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Education

ScD	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas	2019	Allied Health Education
MPT	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, TX Las Vegas, Nevada	2005	Physical Therapy

Licensure

- Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, License #
- New Mexico State Board of Physical Therapy, License #PT3214
- State of New Mexico School Personnel, License #336912

Certifications

- ODNIS-IAOM Dry Needling Certification 2015
- BLS Provider. American Heart Association (expiration July 2024)

Employment

Jan 2023 – Present	Assistant Professor in Residence – Department of Physical Therapy, School of Integrated Health Sciences, Division of Health Sciences, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Oct 2022 – Jan 2023	Academic Clinical Coordinator – Physical Therapist Assistant Program, Clovis Community College, Clovis New Mexico
Aug 2013 – Oct 2022	PTA Program Director – Physical Therapist Assistant Program, Clovis Community College, Clovis New Mexico
Aug 2009 – May 2021	Contractor/Owner School-Based Physical Therapist – Tucumcari Public Schools, Fort Sumner Public Schools, House Public Schools, New Mexico
May 2018 – April 2020	Per Diem Physical Therapist – Roosevelt General Hospital, 42121 US-70, Portales, New Mexico, 88130
July 2005 – Sep 2013	Lead Staff Physical Therapist – Plains Regional Medical Center, 2100 MLK Blvd, Clovis, New Mexico, 88101

Peer Reviewed Scientific and Professional Presentations

1. Alexander J, Kuykendall R, **Varnado B**. Integrating Digital Skills Throughout the Curriculum Using Program Review. Achieving the Dream Rural Communities Institute – July 14, 2022

2. **Varnado B.** Transitioning to a Faculty Position in Higher Education, A Teaching Project
Clinical Dissertation, October 17, 2019

Current/Active Research Activity

1. Taylor L, Dobbs M, Aurelio R, Horn N, Terrana G, **Varnado B.** Rural Anatomy Academy. (In Progress: UNLV IRB approved as exempt)

Invited Presentations

1. Alexander J, Kuykendall R, **Varnado B.** Preparing and connecting students to careers in the digital economy. Achieving the Dream Webinar Series – October 26, 2022
2. **Varnado B.** Item Analysis: Clovis Community College Skill Fest-March 6, 2020
3. **Varnado B.** Radiology Technology lecture series for safe patient transport – Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020
4. **Varnado B.** Nursing education guest lecture neurologic rehabilitation – Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019
5. **Varnado B.** Nursing education guest lecture wound care intervention – Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019
6. **Varnado B,** Rapp G. SLO Map Development by Course: Clovis Community College General Education SLO Map Meeting-September 30, 2019
7. **Varnado B.** Transitioning to a Faculty Position in Higher Education: Clovis Community College- August 8-9, 2019
8. **Varnado B,** Walters T. DVT and Pulmonary Embolism Effect on Practice: TTUHSC-March 2016
9. **Varnado B.** PT Month and the Development of a PTA Program in the Region: Clovis Rotary-October 2015
10. **Varnado B,** Broom R, Austin S. Appropriate Feedback in the Academic Setting: TTUHSC- June 2015
11. Denny B, **Varnado B.** Sensorimotor Control & Learning for Low Back Pain: TTUHSC- March 2015
12. **Varnado B.** Radiological Evaluation for Shoulder Impingement: TTUHSC-March 2015
13. **Varnado B.** Essay Assessment in Allied Health: TTUHSC- October 2014
14. **Varnado B.** Biomechanical Principles of ACL Repair: TTUHSC-June 2014
15. **Varnado B,** McEwen H. Elementary Education Teacher Classroom Modifications: Tucumcari and Ft. Sumner Schools-2009- 2014
16. **Varnado B.** Transfer Safety: CCC Radiology Technician Program: February 2014 with student evaluations
17. **Varnado B.** Neural Flossing: PRMC Outpatient Therapy-2011
18. **Varnado B.** Transfer Training/Job Safety: PRMC Home Health employees- 2009-2012
19. **Varnado B.** OASIS Rehabilitation Referral: PRMC Home Health Nurses-2010-2011
20. Lingala K, **Varnado B.** Pre-Work Safety Trainings for PTA's: Ruan- 2010-2012
21. **Varnado B.** Fall Prevention: A Team Approach: PRMC Home Health and Outpatient-2010
22. **Varnado B.** Developmentally Disabled Caregiver Education: PRMC contract with ENMRSH 2010-2012.
23. **Varnado B.** Physical Therapy and Keeping You Home and Free from Injury: Home Health team-2010

Membership in Scientific/Professional Organizations

- American Physical Therapy Association (2004 to present)
- Academy of Education (2015 to present)
- Academy of Orthopedic Physical Therapy (2022 to present)
- Nevada Physical Therapy Association (2023 to present)
- New Mexico Physical Therapy Association (2004 to 2022)

Professional Service

- The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (2016)
 - Volunteer: Completed Item Writer Workshop. Submitted 40 exam questions for consideration for National Physical Therapist Assistant Exam

Consultative and Advisory Positions

- Consultant Feasibility Study for PTA Program (2022-2023)
- General Education Assessment Program Development Team (2018-2020)
- Advisory Boards
 - Student Physical Therapist Assistant Organization – CCC PTA Student Organization (Faculty advisor) (2015 to December 2022)
 - Women’s Initiative Network Advisory Board – United Way Eastern New Mexico, five-woman team coordinating fundraising and luncheons (2016-2020)
 - TAACCCT Advisory Committee, Allied Health Representative (2013-2017)
 - Infection Control Advisory Board Member – PRMC Hospital, analyzed infection control policies and procedures in the hospital and formulated educational techniques (2010-2012)
 - Pres Gainy Performance Review Committee – PRMC Hospital, analyzed patient outcome surveys and approved changes to policies and procedures following review, PRMC Home health (2011-2012)

Community Service

- UNLV Student Service-Learning Community Projects
 - Mentor groups of 4 to 8 DPT students for UNLVPT service-learning projects which provide pro-bono PT services to UNLV College of Fine Arts and Anatomy Academy for elementary children in a rural setting.
- UNLV Interprofessional Education Day (February, 2023)
 - Facilitated small group discussions related to complex patient case studies.
- United Way Women’s Initiative Network Member
 - Coordination of monthly luncheons and career closet (2014-2021)
- Clinical Instructor
 - DPT Students from Texas Tech, Marquette, University of NM (2006-2012)
 - Amarillo College PTA Students (2007-2012)

Services to the University/School/Department on Committees/Councils/Commissions

- University of Nevada Las Vegas
 - School of Integrated Health Sciences Department of Physical Therapy
 - Clinical Education Committee (Spring 2023-Present)
 - Admissions/Recruitment Committee (Spring 2023-Present)
 - Assessment Committee (Spring 2023-Present)
- Clovis Community College
 - Retention Council and Achieving the Dream Data Team (2021-2023)
 - Chair of Digital Literacy in the Academic Setting (2022)
 - Faculty Association of CCC
 - President (2021-2022)
 - Vice-President (2020-2021)
 - Calendar Committee member (2014-2017)
 - Assessment Committee (2017-2020)

- Emergency Response Team (2014-2022)
- Social Media Committee member (2014-2017)

Continuing Education Attended (last 5 years)

- APTA: Combined Sections Meeting 2017– San Antonio, TX, February 15-18, 2017 – 18 hours
- IAOM-US: Diagnosis and Management of the Elbow, April 2017 – 15 hours
- TTUHSC: HPPT 6322 Adv Clin Practice Elbow and Forearm – Summer 2017 – 3 credit hours
- TTUHSC: HPPT 7000 Clinical Project – Fall 2017 – 3 credit hours, Written examination
- IAOM-US: Diagnosis and Management of the Wrist and Hand, September 2017 – 15 hours
- TTUHSC: HPPT 7001 Clinical Project 2 – Spring 2018, Summer 2018 – 6 credit hours
- IAOM-US: Diagnosis and Management of the Hip and Pelvis, September 2018 – 15 hours
- CAPTE: Program Assessment Module, January 2019 – 1 hour
- NMHEAA: Summer Retreat, June 2019 – 30 hours
- Physio U: Online learning, April 2020 – 3 hours
- ACAPT: Online meetings, April-May 2020 – 4 hours
- ICE: Tools for Teaching Observation, July 2020 – 2 hours
- Certified Virtual Educator, August 2020 – 8 hours
- APTA: NEXT Conference, Virtual, June 2020 – 13 hours
- CAPTE: Self-Study Workshop for PTA Programs, Virtual, October 2020 – 15 hours
- APTA: Educational Leadership Conference, Virtual, October 16-18, 2020 – 13 hours
- APTA PTA Education Summit, Virtual, December 2021 – 8 hours
- Achieving the Dream Rural Communities Institute, Albany, NY July 2022 – 24 hours
- CCC: Latino/a Students Data-Based Initiatives to Increase Enrollment, Retention, and Support, October 12, 2022 – 1.5 hours
- Achieving the Dream: Webinar How to Leverage the PDP Fostering a Culture of Evidence: November 16, 2022 – 1.5 hours

Current Teaching Responsibilities in the Entry-Level DPT Program

- AY 2022-23
 - Spring 2023
 - DPT 732 – Therapeutic Exercise
 - DPT 732L – Therapeutic Exercise Lab
 - DPT 748 -- Pharmacology
 - DPT 765 – Supervised Clinical Education V
 - Summer 2024
 - DPT 789 – Musculoskeletal IV