

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Doctor of Philosophy	2007-2013	Nursing	The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas
Bachelor of Science	1980-1984	Nursing	The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas

Dissertation

“Person-Centered Chronic Illness Management in the Nursing Home”

August 2013

Chair: Sharon A. Brown, PhD, RN, FAAN

Professional Certification/Licensure

Registered Nurse 1985-2016 State of Texas

Employment

Academic

09/ 2013 - Present	Assistant Professor, Tenure-track	Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi – College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Corpus Christi, Texas
01/2012 – 05/2012	Graduate Teaching Assistant	The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas

Legal Nurse Consultant

02/ 2011 – 09/ 2013	Senior Legal Nurse Consultant	Bowman and Brooke LLP, Austin, Texas
07/1998 – 02/2011	Senior Legal Nurse Consultant	Clark, Thomas & Winters, P.C., Austin, Texas
01/1996 – 07/1998	Legal Nurse Consultant; Owner	Med-Link Consulting, Austin, Texas

Clinical and Administrative

11/1992 – 07/1998	Pediatric Primary Care Nurse	The Austin Diagnostic Clinic, Austin, Texas
12/1991 – 01/1994	Pediatric Intensive Care Nurse	Interim Healthcare, Austin, Texas
10/1989 – 11/1991	Pediatric Intensive Care Nurse	Brackenridge Children's Hospital of Austin, Austin, Texas
01/1988 – 10/1989	Quality Assurance/Risk	Northeast Community Hospital,

03/1987 – 03/1988	Management Coordinator Medical Auditor	Bedford, Texas Medical Cost Consultants, Inc., Clear Lake, Texas
02/1985 – 03/1987	Pediatric Intensive Care Nurse	Children's Medical Center of Dallas, Dallas, Texas

Teaching***Courses Coordinated and Taught at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi******Graduate***

HCAD-5330	Health Law and Ethics (Fully online)
NURS-5314	Research Methods in Advanced Nursing Practice (Fully online)
NURS-5469	Patterns of Care Delivery (Fully online)

Undergraduate

NURS-4318	Nurse as Research Consumer (Face-to-face Lecture, Fully online, and Blended formats)
NURS-4660	Nursing Care of the Community Health Client (Face-to-face Lecture)

Guest Lectures

NURS-4660	Nursing Care of the Community	“Nurses in Political Activism”
NURS-4318	Nurse as Research Consumer	“Qualitative Data Analysis and Trustworthiness;” “Qualitative Research Designs and Approaches”

Student Advisement***Selected Master's Capstone Projects***

Veronica Haywood	“implementing Skin-to-Skin Contact Using the Iowa Model”	2015	Role: Advisor
Nicole Grams	“Attaining Magnet Designation to Improve Hospice Care”	2015	Role: Advisor
Wendie DeLaRosa	“Quality Assurance for Palliative Care”	2015	Role: Advisor
Patricia G. Correa	“Health Risk Assessment Tam: Medicare/Medicaid Dual Demonstration SharePoint Tracking	2015	Role: Advisor
Sarah Bassett	“Patient Navigator”	2014	Role: Advisor
Judy Foster	“Increasing Health and Safety for Young Adults with Intellectual Disabilities”	2014	Role: Advisor
Sondra Nicholson	“Joint Recovery Program – A Time for Change”	2014	Role: Advisor
Jennifer Nickel	“Walking the Financial Line in an Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospital”	2014	Role: Advisor
Debra Guthrie	“Project to Reduce Nursing Turnover	2014	Role: Advisor

with a Superior Orientation Enhanced
by a Standardized Electronic
Orientation Manual”

Undergraduate Honors Projects

Andrea Multer	“Effect of Government-Subsidized Food on Childhood Overweight and Obesity: A Systematic Review of the Literature”	2015	Role: Mentor/Advisor
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Scholarship

Refereed Publications

Garcia, T. J., Harrison, T. C., & Goodwin, J. S. (2015). Nursing home stakeholder views of resident involvement in medical care decisions. *Qualitative Health Research*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1177/1049732315573206

Sumlin, L. L., **Garcia, T. J.**, Brown, S. A., Winter, M. A., Garcia, A. A., Brown, A., Martine, E. E., & Cuevas, H. E. (2014). Depression and adherence to lifestyle changes in type 2 diabetes: A systematic review. *The Diabetes Educator*, 40(6), 731-44. doi: 10.1177/0145721714538925

Brown, S. A., Martin, E. E., **Garcia, T. J.**, Winter, M. A., García, A. A., Brown, A., Cuevas, H. E., & Sumlin, L. L. (2013). Managing complex research datasets using electronic tools: A meta-analysis exemplar. *CIN: Computers, Informatics, Nursing*, 31(6), 257-265.

Garcia, T. J. & Brown, S. A. (2011). Diabetes management in the nursing home: A systematic review of the literature. *The Diabetes Educator*. 37(2), 167-187.

Reviewer for Refereed Publications

2015 Manuscript reviewer, *Qualitative Health Research*

Presentations at Professional Meetings

Refereed Research Podium Presentations

2014 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Joiner-Rogers, G. Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists 2014 Conference, Austin, TX, “Involvement of Older-aged Adults in Chronic Illness Decisions: A Metasynthesis.” January 24

Refereed Research Poster Presentations

2013 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Joiner-Rogers, G. National Gerontological Nurses Association 2013 Annual Convention, Clearwater, FL, “Involvement of Chronically Ill Older-aged Adults in Health Care Decisions.” October 3

2013 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Joiner-Rogers, G. St. David’s Center for Health Promotion & Disease. Prevention Research in Underserved Populations, Austin, Texas, “Chronic Illness Decision-Making in Older Adults: A Metasynthesis.” March 27

- 2012 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Harrison, T.C. St. David's Center for Health Promotion & Disease. Prevention Research in Underserved Populations, Austin, Texas, "Nursing home residents with type 2 diabetes: What do they want?" March 28
- 2012 Sumlin, L.S., **Garcia, T.J.**, Brown, S.A., Garcia, A.A., Brown, A., Winter, M.A., Martin, E.E., Cuevas, H. St. David's Center for Health Promotion & Disease. Prevention Research in Underserved Populations, Austin, Texas, "The influence of depression on adherence to lifestyle changes in type 2 diabetes: A systematic review." March 28
- 2012 Sumlin, L.S., **Garcia, T.J.**, Brown, S.A., Garcia, A.A., Brown, A., Winter, M.A., Martin, E.E., Cuevas, H. 26th Annual Southern Nursing Research Society Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, Top Student Poster Session "Depression associated with diet and physical activity adherence in type 2 diabetes: The state of the science." February 23
- 2011 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Harrison, T.C. The Gerontological Society of America 64th Annual Scientific Meeting. Boston, Massachusetts, "Nursing home residents with type 2 diabetes: What do they want?" November 21
- 2011 **Garcia, T.J.**, Brown, S.A. The Diabetes Awareness Conference, Austin, Texas "What's Missing in Diabetes Management in the Nursing Home?" March 29
- 2011 **Garcia, T.J.** & Brown, S.A. 25th Annual Southern Nursing Research Society Conference, Jacksonville Florida, "Diabetes Management in the Nursing Home: A Systematic Review of the Literature," February 19
- 2011 Martin, E.E., **Garcia, T.J.**, Cuevas, H., Winter, M.A., Garcia, A.A., Brown, A. & Brown, S.A. 25th Annual Southern Nursing Research Society Conference, Jacksonville Florida, "Reaching Agreement: The Use of Technology for Coder-Communication in Meta-Analysis," February 19

Invited Educational Presentations

- 2014 **Garcia, T. J.** *Finding the Combination for Success – A Research Course Redesign*, Fall Islander Forum, sponsored by the New Faculty Series, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas, August 20.
- 2014 **Garcia, T.J.** *Keys to Success in Research Course Redesign*, New Faculty Series Presentation, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas, May 7.
- 2012 Brown, S.A., **Garcia, T.J.**, Winter, M.A., García, A.A., Brown, A., Cuevas, H.E., & Sumlin, L.L. *Targeting Interventions for Maximum Effectiveness: A Model-testing, Meta-analysis to Explain Clinical Outcomes in Type 2 Diabetes*, Innovation in Health Care Delivery Systems Symposium,

sponsored by The University of Texas at Austin McComb's Business School, Austin Texas, April 26. (Presented by S.A. Brown)

- 2012 **Garcia, T.J.**, & Christian, R. *An Overview of Bisphosphonates, Osteonecrosis of the Jaw, and Atypical Femoral Fractures*, Bowman and Brooke, LLP, Austin, Texas, Products Liability Attorneys, Legal Nurse Consultants, and Paralegals, February. (Presented by T.J. Garcia)
- 2011 **Garcia, T.J.** *Resident-Centered Diabetes Care in the Nursing Home: Focus on Resident Diabetes Treatment Goals and Preferences*, Longhorn Village Continuing Care Retirement Community Presentation and Panel Discussion, December 6
- 2011 **Garcia, T.J.** *Diabetes Treatment Preferences of Nursing Home Residents*, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas, Scholarly Workshop, Graduate Students, April 28
- 2010 **Garcia, T.J.** *Taking Pride in Nursing Home Quality*, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas, Scholarly Workshop, Graduate and Undergraduate Nursing Students and Faculty, April 29.
- 2010 **Garcia, T.J.** *Inflammatory Bowel Disease: An Overview and Implications in Products Litigation Cases*, Clark, Thomas & Winters, P.C., Austin, Texas, Products Liability Attorneys, Legal Nurse Consultants, and Paralegals, February.

Research Grants

August 2015-August 2016

Hispanic Grandparent Influence on Healthy Behaviors Affecting Childhood Obesity AKA "Healthy Us Grandparent Study (HUGS)"
Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi. Texas Research Development Fund (TRDF) (funded \$20,000)
Principal Investigator: **T. J. Garcia**
Co-investigator: S. A. Baldwin

August 2014-August 2016

Nursing Facility Quality Review (NFQR)
Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS). Texas Health and Human Services Commission (funded - \$325,000).
Principal Investigator: T. Harrison, The University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing.
Co-investigator: **T. J. Garcia**

November 2009 – August 2013

"Meta-analysis of Biobehavioral Determinants of Health Outcomes in Type 2 Diabetes."

National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health (R01 [1R01NR011450-01], (funded - \$1,293,598).

Principal Investigator: S. A. Brown, The University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing.

Senior Graduate Research Assistant: **T. J. Garcia**

August 2012-November 2012

The University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing – Austin, Texas

“Medical Models in Long Term Care.”

The Sealy Center on Aging, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas (funded).

Principal Investigator: T. Harrison, The University of Texas at Austin.

Co-Investigator: J. S. Goodwin, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas.

Graduate Research Assistant: **T. J. Garcia**

Honors and Awards

2012–2013 The University of Texas at Austin Continuing Fellowship Award

2009–2010 Kathryn Gurley Scholarship in Nursing

2008–2009 The University of Texas School of Nursing Doctoral Endowment Scholarship

2007–2008 Lee Hage and Joseph D. Jamail Endowed Scholarship in Nursing

1983 Induction into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

Scholarly Works in Progress

Manuscripts in Preparation

Brown, S.A., Becker, B.J., García, A.A., Brown, A., Conn, V.S., Ramirez, G., Winter, M.A., **Garcia, T.J.**, & Cuevas, H.E. (in review, 2015). A meta-analysis of biobehavioral predictors of health outcomes in type 2 diabetes. *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*.

Garcia, T.J., & Joiner-Rogers, G. (in preparation). *Involvement of older-aged adults in chronic illness care decisions: A meta-synthesis*. Expected date of manuscript submission: December, 2015.

Professional Service

Service to the College and University

College Activities

New Faculty Search Committee, Texas A&M University-Corpus 2015-2015

Christi, Faculty member

Graduate Department Committee, Texas A&M University-Corpus 2013-2015

Christi, Faculty member

Undergraduate Department Committee, Texas A&M University- 2013-2015

Corpus Christi, Faculty member

University Activities

University Faculty Research Enhancement Committee, Texas A&M 2014-2015

University-Corpus Christi, Faculty Member	
Student Scholarship Awards Sub-committee, Texas A&M	2014-2015
University-Corpus Christi, Faculty member	
Parking and Transportation Committee, Texas A&M University-	2014-2015
Corpus Christi, Faculty member	
Student Hearing and Appellate Board, Texas A&M University-	2013-2015
Corpus Christi, Faculty member	

Service to the Profession

International Association of Latino Nurse Faculty, Chair Research	2015 - 2016
Committee	
The Gerontological Society of America, Active member	2011 – 2015
Southern Nursing Research Society, Active member	2011 – 2015
American Nurses Association, Active member	2000 – 2015
Texas Nurses Association, Active member	2000 – 2015
American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants, Past member	2000 – 2005
Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Active	1982 – 2015
member of both: Eta Omicron Chapter (Corpus Christi, Texas) and	
Epsilon Theta Chapter (Austin, Texas)	

Service to the Community

Leadership Committee for Senior Services, Texas Parks &	2014 – 2015
Recreation, City of Corpus Christi, Official Appointment by Mayor	
Nelda Martinez, August 26.	
Hispanic Women’s Network of Texas, Corpus Christi Chapter,	2014 – 2015
Active member	

Significant Professional Development Activities

2014	Texas A&M University Corpus-Christi, Faculty Research Development
	Program (FRDP)
2014	Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Certificate of Professional
	Development in Best Practices for Online Course Design