

CURRICULUM VITAE
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (2024) Applied Experimental Psychology
Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
Major Area Paper: *Transgenerational Cycle of Sexual Trauma: A Developmental Psychopathology Perspective*
Dissertation: *Developmental Patterns and Social Determinants of Adolescent Polysubstance Use among Connecticut Youth*

M.S. (2016) Applied Experimental Psychology
Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
Thesis: *The Relationship between Resilience, Attachment, and Emotional Coping Styles*

B.S. (2011) Psychological Science, University Honors
Georgia College & State University, Milledgeville, GA

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2024 – **Lecturer**, Department of Psychology, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate-level Courses Taught:

Spring 2026	Advanced Quantitative Methods in Psychology (PSY533) University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI
Spring 2018	Regression and Correlational Design (PSY728/828) Teaching Assistant Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Undergraduate-level Courses Taught:

Fall 2024 – present	Quantitative Methods in Psychology (PSY200) University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI
Fall 2024 – present	Research Methods and Design in Behavioral Science (PSY301) University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI
Fall 2024 – present	Undergraduate Teaching Experiences in Psychology (PSY488) University of Rhode Island, Kingston RI
Fall 2016 – Fall 2017	Quantitative Methods (PSY317) Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
Fall 2013, Fall 2018	Quantitative Methods (PSY317) Teaching Assistant Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Fall 2014 – Spring 2016	Research Methods in Psychology (PSY318W) Teaching Assistant Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA
Fall 2013	Human Cognition (PSY410) Teaching Assistant Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

APPLIED & RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

2021 –	Statistical & Evaluation Consultant (Independent Practice)
2022 – 2024	Epidemiologist , Southeastern Regional Action Council, Norwich, CT
2024	Cannabis Prevention Coordinator , Southeastern Regional Action Council, Norwich, CT
2013 – 2019	Graduate Research Assistant , Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavioral Psychology Research and Analysis Team (2013-2019) • Early Family Lab (2014 – 2018) • Family Health Lab (2016 – 2017)
2017 - 2018	Volunteer Research Assistant , Child Abuse Program, Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters, Norfolk, VA

GRANTS & FUNDED PROJECTS

2022 - 2024	Strategic Prevention Framework – Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Role: Epidemiologist
2022 – 2024	Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking (STOP Act) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Role: Epidemiologist
2023 – 2024	State Opioid Response (SOR) Initiative Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Role: Epidemiologist

CONTRACTED PROGRAM EVALUATION

2022 –	Prevention in Connecticut Communities (PCC) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) Role: Independent Evaluator
2021 – 2023	Drug Free Communities (DFC) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Role: Independent Evaluator

PUBLICATIONS

- Long, M. M., Cramer, R.J., **Jenkins, J. K.**, Bennington, L., Paulson, J. F. (2019). A systematic review of interventions for healthcare professionals to improve screening and referral for perinatal mood and anxiety disorders. *Archives of Women's Mental Health*, 22, 25-36. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00737-018-0876-4>
- Kelley, M. L., Bravo, A. J., Hamrick, H. C., Braitman, A. L., White, T. D., & **Jenkins, J. K.** (2017). Parents' reports of children's internalizing symptoms: Associations with parents' mental health symptoms and substance use disorder. *Journal of Child & Family Studies*, 26, 1646-1654. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10826-017-0677-9>
- Porter, B. E., Neto, I., Balk, I., & **Jenkins, J. K.** (2016). Investigating the effects of Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons on pedestrian behavior and driver yielding: A quasi-experimental field study on a university campus. *Transportation Research Part F: Traffic Psychology and Behaviour*, 42, 509-521. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.trf.2016.05.004>

SELECTED TECHNICAL & POLICY REPORTS

Additional reports available upon request

Evaluative & Recommendation Reports

- **Jenkins, J. K.** (2025). *Groton Youth Substance Use: A Comprehensive Evaluation of Trends, Predictors, and Subgroup Insights (2012-2024)*. Jennika Jenkins Consulting for the Groton Alliance for Substance Use Prevention, Ledge Light Health District.
- **Jenkins, J. K.** & Duhaime, A. R. (2023). *Region 3 Priority Report 2022-2023*. Norwich, Connecticut: Southeastern Regional Action Council for the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Prevention and Health Promotion Division. https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/dmhas/publications/r3_serac_2023_priority_report_final_111423.pdf?rev=6ef933e07f5d4b11815da914e8aae7ee&hash=7BEEA6A2B2530519E4694520BBCA67F7

Youth & Community Survey Summary Reports

- **Jenkins, J. K.** (2026). *Griswold Youth Survey 2025: Youth substance use findings*. Prepared for the Griswold Partnership to Reduce the Influence of Drugs for Everyone (PRIDE). Jennika Jenkins Consulting.
- **Jenkins, J. K.** & Duhaime, A. R. (2024). *Killingly Youth Survey Summary Report*. Norwich, Connecticut: Southeastern Regional Action Council for the Killingly Youth Substance Prevention Coalition, Killingly CT.
- **Jenkins, J. K.** & Duhaime, A. R. (2023). *Ohana Youth Survey Summary Report*. Norwich, Connecticut: Southeastern Regional Action Council for the Ohana Center for Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health, Monterrey, CA.
- **Jenkins, J. K.** & Duhaime, A. R. (2022). *SERAC Community Survey Summary Report*. Norwich, Connecticut: Southeastern Regional Action Council.

Primary Research Reports

- Porter, B. E., Diawara, N., & **Jenkins, J. K.** (2019). *2019 Seat Belt Use in Virginia*. Norfolk, Virginia: Old Dominion University for the Virginia Highway Safety Office.
- Porter, B. E., & **Jenkins, J. K.** (2019). *2019 Virginians' self-reported perceptions of and actions involving targeted safe-driving behaviors*. Norfolk, Virginia: Old Dominion University for the Virginia Highway Safety Office.
- Porter, B. E., Diawara, N., & **Jenkins, J. K.** (2018). *2018 Seat Belt Use in Virginia*. Norfolk, Virginia: Old Dominion University for the Virginia Highway Safety Office.

Program Evaluation Reports

- Dodson, C., Fry, J., Hitson, P., **Jenkins, J. K.**, Turpin, K., & Vaughan, K. (2015). *Evaluating Readiness to Change within a Multidisciplinary Intervention Context for the CHKD Healthy You for Life Program*. Norfolk, Virginia: Old Dominion University for the Children's Hospital of the

- King's Daughters' Healthy You for Life Program, Norfolk, Virginia.
- Balk, I., Braitman, A., Bravo, A. J., Carmichael, A., Hollis, B., **Jenkins, J. K.**, Myers, D., Stamates, A. L. (2014). *The psychology program at South University in Virginia Beach: An evaluation of retention rates*. Norfolk, Virginia: Old Dominion University for South University, Virginia Beach Campus.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

- Jenkins, J. K.** (2024, October). *Youth at Risk: The Alarming Trends of Prescription Drug Misuse and Polysubstance Use among Eastern Connecticut Teens*. Talk presented virtually to CT DMHAS Region 3 in partnership with the Southeastern Regional Action Council, Norwich, CT.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2024, April). *Region 3 Stimulant Use Trends*. Talk presented virtually in partnership with Cara Zimmerman, MD, MBA, Brown University and New England Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network (PTTC) as part of a larger series entitled "Emerging Drug Trends: An Overview of Fentanyl/Xylazine Use and Stimulant Use in Eastern CT Communities."
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2024, April). *Region 3 Fentanyl & Xylazine Trends*. Talk presented virtually in partnership with Cara Zimmerman, MD, MBA, Brown University and New England Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network (PTTC) as part of a larger series entitled "Emerging Drug Trends: An Overview of Fentanyl/Xylazine Use and Stimulant Use in Eastern CT Communities."
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2024, March). *DMHAS Region 3 Youth Trends & Priority Report Selected Results*. Talk presented to the New London Community Connections Coalition (NLCCC).
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2023, December). *Regional Youth Survey Results 2021-2022*. Talk presented to the Regional Prevention Awareness Team Meeting, DMHAS Region 3, CT.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2023, October). *Review of State and Regional Suicide Data*. Talk presented to the Regional Suicide Advisory Board, DMHAS Region 3, CT.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2023, October). *DMHAS Region 3 Prioritization Report: Selected Results 2022-2023*. Talk presented to the Regional Prevention Awareness Team Meeting, DMHAS Region 3, CT.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2022, November). *East Lyme Schools Youth Survey 2022 Results*. Talk presented to the East Lyme Board of Education and publicly broadcasted on local media, East Lyme, CT.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2018, July). *Survey Interviewing Method: Skills & Techniques*. Training talk presented to Behavioral Psychology Research and Analysis Team (BPRATs) research lab at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2018, April). *Child Sexual Abuse*. Talk presented in Psychology of Women course at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.
- Jenkins, J. K.** (2018, February). *Resilience*. Talk presented in Community Health Psychology course at Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA.

Poster Presentations

- Jenkins, J. K.** & Paulson, J. F. (2017, May). Repressors and Resilience: Is there something going on under the surface? Poster presented at the 29th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Paulson, J. F., Ellis, K. T., **Jenkins, J. K.**, & Dindial, H. (2017, May). Perceptions of Causality in Perinatal Depression and Anxiety. Poster presented at the 29th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Jenkins, J. K.**, Hollis, B., Fehr, A., & Morey, F. (2016, August). Assessing Post-Legalization Marijuana Use in Colorado and Washington with a Quasiexperimental Design. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, Colorado.
- Parker, T. A., Roberts, L. B., **Jenkins, J. K.**, & Paulson, J. F. (2016, May). Psychometric Analysis of the Marital Messages Scale. Poster presented at the 28th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, Illinois.

- Hollis, B, **Jenkins, J. K.**, & Kelley, M. L. (2016, April). Pre-military Sexual Abuse and Military Sexual Trauma. Poster presented at the 62nd Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Paulson, J. F., **Jenkins, J. K.**, Ellis, K. T., Moore, N., & Dilks, C. (2015, May). If Dad Ain't Happy...: Maternal and Paternal Depression's Effects on Early Coparenting. Poster presented at the 27th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, New York City, New York.
- **Jenkins, J. K.**, Hollis, B. F., Murphy, E., DeWitt, A., & Haislip, B. (2015, May). Parental Support and Current Romantic Relationship Satisfaction Moderated by Alcohol Consumption in Emerging Adults. Poster presented at the 27th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, New York City, New York.
- **Jenkins, J. K.**, Porter, B. E. (2014, May). Discrepancies in Seat Belt Use for Rural and Urban Areas and the Role of Sociocultural Factors. Poster presented at the 26th Annual Convention of the Association for Psychological Science, San Francisco, California.
- Brown, L., Panoz-Brown, D., **Jenkins, J. K.**, Dolan, S., Coombs, C., Frick, R. (2012, March). The Effect of Environmental Enrichment on Impulsivity as Measured by Delay Discounting. Poster presented at the 7th Annual Meeting of the Georgia Psychological Society, Valdosta, Georgia.

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENT SERVICE

2025 – **Member**, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Department of Psychology, University of Rhode Island
*Workgroup: PSY200/PSY301 Standardization

2024 – **Supervisor**, Undergraduate Independent Study (PSY488)
Department of Psychology, University of Rhode Island

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- “AI Won’t Do This for Them: Crafting Assessments that Reward Thinking, Not Output”, Macmillan Learning, 11/2025.
- “AI in Higher Education: From Foundations to the Future” workshop series, Sage Vantage, 2025.
- SPF Application for Prevention Success Training, New England Prevention Technology Transfer Center Network (PTTC), 06/2023.
- “Science Communication: Engaging Non-Scientists”, Association for Psychological Science, 02/2023.
- “Legislative Advocacy”, CADCA, 01/2023.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Psi Chi, National Honor Society in Psychology
- Gamma Beta Phi: A National Honor Society
- Hope Scholarship (2007 – 2011)

AD HOC REVIEWER

Journal of Family Psychology

Journal of Social and Personal Relationships

Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- National Prevention Network
- Connecticut Statewide Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (SEOW)
- American Psychological Association (APA)
- Association for Psychological Science (APS)
- Old Dominion University
 - Applied Experimental Psychology Student Association (AEPSA) (2014-2019)

QUANTITATIVE & METHODS TRAINING

- Workshop, Association for Psychological Science, "Multilevel Structural Equation Modeling", 05/2017
- Workshop, "Data Cleaning Workshop: How to Prepare your Data Prior to Analysis", Old Dominion University, 04/2016
- Small N Experimental Design, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2016
- Structural Equation Modeling, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2016
- Grant and Manuscript Writing, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2015
- Psychometric Theory, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2015
- Quasi-experimental Methods, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2015
- Workshop, "Mplus: A Tutorial", Old Dominion University, 11/2014
- Program Evaluation, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2014
- Multilevel Models: Hierarchical Linear Modeling, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2014
- Regression & Correlational Design, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2014
- Analysis of Variance & Experimental Design, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2014
- Research Fundamentals, Graduate Course, Old Dominion University, 2013