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Curriculum Vitae  
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EDUCATION

UNDERGRADUATE

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL  
B.S. with Honors in Psychology  
2007

GRADUATE

University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia  
Ph.D. in Applied Gerontology  
2011  
Dissertation: Environmental change and psychosocial interventions to improve residential care for people with dementia  
Advisor: R. Mark Mathews, Ph.D.

University of Louisville  
Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology  
2018  
Dissertation: Screening Older Adults For Depression: The Relationship Among Clinical Discipline Training, Barriers, Attitudes, Norms, And Perceived Behavioral Control  
Advisor: Suzanne Meeks, Ph.D.  
APA Approved

VA Boston Healthcare System Clinical Psychology Internship, Boston, MA  
Specialty: Clinical Geropsychology  
August 2017 – August 2018  
Certificate of Predoctoral Internship  
APA Approved

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

VA Boston Healthcare System Clinical Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship in Clinical Geropsychology, Boston, MA

August 2018 – August 2019  
Postdoctoral Fellow  
Certificate of Postdoctoral Training  
APA Approved

#### POSTGRADUATE HONORS AND AWARDS

Student Research Award, Psychologists in Long Term Care, 2018  
ICARE Employee Award, Providence VA Medical Center, May 2022

#### PROFESSIONAL LICENSES AND BOARD CERTIFICATION

Licensed Psychologist  
Florida License PY10665  
Active Status since November 2019

#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Graduate Research Assistant/Therapist  
Psychological Services Center  
University of Louisville  
July 2013 – July 2017

Clinical Fellow  
Department of Psychiatry  
Harvard Medical School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
August 2017 – August 2019

Teaching Fellow  
Department of Psychiatry  
Boston University, Boston, MA  
August 2017 – August 2019

Clinical Instructor  
Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior  
Alpert Medical School, Brown University  
June 2022 – August 2023

Clinical Assistant Professor  
Department of Psychiatry and Human Behavior  
Alpert Medical School, Brown University  
Sept 2023 – present

#### HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

Clinical Psychology Intern  
VA Boston Healthcare System, Boston, MA  
Rotations included: Geriatric MH Outpatient Clinic, Community Living Center, Capacity  
Clinic, Neuropsychology, Geriatrics Clinic  
August 2017 – August 2018

Clinical Psychology Fellow  
VA Boston Healthcare System, Boston, MA  
Rotations included: Geriatric MH Outpatient Clinic, Community Living Center, Geriatrics  
Clinic, Home-Based Primary Care  
August, 2018 – August 2019

Clinical Psychologist  
Mental Health and Behavioral Sciences Services  
COMHS Geriatric Mental Health  
Providence VA Medical Center  
April 2021 – present

#### OTHER APPOINTMENTS

##### Manuscript and Book Reviewer

Ad hoc reviewer:

*The American Journal of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias*  
*Mental Health and Aging*  
*Clinical Gerontologist*  
*International Psychogeriatrics*  
*Journal of Psychosomatic Research*  
*Journal of Gerontological Social Work*  
*Journal of Homosexuality*

#### UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Clinical Supervisor, VA Geriatric Mental Health Rotation  
Behavioral Medicine Track  
Brown University Clinical Psychology Internship Consortium  
Providence VA Medical Center  
July 2021 – present

#### HOSPITAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Fellowship Didactic Curriculum Committee  
VA Boston Healthcare System  
August 2018 – August 2019

## MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIETIES

APA Division 12-2 (Society of Clinical Geropsychology),  
Serving on Committee on Science and Practice, 2019-2023  
APA Division 20, Adult Development and Aging  
APA Division 44, Society for the Psychological Study of LGBT Issues  
Gerontological Society of America, Behavioral Sciences Division  
Psychologists in Long-Term Care

## PUBLICATIONS LIST

### ORIGINAL PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

1. **Smith, R.**, Mathews, R. M., & Gresham, M. (2010). Pre-and post-occupancy evaluation of new dementia care cottages. *American journal of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias*, 25(3), 265-275.
2. O'Connor, C. M., **Smith, R.**, Nott, M. T., Lorang, C., & Mathews, R. M. (2011). Using video simulated presence to reduce resistance to care and increase participation of adults with dementia. *American Journal of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias*, 26(4), 317-325.
3. **Smith, R.**, Fleming, R., Chenoweth, L., Jeon, Y. H., Stein-Parbury, J., & Brodaty, H. (2012). Validation of the Environmental Audit Tool in both purpose-built and non-purpose-built dementia care settings. *Australasian journal on ageing*, 31(3), 159-163.
4. **Smith, R. W.**, Altman, J. K., Meeks, S., & Hinrichs, K. L. (2019). Mental health care for LGBT older adults in long-term care settings: Competency, training, and barriers for mental health providers. *Clinical gerontologist*, 42(2), 198-203.
5. Plys, E., **Smith, R.**, & Jacobs, M. L. (2019). Masculinity and Military Culture in VA Hospice and Palliative Care: A Narrative Review With Clinical Recommendations. *Journal of palliative care*, 35(2), 120-126.
6. **Smith, R.**, & Meeks, S. (2019). Screening Older Adults for Depression: Barriers Across Clinical Discipline Training. *Innovation in aging*, 3(2), igz011.
7. **Smith, R.**, Wuthrich, V., Johnco, C., & Barbara, J. (2020). Effect of Group Cognitive Behavioural Therapy on Loneliness in a Community Sample of Older Adults: A Secondary Analysis of a Randomised Controlled Trial. *Clinical Gerontologist*, 1-11.
8. Plys, E. & **Smith, R.** (2020). Profiles of Expectations Regarding Aging Among Older Adults Residing in Assisted Living Communities. *Journal of Aging and Environment*, 1-19.

9. Mlinac, M., **Smith, R.**, Siffert, K., Richter, L., Steadman-Wood, P. & Wetherell, J. (2021). Development of A Suicide Prevention Toolkit For VA Home-Based Primary Care. *Home Healthcare Now*, 39(1), 13.
10. Plys, E., **Smith, R.**, & Portz, J. D. (2022). "You Lose Some Good Friends": Death and Grief in Assisted Living. *Journal of Social Work in End-of-Life & Palliative Care*, 1-17.

### BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Hinrichs, K. L. M. & **Smith, R.** (2020). Working with Surrogates with Challenges. In: Moye, Jennifer, editor. *Assessing Capacities of Older Adults: A Casebook to Guide Difficult Decisions*

### PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED OR IN PREPARATION

1. **Smith, R.**, Bloom-Charette, L., Graham, K.L., Jacobs-Dodson, L., & King, K. (In Preparation). Characteristics of Internship and Post-Doctoral Training Programs in Clinical Geropsychology: rotation structure, settings, supervision, and culture.
2. **Smith, R.**, Meeks, S. & Plys, E. (In Preparation). Screening Older Adults for Depression: Do Attitudes, Norms, And Perceived Behavioral Control Have Utility as a Framework?
3. Schwartz, A., Quinlan, O., McGillicuddy, M., Mlinac, M., Strong, J.V., Nathan, S., Madineedi, M., **Smith, R.**, Morley, J. (In Preparation). Whole Person Dementia Care: An Interprofessional Continuing Education Workshop integrating the VA Whole Health and Geriatric 5Ms Frameworks.

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (LAST 5 YEARS)

1. O'Malley, K. A., Bamonti, P., Pless Kaiser, A., Graham, K. L., **Smith, R.**, Gurevitch J. (April, 2019). *Later-Adulthood Trauma Reengagement in Vietnam Veterans with PTSD: Findings from a Program Evaluation Project*. Poster to be presented at Harvard Psychiatry Research Day. Boston, MA.
2. **Smith, R.W.**, Altman, J., Meeks, S. & Hinrichs, K.L.M. (November, 2018). *Mental Health Care for LGBT Persons in Long-Term Care: A Survey of Mental Health Providers*. In K. Hinrichs, (Chair). Culturally Competent Palliative and End-of-Life Care for LGBT Older Adults. (Symposium). Gerontological Society of America 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, MA.
3. **Smith, R.W.** & Meeks, S. (November, 2018). *Screening Older Adults For Depression: The Relationship Among Discipline, Barriers, Attitudes, Norms, And Control*. (Poster). Gerontological Society of America 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, MA.

4. Schwabenbauer, A., Mlinac, M., **Smith, R.**, Knight, C., Nothern, A., Morreale-Karl, M. (November, 2018). *Implementing a Whole Health model in Home-Based Primary Care: Strengths, Challenges and Opportunities for Growth*. (Poster). Gerontological Society of America 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, MA.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

### Local Presentations

ElderServe Senior Center  
Louisville, KY  
Community Presentation  
Depression in Older Adults  
2014

VISN 1 Dementia Conference  
Presenter  
*Dementia: Caring for the Whole Person.*  
“Mind and Whole Health”  
VA Boston Healthcare System  
June 2019

## UNIVERSITY TEACHING, ADVISING and MENTORING ROLES\*

### Students in Courses

Teaching Assistant - Health Science and Research, University of Sydney  
30-40 undergraduate students  
2008

Teaching Assistant - Foundations in Health Science, University of Sydney  
30-40 undergraduate students  
2009

Teaching Assistant, Health Care Resources and Systems, University of Sydney  
30-40 undergraduate students  
2010

Teaching Assistant, Health Care Resources and Systems, University of Sydney  
30-40 undergraduate students  
2 semesters, 2011 – 2012

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Quantitative Methods in Psychology, University of  
Louisville  
80-100 undergraduate students

2 semesters, 2013-2014

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Test and Measurement, University of Louisville  
20-30 undergraduate students  
2015

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Advanced Statistics I, University of Louisville  
10-12 Psychology doctoral students  
2016

Graduate Teaching Assistant , Advanced Statistics II, University of Louisville  
10-12 Psychology doctoral students  
2017

Invited Guest Lecture, Mandated Reporting, Risk Assessment of Suicide  
Class: Ethics, Standards, and Professional Practice  
William James College  
2019

#### HOSPITAL TEACHING, ADVISING and MENTORING ROLES\*

Conducted inservice for nursing staff in Community Living Center on STAR VA  
Behavior Management Intervention, VA Boston Healthcare System, 2017 –  
2019

Conducted inservice for psychology interns on Dementia & Behavior  
Management, VA Boston Healthcare System, 2017 – 2019

#### SUPERVISION

Supervision of clinical psychology residents in Geriatric Outpatient Mental  
Health at the Providence VA Medical Center as part of the Behavioral  
Medicine Rotation (average 2 hours/week). Starting July 2023 also  
supervision a long-term therapy student within Geriatric Mental Health.  
Supervised 7 residents to date.