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EDUCATION

- December 2016** **Ph.D.**, Human Environmental Sciences, Human Development and Family Science, Collateral Area: Gerontology
 University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.
- May 2011** **M.A.**, Psychological Science
 California State University, Chico, Chico, California
- December 2010** **B.A.** Psychology with Honors and a Minor in Gerontology
 California State University, Chico, Chico, California
- July 1999** **B.A.**, Liberal Arts
 Gallatin School of Individualized Study New York University, New York, NY

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- August 2018 – Present** **Research Scientist**
 Center Research and Education,
 Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio
- August 2016 – December 2017** **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**
 Center for the Human-Animal Bond,
 College of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana
Advisor: Dr. Maggie O’Haire
- August 2011 – July 2016** **Graduate Research Assistant**
 Research Center for Human-Animal Interaction (ReCHAI),
 College of Veterinary Medicine and the Sinclair School of Nursing,
 University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri
Advisor: Dr. Rebecca Johnson

RESEARCH SUPPORT - ACTIVE

September 2021 – August 2023 – *Developing and Testing an Innovative APS Care Coordination Practice for Alleged Victims and Perpetrators of Caretaker Neglect*

Administration for Community Living, # 90EJIG0020-01-00
(P.I.: Dr. Farida Ejaz, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$1,299,970. Role: Evaluator

August 2020 – July 2023 – *Expansion of Dementia-Capable Communities within Urban and Rural Settings in Ohio using Evidence-Based and Informed Programming*

Administration for Community Living, #90ADPI0052-01-00
(P.I.: Branka Primetica, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$954,778. Role: Co-Investigator

RESEARCH SUPPORT - COMPLETED

November 2020 – January 2022 – *Uncovering Pet Ownership Benefits, Challenges, and Resources in an Aging Society: Promoting Healthy Aging in Healthcare and Community Environments.*

Human Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI) Foundation, HAB20-024
(P.I.: **Dr. Jessica Bibbo**, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$69,016. Role: Principal Investigator

December 2021 – December 2022 – *Developing an Online Training on Adult Abuse for Ohio's Mandated Reporters*

Ohio State Bar Foundation
(P.I.: Farida Ejaz, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$44,440. Role: Co-Investigator

August 2020 – August 2021 – *Development and Delivery of Mandated Reporter Training on Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation for Real Estate Licensees.*

Association of Real Estate License Law Officials (ARELLO)
(Co-Directors: Sonya Edwards & Courtney Reynolds, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$5,000. Role: Evaluator

September 2018 – June 2019 – *Training on Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation for the Senior Companion Program.*

Corporation for National and Community Service
(P.I.: Dr. Farida Ejaz, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging)
Total award: \$50,000. Role: Co-Investigator

September 2017 – August 2018 – *Shelter cat adoption in families of children with Autism: Impact on children's social skills and anxiety as well as cat stress.*

Human-Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI) Foundation
(P.I.: Dr. Gretchen Carlisle, University of Missouri)
Total award: \$52,204. Role: Co-Investigator

- April 2017 –
March 2017** *Shelter cat adoption in families of children with Autism: Impact on cat stress and children's social skills and anxiety.*
Winn Feline Foundation (P.I. Dr. Gretchen Carlisle, University of Missouri)
Total Award: \$24,996. Role: Co-Investigator
- January 2016 –
December 2016** *The effects of care recipients' companion animals on the caregiving experience.*
Interdisciplinary Center on Aging Research and Enrichment
Dissemination (READ) Small Grants Program, Interdisciplinary Center on
Aging, School of Medicine, University of Missouri
(P.I. PhD(c) **Jessica Bibbo**, University of Missouri)
Total award: \$2,495. Role: Principal Investigator
- May 2015 –
April 2016** *Companion Animal, Social Engagement, and Psychological Well-being in Mid and Later Adulthood.*
Human-Animal Bond Research Institute (HABRI) Foundation
(P.I.: Dr. Rebecca Johnson, University of Missouri)
Total award: \$48,462. Roles: Co-author, Graduate Research Assistant,

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Carlisle, G.K., Lamontagne, L., **Bibbo, J.**, Johnson, R.A., & Lyons, L.A. (2023). Experiences of parents of autistic children who adopted a cat. *Qualitative Social Work*, [doi:10.1177/14733250231151946](https://doi.org/10.1177/14733250231151946)
- Bibbo, J.**, Johnson, J., Drost, J. C., Sanders, M., & Nicolay, S. (2022). Pet ownership issues encountered by geriatric professionals: Preliminary findings from an interdisciplinary sample. *Frontiers in Psychology*. [doi:10.3389/fpsyg.2022.920559](https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2022.920559)
- Rodriguez, K. E., **Bibbo, J.**, & O'Haire, M. E. (2022). Perspectives on facility dogs from pediatric hospital personnel: A qualitative content analysis. *Complementary Therapies in Clinical Practice*, 46. [doi:10.1016/j.ctcp.2022.101534](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ctcp.2022.101534)
- Curl, A. L., **Bibbo, J.**, & Johnson, R. (2021). Neighborhood engagement, dogs, and life satisfaction in older adulthood. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*, 40, 1706-1714. [doi:10.1177/0733464820953725](https://doi.org/10.1177/0733464820953725)
- Jensen, C. L., **Bibbo, J.**, Rodriguez, K. E., & O'Haire, M. E. (2021). The effects of facility dogs on burnout, job-related well-being, and mental health in pediatric hospital professionals. *Journal of Clinical Nursing*, 30, 1429-1441. [doi: 10.1111/jocn.15694](https://doi.org/10.1111/jocn.15694)
- Spitznagel, M. B., Anderson, J. R., Marchitelli, B., Sislak, M. D., **Bibbo, J.**, & Carlson, M. D. (2021). Owner quality of life, caregiver burden and anticipatory grief: How they differ, why it matters. *Veterinary Record*, e74. [doi: 10.1002/vetr.74](https://doi.org/10.1002/vetr.74)

- Carlisle, G.K., Johnson, R.A., Wang, Z., **Bibbo, J.**, Cheak-Zamora, N., & Lyons, L.A. (2021). Exploratory study of cat adoption in families of children with autism: Impact on children's social skills and anxiety. *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*, 58, 28-35. [doi: 10.1016/j.pedn.2020.11.011](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pedn.2020.11.011)
- Carlisle, G.K., Johnson, R.A., Koch, C. S., Lyons, L. A., Wang, Z., **Bibbo, J.**, Cheak-Zamora, N. (2021). Exploratory Study of Fecal Cortisol, Weight, and Behavior as Measures of Stress and Welfare in Shelter Cats During Assimilation Into Families of Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*. [doi: 10.1016/j.pedn.2020.11.011](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pedn.2020.11.011)
- Rodriguez, K. E., **Bibbo, J.**, & O'Haire, M.E. (2020). The effects of service dogs on psychosocial health and wellbeing for individuals with physical disabilities or chronic conditions. *Disability & Rehabilitation*, 42, 1350-1358. [doi: 10.1080/09638288.2018.1524520](https://doi.org/10.1080/09638288.2018.1524520)
- Rodriguez, K. E., **Bibbo, J.**, Verdon, S., & O'Haire, M.E. (2020). Mobility and medical service dogs: A qualitative analysis of expectations and experiences. *Disability & Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology*, 15, 499-509. [doi: 10.1080/17483107.2019.1587015](https://doi.org/10.1080/17483107.2019.1587015)
- Bibbo, J.**, Proulx, C. M. (2019). The impact of a care recipient's pet caregiving burden, satisfaction, and mastery: A pilot investigation. *Human-Animal Interaction Bulletin*, 7, 81-102. [doi: 10.1079/hai.2019.0010](https://doi.org/10.1079/hai.2019.0010)
- Bibbo, J.**, Curl, A. L., & Johnson, R. A. (2019). Pets in the lives of older adults: A life course perspective. *Anthrozoös*. 32, 541-554. [doi: 10.1080/08927936.2019.1621541](https://doi.org/10.1080/08927936.2019.1621541)
- Bibbo, J.**, Rodriguez, K. E., & O'Haire, M. E. (2019). The impact of service dogs on family members' psychosocial health and functioning. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 73, 205120 p.1 – p.11. [doi: 10.5014/ajot.2017.71S1-PO4122](https://doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2017.71S1-PO4122)
- Bibbo, J.**, & Proulx, C. M. (2018). The impact of a care recipient's pet on the instrumental caregiving experience. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 61, 675-684. [doi: 10.1080/01634372.2018.1494659](https://doi.org/10.1080/01634372.2018.1494659)
- O'Haire, M. E., **Bibbo, J.**, Hoffman, C. L., Mueller, M., Ng, Z., & Buechner-Maxwell, V. A. (2018). Overview of centers and institutes for human-animal interaction in the United States. *Human-Animal Interaction Bulletin*, 6, Special Edition, 3 – 22.
- Johnson, R.A., Albright, D. L., Marzolf, J. R., **Bibbo, J.**, . . . , & Harms, N. (2018). Effects of therapeutic horseback riding on military veterans' post-traumatic stress disorder. *Military Medical Research*, 5.
- Carlisle, G. K., Johnson, R. A., Mazurek, M., **Bibbo, J.**, Tocco, F., & Cameron, G. T. (2018). Companion animals in families of children with autism spectrum disorder: Lessons learned from caregivers. *Journal of Family Social Work*, 21, 294-312. [doi: 10.1080/10522158.2017.1394413](https://doi.org/10.1080/10522158.2017.1394413)

Curl, A. L., **Bibbo, J.**, & Johnson, R. A. (2017). Dog walking, the human-animal bond and older adults' physical health. *The Gerontologist*, 57, 930 – 939. [doi: 10.1093/geront/gnw051](https://doi.org/10.1093/geront/gnw051)
The paper was published as an Editor's Choice article and is currently in the top five percent of all research outputs scored by Altmetric.

Johnson, R. A., & **Bibbo, J.** (2014). Relocation decisions and constructing the meaning of home: A phenomenological study of the transition into a nursing home. *Journal of Aging Studies*, 30, 56 – 63. [doi: 10.1016/j.jaging.2014.03.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jaging.2014.03.005)

Bibbo, J. (2013). Staff members' perceptions of an animal-assisted activity. *Oncology Nursing Forum*, 40, E320 – E326. [doi: 10.1188/13.ONF.E320-E326](https://doi.org/10.1188/13.ONF.E320-E326)

INVITED PUBLICATIONS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

Gee, N.R., **Bibbo, J.**, & Dunn, L. (2023). Companion animals in the treatment of dementia and aging-related concerns. In N.R. Gee, L. Townsend, & R.L. Findling (Eds.) *The Role of Companion Animals in the Treatment of Mental Disorders* (pp. 205-220). American Psychiatric Association Publishing.

Ejaz, F. E., Reynolds, C., & **Bibbo, J.** (2022). Elder maltreatment: An international perspective. In S. Irudaya Rajan (Ed.), *Handbook on Aging, Health, and Public Policy: Perspectives from Asia* (pp. 1-13). Springer Singapore.

Bibbo, J. (2019). Pet loss in older adulthood. In L. Kogan & P. Erdman (Eds.), *Pet Loss, Grief, and Therapeutic Interventions: Practitioners Navigating the Human-Animal Bond* (pp. 70-83). Routledge.

Johnson, R. A., **Bibbo, J.**, & Harvey, L. (2019). Human-animal interaction in the aging boom. In A. Fine (Ed.), *The Handbook on Animal-Assisted Therapy: Theoretical Foundations and Guidelines for Practice* (5th ed., pp. 313-327). Academic Press.

Bibbo, J. (2019). Caregiving for adult pet owners. In L. Kogan & C. Blazina (Eds.), *Clinician's Guide to Treating Animal Companion Issues* (pp. 144-157). Academic Press.

Johnson, R. A., & **Bibbo, J.** (2015). Human-animal interaction in the aging boom. In A. Fine (Ed.), *The Handbook on Animal-Assisted Therapy: Theoretical Foundations and Guidelines for Practice* (4th ed., pp. 249-260). New York: Academic Press.

Johnson, R. A., & **Bibbo, J.** (2015). Relocation stress syndrome. In B. Ackley, G. Ladwig, & M. B. F. Makic (Eds.), *Nursing Diagnosis Handbook: An Evidence-Based Guide to Planning Care*, 11th edition. St. Louis, Mosby.

Johnson, R., & **Bibbo, J.** (2014). The utopia of Tiger Place: Older adults, relocation to a nursing home, and pet relinquishment. *Tijdschrift voor Ouderengeneeskunde (Journal of Geriatric Medicine, Netherlands)*, 1-2014, 28-30.

SELECTED PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

* *Designates mentee, † designates presenter*

Bibbo, J. †, Johnson, J., Drost, J. C., & Sanders, M. (2022, November). *Uncovering Pet Ownership Benefits, Challenges, and Resources: A Survey of Professionals Working with Older Adults*. A paper presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Indianapolis, IN.

Williman, M., Kinzig, E., Burman, B., Sanders, M., **Bibbo, J.**, Kropp, D., & Nicolay, S. (2022, November). *Dementia in Incarcerated Settings: Making a Difference in Ohio's Prison System*. A symposium presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Indianapolis, IN.

Bibbo, J. †, Johnson, J., Drost, J., & Sanders, M. (2022, July). *Pet Issues, Benefits, and Challenges Encountered by Professionals Working with Older Adults and Care Partners*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Scientific Meeting (online).

Bibbo, J. †, Johnson, J., Drost, J., & Sanders, M. (2021, November). *Uncovering Pet Issues: A Survey of Professionals Working with Older Adults and Care Partners*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Scientific Meeting (online).

Bibbo, J. †, Orsulic-Jeras, S. †, & Johnson, J. (2021, June). *Pet care in SHARE: Issues Encountered by Professionals Working in Families with Dementia*. Paper presented at the 30th International Society for Anthrozoology Conference (online).

Bibbo, J. †, Ejaz, F. K. †. (2021, April). *Supporting Elder Justice Through the Development and Implementation of a Training Program on Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation*. Workshop presented at the American Society on Aging's Aging in America Conference (online).

Bibbo, J. †, Ejaz, F. K. †, & Reynolds, C. †. (2020, August). *The Development and Implementation of a Training Program on Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation for the Senior Companion Program in Ohio*. Workshop presented at the annual meeting of the Ohio Coalition for Adult Protective Services.

Bibbo, J. (2019, November). *Interest Group Session – Human-Animal Interaction: Pets in Older Adults' Social Networks: Human-Animal Interaction, Interpersonal Connections, and Healthy Aging*. Chair and organizer of Symposium held at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Scientific Meeting. Austin, TX.

Bibbo, J. †, & Ejaz, F. K. † (2019, August). *Supporting Elder Justice: Developing and Implementing a Training on Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation for the Senior Companion Program*. Workshop presented at the National Adult Protective Services Association Conference. Denver, CO.

Bibbo, J. (2019, August). *Older Adults as Pet Caretakers*. Paper presented as part of the *Addressing the Human-Animal Bond in Therapy: Theory, Foundation, and Application* symposium held at the American Psychological Association Convention. Chicago, IL.

Bibbo, J. †, & Proulx, C. M. (2019, July). *The Impact of Care Recipients' Pets on the Family Caregiving Experience*. Paper presented at the 27th International Society for Anthrozoology Conference. Orlando, FL.

Bibbo, J. †, Branson, S., & Bass, D. (2019, July). *The BRIA Unmet Pet Care Needs Scale: The Development of a Tool for Adults and their Family Caregivers*. Poster presented at the 27th International Society for Anthrozoology Conference. Orlando, FL.

Bibbo, J. †, & Ejaz, F. K. † (2019, May). *Supporting Elder Justice Through Training on Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation for the Senior Companion Program*. Workshop presented at the Senior Corps Seminar Series, "Supporting Our Seniors: Elder Justice and Independent Living." Washington DC.

Bibbo, J. †, Conwell, D., Weitzman, L. S., Ciancibello, A. & Langford, A. (2019, April). *Nutrition Solution: Addressing Food Insecurity and Social Isolation Amongst Older Adults*. Poster presented at the American Society on Aging's Aging in America Conference. New Orleans, LA.

Bibbo, J. (2018, November). *Interest Group Session – Human-Animal Interaction: Impacts and Issues of Pet Ownership for Community Dwelling Older Adults*. Chair and organizer of Symposium held at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, MA.

Bibbo, J. (2018, November). *Provision of Purpose: Pet ownership and Maintaining Health and Well-Being in Older Adulthood*. Chair and organizer of Symposium held at the Gerontological Society of America's Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, MA.

Bibbo, J. (2017, August). *Instrumental And Emotional Effects Of Care Recipients: Companion Animals On The Caregiving Experience*. Paper presented at the 27th Annual Caring for the Frail Elderly Conference presented by the University of Missouri. Columbia, MO.

***Selected to be one of four 2017 Conference Fellows
following a competitive selection process.***

Whitfield, J. M.*†, Rodriguez, K. E., **Bibbo, J.**, O'Haire, M. E. (2017, August) *Psychosocial effects of service dogs on individuals with physical disabilities within two age groups*. Poster presented at the Boehringer Ingelheim Veterinary Scholars National Symposium. Washington, D.C.

Bibbo, J. †, Rodriguez, K.E., & O'Haire, M.E. (2017, June). *The Impact of Service Dogs on Caregivers and Family Members' Psychosocial Well-Being*. Paper presented at the 25th International Society for Anthrozoology Conference. Davis, CA.

Rodriguez, K.E.†, **Bibbo, J.**, & O'Haire, M.E. (2017, June). *Psychosocial effects of service dog ownership for individuals with physical disabilities*. Paper presented at the 25th International Society for Anthrozoology Conference. Davis, CA.

Elefson, S.*†, **Bibbo, J.**, Rodriguez, K.E., O'Haire, M.E. (2017, April). *Evaluation of Psychosocial Outcomes For Service Dog Recipients*. Poster presented at the Purdue University Undergraduate Research and Poster Symposium. April 13, West Lafayette, IN.

Bibbo, J.[†], Curl, A. L., & Johnson, R. A. (2016, November). *Pets as a predictor of loneliness and self-rated health in older adults*. Paper presented at the Gerontological Society of America's 69th Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Bibbo, J.[†], Williams, S., Johnson, R. A., & Osterlind, S. (2015, July). *Effects of equine assisted- activities on PTSD symptoms, self-efficacy, emotion regulation, and social engagement in military veterans*. Paper presented at the 24th Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Saratoga Springs, NY.

Bibbo, J.[†], Curl, A. L., & Johnson, R. A. (2014, November). *Health benefits of dog walking for older adults*. Poster presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington D.C.

Bibbo, J. (2014, July). *A confirmatory factor analysis of the Center for the Study of Animal Wellness Pet Bonding Scale*. Poster presented at the 23rd Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Vienna, Austria.

Johnson, R., **Bibbo, J.**[†], Yaglom, H. D., Carlisle, G., McKenney, C., & Holt, S. (2013, July). *The HAI-Viability for Research Collaborators Assessment: An instrument to assess HAI organizations' potential as research collaborators*. Poster presented at the 22nd Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Chicago, IL.

Bibbo, J.[†], Johnson, R., & McKenney, C. (2012, November). *Pet Pals: A pilot study to ease relocation transition*. Poster presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 65th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Bibbo, J. (2012, July). *Staff perceptions of benefits of an animal-assisted activity in an outpatient oncology center: Degree of interaction and perceived benefit*. Poster presented at the 21st Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Cambridge, UK.

Bibbo, J. (2012, April). *From pictographs to β -phenylethylamine: The emergent empirical significance of the human-animal bond*. Student Plenary presented at the MU Cross-Disciplinary Project conference, Columbia, MO.

The talk was selected as the student plenary through a competitive application process.

Bibbo, J. (2011, August). *Staff perceptions on the addition of an animal-assisted activity at a regional cancer center*. Paper presented at the 20th Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Indianapolis, IN.

Bibbo, J. (2010, November). *The burden of caring: An evaluation of caregivers caring for seniors with neurological disease*. Poster presented at The Gerontological Society of America's 63rd Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

The poster was a recipient of the Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization (ESPO) Poster Award.

Bibbo, J. (2010, May). *The burden of caring: An evaluation of caregivers caring for seniors with neurological disease*. Paper presented at the 24th Annual CSU Student Research Competition. San Jose, CA.

The paper won Second Place in the category of Behavioral and Social Sciences - Undergraduate.

Kline, L.[†], & **Bibbo, J.**[†]. (2009, October). *Attributions of companion animal behavior by adopters and relinquishers of companion animals*. Paper presented at the 18th Annual Conference of the International Society for Anthrozoology, Kansas City, MO.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Austad, S., **Bibbo, J.** & Gee, N. (July, 2021). *Therapy Dogs, Pets, and Healthy Aging: The Research Behind the Impact*. A webinar presented by the American Federation for Aging Research, The Good Dog Foundation, and Grantmakers In Aging.

Bibbo, J.[†] & Butch, J.[†] (2020, October). *Practical Applications: The Bond between Older Adults and Pets*. A Webinar presented as part of the Interpersonal Violence & Animal Abuse: Understanding the Link and Local Resources, the 2020 Greater Cleveland Elder Abuse/Domestic Violence Roundtable. Cleveland, OH.

Arkow, Phil, **Bibbo, J.**, Holmquist, K. (2020, April). *Animal Abuse, Animal Hoarding and Elder Abuse: Challenges and Strategies for Adult Protective Services*. Webinar presented for the National Adult Protective Services Association.

Bibbo, J., & Ejaz, F. K. (2019, June). *Tools and Tips for Senior Companions*. Paper presented at the 7th Annual Cuyahoga County Elder Abuse Forum. Cleveland, OH.

Bibbo, J. (2019, April). *Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging: Service, Research, and Advocacy for Older People in Cleveland and Beyond*. Webinar presented as part of the VA Geriatric Topic Series at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center.

Bibbo, J. (2018, May). *The instrumental and emotional impacts of care recipients' pets on the caregiving experience*. Paper presented at the Center for Aging and the Life Course Colloquia Series, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

Johnson, R. A., & **Bibbo, J.**[†] (2015, June). *Effects of equine assisted activities on PTSD symptoms, self-efficacy, emotion regulation, and social engagement in military veterans*. Webinar presented to the Horses and Humans Research Foundation.

Bibbo, J. (2013, December). *Older adults, their cats, and their informal caregivers*. Paper presented at Uitnodiging Symposium for Prof. Dr. Marie-José Enders-Slegers, Heelen, Netherlands.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2018 - Present	American Society on Aging
2014 - Present	The Section on Human-Animal Interaction: Research & Practice, Section 13 of Division 17 of the American Psychological Association
2010 - Present	Gerontological Society of America
2009 – Present	International Society for Anthrozoology

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & SERVICE

February 2023 – Present	Representative for Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging for the Ohio Attorney General’s Elder Abuse Commission, Columbus, Ohio
December 2021 – Present	Member of the One Health Organization Program Steering Committee, Cuyahoga County, Ohio
July 2017 – Present	Convener of the Human-Animal Interaction Special Interest Group of the Gerontological Society of America
November 2016 – Present	Founding member of the Human-Animal Interaction Special Interest Group of the Gerontological Society of America
Ad hoc Reviewer	<i>Ageing & Society</i> , 2017 <i>Alzheimer’s & Dementia: Translational Research & Clinical Interventions</i> , 2021 <i>Animals</i> , 2021 - Present <i>Anthrozoös</i> , 2016 - Present <i>Australian Journal of Psychology</i> , 2020 Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation, 2019 - Present <i>Disability and Rehabilitation</i> , 2019, 2021 <i>Frontiers in Veterinary Science</i> , 2022 <i>The Gerontologist</i> , 2017 - Present Gerontological Society of America’s Annual Scientific Meeting Abstracts, 2015, 2016, 2018 - Present <i>Human-Animal Interaction Bulletin</i> , 2018 - Present <i>Innovation in Aging</i> , 2019, 2022 <i>International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry</i> , 2015 International Society for Anthrozoology Conference Abstracts, 2021 - Present <i>Journal of Applied Gerontology</i> , 2016, 2019 - Present <i>Journal of Family Social Work</i> , 2018, 2019 <i>Journal of Gerontology Psychological Sciences, Series B</i> , 2019 - Present <i>Supportive Care for Cancer</i> , 2016 <i>Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport</i> , 2016 RRF Foundation for Aging, 2020 - Present <i>Veterinary Dermatology</i> , 2020

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- August 2017** 27th Annual Caring for the Frail Elderly Conference
Conference Fellow
One of four early-career researchers and graduate students selected through a competitive process to present original research.
- August 2014** ThinkSwiss
ThinkSwiss Travel Grant
Amount: CHF 1,000
Awarded in conjunction with acceptance into the Institute of Nursing Summer School “Developing Behavioral Interventions for Older Adults” held at the Universtät Basel, Switzerland.
- December 2013** Mizzou Advantage, University of Missouri
Mizzou Advantage Travel Grant
Amount: \$1,500
Awarded to present an invited talk at the Uitnodiging Symposium for Prof. Dr. Marie-José Enders-Slegers, in Heelen, Netherlands.
- August 2011 – May 2016** University of Missouri Graduate School
G. Ellsworth Huggins Graduate Scholar
Amount: \$8,000/year stipend and tuition remission
- May 2011** 25th Annual CSU Student Research Competition
Student delegate in the Category of Behavioral & Social Sciences - Graduate
- November 2010** The Gerontological Society of America’s 63rd Annual Scientific Meeting
Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Poster Award
- September 2010 – June 2011** California State University, Chico Graduate School
Graduate Equity Fellow
Amount: \$3,548
- May 2010** 24th Annual CSU Student Research Competition
Student delegate and Second Place winner in the Category of Behavioral & Social Sciences - Undergraduate
- August 2009 – May 2010** California State University, Chico
Hugh M. Bell Memorial Scholarship
- August 2009 – May 2010** California State University, Chico
Honors in Psychology
- March 2009** California State University, Chico
Research and Creativity Award