Scholastique Nikuze, MPH, Ph.D

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Designing, implementing and evaluating health programs.
- Data handling: quantitative and qualitative data collection, analysis and reporting.
- Preparing and reviewing reports and manuals.
- Developing training and assessment materials.
- Mentoring and teaching skills: face-to-face instruction and distance learning interfaces.
- Extensive experience working in collaborative teams and engaging with diverse populations.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office programs, SPSS and STATA.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy - Public Health

December 2015

Oregon State University, College of Public Health and Human Sciences

Corvallis, OR

• **Dissertation Research**: Examining Hypertension Prevalence and Health Behavior Practices of Sub-Saharan African Immigrants in the U.S.

Courses: Biostatistics, General & Infectious Disease Epidemiology, Ethical Research Conduct, Public Health Surveillance, Program Evaluation, Research Methods, Health Care Marketing, Health Disparities.

Master of Public Health - Global Health

June 2007

Loma Linda University, School of Public Health

Loma Linda, CA

• Project: Developing Prostate Cancer Prevention Tool for African American Men

Courses: International Epidemiology, Microbiology, Reproductive Health, Primary Health Care Programs I-III, Program Planning, Writing for Health Professionals.

Bachelor of Arts - Health Studies

July 2004

University of Iowa

Iowa City, IA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty

January 2016-Current

College of Education and Human Development, Lamar University

Beaumont, TX

Courses Taught:

- Epidemiology
- Human Diseases
- Health Strategies
- Foundations of Health
- Community Health

Instructor/ Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2009-Summer 2015

Oregon State University: College of Public Health and Human Sciences

Corvallis, OR

Courses Taught/Assisted:

- AIDS & Sexually Transmitted Infections in a Global Perspective
- Introduction to Human Diseases
- Introduction to Public Health
- Qualitative Research Methods

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Summer 2016

Research Specialist

Austin, TX

- Conducted higher education research: literature review, data analysis, and interpretation of statistical data.
- Performed legislative analysis and provided technical assistance to divisional staff.
- Prepared research beliefs.

Oregon State University: Women Studies

Spring 2013 -Spring 2015

Somali Women's Health Project Research Volunteer

Portland, OR

- Developed breast and cervical cancer prevention educational materials.
- Assisted with data collection and analysis of preventative health care services.

Oregon State University: Student Health Services

June 2010 - June 2011

Health Promotion Assistant

Corvallis, OR

- Designed and led an assessment project to meet health center's process improvement goal.
 - Presented study findings and generated recommendations, which were used to improve accessibility and guided current programs for underserved student population.
- Provided office support for various college health/disease prevention programs.

Oregon State University: Department of Public Health

Dec. 2007 - Aug. 2010

Research Assistant

Corvallis, OR

- Conducted meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials related to HIV risk of African American urban youth.
- Assisted with Institutional Review Board submissions and travel reimbursements.

Friends of the Children

Summer 2009

Summer Research Assistant

Portland, OR

- Researched evidence-based health education curricula for adolescents.
- Worked on health coverage for uninsured at-risk youth.
- Data analysis for mentoring program eligibility.

Center for Social and Behavioral Research

Summer 2008

Contracted Research Assistant

Cedar Falls, IA

- Conducted data collection, entry, analysis, interpretation, and reporting.
- Prepared a tobacco prevention evaluation report for the Iowa Department of Public Health.

African American Health Institute of San Bernardino County

June 2006 - November 2007

Student Intern

San Bernardino, CA

- Developed a prostate cancer prevention and training manual for community peer navigators.
- Conducted a focused literature review on prostate cancer in African American men.
- Facilitated focus groups and pilot-tested a prostate cancer prevention education tool.

Loma Linda University: Global Health Program

Summer 2006

Integrated Community Development

Peru, South America

• First-hand observations and report of rural and urban primary health care delivery models.

Loma Linda Center for Public Health Preparedness

2005 - 2006

Loma Linda, CA

Research Assistant

Conducted disaster preparedness/bioterrorism literature review.

- Created a curriculum gap analysis for the School of Nursing.
- Prepared guidelines to train students enrolled in allied health programs.