2020 - 03/2025

Impact score: 34 - Percentile: 19

Gothe, N. (PI)

Project: *Yoga, Aerobic, and Stretching Exercise Effects on Neurocognitive Performance: A Randomized Controlled Trial*

This randomized controlled trial compares the effects of a 6-month yoga, aerobic walking and strength training on neurocognitive performance of middle aged and older adults. The outcomes include behavioral measures of cognitive function and changes in brain structure and function.
Budget: \$3,571,889 (\$2,448,539 direct costs)

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities
Impact score: 24 - Percentile: 7 (1R21MD013820-01A1)

04/2020 - 03/2022
Gothe, N. (Co-I)

PI: Billiot, S.

Project: *Returning to Our Roots: Developing a Journey to Health*

This application proposes to implement and evaluate a land-based healing, behavioral change intervention on physical activity, sedentary behavior and mental health outcomes among United Houma Nation youth.

Budget: \$369,302 (\$275,000 direct costs)

CSBS + CCIL Small Grant Program

04/2020 - 03/2022

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Gothe, N. (PI)

Project: *Designing and Testing the Feasibility of a Socio-Ecological Intervention to Promote Physical Activity among Cancer Survivors*

This application proposes a mixed-methods approach to designing a social cognitive theory based 12-week physical activity intervention for cancer survivors.

Budget: \$35,825 direct costs only

Completed:

Office of the Vice President for Research, Wayne State University

06/2015 – 11/2016

Greenwald, M. & Naar-King, S. (Co-Is)

Gothe, N. (Co-I)

Diabetes Obesity Team Science

Project: *Physical Activity in Minority Youth: Effects on Eating, Cognition, and Metabolism*

An integrative analysis of the dose-dependent (lower vs. higher intensity) effects of acute exercise (vs. sedentary control condition) on metabolism, cognition and food choice/intake in 40 adolescents with current Class I and II obesity (BMI: 30-40 kg/m²).

Budget: \$65,000 direct costs

Office of the Vice President for Research, Wayne State University

03/2015 – 12/2015

MRI Pilot Project Program: Developmental Award

Gothe, N. (PI)

Project: *Effects of Long-term Yoga Practice on Cognition, Brain Structure and Function*

A cross sectional study examining the differences in cognitive functioning, assessed using neuropsychological tests and magnetic resonance imaging techniques among yoga experts and age-, sex-matched control participants.

Budget: \$8,865 direct costs

National Institutes on Aging, P30 AG015281

Jackson, J. (PI) 09/2012 – 06/2017

Michigan Center for Urban African Aging Research Pilot Grant

Gothe, N. (PI-pilot) 09/2014 – 06/2015

Project: *Correlates of Physical Activity and Functional Fitness in Urban African American Older Adults*

A cross sectional study designed to improve our understanding of the individual and environmental factors that influence physical activity in African American older adults living in urban settings.

Budget: \$20,000 direct costs

Teaching Experience

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

2019-present **KIN 201 – Physical Activity Research Methods**

This course provides an introduction of physical activity measurement and methods with a focus on (a) defining physical activity and associated terms and concepts; (b) providing detailed understanding of approaches and tools for measuring physical activity; and (c) facilitating understanding of scientific methods for physical activity research (e.g., experimental and non-experimental designs).

2019-present **KIN 594 – Integrative Exercise Approaches to Health**

This course explores the theory and application of a variety of integrative health practices (e.g., meditation traditions, mindfulness, yoga, tai-chi, etc.). Students will learn about the epidemiology and popularity of these practices and the scientifically documented physical and psychosocial health benefits. The format for the course will be a combination of lectures, experiential activities, and student presentations.

2017-present **KIN 448 – Health and Exercise Psychology**

Graduate and undergraduate core course that provides an overview of physical activity as it relates to health and well-being including personality, anxiety, stress, cognition, depression, quality of life; epidemiology of physical activity in the US and across the world, theory and interventions of behavior change.

2018 **KIN 140 – Social Science of Human Movement**

This is one of the core courses in Kinesiology and is a course that meets general education requirements in the social and behavioral sciences: social sciences. The purpose of this class is to introduce students to the basic theoretical and practical concepts involved in the social scientific study of physical activity and sport.

2011 **CPSC 542 - Applied Statistical Methods II (Lab Instructor)**

Principles of designing experiments and methods of analysis for various kinds of designs, experimental (completely randomized, randomized complete block, split plots, Latin square) and treatment (complete factorial); covariate analysis; use of SAS

2010 **CPSC 440 - Applied Statistical Methods I (Lab Instructor)**

Statistical methods involving relationships between populations and samples; collection, organization, and analysis of data, techniques in testing hypotheses with an introduction to regression, correlation, analysis of variance (limited to the completely randomized and randomized complete-block designs); use of SAS

2008-2009 **KIN 247 - Introduction to Sport Psychology (Teaching Assistant)**

Analysis of the competitive sport process, with study of how personality and situational variables affect motivation, anxiety, and aggression in sport. Attention is given to the

psychological skills needed by coaches and athletes for successful and enjoyable sports participation.

Wayne State University

- 2014-2017 **KIN 6310 - Physical Activity and Cognition**
Graduate core course examining the role of physical activity in improving cognitive functioning across the lifespan, explore measures of physical activity and neuropsychological test batteries, review studies examining the effect of physical activity on cognition across children, adults and older adult populations, and examining the underlying mechanisms
- 2014-2017 **KIN 5523 - Physical Activity and Exercise Psychology**
Graduate and undergraduate core course that provides an overview of physical activity as it relates to health and well-being including personality, anxiety, stress, cognition, depression, quality of life; epidemiology of physical activity in the US and across the world, theory and interventions of behavior change.
- 2013 **KIN 5522 - Health Psychology**
Graduate and undergraduate core course that provides the foundations of health, research methods, biological foundations of health/illness, stress, nutrition, obesity, eating disorders, substance abuse and health, cardiovascular disease, diabetes and health, exercise and cancer; HIV, AIDS, and health; pain management and patient behavior, complementary and alternative medicine, health psychology across the life span

S.I.E.S. College of Arts, Science and Commerce, India

- 2007-2008 Lecturer in the Department of Psychology. Courses taught:
i) **Psychological Testing and Statistics**
ii) **Counseling Psychology**
iii) **Industrial and Organizational Psychology**

Invited Guest Lectures

1. *“Physical Activity and Health Outcomes: Evidence and Prescription”* Illinois Extension Annual Conference, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, November 2019.
2. *“Cognitive Behavioral Strategies to Increase Exercise Adherence”* Incorporating the Experimental Medicine Approach in the Development of Primary Prevention Trials for Alzheimer’s Disease Workshop, National Academy of Sciences, Washington D.C., October 2019
3. *“Yoga for Health: Evidence from Interventions and Cross-sectional Studies”* Institute for Public Health and Medicine at the Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, February 2020

4. *“Exercise is Medicine: Evidence and Prescription for Older Adults”* University of Illinois Extension, Champaign, IL (serving Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, and Vermilion Counties). March 2020
5. *“Clinical Research Implications of Research @ Exercise Psychology Lab”* KIN 452: Clinical and Applied Exercise Physiology, Dr. Adam Konopka (Instructor) University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Spring 2019
6. *“Exercise for Cancer Survivorship”* Invited by the Cancer Research Advocacy Group at the Cancer Center at University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, March 2019
7. *“Undergraduate Research Experience in the Exercise Psychology Lab”* KIN 201: Physical Activity Research Methods, Dr. Kevin Richards (Instructor) University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Fall 2018
8. *“Research in Exercise Psychology”* KIN 125: Orientation to Kinesiology, Cassandra Meinert (Instructor) University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Fall 2017
9. *“Yoga and Cognition: Evidence from acute and intervention studies”* Invited Speaker at the Symposium on Yoga Research, Kripalu Center for Yoga and Health, Stockbridge MA, September 2016
10. *“Cognition and Exercise: Is there a link?”* Community Outreach Talk via the University of Michigan and Wayne State University’s Michigan Center for Urban African American Aging Research Center (MCUAAAR), Healthier Black Elders Center, Boulevard Temple Rehabilitation, Detroit, Michigan, May 2016
11. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes: Evidence from RCTs”* Henry Ford Health Systems, General Epidemiology Meeting, Detroit, Michigan, March 2016
12. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes: Evidence from RCTs”* Karmanos Cancer Institute, Detroit, Michigan, January 2016
13. *“Kinesiology – Evidence for Yoga and Exercise Psychology”* Department of Applied Psychology, University of Mumbai, Kalina, Mumbai, India, June 2015
14. *“Kinesiology – Evidence for Yoga and Exercise Psychology”* Department of Psychology, D.G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India, July 2015
15. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Psychosocial Outcomes”* Department of Psychology, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan, December 2014
16. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes in Older Adults”* Institute of Gerontology, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, September 2014
17. *“Health, Physical Activity and Fitness: Concepts and Measurement.”* Department of Psychology, D. G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India, June 2011

18. *“Health and Exercise Psychology.”* Department of Psychology & Department of Neuroscience, Sophia College, Mumbai, India, June 2011

Advising and Mentoring

Doctoral Students - Committee Chair:

1. Emily Erlenbach, PhD 2nd year, Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Doctoral Students - Committee Member:

1. Bonita Jones, Doctor of Nursing Practice 2017, Frontier Nursing University
2. Truc-Phuong Thi Vo, PhD Psychology 2018, Wayne State University
3. Aiman Sarhan, PhD Kinesiology 2018, Wayne State University
4. Nicholas Siekirk, PhD Kinesiology 2018, Wayne State University
5. Shannon Clark, PhD Psychology 2019, Wayne State University
6. Tiffany Bullard, PhD Kinesiology 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
7. Jeremy Butler, PhD Kinesiology 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
8. Ronald Watkins, PhD Candidate, Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
9. Katelyn Webster, PhD Candidate, Nursing, University of Michigan Ann Arbor

Masters Students - Committee Chair:

1. Derrick Palma, MEd Kinesiology 2017, Wayne State University
Pursuing DPT at Wayne State University, Detroit
2. Gianna Hill, MS Kinesiology 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
Pursuing PsyD. At Adler University, Chicago
3. Nakia Brown, MS Kinesiology 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
Patient Service Representative at Shirley Ryan Ability Lab, Chicago, IL
4. Sam Streeter, MS 1st year Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Masters Students - Committee Member:

1. Alicia Jones, MS Kinesiology 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign,
Pursuing PhD in Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

Masters Student - Program Advising: (Graduate Advising, before moving to UIUC)

1. Shawn Zohr, Wayne State University
2. Bryan Polce, Wayne State University
3. Derrick Palma, Wayne State University

Graduate Independent Study:

1. Emily Erlenbach, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
2. Sam Streeter, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
3. Juan Nino Gomez, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
4. Nakia Brown, Kin 590 – Fall 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
5. Gianna Hill, Kin 590 – Fall 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
6. Shelby Dietz, Kin 590 – Fall 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

James Scholar Honors Project (Undergraduate - UIUC)

1. Constantine Kass, Kin 448 - Fall 2017
2. Nicole Alberto, Kin 448 - Fall 2017
3. Eunice Kim, Kin 140 – Spring 2018
4. Madison Catalano, Kin 140 – Spring 2018
5. Lauren Hess, Kin 448 – Fall 2018

6. Sarah Brennan, Kin 448 – Fall 2018
7. Eunice Kim, Kin 385 – Fall 2018
8. Madison Catalano, Kin 385 – Fall 2018
9. Imadh Khan, Kin 385 – Spring 2019
10. Kimberly Kamman, Kin 201 – Spring 2019
11. Eunice Kim, Kin 201 – Spring 2019
12. Madison Catalano, Kin 201 – Spring 2019
13. Danielle Schur, Kin 448 – Fall 2019
14. Dany Khayat, Kin 448 – Fall 2019
15. Casey Cushing, Kin 448 – Fall 2019
16. Mikaela Antonacci, Kin 448 – Fall 2019
17. Amanda Sugar, Kin 448 – Fall 2019
18. Eunice Kim, Kin 385 – Fall 2019
19. Emily Hwu, Kin 385 – Fall 2019
20. Madison Catalano, Kin 385 – Fall 2019
21. Emma Blomberg, Kin 201 – Spring 2020
22. Yash Panchal, Kin 201 – Spring 2020
23. Madison Catalano, Kin 385 – Spring 2020

Independent Study (Graduate and Undergraduate -Wayne State University)

1. Anne VanTubergen, Fall 2014
2. Karen Sharkey, Fall 2014
3. Kari Kischnick, Fall 2014
4. Danielle Cantwell, Fall 2015
5. Shannon Hilton, Fall 2015
6. Scott Pummill, Winter 2016
7. Bryan Polce, Winter 2016
8. Manasi Mahajan, Fall 2016
9. Alicia Barcume, Fall 2016

Professional Service

University:

- 2019-2024 *Faculty Member, Athletic Board, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2019-2020 *Chair, Student Services Committee, Athletic Board, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2019-2021 *KCH representative for the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign Senate*
- 2019-2021 *Member, Elections and Credentials Committee, College of Applied Health Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2019-2020 *Search Committee Member, Assistant Professor in Environmental Health*
- 2019-2020 *Facilitator and Working Group Member – Quantitative Reasoning II, General Education Assembly on Learning Outcomes, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*
- 2019, 2020 *Grant Reviewer, Campus Research Board, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2019-2020 *Admissions Committee Member, Neuroscience Program, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2018-2019 *Search Committee Member, Assistant Teaching Professor in Rehabilitation Counseling*

- 2018-2019 *Reviewer, Graduate College Travel Awards, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2018, 2019 *Judge, Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2015-2017 *Curriculum Committee - Member, College of Education, Wayne State University*
- 2014-2016 *Grievance Committee - Member, College of Education, Wayne State University*
- 2014-2015 *Graduate Professional Scholarship, Graduate School Selection Committee Member, Wayne State University*
- 2015 *Scholarship Committee - Member, College of Education, Wayne State University*
- 2011-2012 *Advisory Council Member, Women's Resources Center, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*
- 2011 *Facilitator, Center for Teaching Excellence, Graduate Academy for College Teaching, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign*

Professional Organizations:

- 2017-2019 *Co-chair, Aging Special Interest Group (SIG) The Society of Behavioral Medicine – re-elected*
- 2016 *Chair, Awards Committee – Complementary and Integrative Medicine Special Interest Group (SIG), The Society of Behavioral Medicine*
- 2014-2016 *Co-chair, Aging Special Interest Group (SIG) The Society of Behavioral Medicine*

Grant Reviewer:

Czech Science Foundation, Czech Republic: *“Optimizing Social Predictors of Health and Quality of Life in Older Adults: a Cross-sectional Study”*, September 2017

Israel Ministry of Science, Technology & Space, Track: *“Science, Technology and Innovation for the Benefit of the Aging Population”* February 2015, September 2015

Jump ARCHES Endowment Application Grant Reviewer, OSF HealthCare System, 2019

Dunhill Medical Trust Grant Reviewer, London, UK, 2020

External Reviewer:

2016-present External Doctoral Committee of Life Science at Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana (S-VYASA University) Bangalore, India

Editorial Board:

2017-present Associate Editor, *BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine*

2016-present Associate Editor, *BMC Geriatrics*, Section: Physical functioning, physical health and activity

Journal Peer-Reviewer:

Annals of Behavioral Medicine, Journals of Gerontology: Medical Sciences, Adapted Physical Activity Quarterly, Journal of Cognitive Enhancement, Mental Health and Prevention, Frontiers in Psychology, BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine, BMC Geriatrics, PLOS ONE,

Canadian Journal of Aging, Sport Exercise and Performance Psychology, Journal of Physical Activity and Health, Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology, Journal of Applied Sport Psychology, Journal of the American Aging Association, Journal of Alternative and Complementary Medicine, Medicine and Science in Sport and Exercise, Cancer Medicine, European Journal of Sport Science, Annals of Behavioral Medicine, Quality of Life Research

Abstract Reviewer:

2012-present - *Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine*

2015-present - *Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America*

2015-2017 - *Researchers of Biobehavioral Health in Urban Settings Today (RoBUST) Symposium (Wayne State University)*

Honors and Awards

- ♦ **Early Career Investigator Award** – Society of Behavioral Medicine, March 2019
- ♦ **Instructor and Course Evaluation System:** Listed as “Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students” for course KIN 448, Fall 2018
- ♦ **Instructor and Course Evaluation System:** Listed as “Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students” for course KIN 448, Fall 2017
- ♦ **Faculty Mentor Award** – Wayne State University, Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP), March 2016
- ♦ **Outstanding Student/Trainee Award** in Evidence-Based Behavioral Medicine for abstract titled “*The Effects of an 8-week Hatha Yoga Intervention on Executive Function in Older Adults*”. Society of Behavioral Medicine, April 2014
- ♦ **Paul D. Doolen Scholar Award** in the Behavioral-Social Sciences, University of Illinois, 2013
- ♦ **Laura J. Huelster Award Recipient**, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, UIUC, March 2013
- ♦ **Outstanding Student Abstract Award** for dissertation abstract titled “*Yoga practice improves attention in older adults: Preliminary results from a pilot RCT*”. Physical Activity Special Interest Group (PA-SIG), Society of Behavioral Medicine, March 2013
- ♦ **Outstanding Aging Research Poster Award** for poster titled “*The Effects of Yoga on Cognition: A Meta-analysis of Chronic and Acute Effects*”. Aging Special Interest Group (Aging-SIG), Society of Behavioral Medicine, March 2013
- ♦ **Meritorious Student Abstract Award** for the dissertation abstract titled “*Yoga practice improves attention in older adults: Preliminary results from a pilot RCT*”. The Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, March 2013

- ♦ **Travel Grant Recipient**, University of Illinois Graduate College, Nov 2012, March 2013
- ♦ **Laura J. Huelster Award Recipient**, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, UIUC, March 2012
- ♦ **Global Health Initiative Award Recipient**: Elected from the College of Applied Health Sciences to join a team of faculty and graduate students for a two-week observational experience in Ghana centered on healthcare in a resource limited setting and build partnerships in interdisciplinary global health research. UIUC, January 2012
- ♦ **Graduate Teaching Certificate**, Center for Teaching Excellence, UIUC, March 2011
- ♦ **Meritorious Student Abstract Award** for the abstract titled “*Trajectories of change in self-esteem in older adults: Exercise intervention effects*”. The Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, April 2011
- ♦ **Instructor and Course Evaluation System: Outstanding Instructor** for CPSC 542 – Applied Statistical Methods II, UIUC, May 2011
- ♦ **Instructor and Course Evaluation System: Outstanding Instructor** for CPSC 440 – Applied Statistical Methods I, UIUC, December 2010
- ♦ **Travel Grant Recipient**, University of Illinois Graduate College, March 2009
- ♦ Prabhadevi J.P. Narayan Trophy for **Overall Proficiency**, D.G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India (Academic Year 2004-2005)
- ♦ Late Nityanand Hankonkar Trophy for the **Best Leadership Qualities**, D.G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India (Academic Year 2003- 2004)

Professional Memberships

2017-2018: American College of Sports Medicine
2016-present: International Association of Yoga Therapists
2009-2015: The Gerontological Society of America
2008-present: Society of Behavioral Medicine
2005-2008: Bombay Psychological Association

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