

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Public Health

Doctor of Public Health, May 2005

Major: Health Promotion and Education Research and Development

Dissertation Topic: *Adolescent Tobacco Use: Studies of Prevalence, Factorial Validity, and Factorial Invariance between African Americans and Whites*, Chair: Steven H. Kelder, PhD

Southern University and A&M College, Baton Rouge, LA

Bridge Program with Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

Master of Science, May 1997

Major: Biology/Microbiology

Southern University and A&M College, Baton Rouge, LA

Bachelor of Science, December 1993

Major: Biology Minor: Microbiology

Professional Experience and Fellowships

Assistant Professor. Prairie View A & M University, Department of Health and Human Performance; 2008-Present, Prairie View, Texas

Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Department of Behavioral Science; 2008- Present

Post Doctoral Fellow. University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Department of Behavioral Science; Fall 2005-2008, Houston, TX,

Sr. Research Fellow. Texas Tobacco Prevention Initiative, Center for Health Promotion and Prevention Research, University of Texas-Houston School of Public Health; 2000-2005, Houston, TX.

Environmental Research Intern. Pew Health Commission on Environmental Health, Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, Summer 1999, Baltimore, MD.

Environmental Specialist II. Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality; 1997-1999, Baton, Rouge, LA.

Teaching

1. Prairie View A& M University (2008-Present), Undergraduate Lead Health and Human Performance Instructor: Courses Taught- Human Sexuality (HLTH 1023), Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases (HLTH 2023), Research and Contemporary Issues in Health (HLTH 3033), Applied Anatomy and Kinesiology (HUPF 3023), Fundamental of Basic Movement (HUPF 1082), Testing and Measurement (HUPF 3003).

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2. Prairie View A& M University Graduate School (2009-Present), Graduate Lead Instructor: Courses Taught- Contemporary Health (HLTH 5183), Medical Topics of Health Professions (HLTH 5143).
3. University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. CME Talk for Health Care Professionals. (Fall 2007), Invited Lecturer: Healthcare Team Approach to Cancer Prevention: Incorporating Smoking Cessation Counseling with Patient Care, Midland Memorial Hospital.
4. Houston Community College, Biology Department, (1999-2004), Adjunct Instructor, General Biology Lecture and Laboratory Classes.
5. Southern University and A&M University, Biology Department, (1996-1999), Instructor, General Biology, General Microbiology Classes.
6. Houston Independent School District, Fondren Middle School, (1995-1996), Teacher, Life Science and Earth Science Classes.

Teaching Assistant

1. University of Texas Health Science Center, School of Public Health, (Fall 2004), Teaching Assistant, Research Methods and Design.

Consultantships

Texas Southern University, Houston, TX, Consultant, The Impact of Safety Net Policies and Programs on the Continuity of Care of Medical Care: Hurricane Katrina Evacuee Community Case Study, (Mathur, PI), Spring 2007.

Texas Southern University, Houston, TX, Consultant, Exploring the Impact of Community Level Influences on College Student Sexual Health Belief and Behaviors: An HBCU Case Study, (Mathur, PI), Fall, 2006.

Honors & Awards

Who's Who In America, 2009.

Loan Repayment Program for Health Disparities Research, Award Renewal, National Institutes of Health, 2008-2010.

Loan Repayment Program for Health Disparities Research, National Institutes of Health, 2006-2008.

Inductee, Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health, The University of Texas School of Health, 2005.

Lawrence E. Lamb Scholarship, University of Texas-Houston School of Public Health, 2004.

Minority Access Research Center (MARC) Scholarship, National Cancer Institute, 1990-1993.

Research Support and Submissions

Co-Principal Investigator, Research Supplement (Prokorov, PI) Curbing Tobacco Use in Suburban and Rural Schools, Supplement to Promote Diversity in Health Related Research. Funded by NCI/NIH, 2 R01 CA081934-05A1; 2007-Present.

Co-Investigator, Spirituality, Religion and Health: Proposed Study: Grant to Be Submitted in Feb. 2010

Publications

Peer-Reviewed

1. Prokhorov AV, Kelder SH, Conroy JL, Shegog R, Murray N, Peters R, Cinciripini PM, de Moor C, Hudmon K, **Ford, K.** Project ASPIRE: An interactive multimedia smoking prevention and cessation curriculum for culturally diverse high school students. Part 1: Concept, intervention description, and baseline findings. *Substance Use and Misuse*, In Press
2. **Ford K**, Diamond P, Kelder S, Sterling K, McAlister A. Validation of scales measuring attitudes, self-efficacy, and intention related to smoking among middle school students. *Psychology of Addictive Behaviors*, 23(2):271-8, 2009.
3. Prokhorov AV, Kelder SH, Shegog R, Murray N, Peters R, Agurcia-Parker, C, Cinciripini PM, de Moor C, Conroy, J, Hudmon K, **Ford, K.**, Marani, S. Impact of A Smoking Prevention Interactive Experience (ASPIRE), an Interactive, Multimedia Smoking Prevention and Cessation Curriculum for Culturally Diverse High School Students, on Smoking Initiation at 18-Month Follow-up. *Nicotine and Tobacco Research*, 10(9), 4477-4485., 2008.
4. Prokhorov A, Yost T, Jones MM, de Moor C, **Ford KH**, Marani S, Kilfoy BA, Hein JP, Hudmon KS, Emmons KM. (2008) "Look at Your Health": Outcomes associated with a computer-assisted smoking cessation counseling intervention for community college students. *Addictive Behaviors*, 33(6), 757-771. Epub Pub Dec 2007.
5. Sterling, K, Diamond, P, Mullen, P, Pallonen, U, **Ford, K**, McAlister, A (2007) Smoking-related self-efficacy, beliefs, and intention: Assessing factorial validity and structural relationships in 9th-12th grade current smokers. *Addictive Behaviors* , Vol. 33, 9, 1863-1876.
6. Prokhorov, A, Winicoff, J, Ahluwalia, J, Ossip-Klein, E, Tanski, S, Lando, H, Moolchan, E, Muramoto, M, Klein, J, Weitzman, M, **Ford, K.** (2006) Youth tobacco use: a global perspective for child healthcare clinicians. *Pediatrics* 118(3), e890-903.
7. Shegog R, McAlister A, Hu S, **Ford K**, Meshack A, Peters R. (2005). Using interactive health communication to impact smoking intentions in middle school students: A pilot test of the "Head Butt" risk assessment program. *American Journal of Health Promotion* 19(5), 334-8.

Manuscripts under review

1. Sterling, K.L., Diamond, P.M., Mullen, P.D., **Ford, K.H**, and McAlister, A. Assessing factorial invariance of smoking-related self-efficacy, cognition and intention between 9th-12th grade current and former smokers in Texas. *Addictive Behaviors*
2. Prokhorov, A, Hudmon, K, Wetter, D, **Ford, K**, Marani, S. Long-Term results of training physicians and pharmacists in providing smoking cessation and sun protection counseling. *Archives of Internal Medicine*

Manuscripts in progress (selected)

1. **Ford K**, Diamond P, Kelder S, Sterling K, McAlister A. Testing the factorial invariance of smoking initiation attitudes, self-efficacy and intentions across African American and White adolescents: Evidence for partial measurement invariance. To be submitted to: *Nicotine and Tobacco Research*
2. **Ford, K**, Prokhorov, A, Hudmon, K, Marani, S. The Effects of Physicians Personal Health Practices and counseling behavior. To be submitted to *Journal of American Medical Association*
3. Marani, S, **Ford, K**, Shepphard, L, Prokhorov, A. Project Aspire: Smoking initiation among high risk baseline nonsmokers. To Be Submitted to *Health Education Research*.

Published Book Chapters

1. Prokhorov, A,V, **Ford, K,H**, Hudmon, K,S. Smoking Cessation. In Lung Cancer, Third Edition. Eds. J Roth, JD Cox, WK Hong. Blackwell Publishing: United Kingdom, 2008.

2. Prokhorov AV, **Ford KH**, Mullin Jones, M. Smoking Cessation among College Students: Challenges and Outcomes. In: Smoking Cessation: Theory, Interventions and Prevention. J. E. Landow (Ed). Nova Science Publishers, Inc. Hauppauge, New York, 2007.

Conference Presentations and Abstracts

Oral (selected)

1. **Ford, K.** Career Management: Lessons Learned, Lessons Shared. Westwood College, Houston, TX. October, 2009.
2. **Ford, K.,** Prokhorov, A. The "Teen Tobacco Use: A Continuum of Care". Keynote Speaker, Pennsylvania State University, PA Primary Care Network, April 14-16, 2009.
3. Branch-Vital, A, Wilson, B, Hale, W, **Ford, K.** TNAME Conference. Correlates of Condom Use among African-American Women in Harris County, Texas, , Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, Texas.
4. **Ford, K.,** Hill, K. Addressing Tobacco Use Among Youth: Project ASPIRE. Texas Teen Tobacco Summit, Comprehensive Tobacco Prevention Conference, July 27-30, 2008, The Woodlands, Tx.
5. **Ford, K.** Smoking Cessation Treatment Program for College Students: Preliminary Results, The International Society for the Prevention of Tobacco Induced Diseases, Nov. 2-4, 2007, Little Rock Arkansas.
6. **Ford, K.** ASPIRE CD Training for Middle School Teachers, Houston, TX., Available at: <http://www.mdanderson.org/departments/behavioralsci/dIndex.cfm?pn=F19A8A15-A6AF-4339-80C649024BBA8DB9>, 11/7-8, 2007.
7. **Ford, K,** Prokhorov, A, Hudmon, K, Stancic-Luca, N, Marani, S, Wetter, D, Fenlon, C. Impact of a Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Training Curriculum for Physicians. The Woodlands, TX.
8. **Ford, K** (Trainer), Grozdanich, Y. 6th Annual Environmental Health Sciences Institute, Center for Excellence at The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Science Park Research Division and the University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, 07/2006.

Poster (selected)

1. **Ford, K,** Prokhorov, A, Hudmon, K, Luca, N, Marani, S, Wetter, D, Fenlon, C. Impact of a Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Training Curriculum for Physicians. National Conference on Tobacco or Health, Minneapolis, MN, 10/24-26, 2007.
2. Prokhorov, A, Hudmon, K, Luca, N, **Ford, K,** Marani, S, Wetter, D, Fenlon, C, Gritz, E. Enhancing smoking Cessation Counseling by Health Care Providers. National Conference on Tobacco or Health, Minneapolis, MN, 10/24-26, 2007.
3. **Ford, K,** Diamond, P, Kelder, S, Sterling, K, McAlister, A. Confirmatory Factor Analysis of Measures of Attitudes, Self-Efficacy, and Intention as constructs of Adolescent Smoking Initiation; 2nd Biennial Career Development Workshop to Increase Diversity in Research Funding, National Cancer Institute, Palm Desert, CA, 9/6-8, 2006.
4. **Ford K,** Shegog R, Meshack A, Hu S, Peters R, McAlister A. Theory and data-based Internet technology for cost-effective smoking prevention. Poster presentation. National Conference on Tobacco or Health, Washington, DC, March 10, 2004.
5. **Ford K** and Meshack A. Gender and ethnic differences in Texas middle school students' resistance to tobacco use. Texas statewide teen tobacco prevention conference. The Woodlands, Texas. July 25-28, 2004.
6. Meshack A, Hu S, McAlister A, **Ford K,** Pallonen U. Tobacco prevention for Texas middle school students. Oral presentation. National Conference on Tobacco or Health, Boston, MA, December 12, 2003.
7. **Ford K,** Shegog R, Meshack, A. "Head Butt": Description of a computer-based smoking risk assessment program for middle school students. Teaching and Learning Day, University of Texas Health Science Center, February 2003.

8. **Hart-Ford K**, Meshack A, Lastrape J, Stelzig D. Texas Tobacco Prevention Initiative: Intervention, community outreach, and findings. Oral presentation. Texas Statewide Tobacco Education and Prevention (STEP) Conference, July 2002.

Editorial and Review Boards

14th World Conference on Tobacco or Health (WCOTH), Mumbai, India, Meeting Abstracts, 2008

American Society of Preventive Oncology (ASPO), Bethesda, Maryland, Meeting Abstracts, 2008

Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco (SRNT), Orlando, Florida, Meeting Abstracts, 2006

Professional Development & Additional Training (selected)

National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, Career Development Workshop to Increase Diversity in Research Funding, Maryland, 2009.

National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, 2nd Biennial Career Development Workshop to Increase Diversity in Research Funding, 2006.

CME Training Programs for Pharmacists and Physicians on Smoking Cessation and Skin Cancer Prevention (Trainer), Tobacco Outreach Education Program, Healthcare Team Approach to Cancer Prevention (Project TEAM), 11/2005-Present.

Professional Affiliations

2007	American Public Health Association (APHA)
2005	Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco (SRNT)
2009	Texas Association for Health, Physical Education and Dance (TAPHERD)
2009	Panther Association for Health, Physical Education and Dance

Service Obligations

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Member– A public service organization

American Heart Association – Adolescent substance abuse prevention counselor, Houston, TX

Public speaker for Houston churches and community-based organizations

M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Ambassador, Houston, TX

Black History Program Organizer, Department of Health and Human Performance, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX.

On-line class development, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX

Marriage Ministry, Assistant Director, Southwest Community Baptist Church, Houston, TX

Administrative Obligations

Co-Interim Department Chair, Department of Health and Human Performance, Prairie View A&M University, Fall 2009

Students (in Progress)

PhD,

Crystal Collins- Educational Leadership and Counseling, Member

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