

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **PERSONAL**

Ryan Durkin  
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### **FORMAL EDUCATION**

*Boston University*

Occupational Therapy Doctorate August 25, 2022

Title of Doctoral Project:

*ageWISE: Increasing access to preventive occupational therapy for older adults*

*University of Illinois at Chicago*

Master of Science in Occupational Therapy July 19, 2013

*Elmhurst University*

Master of Business Administration May 27, 2006

*DePaul University*

Bachelor of Science in Human Computer Interactions June 14, 2003

### **CREDENTIALS**

Registered Occupational Therapist by the National Board for Certification in  
Occupational Therapy (NBCOT)

### **LICENSED**

Licensed Occupational Therapist, Illinois

### **TRAININGS**

Indiana Hand to Shoulder Hand Care Certification April 2022

IASTM Practitioner Certification Jan 2019

AOTA Lifestyle Redesign Badge Jan 2019

Summit Hand, Wrist and Elbow Certification

July 2018

AOTA Fieldwork Educator Certification

November 2016

ILOTA Modalities Certification

October 2016

## **POSITIONS HELD (Occupational Therapy)**

*Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL*

May 2022 – Current

- Evaluation and treatment of participants in Older Adult Home Modification Program
- Usability analyst for surveys used by participants and team members associated with Older Adult Home Modification Program

*Rush Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, IL*

May 2016 – Current

- Evaluation and treatment of inpatient and outpatient clients
- Instructor in diabetes clinic for Project Lifestyle Change program
- Occupational therapy team member and clinician for Rush's Older Adult Home Modification Program
- Created a therapeutic garden with accessible gardening beds and walking path for use by all rehabilitation disciplines to engage inpatients in occupation centered care
- Consulted with architects on development of accessible kitchen and dining area for use in therapy with hospital inpatients
- Level I and II Fieldwork educator for University of Illinois-Chicago, Rush University, and Elmhurst University students

*West Suburban Medical Center, Chicago, IL*

October 2014 – May 2016

- Evaluated and provided client centered occupational therapy treatment for patients in intensive, acute, and subacute care using FIM as well as MOHO and COPM assessments
- Created gardening program in hospital courtyard to further engage patients in occupation-based treatment and to educate on healthy food choices to help prevent disease
- Level I Fieldwork educator and joint educator for two Level IIA students

## **POSITIONS HELD (Other)**

*Software Quality Engineer Team Lead*

*Accenture, Chicago, IL*

January 2005 – August 2011

- Led international team of 8 analysts over multiple software testing projects, aiding in their development of testing and system knowledge while ensuring overall quality of deliverables

## **SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

American Occupational Therapy Association

American Society of Hand Therapists

Illinois Occupational Therapy Association

University of Illinois at Chicago Urban Allied Health Academy

## **SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS**

Rush Education and Career Hub

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## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

University of Illinois at Chicago Beatrice D. Wade Clinical Educator Award 2019

University of Illinois at Chicago Beatrice D. Wade Clinical Educator Award 2017

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Durkin, R.** (in press). Rush Oak Park Hospital garden program case study. In A. Wagenfeld & S. Marder. *Take it outside: Reconceptualizing where therapy is provided*. St. Louis, MO; Mosby, Inc.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Wagenfeld, A. and **Durkin, R.** (2022, December). *First Thursday occupation circle: Introducing the ageWISE preventive health program for older adults*. [Virtual presentation]. Guest lecturer at Boston University. Boston, MA, United States.

**Durkin, R.** (2022, April). *Preventive occupational therapy programming for older adults*. [Virtual presentation]. Guest lecturer at University of New Hampshire Department of Occupational Therapy. Durham, NH, United States.

**Durkin, R.** (2021, July 22). *Occupational therapy: What I wish I knew before I started my first job*. [Virtual presentation]. Speaker at Rush Education and Career Hub. Chicago, IL, United States.

**Durkin, R.** (2021, July 9). *Career panel series: Pathways to allied health.* [Virtual panel].

Panel speaker at Rush Education and Career Hub. Chicago, IL, United States.

**Durkin, R.** (2019, April). *Improving quality of life through acquisition of health-promoting*

*habits and routines.* Speaker at Rush Oak Park Hospital therapy department in-service.

Oak Park, IL, United States.

**Durkin, R.** (2018, April). *Optimizing sleep in a hospital setting to improve occupational*

*performance.* Speaker at Rush Oak Park Hospital therapy department in-service. Oak

Park, IL, United States.

Diaz, D. and **Durkin, R.** (2017, May). *Occupational therapy month: What is occupational*

*therapy?* Co-speaker at Rush Oak Park Hospital grand rounds. Oak Park, IL, United

States.