# **CURRICULUM VITAE** RACHEL N. WOLF

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# **EDUCATION**

Master of Arts, Clinical Psychology, May 2009 (intended) Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky, GPA: 4.0(current)

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, December 2006 The University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio. GPA: 3.67

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Thesis, Western Kentucky University, Kentucky 8/07-present

Currently researching how various social support domains impact the perceived needs and stress levels of parents of children with autism spectrum disorders.

**Internship,** Kelly Autism Program, Kentucky 8/08-present

Currently on a research team focusing on stress in parents and sensory issues of children with autism spectrum disorders.

**Independent Study**, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio 8/06-12/06

Functioned as a member of a research team investigating safety and injury prevention in adolescent skateboarders. Observed skateboarders at a skate park. Input and analyzed data. Assisted in creating presentation materials.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Child clinical and pediatric psychology, autism and pervasive developmental disorders and behavioral and sensory issues, stress and coping in families of autism spectrum populations.

### SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Semester of Service Internship, Dayton Christian Center, Dayton, Ohio, 5/06-8/06

Logged over 450 hours, interacting with infants and toddlers in a day care setting for economically disadvantaged families. Served as a mentor for teenage girls. Developed a child development scale for the center, which incorporated developmental milestones.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Group Psychotherapy Assistant, Celina, Ohio, 5/07-8/07

Provided group psychotherapy to children and adolescents who have behavioral issues, including Conduct Disorder, Oppositional Defiant Disorder, and Autism and Pervasive Developmental Disorders. Guided children both one-on-one and in a group setting, focusing on emotional and behavioral issues.

**Tutor/Mentor**, Dayton, Ohio, 8/06-5/07

Guided and mentored a child with Asperger's syndrome. Assisted in developing academic skills. Conducted social skills training and behavior management through implementing various reinforcement strategies.

Financial Assistant, University of Dayton Bookstore, Dayton, Ohio 8/03-12/06

Assisted and interacted with customers one-on-one. Fulfilled responsibilities regarding inventory and assisting in financial management.

Line Production Worker, Cooper Farms, St. Henry, Ohio 6/04-8/04

Packaged and processed meat. Worked on a production line.

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Campus Ministry Volunteer, Chaminade University, Honolulu, HI 1/05-5/05

Worked with handicapped and physically disabled children. Served food and interacted with economically disadvantaged families from diverse backgrounds. Volunteered over 25 hours

Volunteer, Erma's House, Dayton, Ohio 8/04-12/04

Managed case studies and read case history files. Wrote legal papers and letters to clients. Interacted with children and families. Volunteered 50 hours.

# **ACTIVITIES**

- Psi Chi
- Leadership Assessment Center at Western Kentucky University
- Graduate Assistant at Western Kentucky University
- American Psychological Association Member

# AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

- Graduate Cum Laude from the University of Dayton, 2006
- Americorps Education Award, 2005
- Dean's List, 2003-2006
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars, 2003
- President's Scholarship at the University of Dayton, 2003

## REFERENCES

- Dr. Frederick Grieve, Associate Professor, 270-745-4417
- Dr. Sandra Bowersox, Visiting Professor, 270-745-2695
- Dr. Philip Pegg, Assistant Professor, 270-791-2712
- Dr. Richmond Mancil, Assistant Director, Kelly Autism Program, 270-745-2872

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