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Education

06/2005, University of California Irvine, Master of Arts in Social Science with a Concentration in Demography and Social Analysis (Course Focus: Social Inequality).

05/2003, Vanguard University, Bachelor of Arts in Sociology. Outstanding Student Department of Sociology Award in 2003.

02/1999, Ozark Technical Community College, Emergency Medical Technician—Basic.

Certifications & Training

10/2014, Association for Applied and Clinical Sociologists, Certified Applied Sociologist (CAS)/Certified Sociology Practitioner (CSP)

12/2013, The Doula Foundation/DONA, Postpartum Doula Training.

08/2013, The Doula Foundation/DONA, Birth Doula Training. Labor Support Professional (LSP)

Current Employment Positions

02/2023-Present, Co-Owner, Hedge Apple Farms LLC

01/2014-Present, GO LEAD Coordinator, Instructor of Sociology, Member of the Sociology and Anthropology Ozarks Poverty Research Working Group, Former Interim Director of Community Based Research at the Center for Community Engagement, Former Assistant Director of the Center for Social Science and Public Policy Research, Missouri State University.

10/2007-Present, Founder & CEO, The Grantwell, LLC.

Committee and Board Memberships

06/2020-Present, Missouri Jobs With Justice, Workers Rights Board Member

01/2018-Present, Prosper Springfield, Data Committee Member

08/2015-Present, Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology, Member, Certified Sociology Practitioner 2015-2022 Certification Committee Voting Member

08/2013-Present, Community Partnership of the Ozarks, Child Abuse and Neglect Collaborative, Member

02/2019-02/2022, Council of Churches of the Ozarks, Board Member

11/2011-12/2018, Mayor's Commission on Human Rights and Community Relations, Springfield, MO, Commissioner, Vice Chair

09/2016-12/2017, Impacting Poverty Commission/Together Springfield, Data Committee Chair

01/2016-12/2017, Community Partnership of the Ozarks Impacting Poverty Collaborative, Chair

Peer Review Experience

10/2015-10/2016, Introduction to Sociology Text Selections, McGraw-Hill. Peer Reviewer

04/2010-10/2016, On-Going Media Articles by the Rev. Al Miles, Peer Reviewer

04/2010, Domestic Violence: What Every Pastor Needs to Know (2nd Edition). Author: Rev. Al Miles, Augsburg-Fortress Press. Peer Reviewer.

05/2005, Ending Violence in Teen Dating Relationships: A Resource Guide for Parents and Pastors. Author: Rev. Al Miles, Augsburg-Fortress Press. Peer Reviewer.

Books Authored or Edited

2018, The Basics of Sociology: Applying The Sociological Imagination, Editor, Cognella Publishing. ISBN: 9781516513529

2015, Grant Writing 101: Your Essential Guide to NonProfit Grant Acquisition, Author. ISBN: 9781483540122

Selected Academic and Community Based Research Publications

08/2017-Present, Annual Springfield Community Gardens USDA Grant Evaluation Reports for 4 Different USDA Grant Programs, Christina Ryder and Grantwell, LLC staff.

11/2011-Present, "Bi Annual Springfield High Risk and Homeless Youth Survey Results". Christina Ryder with various annual faculty and student contributors

09/2022, "Report of 'Least of These, Inc' Food Pantry Food Insecurity Survey 2022", Christina Ryder and Sadie Hutchinson.

07/2021, 'Perceptions of Poverty in Springfield, Missouri: Causes, Consequences, and Proposed Solutions' Christina Ryder, Missouri State University EJournal of Public Affairs.

04/2017-04/2021, NorthWest Project Annual Report, Christina Ryder and Amy Blansit with various annual contributors.

10/2020, "Perceptions of Poverty Springfield Missouri Report", Christina Ryder, Dan Prater, Dr. Scott Smith, Aaron Schekora, Emily Aderhold, and Hannah Major.

12/2016, "Springfield MO Poverty Commission Annual Report", Cora Scott, Christina Ryder, and Amy Fouse.

09/2016, "Springfield Area Congregations Study: Profile and Community Engagement" Dr. Catherine Hoegeman, Dan Prater, Christina Ryder, and Matt Gallion.

08/2016, "Ozarks Literacy Council, The Greater Ozarks YMCA, and the Community Foundation of the Ozarks, Community Grant Evaluation Report." Christina Ryder and Nomachot Adiang.

07/2016, "Ozarks Literacy Council & The Missouri Career Center Literacy and Unemployment Report." Christina Ryder and Nomachot Adiang.

6/2015, "Facing our Youth: 2014 High-Risk and Homeless Youth Survey" Dr. Tim Knapp, Adam Bryson, and Christina Ryder.

12/2014, "Doula Services Evaluation: The Degree of Impact on High Risk, Low-Income Women's Birth Experience and Parenting Styles." Dr. Lisa Hall, Christina Ryder, and Jaime Orlando.

11/2014, "Springfield Missouri Annual Homeless Count 2014." Dr. Tim Knapp, Christina Ryder, and Adam Bryson.

08/2014, "Surviving Poverty." Christopher Kempke and Christina Ryder. In 2015, this report was chosen by the Springfield MO Impacting Poverty Commission as the report that would guide all 2015-2016 poverty activities.

11/2013, "The Faith Community and Child Abuse Prevention: Exploratory Survey Results." Christina Ryder and the CPO Faith Based Subcommittee of the Child Abuse and Neglect Collaborative.

04/2013, "The Ozarks 'One Door' Poverty Data Analysis Report", Christopher Kempke and Christina Ryder.

03/2013, "Encouraging Youth to Learn, Exceed, and Excel: The After School Learning Center and Recreational Programs of Teen Challenge of Southern California, Inc. (Annual Assessment Report)" Christina Ryder.

07/2011, "The Ozarks 'One Door' Poverty Data Analysis Report." Michelle Caplinger, Gail O'Conner, Christina Ryder, and Dr. Tim Knapp.

07/2011. "Assessing the Vulnerability of Homeless Population in Costa Mesa, CA." Dr. Edward J. Clarke and Christina Ryder.

07/2011. "Queen City Hustle Intake Assessment Analysis Report." Michelle Caplinger, Gail O'Conner, and Christina Ryder.

07/2011. "Community Partnership of the Ozarks 2007 Survey Assessment of Needy Families." Gail O'Conner and Christina Ryder.

06/2011, "Every One Counts Housing Vulnerability Survey (Greene County, MO)," Michelle Caplinger, Gail O'Conner, Dr. Tim Knapp, and Christina Ryder.

06/2011. "Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Faith and Community Based Support Initiative Promoting Responsible Parenthood Among Recovering Addicts and Ex-Offenders (Way Maker Ministries Harvey, LA Final Grant Report)". Christina Ryder.

12/2010. "The 2009 Orange County California Partnership Annual Homeless Report." Dr. Edward Clarke, Christina Ryder, and Orange County Partnership.

07/2009. "Enough is Enough Project Data & Analysis: Reducing Child Victimization through National Implementation Of Proven Internet Safety Strategies." Dr. J.C. Bowman and Christina Ryder.

05/2009. "Angel Food Ministries, Inc. USDA Food & Nutrition Service, Food stamp Program Participation Grant 2006-2008 Final Grant Evaluation Report." Christina Ryder.

Selected Academic And/Or Conference Presentations

2013-Present, GO LEAD Evaluation for NonProfits and Grant Writing for Nonprofits Workshop Sessions, GO LEAD Nuts & Bolts of Nonprofit Management, Missouri State University

2012-Present, Grant Writing from Good to Great and Advanced Grant Writing (Day Long Workshops), Missouri State University Office of NonCredit Programs and The Grantwell, LLC.

05/2022, "Evaluation of the Springfield Community Gardens Farmer Development Program," Ozarks Studies Association Conference, Springdale Arkansas

05/2022, "10 Effective Grant Strategies". Southwest Centers for Independent Living, Annual State Meeting, Branson, MO

10/2019, "Poverty, Data, and Community Engagement," Panel Participant, Leadership Springfield.

09/2016, "Social Change in Our Community", Panel Participant, Missouri State University Community Engagement Conference. `

04/2016, "Writing A Winning Grant Proposal," Drury University Center for Nonprofit Leadership Annual Nonprofit Sustainability Conference.

10/2015, "Doula Work as Applied Sociology," "Studying the Impact of Springfield, MO Congregations," and "Insights From A CSP", Annual Conference, Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology.

05/2015, "Evaluating Volunteer NonProfit Programs," Missouri State University and Drury University, Volunteer Management Conference.

10/2015, "Affairs of the Public: Our Work, Their Mission" Annual Conference, "Encouraging

Inclusiveness in Doing Sociology: Public and Private, Applied and Clinical”, Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology.

9/2014, “The DFMA Outcomes and Impact Report”, Poster Presentation, DONA/LAMAZE International Conference.

11/2011, “The Challenges of Education With Nothing: Applying Sociological Insights to Education,” The California Sociological Association (CSA) and the University of California Berkeley, CSA Annual Conference.

03/2011, “Applying Sociological Insights to Education,” The Pacific Sociological Association, Annual Meeting.

11/2005, “Ideal Number of Children and Correlated Variables in 1988, 1994 and 2002,” Southern Demographic Association (SDA), SDA Annual Demography Conference.

02/2005, “The Faith Community, Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence,” Peace and Safety International, Beyond Abuse: The Annual International Conference on Faith and Family Violence.

Selected Media (2013-2023)

10/2020: “Ozarks Residents Share Their Perceptions on Poverty In Just Released Study.” Available online at:
<https://www.ky3.com/2020/10/06/ozarks-residents-share-their-perceptions-on-poverty-in-just-released-study/>

04/2017: KOLR10 “Series on the NorthWest Project.” Available online at:
<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/analysis-local-organizations-fight-poverty/697920403>

02/2017: KOLR10 “Family Leave” Available online at:
<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/video?videoId=673226482&carousel=40001&index=1>

11/2016: “KOLR 10 Series on the Cliff Effect” Series available online at:
<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/fighting-poverty-the-cliff-effect>

11/2016: “Survey Reveals Factors in Youth Homelessness,” Article available at:
<http://www.news-leader.com/story/news/local/ozarks/2016/11/01/survey-reveals-factors-youth-homelessness/93107996>

09/16: “In Wake of Congregations Study, Officials Seek to Unify Resources Through Together Springfield.” Article available at:
<http://ksmu.org/post/wake-congregations-study-officials-work-unify-resources-together-springfield>

08/2016: “World Changers: Nonprofits Taking Business Landscape By Storm”. Radio interview. Available online at:
<http://ksmu.org/post/world-changers-nonprofits-taking-business-landscape-storm#stream/0>

05/2015, Empowering Women, Easing Transition to Motherhood. Radio Interview. Available online

at: <http://ksmu.org/post/empowering-women-easing-transition-motherhood>.

12/2013, All Springfield, MO News Outlets, Child Abuse and Neglect Collaborative, Co-Chair Faith Based Subcommittee Press Conference Presenter. Summary of Conference and Ryder Clip can be found online at:

http://www.ky3.com/news/local/new-coalition-in-greene-county-aims-to-prevent-child-abuse/21048998_23569078

04/2013, Springfield Business Journal, Featured Professional. Article available online at:

<http://sbj.net/main.asp?SectionID=48&SubSectionID=108&ArticleID=93705>

Languages

English and Fluent Spanish

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