

Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

Degree Awarded: December 2013	Doctor of Philosophy, Experimental Psychology Concentration: Behavioral Neuroscience and Psychopharmacology Department of Psychology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY Mentor: Mark A. Prendergast, Ph.D. Dissertation: <i>Characterizing consumption, dependence, and the role of glucocorticoids in an animal model of voluntary ethanol consumption</i>
Degree Awarded: August 2010	Master of Science, Experimental Psychology Concentration: Behavioral Neuroscience and Psychopharmacology Department of Psychology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY Mentor: Mark A. Prendergast, Ph.D. Thesis: <i>Somatic injury precedes distal atrophy following excitotoxic hippocampal insult</i>
Degree Awarded: May 2008	Bachelor of Science Department of Psychology, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville IN

EMPLOYMENT

July 2025-current	Professor University of Kentucky, Lexington
July 2021-June 2025	Associate Professor University of Kentucky, Lexington KY
August 2015-June 2021	Assistant Professor University of Kentucky, Lexington KY
August 2013-July 2015	Postdoctoral Teaching Scholar University of Kentucky, Lexington KY
July 2008-August 2013	Research Assistant University of Kentucky, Lexington KY
Spring 2013	Part-Time Instructor Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond KY

COURSES OFFERED

1. UK 101: Academic Orientation
2. Psychology 100: Introduction to Psychology
3. Psychology 195: Orientation to Psychology
4. **Psychology 312: Brain and Behavior** (online and traditional format)
5. Psychology 325: Controversies in Drug Addiction and Its Treatment
6. **Psychology 330: The Neuroscience of Serial Killers**
7. **Psychology 360: Behavioral Genetics**
8. **Psychology 375: From Science to Culture: Exploring Drug Use and Addiction** (UK Program Director, SU Education Abroad: Amsterdam, Netherlands)
9. **Psychology 375: From Science to Culture: Exploring Drug Use and Addiction** (UK Program Director, SU Education Abroad: Lisbon, Portugal)
10. **Psychology 375: Culture, Aggression, and Violence** (KHIS Faculty Instructor, WI Education Abroad: Italy)
11. **Psychology 399: CatsCare Internship Program**
12. Biology 305: Introduction to Neuroscience Techniques
13. Psychology 459: Neuropharmacology: Drugs and Behavior
14. Psychology 565: Advanced Topics in Neuroscience: Contemporary Issues in Drug Abuse
15. Psychology 566: Advanced Topics in Social Psychology: Psychology of Serial Killers

(**Bold** indicates course authorship)

SERVICE

University Service

UK Outstanding Teaching Awards Review Committee	2025-2026
Experiential Education Faculty Advisory Group	2024-2025
Selection Committee: Provost's Outstanding Teacher Award	2024
Hiring Committee: Education Abroad Associate Director	2024
Scholarship Reviewer: Education Abroad Scholarships	2022-2024
Faculty Advisor: Embrace- Collegiate Harm Reduction	2022-2023
Panel Participant: EMPOWER- Women's Leadership Program	2020
Presenter: Curiosity Fair	2019
Debate Moderator: Student Activities-Legalization of Marijuana	2019
Faculty Advisor: Students Helping Honduras	2018-2019
Faculty Advisor and Chapter Founder: Nu Rho Psi	2017-2019

College Service

Selection Committee Member: A&S Teaching Awards	2024
Committee Member: Cognitive Science Minor	2023-current
Scholarship Reviewer: Lunsford Scholarship	2022-2023
Retreat Participant: College Recruitment	2023
Committee Member: A&S Strategic Planning Workgroup	2022-2023
Search Committee Member: Associate Dean of Academic Affairs	2022-2023
Committee Member: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity	2019-2021
Selection Committee Member: Inclusive Excellence Award	2020
Selection Committee Member: Faculty Awards for Promotion of DEI	2020

Commencement Marshall (December, May Ceremonies)	2018-current
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Departmental Service: Psychology

Search Committee- STS Lecturer position (on-line)	2025-2026
Teaching Mentor: Cassidy Leibold	2025-2026
Co-Chair- Search Committee- Lecturer position (2)	2024-2025
Teaching Mentor: Mia Radevski, Graduate Student	2024 (SU)
Co-Developer, Online Psychology Major	2024
FMER Review Committee	2024
Teaching Mentor: Cara Worick, Lecturer	2024
Committee Member: Search Committee- Lecturer position (3)	2023-2024
Committee Member: Search Committee- Lecturer position	2022-2023
Committee Member: Search Committee- Teaching Post-Doc	2022-2023
Committee Member: PSY Undergraduate Curriculum	2023-current
Teaching Mentor: Julia Jagielo-Miller, Post-Doctoral Instructor	2022-2023
Teaching Mentor: Cassidy Count, Graduate Student	2023
Workshop developer, organizer, presenter: Applying to Grad School	2023
Online lab developer: PSY 100	2022-2023
Committee Member: Education Abroad Psychology Fund	2022-current
Faculty Advisor: Psychology (~50 advisees/semester)	2015-2023
Committee Member: PSY Undergraduate Honors Committee	2022-current
PSY Majors Canvas shell: Site development and maintenance	2021-current

Program Service: Neuroscience Major

Co-Organizer: PNB Career Day/Grad School Fair	2024-current
Search Committee Member: Neuroscience Director	2021
NEU Majors Canvas shell: Site development and maintenance	2021-current
Committee Chair: NEU Undergraduate Scholars Committee	2020-current
Director of Undergraduate Studies (3 terms)	2020-current
Faculty Advisor (~50 advisees/semester)	2020-2023
Committee Member: Executive Committee for Neuroscience Major	2018-current

Local Community

Event Speaker: Dream Girls Foundation	2023
Science Fair Judge: local, regional, and state fairs	2017-2020
Presenter: Lexington's City-Wide Science Festival	2020
Outreach Organizer: Brain Awareness Week	2009-2018

Scientific and Teaching Community

Guest Editor for special issue of Brain Sciences: Innovative approaches to the teaching of neuroscience	2019
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AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Pinner for First Generation Students: Lauren Ashley, Madison Baker, Sydney Wethington	2024
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Open Educational Material (OEM) Grant (\$1775) Recipient- UK Libraries	2024
Teacher Who Made a Difference, UK College of Education (2 nominations)	2024
UK Provost Outstanding Teaching Award	2023
Innovative Teaching Award, UK College of A&S	2023
Favorite Neuroscience Faculty Member- NeuroCats Student Organization	2023
Ken Freedman Outstanding Advisor Award- nominee.	2016, 2017, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
A Teacher Who Made a Difference Award, UK College of Education	2020
Contributions to Undergraduate Education Award, PSY Department	2020
Outstanding Teacher, UK College of A&S - finalist	2019
UK Service-Learning Grant (\$1000) Recipient	2018
Woman's History Month Honoree, UK MLK Center	2017

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Handshake training session: Day long in-person training on career services platform for students to better provide career ready services to PSY and NEU majors (April, 2025)

CELT Training sessions: Online teaching conference (Apr); Strategies for building inclusive learning environments (Apr, 2024); Pedagogy of Play (May, 2024); Learning Across Latitudes (Apr, 2025)

Neuroscience Teaching Conference. Conference attendee and poster presenter. Winston-Salem, NC. July, 2024.

National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology. Conference attendee and poster presenter. Bonita Spring, FL. January 2024.

Kentucky ACE Women's Network. *Resiliency and Academic Leadership Workshop*, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY. May 2019.

Completion of AASECT approved *Sexual Attitudes Reassessment Workshop* at the University of Kentucky, Lexington KY. September 2018.

Completion of *Quality Matters Program: Designing Your Online Course* seminar at Bradley University, Peoria, IL. Summer 2014.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Sharrett-Field LJ, Hirsch L, Williams E, Ellis A. Behind the Blue: Provost Teaching Award Interview. Conducted by Kody Kiser. June 22, 2023.

Sharrett-Field LJ. (2019). The neuroscience of addiction and the intersection with mental illness. Keynote speaker. American Psychiatric Nurses Association, Kentucky Chapter Conference. Louisville, KY.

Sharrett-Field LJ. (2017). The Neurobiology of Change. Invited speaker. Dialectical behavioral therapy training seminar series, Bluegrass.org. Lexington KY.

Sharrett-Field LJ, (2014). Little HJ, Prendergast. Preclinical studies of glucocorticoid receptor antagonists in the treatment of alcohol dependence. Presenter. International Conference and Exhibition on Addiction Research and Therapy. Chicago, IL.

Sharrett-Field, L., Bloom, C. & Palladino, J., (2008). SDIQ-R; Reevaluating popular misconceptions concerning sleep and dreams. Talk presented at the annual meeting of Mid-America Undergraduate Psychology Research Conference at Thomas Moore College.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Sharrett-Field LJ, (2024, July). *Variable Grading Scheme for Courses with Students of Different Preparation Level*. [Poster Presentation]. Neuroscience Teaching Conference. Winston-Salem, NC.

Sharrett-Field LJ, (2024, January). *Studying Drug Use and Addiction Abroad- Amsterdam, Netherlands*. [Poster Presentation]. National Institute on the Teaching of Psychology, Bonita Springs, FL.

Sharrett-Field LJ, Butler TR, Berry JN, Reynolds, AR, Prendergast MA. (2012). *Short term ethanol exposure induces calpain dependent α -spectrin proteolysis and neurodegeneration in the hippocampus*. [Poster presentation] Research Society on Alcoholism. San Francisco, CA.

Sharrett-Field LJ, Butler TR, Berry JN, Prendergast MA. (2011). *Glucocorticoid antagonist diminishes alcohol withdrawal severity in rats following EtOH exposure using a novel binge paradigm*. [Poster presentation]. Research Society on Alcoholism. Atlanta, GA

Sharrett-Field LJ, Berry JN, Butler TR, Prendergast MA. (2010). *Somatic injury precedes distal atrophy following excitotoxic hippocampal insult*. [Poster presentation]. Bluegrass Neuroscience. Lexington, KY. *Award Winner*.

Bloom, C., Harden, M., Venard, J., Slevin, R., Fritz, C., & **Sharrett-Field, L.** (2007). *Obsessive-Compulsive Symptoms and Superstitious Conditioning in a Non-Clinical Sample*. [Poster presentation]. American Psychological Society. Washington, D.C.

MEMBERSHIPS

Faculty for Undergraduates in Neuroscience	2016-Current
Society for the Teaching of Psychology	2017-Current
The Dana Foundation	2016-Current
Nu Rho Psi, National Honor Society in Neuroscience	2016-Current
Bluegrass Chapter of the Society for Neuroscience	2009-2020
Society for Neuroscience	2009-2018
Research Society on Alcoholism	2009-2013
Association for Psychological Science	2007-2018
Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology	2006

PUBLICATIONS

9. Berry JN, Saunders MA, **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Reynolds AR, & Prendergast MA (2015). Corticosterone enhances N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor signaling to promote ventral tegmental area neurotoxicity in the reconstituted mesolimbic dopamine pathway. *Brain Research Bulletin*, 120, 159-165.
8. Reynolds AR, Berry JB, **Sharrett-Field LJ** & Prendergast MA (2015). Ethanol withdrawal is required for neuronal loss in an N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor-dependent manner following chronic intermittent ethanol exposure in the aged hippocampus. *Alcohol*, 49(3), 219-227.
7. Butler TR, Berry JN, **Sharrett-Field LJ** & Prendergast MA (2013). Long-term ethanol and corticosterone co-exposure sensitize the hippocampus to insult during ethanol withdrawal in an NMDA GLUN2B subunit-dependent manner. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research* 37(12): 2066-73.
6. **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Butler TR, Reynolds AR, Berry JN, Prendergast, MA (2013) Sex differences in neuroadaptation to alcohol and withdrawal toxicity. *Pflügers Archives* 465(5): 643-54.
5. **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Butler TR, Berry JN, Prendergast, MA (2013) Mifepristone pretreatment reduces Ethanol withdrawal severity *in vivo*. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research* 37(8): 1417-23.
4. Berry, JN, **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Butler TR, Prendergast, MA (2012). Temporal dependence of cysteine protease activation in hippocampus following excitotoxic insult. *The Journal of Neuroscience* 222:147-58.
3. Butler TR, Self RL, Smith KJ, **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Berry JN, Prendergast, MA (2010) Sex-dependent hippocampal injury: Adenosine receptor antagonism during ethanol withdrawal. *Alcoholism-Clinical and Experimental Research*, 38(8) 44A.
2. Butler TR, Self RL, Smith KJ, **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Berry JN, Littleton JM, Pauly JR, Mulholland PJ, Prendergast, MA. (2010). Selective vulnerability of hippocampal cornu ammonis 1 pyramidal cells to excitotoxic insult is associated with the expression of polyamine-sensitive N-methyl-D-aspartate-type glutamate receptors. *The Journal of Neuroscience* 165(2):525-34,
1. Butler TR, Smith KJ, Berry JN, **Sharrett-Field LJ**, Prendergast, MA. (2009). Sex differences in caffeine neurotoxicity are exacerbated by prior EtOH exposure and withdrawal. *Alcohol and Alcoholism* 44(6):567-74.