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### **Education**

- 2023                      Boston University School of Public Health  
Boston, MA-Master of Science, Population Health Research Methods (Implementation Science and Translation), Anticipated September 2023
- 2011                      Boston University College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College  
Boston, MA-Post-professional Doctor of Occupational Therapy
- Doctoral Project: Take Action: A Self-Management Program for Breast Cancer Survivors
- 2000                      New York University Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human  
Development  
New York, NY-Master of Arts, Occupational Therapy
- 1995                      University of Wisconsin  
Madison, Wisconsin-Bachelor of Arts, History of Science (Biomedical Focus)

### **Licensure**

Registered Occupational Therapist by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy  
Licensed Occupational Therapist, State of Massachusetts (2014-present)  
Licensed Occupational Therapist, State of New Hampshire (2019-present)  
Licensed Occupational Therapist, State of Illinois (2000-2015)

### **Certifications**

Certified Lymphedema Therapist  
Certified leader of the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program  
Calibrated rater of the Assessment of Motor and Process Skills  
Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (2008-2019)

### **Academic appointments**

- 2014-present                      Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Occupational Therapy, Boston  
University College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College
- 2011-2014                      Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of  
Illinois at Chicago
- 2008-2011                      Adjunct Instructor, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Illinois at  
Chicago

## **Professional Employment**

- 2020-present      **Revital Cancer Rehabilitation**  
Clinical Consultant, Content Developer for Educational Modules  
Select Medical  
Mechanicsburg, PA
- 2000-2014      **Northshore University Health System**  
Occupational Therapist  
Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation  
Evanston, Illinois
- Per-diem Occupational Therapist (2011-2014)
  - Clinical Specialist (2009-2011)
  - Senior Occupational Therapist (2002-2009)
  - Staff Occupational Therapist (2000-2002)
- 2002-2003      **Northwestern Memorial Hospital**  
Per-Diem Occupational Therapist  
Department of Occupational Therapy  
Chicago, Illinois
- 1995-1997      **Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago**  
Research Assistant II  
Rehabilitation Services Evaluation Unit/Stroke Research and Training Center  
under the direction of Dr. Allen Heinemann

## **Research Positions**

- 2019-2024      Project Title: Optimizing Functional Recovery of Breast Cancer Survivors.  
Funding: National Cancer Institute, PI: Dr. Kathleen Lyons, 2019-2024;  
\$1,119,000. Role: Consultant/Interventionist.
- 2010-2013      Project Title: Evaluating a Self-Management Intervention to Community Living,  
Participation and Employment after a Stroke; Funding: National Institute on  
Disability and Rehabilitation Research, PI: Dr. Joy Hammel and Dr. Carolyn  
Baum; 2010-2013. \$450,000; Role: Research Specialist.
- 2008-2009      Project Title: A Randomized Control Trial of a Teleconference Fatigue  
Management Program for People with Multiple Sclerosis, Funding: National  
Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research; PI: Dr Marcia Finlayson;  
2008-2009. \$339,074 Role: Interventionist.
- 2006-2007      Project Title: Meeting the Challenges of MS: A Program for Family and Friends-  
An Educational Intervention for Caregivers of Older Adults with MS, Funding:  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, PI: Dr. Marcia Finlayson, 2006-2007.  
\$44,000. Role: Interventionist.
- 2005-2007      Project Title: Item Banking and CAT for Quality of Life Domains (“SyMon-1”);  
Funding: National Institutes of Health; PI: Dr. David Cella, 2005-2007. Role:  
Work Group Member.

## Peer Reviewed Articles

\* denotes graduate student co-author

Stevens, C., Hegel, M., Bakitas, M., Bruce, M., Azuero, A., Pisu, M., Chamberlin, M., Keene, K., Rocque, G., Ellis, D., Gilbert, T., Morency, J., **Newman, R.**, Codini, M., Thorp, K., Dos Anjos, S., Cloyd, D., Echols, J., Milford, A., & Lyons, K. (2020). Study protocol for a multisite randomized controlled trial of a rehabilitation intervention to reduce participation restrictions among female breast cancer survivors. *BMJ Open*, *10*. e036864. Doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2020-036864.

Padgett, L., Dyk, K., Kelly, N., **Newman, R.**, & Hite, S., & Asher, A. (2020). Addressing cancer-related cognitive impairment in cancer survivorship. *Oncology Issues*, *35*, 52-57. DOI: [10.1080/10463356.2020.1692601](https://doi.org/10.1080/10463356.2020.1692601)

Pergolotti, M., Battisti, N., Padgett, L., Sleight, A., Abdallah, M., **Newman, R.**, Van Dyk, K., Covington, K.R., Williams, G.R., van den Bos, F., Pollock, Y., Salerno, E.A., Magnuson, A., Gattás-Vernaglia, I.F., Ahles, T.A. (2020). Embracing the complexity: Older adults with cancer-related cognitive decline—A Young International Society of Geriatric Oncology position paper. *Journal of Geriatric Oncology*, *11*, 237-243. DOI: 10.1016/j.jgo.2019.09.002.

**Newman, R.**, Lyons, K., Coster, W., Wong, J\*., Festa, K., & Ko, N. (2019). Feasibility, acceptability and potential effectiveness of an occupation-focused cognitive self-management program for breast cancer survivors. *British Journal of Occupational Therapy*, *82*, 030802261986189. DOI: 10.1177/0308022619861893.

Lyons, K.D., **Newman, R.M.**, Sullivan, M., Pergolotti, M., Braveman, B., & Cheville, A.L. (2019). Employment concerns and associated impairments of women living with advanced breast cancer. *Archives of Rehabilitation Research and Clinical Translation*, *1*, 1-10. DOI: 10.1016/j.arrct.2019.100004

**Newman, R.M.**, Alfano, C.M., Radomski, M.V., Pergolotti, M., Wolf, T.J., Sleight, A.G., Bryant, A.L., Voelbel, G.T., de Moor, J.S., Nitkin, R., Daniels, E., Braveman, B., Walker, R.K., Williams, G.R., Winters-Stone, K.M., Cheville, A.L., Campbell, S.E., Lawlor, M.C., King, A.A., Ness, K.K., Srivastava, P., & Lyons, K.D. (2019). Catalyzing research to optimize cancer survivors' participation in work and life roles. *Occupational Therapy Journal of Research*, *39*(5):153944921984474. DOI: [10.1177/1539449219844749](https://doi.org/10.1177/1539449219844749)

Cheville, A.L., McLaughlin, S.A., Haddad, T., Lyons, K.D., **Newman, R.**, & Ruddy, K.J. (2019). Integrated rehabilitation for breast cancer survivors. *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*, *98*(2), 154-164. doi: 10.1097/PHM.0000000000001017.

Lyons, K.D., **Newman, R.**, Adachi-Mejia, A.M., Whipple, J., & Hegel, M.T. (2018). Content analysis of a participant-directed intervention to optimize activity engagement of older adult cancer survivors. *OTRJ-Occupation Participation and Health*, *38*(1), 38-45. DOI: [10.1177/1539449217730356](https://doi.org/10.1177/1539449217730356)

Lyons, K.D., **Newman, R.**, Kaufman, P.A., Bruce, M.L., Stearns, D.M., Lansigan, F., Chamberlin, M., Bartels, S.J., Whipple, J., & Hegel, M.T. (2018). Goal attainment and goal adjustment of older adults during person-directed cancer rehabilitation. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, *72*(2), 1-8. doi: 10.5014/ajot.2018.023648.

Asher, A., Van Dyk, K., Patel, S.K., **Newman, R.**, Engle, J., Hutchinson, N., & Padgett, L. (2017). Cancer related cognitive changes. *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, *98*(12), 2595-2596.

Baxter, M.F., **Newman, R.**, Longpre, S.M., & Polo, K.M. (2017). Occupational therapy's role in cancer survivorship as a chronic condition. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 71, 7103090010P1-7303090010P7. DOI: 10.5014/ajot.2017.713001

**Newman, R.** (2013). Guest editorial. *Work: A journal of prevention, assessment and rehabilitation*, 46(4), 367-368.

**Newman, R.** (2013). Re-defining one's occupational self 2 years after breast cancer: A case study. *Work: A journal of prevention, assessment and rehabilitation*, 46(4), 439-444. DOI: [10.3233/wor-131679](https://doi.org/10.3233/wor-131679)

Silver, J.K., Baima, J., **Newman, R.**, Galantino, M. L., Shockney, L.D., (2013). Cancer rehabilitation may improve function in survivors and decrease the economic burden to individuals and society. *Work: A journal of prevention, assessment and rehabilitation*, 46(4), 455-472. doi: 10.3233/WOR-131755.

### **Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications**

\* denotes graduate student co-author

Kurian, S\*, Kramer, J., Orouke, B., Rocco, C., & **Newman, R.** (in press). A meaning-making, occupation-based approach to promote occupational engagement and quality of life in adults living with life-threatening illness. *OT Practice*.

**Newman, R.**, & Yawitz, A\*. (2020). Chemotherapy induced peripheral neuropathy. Created for: Sharsharet, A Jewish Breast Cancer Organization.

Ito, E., Benchic, M., **Newman, R.**, & Cooper, C. (2019). Compassionate care in hand therapy: What's love got to do with it? *American Society of Hand Therapy Times*, 26 (3),16-19.

**Newman, R.**, & Campbell, C. (2013, March). An occupational therapy perspective in addressing breast cancer-related cognitive dysfunction in the survivorship phase. *Physical Disabilities Special Interest Section Quarterly*, 36(1), 1-4.

American Occupational Therapy Association. (2011). Living with breast cancer. Bethesda, MD: Author.

American Occupational Therapy Association. (2011). The role of occupational therapy in oncology: Bethesda, MD: Author.

### **Books and Edited Work**

Braveman, B., & **Newman, R.** (Eds.) (2020). *Cancer and occupational therapy: Enabling performance and participation across the life span*. AOTA Press.

DeJuliis, E.D., & Hellested, S. (2017). Breast cancer: The role of occupational therapists. (**Robin Newman**, Ed.) Brockton, MA: Western Schools.

**Newman, R.** (2017). Cancer Series Module 4: Cancer associated cognitive impairment (Claudine Campbell & Lauro Munoz, Eds.). Bethesda, Maryland: American Occupational Therapy Association.

## **Book Chapters**

**Newman, R.** (2020). Cancer Related Cognitive Impairment. In *Cancer and Occupational Therapy: Enabling Performance and Participation Across the Life Span* (pp. 213-223). Braveman & Newman (Eds). AOTA Press.

Sleight, A., & **Newman, R.** (2020). Special Considerations for Older Adults. In *Cancer and Occupational Therapy: Enabling Performance and Participation Across the Life Span* (pp.89-99). Braveman & Newman (Eds). AOTA Press.

**Newman, R.,** & Hunter, B. (2020). Survivorship. In *Cancer and Occupational Therapy: Enabling Performance and Participation Across the Life Span* (pp.153-160). Braveman & Newman (Eds). AOTA Press.

Bailey, M., & **Newman, R.** (2020). Sleep and Rest. In *Cancer and Occupational Therapy: Enabling Performance and Participation Across the Life Span* (pp.283-292). Braveman & Newman (Eds). AOTA Press.

Braveman, B., **Newman, R.,** Lyons, K., & Pergolotti, M. (2020). Work. In *Cancer and Occupational Therapy: Enabling Performance and Participation Across the Life Span* (pp.335-350). Braveman & Newman (Eds). AOTA Press.

## **Works in Progress/Submitted or under Contract**

Board Certification Physical Rehabilitation Preparation Course. American Occupational Therapy Association. Course Co-Editor and Instructor.

American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Oncology Rehabilitation Task Force

- Article: Loneliness and cognitive impairment in cancer survivors: The role of assessment and intervention for enhancing quality of life.
- Status: In Preparation

American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Outcomes Task force

- Article: Sleight, A.G., Livinski, A., Harrington, S., Flores, A.M., Gerber, N.L., Alfano, C., Marshall, T.F., Virani, A., Neves, R., Hu, X., Mitchell, S.,A., Varedi, M., Eden,M., Hayek, S., Ramat-Gan, I., Reigle, B., Kerkman, A., Jablonoski, K., Hacker, E., Sun, V., **Newman, R.,** McDonnell, K.K., L'Hotta, A., Schoenhals, A., & Stout, N.L. (under review). A systematic review of function-based interventions for cancer rehabilitation. *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*
- Status: Under Review

## **Invited Presentations, Lectures, Courses**

**Newman, R.** (October 21-22, 2021). The role of occupational therapy in cancer rehabilitation. University of Montreal, Department of Occupational Therapy, Montreal, Canada.

**Newman, R.** (February 6, 2021). Functional cognition and occupational therapy Implications for individuals living with cancer- related cognitive deficits: Current State of the Science. Virtual Occupational Therapy Association of California's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Oncology Symposium

**Newman, R.** (January 25, 2021). Breast cancer and occupational therapy. Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Soulmates Program, Boston, MA

**Newman, R.** (February 25, 2021). Cancer and cognition. Spaulding Cambridge Occupational Therapy Department, Cambridge, MA.

**Newman, R.,** & Jacobs, K. (June 14-21, 2020). The role of occupational therapy in breast cancer rehabilitation. Hebrew University, Department of Occupational Therapy, Jerusalem, Israel.

**Newman, R.,** Curlew, M., & Ellicks, M. (March 10, 2020). Decision-making in later life: Drivers and their families, safety, and mobility. Conversations for Caring: Greater Lynn Senior Services, Lynn, MA.

**Newman, R.** (May 20, 2019). Breast cancer and occupational therapy. Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Soulmates Program, Boston, MA

Baum, C.M., Dawson, D.R., **Newman, R.,** Rodakowski, J., & Wolf, T.J. (April 20, 2018). State of the Science Symposium: Functional cognition-The OT lens on occupational performance. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Newman, R.** (January 29, 2015). Natural healing aids and therapies: Occupational therapy strategies for cognitive changes (“Chemobrain”) and fatigue. Cancer Care Center, Boston Medical Center.

**Newman, R.** (October 26, 2013). OT interventions for common problems in survivors: Cancer related fatigue, mild cognitive impairment and chemotherapy induced peripheral neuropathy. Advances in Cancer Rehabilitation and Survivorship Care. Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts.

**Newman, R.** (April 16, 2012). Breast cancer survivorship: Evidence-based priorities for occupational therapy intervention. University of Illinois, Department of Occupational Therapy

### **Peer-reviewed Presentations**

\* denotes graduate student co-author

Van Dyk, K., **Newman, R.,** Hite, S., Asher, A., Kelly, N., Strang, J., Maguire, A., Engle, J., Weyer Jamora, C. (2021) Cognitive rehabilitation for cancer related cognitive impairment: The era of telehealth (September 28, 2021). American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference,

Langer, D., **Newman, R.,** Jacobs, K., Bar-Haim Erez, A. (September 15, 2021). The 'Take Action' program for cancer related cognitive impairments in women with breast cancer: US & Israel collaboration. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual COTEC-ENOTHE Conference, Prague, Czech Republic

Van Dyk, Maguire, A., Weyer Jamora C, Hite S, Ozer B, & **Newman, R.** (October 21, 2020). End of life supportive care in neuro-oncology: The role of cognitive rehabilitation. American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas.

Kaldenberg, J., **Newman, R.,** & Emmert, C\*. (2020, June). What is the evidence for the effectiveness of self-management interventions within the scope of occupational therapy practice on the performance of education, work, volunteering, leisure and social participation among community-dwelling adults with

chronic conditions? Recorded presentation. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition.

Kaldenberg, J., Kurian, S\*., McDonnell, H\*., & **Newman R.** (2020). Supporting health maintenance & management through occupational engagement: A case study of a cancer survivor experiencing housing insecurity. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition.

Van Dyk, K., Kelly, N., Engle, J., Hite, S., Weyer, C., & **Newman, R.** (November 7, 2019). Cognitive impairment and rehabilitation in brain tumor patients. American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois

**Newman, R.** Ortiz-Hernandez, S., Strang, J., & Asher, A. (November 8, 2019). Loneliness and social isolation: Implications for cognitive health in cancer. American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois

Radomski, M., **Newman, R.**, Sleight, A., & Lyons, K. (April 6, 2019). Research examining cancer survivors' participation in life roles: Implications for OT practice and research (Short course 327). American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. New Orleans, Louisiana.

Van Dyk, K., Asher, A., Engle, J., Hite, S., **Newman, R.**, Kelly N.C., & Padgett, L.S. (2018). Assessing and treating cancer-related cognitive impairment: Multidisciplinary perspectives for providing care. American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, Dallas, Texas.

**Newman, R.**, Lyons, K., Festa, K., & Ko, N. (March 30, 2017). Feasibility and Acceptability of the *Take Action* Program for Breast Cancer Survivors. (Poster Presentation 3105). American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Newman, R.**, Cohn, E., & Brick, R\*. (March 30, 2017). Occupational Performance Challenges in Cancer Survivorship: The Silent Sequelae. (Poster Presentation 5043). American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Longpre, S.M., Baxter, M.F., **Newman, R.**, & Polo, K.M. (December 3, 2016). Cancer Survivorship as a Chronic Condition; Implications for Occupational Therapy (Poster Presentation). American Occupational Therapy Specialty Conference on Chronic Conditions, Orlando, Florida.

Ganz, P., Patel, S., Van Dyk, K., Radomski, M., **Newman, R.**, Padgett, L., & Asher, A. (November 2, 2016). Cognitive Complaints in Cancer Patients: Understanding the Problem and Clinical Applications (#153). American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

Campbell, C., Lyons, K., Munoz, L., & **Newman, R.** (April 9, 2016). Oncology Rehabilitation: What OT Practitioners Need To Know. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 97<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Chicago, Illinois.

Campbell, C., Munoz, L., & **Newman, R.** (April 17, 2015). Cognitive Rehabilitation for Cancer Survivors: Occupational Therapy's Role with Cancer Related Cognitive Dysfunction. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Nashville, Tennessee

**Newman, R.,** & Lyons, K. (April 16, 2015). Improving the Integration of Occupational Therapy Services in Adult Cancer Rehabilitation. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Nashville, Tennessee

**Newman, R.,** Lyons, K., & Magasi, S. (October 10, 2014). Disability within the Context of Breast Cancer Screening, Treatment and Survivorship. American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Annual Conference, 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada.

**Newman, R.,** & Coster, W. (April 4, 2014). An Occupation Based Self-Management Program for Breast Cancer Survivors. American Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference and Exposition. 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Baltimore, Maryland.

**Newman, R.** (May 10, 2013). Breast Cancer Self-management Program Pilot Testing and Program Redesign (Poster Presentation). Second Annual OT Summit of Scholars. University of Illinois at Chicago.

Bonacci, L., Campbell, C., Stimler, L., Munoz, L., Lyons, K., **Newman, R.,** & Hughes, J. (April 24, 2013). Oncology for Occupational Therapy 101 (Pre-Conference Institute 011). American Occupational Therapy Annual Conference and Exposition. 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, San Diego, California.

**Newman, R.** (April, 26, 2012). Take Action: A self-management program for breast cancer survivors (Poster presentation 2025). American Occupational Therapy Annual Conference and Exposition. 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual American Occupational Therapy Conference and Exposition, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Bonacci, L., **Newman, R.,** Munoz, L. (April 28, 2012). PDSIS Annual Program: Occupational therapy and oncology-from acute care to palliative care and survivorship (Workshop 300). 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual American Occupational Therapy Annual Conference and Exposition. Indianapolis, Indiana

Finlayson, M., Preissner, K., Stout, K\*. & **Newman, R.** (June 4, 2010). Participants progress through a teleconference-delivered fatigue management program. (Poster presentation S038). *Scientific Abstract Book Multiple Sclerosis: Sustaining Care, Seeking a Cure (p.78)*. 24th Annual Meeting of the Consortium of MS Centers, San Antonio Texas.

### **Media Interviews**

October 2020: Interviewed by Ted McKenna, Editor for *OT Practice*, for an article entitled “Questions and Answers with Brent Braveman and Robin Newman, Editors of Cancer and Occupational Therapy-AOTA”. Article can be retrieved from: <https://www.aota.org/Publications-News/otp/Archive/2020/braveman-newman-interview.aspx>

June 2020: Interviewed by Liz Cohn-Stuntz on topics of cancer related cognitive impairment and work for book entitled” Coping with Cancer: DBT Skills to Manage Your Emotions-and Balance Uncertainty with Hope. Book can be retrieved from: <https://www.routledge.com/Coping-with-Cancer-DBT-Skills-to-Manage-Your-Emotions--and-Balance-Uncertainty/Stuntz-Linehan/p/book/9781462542024>

June 2012: Interviewed by Rehab Management for an article entitled “AOTA provides summer tips for lymphedema patients” Article can be retrieved from: <https://rehabpub.com/miscellaneous/aota-provides-summer-tips-for-lymphedema-patients/>



## **Grant Support**

2021-2022      Project Title: Eliciting Perspectives of Parents and Primary Caregivers Living with and Beyond Cancer to Guide Supportive Program Development in Community Based Outpatient Oncology Settings. Awarding Body: Boston University College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College; PI: Robin Newman, OTD, 02/2021 – 02/2022; Amount: \$8000;

This project also received support from an anonymous donation of \$5000 from a Donor Advised Fund to continue work on project; 08/2021.

2017-2019      Project Title: Feasibility, Acceptability and Preliminary Effectiveness of an Occupation-Based Self-Management Program for Breast Cancer Survivors. Awarding Body: Dudley Allen Sargent Research Fund - Boston University College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College; 2017-2019; Role: PI; \$7000.

2015-2017      Project Title: Feasibility Study of Take Action: An Occupation Based Self-Management Program. Awarding Body: Boston University CTSI; Role: Co-PI: Dr. Robin Newman and Dr. Naomi Ko, 2015-2017. \$20,000.

## **Teaching**

### **In Person Teaching EL-OTD Program**

Fall 2014-present      OT 502 Integrative Seminar  
This graduate course in occupational therapy is the third course in a sequence designed to develop clinical reasoning by integrating course-related knowledge with weekly fieldwork experiences. The course uses problem-based case scenarios and fieldwork experiences to practice reasoning about evaluation and intervention for person of all ages with a variety of disabling conditions. Students apply client-centered, occupation and evidence-based practice concepts to their evaluation and intervention plans. (4 cr)

Fall 2014-Fall 2020      OT 564 Skills for Occupation Based Practice  
This companion course to OT563 Context and OT502 Integrative Seminar III emphasizes the development of assessment and intervention skills for working with individuals living with chronic conditions likely to benefit from compensatory and adaptive strategies. Students have opportunity for hands-on practice in selecting, administering, and interpreting assessments, as well as choosing and implementing occupation-based interventions. Best practice is promoted by requiring students to support their assessment and intervention choices through theoretical and empirical evidence. (4 cr)

Spring 2015-present      OT 562 Learning and Behavior Change  
This graduate course in occupational therapy is designed to examine interdisciplinary theories and methods of learning and behavior change that inform current OT theoretical approaches and interventions. The course explores the impact of various clinical conditions and cognitive function on learning and behavior change. Readings, independent learning and group activities are combined with assignments focused on 1) analyzing theory as a guiding principle

in designing evidence-based, occupation and client centered interventions, and 2) demonstrating an understanding of selected occupational therapy assessments that include a metacognitive or dynamic component, including knowledge of assessment procedures and clinical implications of assessment findings. Class participation and independent learning are an essential aspect of this course. Class format is lecture and application discussions. (4 cr)

- Spring 2015-present OT 530 Occupation Based Practice with Groups  
This Level I Fieldwork Practicum and Integrative Seminar in Occupational Therapy is the culminating course in a four-semester course sequence. It is designed to enhance clinical reasoning by integrating knowledge and skills from current and previous courses with a weekly fieldwork experience. Students use principles of program development, needs assessment, group intervention planning and implementation, along with theory and research evidence, to design and co-lead occupation-centered groups in a variety of practice settings and contexts with child, adult and elder populations. Readings, independent learning, and group supervision are combined with assignments specific to planning and leading a group. Class participation and independent learning are an essential aspect of this course.
- Summer 2018-2019 OT 942 Health and Wellness Promotion  
This on-line graduate course focuses on occupational therapy's role in developing theory-driven and evidence-based health promotion programs. Students learn theoretical perspectives and intervention models guiding health promotion programs for an individual or groups of people, with and without disabilities, and in a variety of settings. Students will examine effective teaching strategies for learners across the life course with a range of health literacy needs and apply effective teaching strategies to communicate health and wellness initiatives. (4 cr)

### **On Line Teaching-EL OTD Program**

- Spring 2018-present OT 946: Preparation for Doctoral Experiential Component  
To prepare for the Doctoral Experiential Component this course will guide students through the 2nd Doctoral Project task: thoroughly evaluating and synthesizing the literature on existing methods for addressing the proposed problem to be addressed in the Doctoral Project. This review of the literature will provide the foundation for the rationale, design, and methods for the student's proposed response to the problem. Please refer to Doctoral Project Supervision for student projects I have supervised. (2 cr)
- Summer 2018-present OT 947: Mentored studies in Doctoral Experiential Component  
This on-line course provides students with concurrent mentoring from their faculty advisor and peer mentor while they are completing the doctoral experiential component. Students meet on-line in small mentoring sections with their faculty advisor throughout the doctoral experiential component. Students will complete the 3rd Doctoral Project task: design and implement an intervention or program that is guided by current theory and best evidence. Students will develop a model for the hypothesized mechanisms of action of a particular intervention or program and incorporate a feasible and effective

method for evaluation within the design of the program to be implemented during the doctoral experiential component in the situation of practice. (4 cr)

Summer 2018-present OT 948: Mentored Doctoral Experiential Dissemination

In this course students complete their culminating Doctoral Project and disseminate the findings from their scholarly work, relating theory to practice and demonstrating synthesis of advanced knowledge. The students present their Doctoral Project and discuss findings in a professional forum related to their selected area: clinical practice, research, leadership, program and policy development, advocacy, education or theory development. Development of individualized learning objectives for the dissemination, plan for dissemination and evaluation of student performance objectives occurs in collaboration with the student, Doctoral Project academic mentor and mentor in the situation of practice with expertise in one of the above areas. (2 cr)

Summer 2019-present OT 949: Doctoral Experiential Component

This doctoral experiential component is an in-depth experience in one or more of the following student-selected areas: clinical practice, research, leadership, program and policy development, advocacy, education or theory development. This experience is designed to support advanced skills the student's selected area. The experience is a minimum of 14 full-time weeks (560 hours). Development of individualized learning objectives, assignments and evaluation of student performance objectives occurs in collaboration with the student, Doctoral Project mentor and mentor in the situation of practice with expertise in one of the above areas. (0 cr)

### **Service to the Profession**

2018

American Occupational Therapy Foundation

Invited Planning Committee Member, American Occupational Therapy Foundation Planning Grant Collective: Catalyzing Research to Optimize Participation in Work and Life Roles of Cancer Survivors

2016

National Cancer Institute

Invited Subject Matter Expert Roundtable Member. National Cancer Institute Roundtable "Evidence-Based Approaches for Optimizing Employment Outcomes among Cancer Survivors"

2016-present

Boston Medical Center, Cancer Support Services

I actively volunteer for a variety of programs and committees within the cancer support services within the Department of Hematology and Oncology:

- Head and Neck Cancer Support Group
- Work and Cancer Support Group
- Breast Cancer Self-Management Group
- Commission on Cancer Survivorship Committee Member

2015-present

American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine

Cancer Rehabilitation Networking Group

- Member, Research and Outcome Task Force, 2019-present

- Co-Chair, Oncology Cognitive Rehabilitation Task Force, 2018-present
- Member, Oncology Cognitive Rehabilitation Task Force, 2015-present
- Member, Cancer Rehabilitation Advocacy and Outreach Task Force, 2015-2016

2014 WORK: A Journal of Prevention, Assessment & Rehabilitation

- Invited Guest Editor; Special Issue on Cancer and Work

2011-present American Occupational Therapy Association

- AOTA Media Expert-Lymphedema and Cancer Survivorship, 2011-present
- Oncology Network Manager, OT Connections, 2014-2016

## **Service Activities at Boston University**

### **Sargent College**

2021 – 2022 Chair: Faculty Search Committee, Department of Occupational Therapy  
 2019-2020 Faculty Search Committee Member, Department of Occupational Therapy  
 2018-2019 Faculty Search Committee Member, Department of Occupational Therapy  
 2015-2021 Sargent College Committee on Policy and Procedure

- Chair, SAR-CAPP, 2018-2020
- Committee Member, 2015-2021

2018-2020 Sargent College Faculty Council, Member

2015 Lead the Way Symposium, Co-Coordinator  
 2018-present Entry Level OTD Student Advisor  
 2015-2018 MSOT Student Advisor  
 2015-present OT Graduate Admissions Committee Member

## **Memberships**

American Occupational Therapy Association	2000-Present
American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine	2015-Present
Association of Driver Rehabilitation Specialists	2008-2019

## **Mentoring**

### **OTD Student Mentoring**

2021

- Laura Stursburg (primary mentor)
- Brianna Pinto (primary mentor)
- Tanisha Catule (primary mentor)
- Kaitlyn Seckar (primary mentor)
- Amy Aceto (primary mentor)

2020

- Marissa Buckminster (primary mentor)
- Andrey Rybicki (primary mentor)
- Jillian Fernandez (primary mentor)
- Sharon Kurian (primary mentor)
- Maggie Carter (primary mentor)
- Rose Duffy (committee member-University of Illinois at Chicago)

2019

- Rachael Wong (primary mentor)
- Megan Bailey (primary mentor)
- Nikoletta Livingston (primary mentor)
- Madeline Emerson (primary mentor)
- Grace Kelso (primary mentor)

2017

- Elvina Oey ( pp-OTD primary mentor)

2014

- Moira Priven (committee mentor)
- Emily Frank (committee member)

#### Master's Thesis

2016

- Rachelle Brick (primary mentor)

#### Professional memberships

American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine

American Occupational Therapy Association

#### Special positions, honors and awards

2020	Fellow, American Occupational Therapy Association
2019	Service Commendation, American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine
2019	Dean's Summer Scholarship; Awarding Body: College of Health and Rehabilitation Science, Boston University; \$8000. Award for participation in a systematic review of cancer rehabilitation interventions
2015-2017	Dean's Summer Scholarship; Awarding Body: College of Health and Rehabilitation Science, Boston University; \$8000. Award for scholarship in breast cancer survivorship and occupational therapy
2015	Teaching and Learning Course Innovation Grant; Awarding Body: Boston University Center for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching and Learning, \$1000
2014	Excalibur Award for Teaching Excellence, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Illinois at Chicago