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Education and Credentials

Degrees

Ph.D., Harvard University, Department of Anthropology, Cambridge MA
MSN, Nursing Education and Public Health Nursing, West Chester University of PA
MA, Harvard University, Department of Anthropology, Cambridge, MA
BSN, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, Baltimore, MD
BA, University at Albany, Department of Anthropology, Albany, NY
AA, Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY

Licenses, Certifications and Proficiencies

Registered Nurse, Pennsylvania and Delaware
Fluent in Spanish

Academic Appointments and Employment History

Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Widener University, 2022-present
Tenure-track faculty engaged in teaching, scholarship and service.

Nurse Educator, NCLEX Services, ATI Nursing Education, 2021-present
Nurse Educator coaching students preparing to take the NCLEX

Assistant Professor, Division of Nursing, Immaculata University, 2019-2022
Tenure track faculty engaged in teaching, service and scholarship. Taught in pre-licensure (BSN, ABSN) and MSN programs. Public Health Course Coordinator.

Assistant Professor, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, Rutgers University, 2012-2018
Community and global health faculty engaged in teaching, scholarship and service; didactic and clinical instruction; developed and directed numerous global learning courses.

Triage Nurse Manager, Ascend Hospice, Fort Washington, PA, 2012-2020.
Clinical practice in a community-based hospice; leadership role in multidisciplinary team.

RN Case Manager, Ascend Hospice, Fort Washington, PA, 2009-2012.
Collaborated with multidisciplinary team to provide care for hospice patients in the community.

Registered Nurse, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, 2008-2009.
Staff Nurse in gynecologic oncology.

Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Fordham University, Bronx, NY, 2000-2007.
Full time faculty. Taught courses in Latin American Studies, sociology and anthropology.

Teaching Fellow, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 1993-1998.
Core Curriculum and Department of Anthropology

Honors and Awards

Delegate, Rutgers University Population Health Delegation to the University of Havana, Cuba, 2017
Outstanding Nurse Educator Award, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, Rutgers, 2015
Faculty Grand Marshal, Commencement, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, Rutgers, 2015
Nurse Leader, Sigma Theta Tau, 2014
Visiting Scholar, University of São Paulo School of Nursing, São Paulo, Brazil, 2013
Johns Hopkins University Public Health Nursing Program, Haiti, 2008
Faculty Summer Development Award, Fordham University, 2006
Mellon Foundation Dissertation Grant, 1998
Mellon Foundation Grant, 1996
Excellence in Teaching Award, Harvard University, 1995
Owen Foundation Grant, 1995
Harvard Grant, 1993-1997
Graduated Magna cum Laude, University at Albany, 1992
Anthropology Department Honors, University at Albany, 1992

Fellowships

Civic Engagement Faculty Fellow, Rutgers, 2013
University of Pennsylvania Exchange Scholar, 1999-2000
Fellow, Short-term, Dumbarton Oaks, Washington, D.C., 1999
Fellow, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, 1995-1996
National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, Honorable Mention, 1993

Publications

Chapters in Books

Schwartz, S. M. (in press). A Cauldron of Tears: Cultural factors and vulnerability in human trafficking In M. De Chesnay & D. Sabella (Eds.), *Human Trafficking: A Global Emergency Perspectives in Nursing, Criminal Justice, and the Social Sciences*. Springer Nature.

Peer Reviewed

Norris, S. (2022). The Pandemic Pivot: Lessons Learned from Turning on a Dime. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts, 82nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Salt Lake City, Utah. *Global Qualitative Nursing Research*:9.

Norris, S. (2021). Cancer is hard enough without a pandemic: The impact of COVID-19 on the breast cancer patient's journey. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts, 81st Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Virginia Beach, VA. *Global Qualitative Nursing Research*:8.

Lorup, C. & **Norris, S.** (2020) Immigrant Women's Experiences of Childbirth in Their Receiving Country: An Integrative Literature Review. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts, 80th Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Albuquerque, NM. *Global Qualitative Nursing Research*: 7.

Norris, S. & Lorup, C. (2020) Immersive Global Service Learning and the Development of Cultural Competence: Student Perceptions of a Transformative Process. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts, 80th Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Albuquerque, NM. *Global Qualitative Nursing Research*: 7.

Norris, S. (2019). Changing (Dis)Course: Using the Intersection of Perspectives and Practice to Understand the Health Needs of an Urban Community. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts. 80th Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Portland, OR. *Global Qualitative Nursing Research* 6.

Norris, S. & Ayres, C. (2016). Factors influencing the health promoting physical activity behaviors of diverse urban adolescents, *Journal of Nursing Practice Applications and Reviews of Nursing Research*, 6(1), 16-23.

Ayres, C., Jurado, L.F., **Norris, S.**, & Mahat, G. (2016). An investigation of the relationship between acculturation and specific health practices in Asian Americans, *Journal of Nursing Practice Applications and Reviews of Nursing Research*, 6(1), 4-9.

Diefenback, C., Herrman, A., Wade, G., Hayes, E., Voelmeck, W., Cowperthwait, A., & **Norris, S.** (2015). Preparedness for clinical: Evaluation of the core elements of the Clinical Immersion Curriculum model. *Journal of Professional Nursing*, 31(2), 124-132.

Norris, S., & Ayres, C. (2014). Health beliefs and practices of urban adolescents: A pilot study. *Journal of Nursing Practice Applications & Reviews of Nursing Research*, 4 (1), 68-76.

Ayres, C., Mahat, G., Atkins, R. & **Norris, S.** (2013). Social support as a mediator of the relationship between self-esteem and positive health practices: Implications for practice. *Journal of Nursing Practice Applications & Reviews of Nursing Research*, 3 (1), 15-21.

Additional Publications

Schwartz, S. M. (Executive Producer). (2022). Poverty: A Silent Epidemic. [Audio podcast episode]. In *Engage Community and Public Health RN*. ATI.

Schwartz, S. M. (Executive Producer). (2022). An Unequal Pandemic. [Audio podcast episode]. In *Engage Community and Public Health RN*. ATI.

Schwartz, S. M. (Executive Producer). (2022). The Sex Trafficking Crisis. [Audio podcast episode]. In *Engage Community and Public Health RN*. ATI.

Norris, S. M., & Andrews, B. W. (2019). Lítica tallada. In *Excavaciones de casas en la ciudad azteca de Yautepec, Morelos, México, Tomo I y Tomo II* (pp. 291–314). Oxford: BAR Publishing.

Smith, M. E., **Norris, S. M.**, & Fauman-Fichman, R. (2019). Otros artefactos. In *Excavaciones de casas en la ciudad azteca de Yautepec, Morelos, México, Tomo I y Tomo II* (pp. 347–362). Oxford: BAR Publishing.

Conference Presentations, Lectures and Sessions

Peer Reviewed

Norris, S. (2022). The Pandemic Pivot: Lessons Learned from Turning on a Dime. CONAA Council on Nursing & Anthropology Abstracts, 82nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Norris, S. (2021) Cancer is hard enough without a pandemic: The impact of COVID-19 on the breast cancer patient's journey. [Podium presentation]. Council on Nursing and Anthropology 2021 Sessions, SfAA 81st Annual Meeting, Virginia Beach, VA.

Norris, S. & Lorup, C. (2020). Immersive global service learning and the development of cultural competence: student perceptions of a transformative process. [Podium presentation,]. Council on Nursing and Anthropology 2020 Sessions, Society for Applied Anthropology 80th Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM.

Lorup, C. & **Norris, S.** (2020). Immigrant women's experiences of childbirth in their receiving country: An integrative literature review. [Podium presentation]. Council on Nursing and Anthropology 2020 Sessions, Society for Applied Anthropology 80th Annual Meeting, Albuquerque.

Norris, S. (2019). Changing (Dis)Course: Using the intersection of perspectives and practice to understand the health needs of an urban community. [Podium presentation]. 79th Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Portland, OR.

Norris, S. (2018). **[Invited]** The Intersection of Health and Sustainability in Philadelphia: Local Initiatives to Promote Social Justice and Health Equity. Council on Nursing and Anthropology Sponsored Session, 78th Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Philadelphia, PA.

Norris, S. (2017) The Impact of Experiential Service Learning Abroad on Cultural Competence. [Podium presentation]. Council on Nursing and Anthropology Sponsored Session, 77th Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Santa Fe, NM.

Norris, S., & Ayres, C. (2016). Hookah Smoking Among College Students: Factors Associated with a Trendy Risk Behavior. 27th International Nursing Research Congress, Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society, Cape Town, South Africa.

Ayres, C. & **Norris, S.** (2016). Factors Influencing the Health Practices of Young Women. 28th Annual Scientific Session of the Eastern Nursing Research Society, Pittsburgh, PA

Ayres, C., & **Norris, S.** (2015) Examining the Relationships Among Social Support, Cultural identity, Self-esteem and Loneliness to Better Understand Health Behaviors Among Adolescents. 27th Annual Scientific Session of the Eastern Nursing Research Society, Washington, D.C.

Norris, S. & Ayres, C. (2014) Health Beliefs and Practices Among Urban Adolescents: A Pilot Study. 26th Annual Scientific Session of the Eastern Nursing Research Society, Philadelphia, PA.

Ayres, C. & **Norris, S.** (2014) Acculturation: Influencing Health Practices among Asian Adolescents. 26th Annual Scientific Session of the Eastern Nursing Research Society, Philadelphia, PA

Norris, S. (2014). [Invited] Experiential Learning Abroad in the Health Fields. Moderator, Experiential Learning Abroad Conference, Rutgers University, 2014.

Norris, S. (2014) Health and Health Care in Brazil: International Service Learning in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil. Annual Global Health Conference, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Piscataway, NJ.

Norris, S. (2013) Understanding Health Perceptions and Practices of Hispanic Patients: A New Model for Transcultural Nursing at the End of Life. 39th International Conference, Transcultural Nursing Society, Albuquerque, NM.

Norris, S. (2013) An Integrative Review of Factors Affecting Culturally Congruent Hospice Care for Hispanics. [Podium presentation]. 25th Annual Scientific Session of the Eastern Nursing Research Society, Boston, MA.

Norris, S. (2013). Health beliefs and practices of Latina victims of Intimate Partner Violence. [Podium presentation]. Third International Conference of Health, Wellness and Society, São Paulo, Brazil

Norris, S. (2013). [Invited]. Health Beliefs and Practices: Palliative Care for the Hispanic Patient. Faculty Ambassador Lecture, University of São Paulo School of Nursing, São Paulo, Brazil.

Norris, S. (2013). [Invited]. Quality of Death Index: Why is Brazil at the Bottom? Health and Politics in Latin America Symposium, Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Other Invited Presentations, Lectures and Sessions (Selected)

Science in the Public Square, Panelist, 2021

Future Directions for a New Cuba: Building Sustainable Partnerships. Roundtable Participant.

Rutgers-Camden 2nd International Conference on Cuba, Rutgers University-Camden, 2017.

Population Health Roundtable. Participant, Rutgers-Camden International Conference on Cuba, 2016.

Health and Healing in Guatemala. Honors College Annual Brunch, Rutgers University, 2015.

Global Health Service Learning. Honors College Annual Brunch, Rutgers University. 2014.

Grant Proposals and Funding

2016, PI, "A New Certificate in Global Health to Expand Study Abroad Opportunities for Nursing Students." Office of Global Educational Programs of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State (\$42,000, unfunded)

2015, PI, "Factors influencing health beliefs and practices of urban adolescents." Dean's Summer Research Development Grant, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden (\$5,000)

2014, PI, "Mommy, I'm Hungry": Increasing Access to Healthy Food for Children Living in Highly Concentrated Poverty." Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Faculty Scholars Program (\$350,000, unfunded)

2014-2015, PI, "Community and Maternal Health in Brazil and South Africa: A Partnership for Global Health." Rutgers Global, Rutgers University (\$5,000)

2014, PI, "Increasing Children's Access to Healthy Food in Camden through a Culturally Adapted Garden Based Intervention." CO-I Ayres, C., Christiansen, G., and Wall, M. Community Foundation of South Jersey (\$25,000, unfunded)

2013-2015, Co-PI, "Health in Vespasiano, Brazil: Evaluating Environmental, Social and Institutional Effects on Health Outcomes." Rutgers Global, Rutgers University (\$8,000)

2013, PI, "Health Beliefs and Practices Among Urban Youth in Camden, NJ." Dean's Summer Research Development Program, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden. (\$10,000)

2013, PI, "Health and Health Care in Brazil: Course Development Grant" Rutgers Global, Rutgers University (\$3,000)

2013, Faculty Ambassador, University of São Paulo, Brazil. Rutgers Global, Rutgers University

Teaching Activities (Selected)

Immaculata University

Public Health Nursing, Course Coordinator, didactic and clinical faculty
Role Development for Advanced Nursing Practice, faculty and course developer
Nursing Research

Rutgers University

Honors Seminar in Nursing (Developed course)
Aging in Health
Nursing Research
Health and Healthcare in the Amazon (Global Service Learning, Program Director)
Health and Healthcare in Salvador, Brazil (Global Service Learning, Program Director)
Health and Healing in Guatemala (Global Service Learning, Program Director)

Doctoral Students Supervised

Kimberly Geria, "Application of a Modified Version of the Diabetes Prevention Program with Adolescents." Committee Member. Successfully defended and graduated 2016.

Global Health Initiatives, Service, and Research

Health and Healing in Guatemala, Clinical Practicum (2018). Taught and led first group of students on a clinical rotation in Guatemala. Provided health care and health education to indigenous Maya.

Delegate, Population Health Collaboration, Rutgers School of Nursing and the University of Havana, (2017). Represented the Rutgers School of Nursing to expand academic partnerships with the University of Havana, the Cuban Health Ministry and non-profits to collaborate on multiple initiatives.

Health and Healthcare in the Brazilian Amazon, Program Director (2016, 2017). Developed and directed a service learning abroad program in collaboration with NGO *Amizade*. Students traveled via boat to provide health promotion and prevention to communities in remote riverine settlements.

Health and Healing in Guatemala Global Service Learning, Program Director (2015).

Assessing Perceptions and Determinants of Adolescent Health in a Brazilian Favela (PI, 2013-2015). Led a multidisciplinary international research study with colleagues in public health (FASEH) and public policy (Rutgers). Mentored medical students in qualitative, community based research.

Health and Healthcare in Salvador, Brazil, Program Director (2013, 2014). Developed and directed a service learning program in collaboration with the NGO CCS. Students participated in community health initiatives in the *favelas*, each designing and implementing individual health promotion projects.

Visiting Scholar, Palliative Care Research Group, School of Nursing, University of São Paulo

Service to the Advancement of the Profession

National/International

President, CONAA (Council on Nursing and Anthropology), 2019-current

President-Elect, CONAA (Council on Nursing and Anthropology), 2018-2019

Invited Peer Reviewer, Public Health Nursing, 2019

Abstract Reviewer, Eastern Nursing Research Society, 26th Annual Scientific Sessions, 2013

Immaculata University

Faculty Search Committee, 2020-2021

Course Coordinator, Public Health Nursing, 2019-2022

SEP Standard I Committee, Division of Nursing, 2020

Graduate Curriculum & Outcomes Committee, DON, Immaculata University, 2019-2022

Admissions and Progression Committee, DON, Immaculata University, 2019-2022

MSN Capstone Projects Poster Reviewer, DON, Immaculata University, Spring 2019

MSN Capstone Projects Poster Reviewer, DON, Immaculata University, Fall 2019

CASTLE, Immaculata University, 2019-2022

Honors Subcommittee, Immaculata University, 2019-2022

GEM Grant Reviewer, Immaculata University, Fall 2019

Faculty and Student Affairs Committee, Division of Nursing, Immaculata University, 2019

Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden (School)

Chair, Scholastic Standing and Recruitment Committee, School of Nursing, 2018

Developer and Author, Faculty Handbook and School of Nursing Resources, 2017-2018

Faculty Affairs Committee, School of Nursing, 2016-2018

Executive Committee of the School of Nursing, 2015-2017

Chair, Faculty Development & Scholarship Committee, School of Nursing, 2017

Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, School of Nursing, 2014-2015

Co-Chair, Curriculum Analysis and Revision Task Force, School of Nursing, 2014-2015

Curriculum Committee, School of Nursing, 2012-2015

Rutgers University – Camden (Campus)

Board Member, Department of Education, International and Foreign Language Education (IFLE)

Grant. “Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Languages, 2016-2018.

Inaugural Member, Experiential Learning Advisory Council, Rutgers-Camden, 2015-2016

Faculty Committee on Civic Engagement, Rutgers-Camden, Rutgers University, 2015-2016

Inaugural Member, Advisory Board, Leadership Institute, Rutgers -Camden, 2015-2016

Associate Chancellor for Civic Engagement Search Committee, Rutgers-Camden, 2014-2015

Learning Abroad Academic Advisory Council, Rutgers-Camden, 2013-2017

Chancellor’s Global Research & Education Committee, Rutgers-Camden, 2012-2014

Rutgers University, New Brunswick (University)

Member and Campus Representative, Advisory Board, Rutgers Global, 2013-2018
Peer Reviewer, Internationalizing the Curriculum Grants, Rutgers Global, 2016
Member, IAC Faculty International Engagement Subcommittee, Rutgers University 2014-2015
Peer Reviewer, International Research Grants-Tenured Faculty, Rutgers Global, 2015
Peer Reviewer, International Collaborative Research Grants, Rutgers Global, 2014

Faculty Development Program Initiatives

Organizer, Path Analysis Workshop with Dr. Yarcheski, Theory Construction and Testing, 2017
Organizer, Innovative Teaching Techniques Workshop with Dr. Terry Valiga, 2017
Organizer, Faculty Development Grant Writing Workshop, 2016
Organizer and Moderator, Inter-professional Education Day, 2014

Additional Service to Rutgers University

Retreat to Advance Global Health, Rutgers Global Health Institute, 2017
Faculty Search Committee, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, 2012-2014
Faculty Advisor, Student Nurses Association, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, 2012-2013
Social Media Policy, Author, Rutgers School of Nursing-Camden, 2013

Memberships in Scholarly and Professional Societies

Council on Nursing and Anthropology (CONAA)
Sigma Theta Tau, The Honor Society of Nursing
Society for Applied Anthropology
Transcultural Nursing Society
Eastern Nursing Research Society

Civic Engagement and Community Partnerships (Selected)

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Partnership with Tower Health, 2021
Panel Speaker, Science in the Public Square Event, 2021
Rutgers-North Camden Partnership, coordinated health promotion program for nursing students, 2012-2017
Camden County Prison, coordinated student visits and assessments, 2013-2018
CAASAH (Home for the Support and Care of HIV-AIDS), Salvador, Brazil. Coordinated nursing students' health promotion program for HIV positive adolescents, 2013-2014
Pastoral do Menor, Diocese of Santarem, Brazil. Coordinated nursing students' health promotion program on hand hygiene for at-risk children in the favelas, 2016-2018
Member, Camden Physical Activity and Nutrition Education Resource Committee, 2013-2016

Contributions to the Local and Regional Community

Volunteer, The Land Conservancy, Run for Conservation, 2019
Volunteer Health Professional, American Red Cross, 2017
Member, Healthy Communities Task Force, Delaware Valley Planning Commission, 2013-2018
Board Member, Health Tech and Sports Medicine Occupational Advisory Board, Universal Audenried Charter High School, Philadelphia, 2014-2015
Member, Greater Philadelphia Food System Stakeholder Committee, 2013-2015

Press Releases and Interviews

Science in the Public Square, 2021, <https://vista.today/2021/03/tensions-between-scientific-community-and-public-to-be-explored-during-virtual-event-at-immaculata/>

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, 2021, <https://vista.today/2021/03/immaculatas-nursing-students-administer-vaccines-have-hand-in-fighting-the-pandemic-directly/>

TV Interview, Rutgers Around the World TV: Episode 1-Global Reach. Rutgers Global, 2016

TV Interview, Rutgers Around the World TV: Episode 4-Latin America. Rutgers Global, 2016

News Interview, Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization, NAFSA, 2014

News Interview, Understanding Health and Health Care in Brazil Through International Service Learning, Rutgers Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs, 2014

News Interview, Service Learning Experiences Take Rutgers-Camden Nursing Students Abroad, Rutgers Today, 2013