

MERILEE M. LARSEN

EDUCATION

Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) Area of concentration: Health Education	2017
Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, California Masters of Public Health (MPH) Area of concentration: Health Education	2012
Utah Valley University, Orem, Utah Bachelor of Science Community Health Area of concentration: Health Education	2006
Yoga Motion, Bozeman, Montana Yoga Instructor Experienced – 200 Hour Area of concentration: Vinyasa Flow	2001
Mt. Nebo Training, Payson, Utah EMT - Advanced	1999
Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, SLC, Utah EMT – Instructor	1998
Phlebotomy Training Center, SLC, Utah Phlebotomy Certificate	1998
Mt. Nebo Training, Payson, Utah EMT – Basic	1997

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Utah Valley University Assistant Professor School Health Education / Public & Community Health Developed multiple course syllabus, wrote lesson plans, created class activities, presented lectures, interacting with students, grading, etc. Responsible for the evaluation of school health students while student teaching in public schools, and piloting and assisting with EDTPA accreditation with the Education Department. Courses taught: Health 3100 (Health Education for Elementary Students), Health 4100 (Health Education Curriculum for Secondary Teachers), Health 4200 (Health Education Teaching Methods), Nutrition 1020 (General Nutrition), Health 1100 (Personal Health & Wellness), Health 1200 (First-Aid), Health 2400 (Stress Management), Health 2600 (Drugs, Behavior & Society)	2007 - Current
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Health 2800 (Human Sexuality), Health 3200 (Principals of Community Health), Health 3220 (Foundations of Health Education), Health 3400 (Human Diseases)

Utah Valley University – Utah Fire and Rescue Academy

Adjunct Faculty

Fire Sciences

1999 - 2011

Developed lectures, handouts and visual aids that relate to the Emergency Medical Technician curriculum. Responsible for practical time, and one on one assessment of the concepts presented.

Courses Taught: ESEC 1140 (Emergency Medical Technician Basic), ESEC 1160 (Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate)

University of Utah

Adjunct Faculty

Health Sciences/EMS

2005 - 2007

Developed lectures, handouts and visual aids that relate to the Emergency Medical Technician curriculum. Responsible for practical time, breaking into groups to review skills and to make sure that the students understand the concepts presented.

Courses Taught: HEDU 5950 (Emergency Medical Technician Basic), HEDU 5970 (Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate).

Utah Highway Patrol

1999 - 2011

Taught Emergency Medical Technician, Emergency Medical Responder, and Basic and Advanced First Aid. Collaborated on curriculum and exam creation as well as developed lectures, handouts, and visual aids. Responsible for all course work including grading and written and practical exams. Courses taught to the entire UHP personnel.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Integrated Studies Advisory Committee

2009, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2018

Adjunct Professor / Associate professor

Read, evaluated and advised on the graduation thesis for integrated studies majors.

State of Utah Department of Health / Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

Consultant

2016 - Ongoing

Work closely with investigations on matters related to EMS, education and law enforcement. Consult on cases, give recommendations on planning and policy changes and occasionally visit courses to check for compliance.

Global Emergency Medical Support (GEMS)

Instructor

2000 - Current

Work with a not-for-profit organization to provide emergency medical training to medical personnel as well as villagers in remote locations worldwide. A team of trained doctors, nurses, paramedics and EMTs, training in such locations as Samoa, Fiji, Peru and Nepal.

VASA Fitness, Utah

Yoga Instructor

2001 – Current

Responsible for teaching five 60-minute Yoga classes per week to groups of 8-60 people of all age ranges and ability. Class includes a 10-minute warm-up, 45-minute asana practice and a 5-10 minute savasana. Class modified to fit each student's individual needs.

Mt. Nebo Training, Provo, Utah

Wilderness First Responder Trainer

1999 – 2010

Responsible for specified lectures, handouts, practical breakout time and the activities therein, and for the knowledge of the state curriculum.

State of Utah Department of Health / Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

EMT Test Proctor

1999 - 2016

Responsible for traveling state wide for the set up and management of EMT and EMT-Advanced student test sites and procedures as the test is given to EMT students upon completion of their EMT course. Responsible also for proofreading and organizing test paperwork, staff payroll and other expenditures. Also overseeing the sub-committee over writing the EMT and EMT-Advanced written and practical tests.

AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- Adjunct Faculty of Excellence Award, Utah Valley University (2010)
- Nomination – OTL Academy Award – Best Delivery for Health 3220 Online (2017)
- Alumni Outstanding Educator of the Year, Utah Valley University (2018)

INVITED SPEAKING EVENTS

“The Future of Emergency Medicine”

2008

Guest Speaker - EMT Instructor conference
Cedar City, Utah

“Job Finding and Public Health”

2010

Guest Speaker - HEAU Conference
Sandy, Utah

“Turning War Stories into Practical Classroom Assessments”

2011

Guest Speaker - EMT Instructor conference
Cedar City, Utah

“Assessment & Evaluation”

2012

Guest Speaker - New EMS Instructor Retreat
Salt Lake City, Utah

<i>"Disaster Thinking and Public Health"</i> Guest Speaker - HEAU Conference West Valley City, Utah	2013
<i>"Learning to Disaster Think as Law Enforcement"</i> Guest speaker - Utah County Law Enforcement Conference Provo, Utah	2013
<i>"Disaster Thinking for the Workplace"</i> Keynote Speaker - United States Department of the Agriculture Salt Lake City, Utah	2013
<i>"Exams That Test"</i> Guest speaker - Utah EMT Instructor Conference Ogden, Utah	2013/2014
<i>"How to Disaster Think on the Job"</i> Guest speaker - Utah EMT Instructor Conference Ogden & Cedar City, Utah	2015/2016
<i>"Disaster Thinking for Health Care Professionals"</i> Keynote speaker - IHC - Intermountain Center for Disaster Preparedness Salt Lake City, Utah	2016
<i>"OODA Loop and Efficient Decision Making"</i> Keynote speaker – Utah EMS Conference Draper, Utah	2017
<i>"Standard 4: Teaching Students to Disaster Think"</i> Guest speaker – SHAPE/CHOICES Conference Layton, Utah	2018
<i>"Medical Reserve Corps use of the OODA Loop"</i> Guest speaker – Medical Reserve Corps Summit Tremonton, Utah	2018
<i>"Disaster Thinking for Public Service and the Community"</i> Keynote speaker – InfraGuard Quarterly Conference Salt Lake City, Utah	2018

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

Presentation – Teaching Standard 4 – What your students don't know about health – SHAPE Utah – 2/5/2018

Poster presentation – Health knowledge of students prior to 7th grade health – UPHA – 4/12-13/2018

Research - "Teacher Identified Barriers and Enabling Factors to Health Education" – Dissertation Study

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT UVU

MUVU Committee - Architecting the “New Faculty” portion of MyUVU – October 2016

Canvas Course Design Workshop – September 2017

SCAC Committee Member – Fall 2017 - Ongoing

Pathway 3 Course – Summer 2018

Thesis Advisor – Amaris Morin – Spring 2018

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWAY FROM UVU

Dr. Andrew Price-Smith presents *Epidemics as a Threat to International Security – Lessons from the Ebola Epidemic* – Gore School of Business – Westminster College – 10/12/2017

SHAPE/CHOICES Health and Physical Educators Conference – Davis Conference Center – 2/5/2018

Utah Medical Reserves Corps Summit 2018 – Tremonton Fair Grounds – 3/10/2018

Health Education Curriculum Review Board Member – 4/02/2018

Teen Health Summit – Utah County Health Department – 6/13/2018

State of Utah – Department of Education – Health Curriculum Review Board Member – 2018

Reviewer – “A Critical Introduction to Human Sexuality” textbook – Summer 2017

Reviewer – “Rhythms for Natural High” textbook – Summer 2018