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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**

**08/2021- present *Associate Professor*, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health,**

**University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Urbana, Illinois**

**08/2017- 06/2021 *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 *Visiting Faculty* – *Psychology*, Mumbai University Institute of Chemical Technology, Matunga, Mumbai

06/2005-05/2008 *Lecturer in German*, D.G. Ruparel College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mahim, Mumbai

06/2003-05/2006 *Instructor in German*, Center for Excellence - Academy for Foreign Languages, Mumbai

**Research Experience**

Ongoing Projects:

***Effects of Yoga, Stretching-toning, and Aerobic Exercise on Neurocognition in Middle***

***Aged and Older Adults***

A 12-month randomized controlled trial examining the effects of yoga and aerobic exercise

compared to a stretching-toning control group on brain structure, function, behavioral

neurocognition, cardiovascular fitness and inflammatory markers in blood among older adults.

Role: Principal Investigator, Funded by the NIH

***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, Funded by the NIH

***Feasibility of a Novel, Theory Based Physical Activity Intervention Among Adult Cancer***

***Survivors***

A 12-week home-based social cognitive theory-based program to increase physical activity

and reduce sedentary behavior among adult cancer survivors.

Role: Principal Investigator, Funded by the Center for Social and Behavioral Sciences, UIUC

***Evaluation of Wits Workout, a Community Intervention to Promote Brain Health and Well-being among Underserved Older Adults in Illinois.***

A 24-week RCT comparing the Wits Workout program with a waitlist control group and its efficacy at improving cognitive health and health related quality of life.

Role: Co-I, Funded by the Roybal Center, University of Illinois at Chicago

Completed 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

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

***Function (2017-2019)***

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 (2018-2019)***

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

Role: Principal Investigator

***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. Erlenbach, E., Singleton, C., & **Gothe, N.P**. (2022, under review). Sedentary Electronic Time is Detrimental for Aerobic Fitness among Low-Fit Adults: Findings from the NHANES dataset. *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*
2. Westfall, D.R., Kranz, M.B., Burzynska, A.Z., Ehlers, D.K., **Gothe, N.P**., Salerno, E, Fanning, J., Morris, T., McAuley, E., Whitfield-Gabrieli, S., Hillman, C.H., & Kramer, A.F. (2021, under review) Cortical Morphometry of Functional Connectivity Networks in Understanding the Associations Between Aerobic Fitness and Cognition in Aging Adults. *Neuroimage*
3. McDonald, K., Morris, T.P., Anteraper, S., Voss, Whitfield-Gabrieli, S., Fanning, J., **Gothe, N.P.**, Salerno, E., Erickson, K.I., Hillman, C.H., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F. (2021, under review). Data-Driven MRI Analysis Reveals Fitness-Related Functional Change in Default Mode Network and Cognition Following an Exercise Intervention
4. Webster, K., Seng, J., Gallagher, N., **Gothe, N.P**., Colabianchi, N., Smith, E., Ploutz-Snyder, R., & Larson, J. (2021, under review). Physical Activity Programming for Older Adults in Assisted Living: Residents’ Perspectives. *Western Journal of Nursing Research*
5. Burzynska, A., Colmenares, A.M., Voss, M.W., Fanning, J., Dalerno, E.A., **Gothe, N.P**., Thomas, M.L., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A.F. (2021, under review). White matter plasticity in healthy older adults: the effects of aerobic exercise. *Neuroimage*
6. Clark-Sienkiewicz, S.M., Caño, A., Lackman Zeman, L., Lumley M.A., & **Gothe, N.P.** (2021, under review). Beyond logistical barriers: Role of exercise self-efficacy, social and cognitive factors on attendance to a health behavior change program in primary care. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*
7. Butler, J. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2021, under review). Exploring Officer Perceptions of Police Defensive Tactics Training Using a Social Cognitive Framework: A Qualitative Study. *International Journal of Police Science and Management*

**Peer-Reviewed Publications**

**All time: h-index: 32, i10-index: 43, citations: 5217 – as of January 27, 2022**

**Since 2017: h-index: 28; i10-index: 42, citations: 3573 – as of January 27, 2022**

1. Morris, T. P., Burzynska, A., Voss, M., Fanning, J., Salerno, E.A., Prakash, R., **Gothe, N.P.**, Whitfield-Gabrieli, S., Hillman, C.H., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F (2022, accepted). Brain structure and function predict adherence to an exercise intervention in older adults, *Medicine and Science in Sport and Exercise*
2. Morris, T., Kucyi, A., Anteraper, S.A., Geddes, M.R., Nieto-Castanon, A., Burzynska, A., **Gothe, N.P**., Fanning, J.F., Salerno, E.A., Whitfield-Gabrieli, S., Hillman, C.H., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A.F. (2021, under review). Resting State Functional Connectivity Provides Mechanistic Predictions of Future Changes in Sedentary Behavior. *Scientific Reports.* 12(1), 1-11. DOI: [10.1038/s41598-021-04738-y](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-04738-y)
3. Maza, R.A., Pionke, J.J., & **Gothe, N.P**. (2021). Home-based Mind-body Interventions to Improve Functional Fitness Outcomes in Adults: A Scoping Review. *European Journal of Integrative Medicine.* DOI: [10.1016/j.eujim.2021.102095](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eujim.2021.102095)
4. **Gothe, N.P.** & Erlenbach, E. (2021). Feasibility of a Yoga, Aerobic and Stretching-Toning Exercise Program for Adult Cancer Survivors: The STAYFit Trial. *Journal of Cancer Survivorship.* DOI: [10.1007/s11764-021-01101-y](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11764-021-01101-y)
5. Colmenares, A.M., Voss, M.W., Fanning, J., Salerno, E.A., **Gothe, N.P**., Thomas, M.L., McAuley, E., Kramer, A.F. and Burzynska, A.Z. (2021). White matter plasticity in healthy older adults: the effects of aerobic exercise. *NeuroImage*, p.118305. DOI: [10.1016/j.neuroimage.2021.118305](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2021.118305)
6. Webster, K., Colabianchi, N., Ploutz-Snyder, R., **Gothe, N.P**., Smith, E.L. & Larson, J.L. (2021). Comparative assessment of ActiGraph data processing techniques for measuring sedentary behavior in older adults with COPD. *Physiological Measurement.* DOI: [10.1088/1361-6579/ac18fe](https://doi.org/10.1088/1361-6579/ac18fe)
7. Salerno, E.A., **Gothe, N.P**., Fanning, J., Peterson, L.L., Colditz, G.A. & McAuley, E. (2021). Effects of a DVD-delivered randomized controlled physical activity intervention on functional health in cancer survivors. BMC Cancer 21, 870. DOI: [10.1186/s12885-021-08608-8](https://doi.org/10.1186/s12885-021-08608-8)
8. Webster, K.E., Zhou, W., Gallagher, N.A., Lavoie Smith, E.M., **Gothe, N.P**., Ploutz-Snyder, Colabianchi, N., Larson, J.L. (2021). Objectively-Measured Sedentary Behavior in Oldest Old Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. *Preventive Medicine Reports.* DOI: [10.1016/j.pmedr.2021.101405](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pmedr.2021.101405)
9. **Gothe, N.P.**, Erlenbach, E. & Engels, H-J. (2021). Exercise and self-esteem model: Validity in a sample of healthy female adolescents. *Current Psychology*. DOI: [10.1007/s12144-021-01390-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12144-021-01390-7)
10. Erlenbach, E., McAuley, E. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2021). The Association Between Light Physical Activity and Cognition Among Adults: A Scoping Review. *Journal of Gerontology: Medical Sciences.* DOI:[10.1093/gerona/glab013](https://doi.org/10.1093/gerona/glab013)
11. Clark-Sienkiewicz, S.M., Caño, A., Lackman Zeman, L., Lumley M.A., & **Gothe, N.P.** (2021). Development of a Multicomponent Intervention to Initiate Health Behavior Change in Primary Care: The Kickstart Health Program. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings.* DOI:[10.1007/s10880-020-09755-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10880-020-09755-z)
12. **Gothe, N.P.** & Erlenbach, E. (2020). Feasibility of an 8-week Yoga Intervention among Middle-aged and Older Adults. *OBM Geriatrics;* 4(4):15. DOI: [10.21926/obm.geriatr.2004137](http://www.lidsen.com/journals/geriatrics/geriatrics-04-04-137).
13. Burzynska, A. Z., Voss, M. W., Fanning, J., Salerno, E. A., **Gothe, N. P.**, McAuley, E., & Kramer, A. F. (2020). Sensor-measured sedentariness and physical activity are differentially related to fluid and crystallized abilities in aging. Psychology and Aging. Advance online publication. DOI:[10.1037/pag0000580](https://doi.org/10.1037/pag0000580)
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15. Burzynska, A. Z., Ganster, D.C., Fanning, J.F., Salerno, E. A., **Gothe, N.P.**, Voss, M.W., McAuley, E. & Kramer, A.F. (2020). Occupational Physical Stress is Negatively Associated with Hippocampal Volume and Memory in Older Adults. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience.* DOI: [10.3389/fnhum.2020.00266](https://doi.org/10.3389/fnhum.2020.00266)
16. **Gothe, N.P. (2020).** Light vs. Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity and Executive Function in African American Adults**. *Aging and Mental Health.*** 1-7. DOI: [10.1080/13607863.2020.1768216](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32426993/)
17. **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://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/32167953)
18. **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)
19. **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://content.iospress.com/articles/brain-plasticity/bpl190084)
20. **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://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fnint.2018.00026/full)
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23. **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://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/30124762)
24. 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://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/28944651)
25. 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://scholars.direct/Articles/sports-medicine/aspm-1-008.php?jid=sports-medicine)
26. 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://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fnagi.2017.00059/full)
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28. **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://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S030105111630312X)
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2. Himley, C., Ramir, J., Cerna, J., & **Gothe, N.P.** (2022). Meditation and Mindfulness Matters: A Global Survey Assessing Barriers and Behaviors Related to Mindfulness PracticePoster presented at the 2021 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, (virtual conference) April 2022. +**This was a James Scholar project for Courtney Himley.**
3. Boachie, D, Lasher, L. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2020). Effects of Stretching, Aerobic and Yoga Exercise on Neurocognition among Middle aged and Older Adults: Protocol for the SAY Exercise Trial. Poster presented at the 2021 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, (virtual conference) April 2021. +**This was a START Program project for Daniel Boachie and Leah Lasher.**
4. Catalano, M. & **Gothe, N.P.** (2020). Yoga and cancer survivorship: A systematic review of yoga interventions to reduce fatigue. Poster presented at the 2020 Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, (virtual conference) April 2020. +**This was a James Scholar Project for Madison Catalano.**
5. 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 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.**
6. 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.**
7. 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:**

**National Institutes on Aging, P30 AG022849** Hughes, S. (PI) 09/2012 – 06/2017

Michigan Center for Urban African Aging Research Pilot Grant

G**othe, N. (Co-I)** 06/2021 – 05/2022

*Project: Wits Workout Program Evaluation*

An intervention study designed to examine the preliminary feasibility and efficacy of the Wits Workout program developed by University of Illinois Extension Educators.

Budget: $50,000 direct costs

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

University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign **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 and

stretching-toning 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)

**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: $20,825 direct costs only

**Campus Research Board Award** 04/2018 – 05/2021

**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,** [**5R01AG059878**](https://projectreporter.nih.gov/reporterapi.cfm?PROJECTNUM=1R01AG053952&Fy=all)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**](https://projectreporter.nih.gov/reporterapi.cfm?PROJECTNUM=1R01AG053952&Fy=all)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

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

G**othe, 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. *“Yoga and Cognition: Evidence from Interventions and Cross-sectional Studies*” Department of Health and Kinesiology, Purdue University, Lafayette, IN, November 2021.
2. “Yoga for Cognition” College of Applied Health Sciences, Fall 2021 Lecture Series “Approaches to Combat Aging”, Urbana, IL, November 2021.
3. “Physical Activity and Health Outcomes: Evidence and Prescription” – A workshop for the Urbana Parks District held at the Phillips Recreation Center, Urbana, IL, September 2021.
4. UIUC Faculty Job Search Week, *Faculty Panelist* for the Graduate College’s Annual Faculty Job Search Week, July 2021.
5. “*Physical Activity and Health for Adults*”, UI Extension Training for SNAP Ed Community Workers at the August Regional Training Program, August 2021.
6. “*Yoga, Exercise and Cognition*”, Neuroscience and Yoga Online Conference, Hosted by NeuroYogaNYC, March 2021.
7. *“Yoga for Trauma: Evidence from Research Studies”*, Three and a Half Acres Yoga, Yoga Teacher Training Workshop, February 2021.
8. *“CSBS Human Subjects Research Workshop”,* Panelist on the virtual workshop hosted by Center for Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, January 2021.
9. *“Evidence for Yoga and Cognitive Health”,* Exercise Science Seminar*,* Dr. Eric Hall, Elon University, January 2021.
10. *“Where Do We Go From Here: Body Politics and Movement Towards Racial Empowerment”*, A virtual panel hosted by University of Michigan Health Sciences units, November 2020.
11. *“Physical Activity for Adults – Concepts, Health Benefits and Prescription”,* 2-day training for UI Extension’s EPNEP staff (~50 attendees) across Illinois, July 2020.
12. “*Health Sciences & Research Initiatives Lightning Talks”*, Panel hosted by Associate Vice Chancellor for Advancement, Health Sciences & Research Initiatives, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, May 2020.
13. *“Physical Activity and Health Outcomes: Evidence and Prescription”* Illinois Extension Annual Conference, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, November 2019.
14. *“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
15. *“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
16. **“***Exercise is Medicine: Evidence and Prescription for Older Adults*” University of Illinois Extension, Champaign, IL (serving Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, and Vermilion Counties). March 2020
17. *“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
18. *“Exercise for Cancer Survivorship”* Invited by the Cancer Research Advocacy Group at the Cancer Center at University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, March 2019
19. *“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
20. *“Research in Exercise Psychology*” KIN 125: Orientation to Kinesiology, Cassandra Meinert (Instructor) University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Fall 2017
21. *“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
22. *“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
23. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes: Evidence from RCTs"* Henry Ford Health Systems, General Epidemiology Meeting, Detroit, Michigan, March 2016
24. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes: Evidence from RCTs"* Karmanos Cancer Institute, Detroit, Michigan, January 2016
25. *“Kinesiology – Evidence for Yoga and Exercise Psychology”* Department of Applied Psychology, University of Mumbai, Kalina, Mumbai, India, June 2015
26. *“Kinesiology – Evidence for Yoga and Exercise Psychology”* Department of Psychology, D.G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India, July 2015
27. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Psychosocial Outcomes”* Department of Psychology, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan, December 2014
28. *“Physical Activity Interventions and Health Outcomes in Older Adults”* Institute of Gerontology, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, September 2014
29. *“Health, Physical Activity and Fitness: Concepts and Measurement.”* Department of Psychology, D. G. Ruparel College, Mumbai, India, June 2011
30. *“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**
2. **Anne Danbury, PhD 2nd year, Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
3. **Stephanie Voss, PhD 1st year, Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
4. **Jonathan Cerna, PhD 1st year, Neuroscience, 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. **Benjamin White, PhD Psychology, 2021, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
9. **Ronald Watkins, PhD Candidate, Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
10. **Katelyn Webster, PhD Nursing, University of Michigan Ann Arbor**
11. **Brett Burrows, PhD Candidate, Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
12. **Madhura Phansikar, PhD Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
13. **Madina Khamzina, PhD Candidate, Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
14. **Alka Bishnoi, PhD Kinesiology, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**

**Masters Students - Committee Chair:**

1. **Derrick Palma, MEd Kinesiology 2017, Wayne State University**

**Pursuing DPT at Wayne State University, Detroit**

1. **Gianna Hill, MS Kinesiology 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**

**Pursuing PsyD. At Adler University, Chicago, IL**

1. **Nakia Brown, MS Kinesiology 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**

**Patient Service Representative at Shirley Ryan Ability Lab, Chicago, IL**

1. **Sam Streeter, MS Kinesiology 2020, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**

**Research Coordinator, Memory Center - Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge,**

**IL**

1. **Emily Erlenbach, MS Kinesiology 2020, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**

**Pursuing a PhD in Kinesiology**

1. **Andrea Rivera, MS Kinesiology 2021, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
2. **Veronica Garcia, MS Kinesiology – 2nd year, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
3. **Vaishnavi Sridharan, MS Kinesiology – 1st year, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
4. **Revati Malani, MS Kinesiology – 1st year, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
5. **Sarah Philip, MS Kinesiology – 1st year, 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. **Vaishnavi Sridharan, Kin 590 – Summer 2021, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
2. **Veronica Garcia, Kin 590 – Summer 2020, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
3. **Emily Erlenbach, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
4. **Sam Streeter, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
5. **Juan Nino Gomez, Kin 590 – Summer 2019, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
6. **Nakia Brown, Kin 590 – Fall 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
7. **Gianna Hill, Kin 590 – Fall 2018, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign**
8. **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**
24. **Brooke Gorski, Kin 448 – Fall 2020**
25. **Swathi Karri, Kin 448 – Fall 2020**
26. **Courtney Himley, Kin 385 – Spring 2021**
27. **Jett Ramir, CLAS Honors – Spring 2021**
28. **Carley Edwards, Kin 385 – Spring 2021**
29. **Jett Ramir, Kin 385 – Spring 2021**
30. **Jett Ramir, Kin 385 – Fall 2021**
31. **Hanna Drowns, Kin 448 – Fall 2021**
32. **Courtney Himley, Kin 385 - Fall 2022**
33. **Jett Ramir, Kin 385 – Spring 2022**
34. **Courtney Himley, Kin 385 - Spring 2022**

**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:**

2021 *Chair,* Search Committee, Visiting Laboratory Coordinator, Monson Lab in the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2020-2021 *Chair*, Website Committee, Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2021-2023 *Faculty Member*, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Senate Committee, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2021-2023 *Faculty Member*, Public Engagement & Outreach Senate Committee, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2020-2021 *Faculty* *Member*, Faculty and Academic Staff Benefits Senate Committee, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2020-2021 *Faculty* *Member*, Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Department of

Kinesiology and Community Health, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

2019-2024 *Faculty Member*, Athletic Board, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2019-2020 *Chair*, Student Services Committee, Athletic Board, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2019-2021 *KCH representative* for the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign Senate

2019-2021 *Member*, Elections and Credentials Committee, College of Applied Health

Sciences, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

2019-2020 *Search Committee Member*, Assistant Professor in Environmental Health,

Department of Kinesiology and Community Health, University of Illinois at

Urbana Champaign

2019-2020 *Facilitator and Working Group Member – Quantitative Reasoning II*, General

Education Assembly on Learning Outcomes, Vice Provost for Undergraduate

Education, University of Illinois 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 Urbana Champaign

2018-2019 *Search Committee Member*, Assistant Teaching Professor in Rehabilitation Counseling

2018-2019 *Reviewer*, *Graduate College Travel Awards,* University of Illinois Urbana

Champaign

2018, 2019 *Judge, Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium*, University of Illinois

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 SchoolSelection 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:**

2021-2024 *Member*, Special Interest Group (SIG) Review Committee, **The Society of**

**Behavioral Medicine**

2021-2023 *Member*, Scientist Advisory Board, Resource Centers for Minority Aging

Research (RCMAR), NIH

2020-2023 *Aging Topic Area Chair*, Annual Meeting of the Society of Behavioral Medicine

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:**

National Institutes of Health - National Institute on Aging – Review Panel Member, Study Section “Exercise & Alzheimer’s Disease (R61/R33) Special Emphasis Panel” ZRG1 BBBP-H (55) R, PAR-21-207, March 2022

National Institutes of Health – Center for Scientific Review – Review Panel Member, Study Section “Risk Prevention and Lifestyle Change, Behavioral Medicine, Psychosocial Development, and Behavioral Health Outcomes” ZRG1 RPHB-C (90) S, December 2021

National Institutes of Health – National Institute on Aging – Review Panel Member, Study Section “Alzheimer’s Disease Clinical Trials Special Emphasis Panel” ZRG1 BBBP-H (55) R, PAR18-877 October 2021

National Institutes of Health – Center for Scientific Review – Review Panel Member, Study Section “[Small Business: Disease Prevention and Management, Risk Reduction and Health Behavior Change](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/public.csr.nih.gov/studysections/integratedreviewgroups/rphbirg/rphbseps/Pages/default.aspx__;!!DZ3fjg!vlUJWVBkBQKyNs6tbSyu2Kdswu6RBaaVFU697ecnewqaV4QhLHwStVuSMN5bIpo$)” ZRG1 RPHB-Z (10) B, March 2021

National Institutes of Health – National Institute on Aging – Review Panel Member, Study Section “Clinical Trials for the Spectrum of Alzheimer's Disease and Age-related Cognitive Decline” ZRG1 BBBP-B (55) R, October 2020

National Institutes of Health – National Center for Complementary and Integrative Medicine – Review Panel Member, Study Section “Clinical Trials of Mind and Body Interventions” (ZAT1 PJ(09), June 2020

Dunhill Medical Trust Grant Reviewer, London, UK, January 2020

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

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

**External Reviewer:**

2016-present External Doctoral Committee of Life Science at Swami Vivekananda Yoga

Anusandhana Samsthana (S-VYASA University) Bangalore, India

2020 External Examiner, PhD student Natalie Frost, The University of Western

Australia, Australia

**Editorial Board:**

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

2016-presentAssociate Editor*, BMC Geriatrics,* Section: Physical functioning, physical health

and activity

**Journal Peer-Reviewer:**

*Journal of the American Geriatrics Society, 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, Journal of Alzheimer’s Disease, Contemporary Clinical Trials, Acta Neuropsychiatrica, International Journal of Sport Psychology*

**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**

* ***Excellence in Service Award -*** Society of Behavioral Medicine, April 2021
* ***Instructor and Course Evaluation System:*** Listed as “Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students” for course KIN 201, Kin 594, Spring 2021
* ***Instructor and Course Evaluation System:*** Listed as “Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students” for course KIN 448, Fall 2020
* ***Instructor and Course Evaluation System:*** Listed as “Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students” for course KIN 201, KIN 448 Spring 2020
* ***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**

**2019-present: International Society for Behavior, Nutrition and Physical Activity**

**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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