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Curriculum Vitae

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Institute for Biosecurity
Saint Louis University School of Public Health
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Employment History:

Environmental Health: Assistant Professor 2007- Institute for Biosecurity: Senior Researcher Saint Louis University 2006-Present

Responsibilities include

- Developing and teaching courses in the online MS program.
- Researching information on a variety of public health issues including: avian flu, SARs, disaster preparedness and response, underserved populations, bioterrorism, plague and other pandemic and epidemic diseases.
- Consulting on and editing work in articles published by faculty at the Institute.
- Attending local, state and federal conferences and meetings on the topics of underserved populations and pandemic response.
- Developing, editing, and writing grants
- Review and response to dissertations, essays and projects by graduate students in public health.
- Writing coach for faculty and students
- Runs writing orientation session for all in-coming MPH students

Research Funding:

- Roche Pharmaceuticals, Pandemic preparedness in Prisons and Jails. Principal Investigator.
- Meridian, Development of educational materials and accompanying research for DuoDote injector, Project Director.

Center for Emergency Response and Terrorism – Consultant Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services 2006-2007

Responsibilities include:

- Coordination the writing of the Missouri State Avian Flu Response Plan
- Preparing the Missouri “Ready in 3” pandemic materials
- Researching information on Avian Influenza
- Coordinating communications between committees working on preparedness annexes for the state.

Cornerstone: The Center for advanced Learning: Assistant Director for Special Sessions, 2003-2005

Washington University, St. Louis MO

Responsibilities include:

- Advising and counseling students and faculty
- Teaching tailored time management, test taking and writing skills seminars
- Developing programs for and working with disadvantaged students
- Writing/Editing Cornerstone publications, P.R., website, grants

Director of Freshman Writing Program, 2001-2003

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

Responsibilities include:

- Creating, developing and implementing new curriculum of mandatory writing course for all incoming freshmen.
- Hiring, training, and overseeing instructors in the program
- Conducting ongoing assessment and review of the program

Education:

Saint Louis University School of Public Health, St. Louis, MO

MS in Biosecurity expected spring 2008

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

Ph.D., English Literature, May 2002

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

MA in English Literature May 1997

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

MFA in Creative Writing, May 1995

Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel

BA in English Literature, Education and Communications, 1984

Teaching Experience:

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

1994-2005

Taught all classes in English Composition, Creative Writing, MCAT prep, Graduate teacher training, student mentor training, and other classes tailored to the needs of particular student groups.

Publications:

1. Schwartz, RD. Pandemic influenza response plan for prisons and jails, Part I, Correctional Health Care Report, 7:1, 2006.

2. Schwartz, RD. Pandemic influenza response plan for prisons and jails, Part II, Correctional Health Care Report, 8:3, 2006.
3. Schwartz, RD. Plan now to prepare for a disaster, Correctional Health Care Report, 8:1, 2006.
4. Evans, RG, Schwartz, RD. Bioterrorism, Encyclopedia of Epidemiology. Ed. Sarah Boslaugh. Vol. 1. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2008.
5. Schwartz, RD, Evans, RG, Emerging Infections, Encyclopedia of Epidemiology. Ed. Sarah Boslaugh. Vol. 1. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2008.
6. Evans, RG, Schwartz, RD, Bioterrorism, ABC-CLIO Contemporary Issues Database, 2007.
7. Evans, RG, Schwartz, RD. Emerging Infection, in Darity, William A., Jr. International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, 2nd edition. 9 vols. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2008.
8. Schwartz, RD. Pandemic Response for Prisons and Jails. Institute for Biosecurity, Saint Louis University School of Public Health, 2006.
9. Schwartz, RD. The Impact of Correctional Institutions on Public Health during a Pandemic or Emerging Infection Outbreak. American Journal of Disaster Medicine. May/June 2008. In press.
10. Schwartz, R.D. Manual for Online Pedagogy. In preparation for Institute of Biosecurity.
11. Schwartz, RD. Stress Inoculation and Resilience Building for Disaster Situations. In preparation.