

Curriculum Vita

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Academic Preparation

2013	Ph.D.	Auburn University	Rehabilitation Counseling and Special Education
2008	M.Ed.	Auburn University	Rehabilitation Counseling (CORE Accredited)
2006	B.S.	Troy University	Human Services, Criminal Justice

Dissertation Title: An Analysis of Career Thinking and Career Interests of Incarcerated Males.

Professional Experience

Rehabilitation and Disability Studies Program Coordinator (August 2015- present),
Director of Clinical Experiences (August 2012- August 2019), Special Education,
Rehabilitation, and Counseling (SERC), College of Education, Auburn University.

Clinical Professor (August 2023- present)

Associate Clinical Professor (August 2018- present)

Assistant Clinical Professor (December 2014- August 2018)

Instructor (August 2012- November 2014)

Teach courses in rehabilitation and disability studies and counselor education.
Chair dissertations in counselor education. Coordinate B.S. Rehabilitation and
Disability Studies program and advise undergraduates. Member of Graduate
Faculty, Auburn University Graduate School at level 2.

**Interim Director and Associate Clinical Professor, Auburn Transition Leadership
Institute** (September 2019-May 2022), Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling
(SERC), College of Education, Auburn University.

Oversee daily operation of ATLI including supervising staff members and graduate assistants. PI of a contract with the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services providing training and technical assistance in a program working with Alabama high schools and VR counselors for transition for youth with disabilities. Responsible for executing the largest outreach event in the College of Education with the annual Alabama Transition Conference.

Alabama Governor's Youth Leadership Forum Staff Trainer (2011-present), **Steering Committee Member** (2008-present), **Staff member** (2005-2011), Auburn University, AL

Assist with planning, coordinating, and executing the annual weeklong leadership forum for youth with disabilities in Alabama. Staff at the forum are students training to be rehabilitation professionals. Focus for the forum is teaching self-advocacy and leadership skills to high school students with disabilities with a focus on independent living and citizenship.

Group Facilitator (summer, 2010), Bullock Correctional Facility, Union Springs, Alabama.

Assisted in implementation of a research project entitled *RATES (Re-entry through assistance, training, and employment skills)* and facilitated weekly group sessions using Cognitive Information Processing (CIP) approach. Assisted with data collection, data entry, and analysis.

Graduate Intern (2008). Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, Homewood, Alabama.

Assisted counselors with transition caseloads in casework, attended IEP meetings at high schools, attended vocational evaluation feedback meetings at the state evaluation unit and with community rehabilitation programs, conducted plan reviews, provided guidance and counseling to transition aged consumers, conducted intake interviews, and documented case closures.

Evaluator and Case Manager (2008), **Case Manager** (2006). Easter Seals of the Birmingham Area, Homewood, Alabama.

Managed a caseload of consumers referred from Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services for various services offered through Easter Seals. Taught series of courses (work ethics, job readiness, job retention, money management, and effective communication skills), assisted in business education, academic upgrading, assessed consumers in the work adjustment lab, assisted with vocational evaluations. Completed monthly reports regarding consumer progress for rehabilitation counselors, completed administration of tests, scoring of assessment, interpretation of results, compiled and completed evaluation reports.

Teaching:

Instructor of record for the following courses:

RSED 4910 Rehabilitation and Disability Studies Practicum (undergraduate)

FA 2008, SP 2009, SU 2009, FA 2009, SP 2010, SU 2010, FA 2010, SP 2011, SU 2011, FA 2011, SP 2012, SU 2012, FA 2012, SP 2013, SU 2013, FA 2013, SP 2014, SU 2014, FA 2014, SP 2015, SU 2015, FA 2015, SP 2016, FA 2016, SU 2017, FA 2025

RSED 4920 Rehabilitation and Disability Studies Internship (undergraduate)

FA 2008, SP 2009, SU 2009, FA 2009, SP 2010, SU 2010, FA 2010, SP 2011, SU 2011, FA 2011, SP 2012, SU 2012, FA 2012, SP 2013, SU 2013, FA 2013, SP 2014, SU 2014, FA 2014, SP 2015, SU 2015, SP 2016, SU 2016, FA 2016, SP 2017, SU 2017, FA 2018, SU 2024, FA 2025

RSED 7910 Rehabilitation Counseling Practicum (graduate)

SU 2009, SU 2010, SU 2011, SU 2012, SU 2013, SU 2014, SU 2015, SU 2016, SU 2017, SU 2018

RSED 7916 Rehabilitation Counseling Practicum (graduate/distance education)

SU 2014, SU 2016, SU 2017, SU 2018

RSED 7920 Rehabilitation Counseling Internship (graduate)

FA 2008, SP 2009, SU 2009, FA 2009, SP 2010, SU 2010, FA 2010, SP 2011, SU 2011, FA 2011, SP 2012, FA 2012, SP 2013, SU 2013, FA 2013, SP 2014, SU 2014, FA 2014, SP 2014, SP 2015, SP 2016, FA 2016, FA 2016, SP 2017, SP 2018, SP 2019

RSED 7926 Rehabilitation Counseling Internship (graduate/ distance education)

SP 2015, SP 2017, SP 2019

RSED 5200 Vocational Evaluation in Rehabilitation Services FA 2015, FA 2016

RSED 4970/7440/7446 Transition Services through Emerging Adulthood (undergraduate, graduate, and distance education sections) SP 2015

RSED 4970/4973/5300 Transition Services through Emerging Adulthood (undergraduate on campus and distance education sections) SP 2016, SP 2017, SP 2018, SP 2019, SP 2023, SP 2024, SP 2025

COUN 7330 Counseling Diverse Populations SP 2023, SP 2024, SP 2025

RSED 7010 Rehabilitation, Programs, Services, & Ethics FA 2014

RSED 6220/6226 Placement Services in Rehabilitation (graduate and distance education sections) SU 2013

RSED 4100 Professional Communication Skills (FA 2010; FA 2011; FA 2012; FA 2013; SP 2014; FA 2014, FA 2015, FA 2016, FA 2017, FA 2018, FA 2023, FA 2024, FA 2025) (undergraduate)

RSED 3120 Assessment in Rehabilitation SP 2011

RSED 5210/6210 Occupational Information SP 2012, SP 2013

RSED 5220 Placement Services in Rehabilitation SU 2011, SU 2016

RSED 5220/6220 Placement Services in Rehabilitation (SU 2011) (undergraduate and graduate sections)

RSED 5220/6220/6226 Placement Services in Rehabilitation (SU 2010) (undergraduate, graduate, and distance education sections)

RSED 3020 Introduction to Rehabilitation FA 2016, FA 2017, FA 2018, FA 2021, FA 2022, SP 2023, FA 2023, SP 2024, FA 2024, SP 2025, FA 2025

Certifications

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor (2018-2023) #00108005, certified as CRC since 2008.

Certified Vocational Evaluator (2024-2029) #00108005

Publications (peer reviewed)

Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Weaver, S., Fleming, C. & Hall, A.L. (accepted with revisions) *Sexual and Physical Safety: Perceptions of Incarcerated Women*. Internation Journal of Prison Health.

Gage, C., **Shippen, M.E.**, Derzis, N.C., & Flores, M. M. (in press). Career interests of incarcerated youth with and without disabilities. *Journal Criminal Justice Education*.

Weaver, S., **Shippen, M. E.**, Derzis, N. C., Hall, A. L., & Fleming, C. (2025). Sexual and physical safety: Perceptions of incarcerated women. *American Journal of Qualitative Research*

Holder, A., **Derzis, N.C.**, Shippen, M.E. & Park, J. (2023). Career thoughts of incarcerated students. *Journal of Adult and Continuing Education*, 29(2), 720-734. (data based)

Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Hall, A., & Weaver, S. (2022). An exploratory factor

analysis of a Prison Rape Elimination Act survey in a women's state prison. *The Prison Journal*. 102(4)

Meyer, J. M., Hinton, V., Park, J., Portela, L., Fleming, C., L., **Derzis, N.**, & Weaver, S. (2019). An exploration of emerging adulthood, self-esteem, well-being, and vocational rehabilitation services. *Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling*. 50(4)

Shippen, M.E., Meyer, J.M., **Derzis, N.C.**, & Gage, C. (2017). Examining the Career Thoughts of Male Offenders Re-entering Society Using Cognitive Theory Assessment. *Journal of Correctional Education*. 68(2), 3-16.

Derzis, N.C., Meyer, J.M., Curtis, R.S., Shippen, M.E. (2017) An Analysis of Career Thinking and Career Interests of Incarcerated Males. *Journal of Correctional Education*., 68(1), 52-70.

Meyer, J. M., Hinton, V. M., & **Derzis, N.C.** (2015). Emerging adults with disabilities: Theory, trends, and implications. *Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling*, 46(4), 3-10.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E., Meyer, J.M., Curtis, R.S., Houchins, D.E. (2013). Career interests of incarcerated men: The influence of generational differences. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation* 52, 393-406.

Curtis, R.S., **Derzis, N.C.**, Shippen, M.E., Musgrove, K.R., Brigman, H.E. (2013). Work history and educational characteristics of incarcerated males. *Journal of Correctional Education*. 64(1)

Musgrove, K.R., **Derzis, N.C.**, Shippen, M.E., Brigman, H.E. (2012). PIRATES: A program for offenders transitioning into the world of work. *Journal of Correctional Education*. 63(2)

Shippen, M.E., Houchins, D.E., Crites, S. A., **Derzis, N.C.**, & Patterson, D. (2010). An examination of the basic reading skills of incarcerated males. *Adult Learning*. 21 (3/4), 4-12.

Shippen, M.E., Patterson, D.P., Dunn, C., **Derzis, N.C.**, Nelson, C.L., & Houchins, D. E. (2010). An examination of the written expression skills of incarcerated males. *Journal of Correctional Education*. 61(3), 189-202.

Conference Proceedings

Derzis, N. C., Meyer, J.M., Curtis, R. S., Shippen, M.E., & Houchins, D. E. (2017). A model of interdisciplinary training for rehabilitation counselors and special educators. (pp. 119-133)15th Hawaii International Conference on Education. Honolulu, HI.

Technical Reports

Derzis, N.C. & Shippen, M.E. (2023). Final report for Ingram State Technical College Vocational Village Focus Group Contract.

Curtis, R. S., Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Weaver, S., & Hall, A. (2021, September). Final report for PREA structured interview data.

Derzis, N.C., Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., & Shippen, M. E. (2021, June). Montgomery Women's' Facility inmate polling data report.

Shippen, M. E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Weaver, S., & Hall, A.L. (2021, July). Birmingham Work Release Facility inmate polling data report.

Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., **Derzis, N.C.** & Shippen, M. E. (2021, June). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 2nd session results.

Curtis, R. S., Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Weaver, S., Hall, A., Cooley, E., & Saha, A. (2020, November). Final report for PREA structured interview data.

Curtis, R. S., Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Hall, A., Weaver, S., Cooley, E., & Saha, A. (2020, September). Preliminary report for PREA structured interview data.

Derzis, N.C., Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., & Shippen, M. E. (2020, July). Montgomery Women's' Facility inmate polling data report.

Weaver, S., Shippen, M. E., Hall, A.L., & **Derzis, N.C.**, (2020, February). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 1st session results.

Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., **Derzis, N.C.** & Shippen, M. E. (2020, June). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 2nd session results.

Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., & **Derzis, N.C.** & Shippen, M. E. (2020, July). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 3rd session results.

Owes, D., Stoll, S., Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N.C.** (2019). *Career thinking and career interest of incarcerated individuals enrolled in postsecondary programs*. Ingram State Technical College.

Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., **Derzis, N.C.**, Shippen, M., Holder, A., Ellerman, H. & Stoll, S. (2019). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 3rd session results.

Weaver, S., Hall, A.L., **Derzis, N.C.**, Shippen, M., Stoll, S. & Fleming, C. (2019). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 2nd session results.

Derzis, N.C., Weaver, S. Derzis, N., Shippen, M. & Stoll, S. (2019). Birmingham work

release polling data report.

Shippen, M., **Derzis, N.C.**, Fleming, C., Hall, A.L., & Weaver, S. (2019). Tutwiler polling project first year cumulative data report.

Hall, A.L., Weaver, S., **Derzis, N.C.**, Fleming, C. & Shippen, M. (2018). Tutwiler inmate polling data report: 1st session results.

Shippen, M., **Derzis, N.C.**, Fleming, C., Hall, A.L., & Weaver, S. (2018). Tutwiler polling project third quarter data report.

Shippen, M., **Derzis, N.C.**, Fleming, C., Hall, A.L., Mautz, E. & Wofford, L. (2018). Tutwiler polling project second quarter data report.

Shippen, M., **Derzis, N.C.**, Fleming, C., Hall, A.L., Mautz, E. & Wofford, L. (2018). Tutwiler polling project first quarter data report.

Presentations

State

Derzis, N.C., Park, J., Tyler, J. (2018, November). *Counseling supervision for internship supervisors*. Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services Leadership Meeting. Montgomery, AL.

Fleming, C., Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, Hall, A., & Weaver, S. (2018, February). Incarcerated women and mental health. Disability Institute, University of Alabama Birmingham. Birmingham, AL.

Derzis, N.C., Ellerman, H. (2018, August). *The in's and out's of the counseling internship*. Alabama Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Orange Beach, AL.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E. (2016, October). *A decade in prison: University outreach and research*. Auburn Life Long Learning Institute OLLI. Auburn University, AL.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E. (2015, December). *A decade in prison: University outreach and research*. Alabama Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Auburn, AL.

Meyer, J. M., Hinton, V. M., **Derzis, N.**, Weaver, S. (2015, July). *Emerging adulthood: Theory, characteristics, and trends*. Auburn Head Injury Resources Support Group meeting, Auburn, AL.

- Derzis, N.C.** (2015, July). *Intersection of life and work: Ethics for rehabilitation counselors*. Alabama Rehabilitation Counselors and Educators Association, Montgomery, AL.
- Meyer, J. M., Hinton, V. M., **Derzis, N.**, Weaver, S. (2015, March). *Emerging adulthood: Theory, characteristics, and trends*. Auburn State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) quarterly meeting, Montgomery, AL.
- Derzis, N.C.**, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2014, September). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program*. Bullock Correctional Facility. Union Springs, AL.
- Derzis, N.C.**, Jenkins, K.R. (2014, March). *Transition in action: Youth leadership forum*. 24th Annual Alabama Transition Conference. Opelika, AL.
- Derzis, N. C.**, Shippen, M.E. (2014, February). *Intersection of Generations and vocational interests of male prisoners*. 6th Annual Outreach Scholarship Symposium. Auburn University.
- Derzis, N.C.**, & Jenkins, K.R. (invited, 2013, October). *Advocacy in action: Youth leadership forum*. Iota Delta Sigma Advocacy Training Workshop, Auburn, AL.
- Derzis, N.C.**, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2013, March). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program*. Bullock Correctional Facility. Union Springs, AL.
- Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N. C.** (2013, February). *The dynamic intersection of research, training, and service*. 5th Annual Outreach Scholarship Symposium. Auburn University.
- Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N.C.**, (invited, 2011, July). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program*. Staton Correctional Facility. Elmore, AL.
- Derzis, N.C.**, Stevens, R.H., & Kerlin, A.D. (invited, June, 2011). *Effective communication skills*. Troy, AL.
- Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N.C.**, (invited, May, 2011). *Re-entry efforts at the grassroots*. Invited presenter for re-entry coordinators at the Alabama Department of Corrections. Montgomery, AL.
- Derzis, N.C.**, (invited, 2010, July). *Vocational Rehabilitation 101*. Guest lecturer for RSED 7410/7416 Leadership in Special Education, Auburn University.
- Musgrove, K.R., & **Derzis, N.C.**, (invited, 2010, June). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in*

a re-entry program. Staton Correctional Facility. Elmore, AL.

Derzis, N.C, Musgrove, K.R, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2010, April). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program.* Staton Correctional Facility. Elmore, AL.

Derzis, N.C, Musgrove, K.R, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2010, March). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program.* Bullock County Correctional Facility. Union Springs, AL.

Derzis, N.C, Musgrove, K.R, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2010, January). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program.* Staton Correctional Facility. Elmore, AL.

Derzis, N.C, & Shippen, M.E. (invited, 2009, December). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program.* Bullock County Correctional Facility. Union Springs, AL.

Derzis, N.C, Shippen, M.E, & Curtis, R.S. (invited, 2009, May). *Career interests and post-release employment opportunities for incarcerated males participating in a re-entry program.* Bullock County Correctional Facility. Union Springs, AL.

Derzis, N.C, Hinton, V.M, Tazewell, D, & Hughes, R. (2009, March). *Assessment in transition planning.* 19th Annual Alabama Transition Conference. Opelika, AL.

Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N. C.** (2008, May). *Improving the basic literacy skills of incarcerated adults.* 2nd Annual Outreach Scholarship Symposium. Auburn University.

Regional

Derzis, N.C., Meyer, J.M., Shippen, M.E. (2016, February). *Transition and emerging adulthood: Training counselors to improve outcomes for youth with disabilities.* Cross Cultural Regional Conference, Georgia Southern University, Savannah, GA.

Derzis, N.C., (2014, March). *Disability, media, and culture.* Southeast Regional National Rehabilitation Association, Gulf Shores, AL.

National

Shippen, M.E. & **Derzis, N.C.** (2019, October). *Incarcerated women's perceptions of their physical and sexual safety: Voices from the inside.* National Conference on Correctional Health Care, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

Meyer, J. M., Hinton, V. M., **Derzis, N. C.**, Portela, L., & Weaver, S. (April, 2018). *Emerging adulthood: Factors that predict resilience*. American Counseling Association, Annual Conference 2108, Atlanta, GA.

Derzis, N.C., Meyer, J.M, Shippen, M.E., & Curtis, R.S. (2016, April). *An Examination of Disability Status, Recidivism, Length of Incarceration and Career Information of Incarcerated Males*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Annual Conference 2016, Newport Beach, CA.

Derzis, N.C., Meyer, J.M, Shippen, M.E., & Curtis, R.S. (2015, April). *Intersection of career thinking and career interests of incarcerated males*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Annual Conference 2015, Newport Beach, CA.

Derzis, N.C., Meyer, J.M, Shippen, M.E., & Curtis, R.S. (2014, March). *An analysis of career thinking and career interests of incarcerated males*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Annual Conference 2014, Manhattan Beach, CA.

Hinton, V.M., Meyer, J.M, & **Derzis, N.C.** (2014, March). *Emerging adulthood and youth with disabilities*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Annual Conference 2014, Manhattan Beach, CA.

Meyer, J.M, Shippen, M, & **Derzis, N.C.** (2013, April). *Examination of the psychometric properties of the Career Thoughts Inventory for use with inmates*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Annual Conference 2013, San Francisco, CA.

Cannon, B.L, & **Derzis, N.C.** (2010, April). *Rehabilitation supervision at the undergraduate level*. National Council on Rehabilitation Education Conference. Manhattan Beach, CA.

International

Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.**, & Abigail Holder (2024, January). Career thoughts of incarcerated post-secondary students. 22nd Hawaii International Conference on Education, Kona, HI.

Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N.C.** & Curtis, R. S. (2023, January) What did SHE say: Findings from incarcerated women about physical and sexual safety. Hawaii International Conference on Education, Honolulu, HI.

Derzis, N. C., Shippen, M.E., Hall, A., & Kerlin, A. (2022, January) *Physical and sexual safety in prison: Four years of voices from women on the inside*. Hawaii International Conference on Education, Kona, HI.

Derzis, N.C., Curtis, R.S. (January, 2020) Women in prison: Safety,

education, and systems change. 18th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Education. Honolulu, HI.

Shippen, M.E., **Derzis, N. C.**, Curtis, R.S., & Fleming, C.L. (January, 2019). Take a professor to prison. 17th Hawaii International Conference on Education. Honolulu, HI.

Meyer, J.M., **Derzis, N. C.**, Shippen, M.E., & Curtis, R.S. (January, 2017). A model of interdisciplinary training for rehabilitation counselors and special educators. 15th Hawaii International Conference on Education. Honolulu, HI.

Outreach and Service

Auburn University College of Education:

College of Education Undergraduate Committee (2016-2022)

College of Education E-Learning and Outreach Technology Committee (2014-2016)

Department of Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling

Department Assessment Committee member (2017-2018)

Department Curriculum Committee member (2016-2019)

Search committee member for Assistant Professor in Rehabilitation Counseling (2016-2017)

Search committee member for Administrator I/II/III position at Center for Disability Research and Service (Fall 2015, Summer 2016)

SERC Media and Recruitment Committee (2014-2016)

Search committee member for Assistant Professor in Rehabilitation Counseling (2012-2013)

Community and Professional Service:

Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC), Board-Member-At-Large (2017-2021), Treasurer and Secretary (2019-2021), Schaumburg, IL

Guest reviewer for *Journal of Counselling Psychology Quarterly* (September, 2018)

Alabama Head Injury Foundation (2016- 2022), Regional Board Member, Auburn, AL

Exceptional Outreach Organization (2014-2015), Board Member, Auburn, AL

Group facilitator at Montgomery Women's Center (2011- present). I have co-facilitated a group on career development for nine participants. During this time we have worked on activities such as resumes, cover letters, career interests, employment proposals and post-release education, employment opportunities, and identification of community resources.

Presenter for Alabama Department of Corrections Re-entry programs (2009-2016). I have completed numerous presentations for groups of individuals who are incarcerated on topics such as career development, post-release employment and education. I have presented on these topics at four different institutions in Alabama.

Donated textbook warehouse organizer (2009-2010). I assisted with the organization of thousands of donated text books from various Alabama schools to the Alabama Department of Corrections. These books were organized, catalogued, and shipped to prisons around Alabama for prison education programs. Undergraduate students in rehabilitation assisted with this effort.

Board Member of Alabama Rehabilitation Association (invited, 2009-present). Primary role is to support the recruitment of college students into this professional rehabilitation organization. Assist with planning and execution of annual ARA conference. **President of ARA 2016.**

Honors and Awards

Recipient of the Emily and Gerald Leischuck Undergraduate Teaching Award (2017). Auburn University, AL.

Recipient of ACCESS award from Auburn University's Program for Students with Disabilities (October, 2011). This award is given to instructors who are nominated by a student with a disability for excellence in accommodating students with disabilities in the class room.

Professional Organizations and Memberships

American Counseling Association (ACA) (2013-present)
Division member of American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (ARCA) (2013-present)

National Rehabilitation Association (NRA) (2008-present)
Alabama Rehabilitation Association (ARA) (2008-present), President (2016)

Grants

Willis, J. P. (Co-Principal), Jenkins, K.R. (Co-Principal), **Derzis, N.C.** (Consultant) Youth Leadership Forum (2016) Sponsored by Christopher and Dana Reeves Foundation, Private, \$2,050.00.

Willis, J. P. (Co-Principal), Jenkins, K.R. (Co-Principal), **Derzis, N.C.** (Consultant). Youth Leadership Forum (2014). Sponsored by Christopher and Dana Reeves Foundation, Private, \$3,000.00.

Meyer, J. M. (P.I.), Curtis, R., Rawlins, L., **Derzis, N.**, & Fleming, C. (2014). Preparing Rehabilitation Counselors for the Challenges and Benefits of the Rehabilitation Profession. Rehabilitation Services Administration. A five-year project totaling \$1,000,000.00.

Not funded

Meyer, J. M., Shippen, M. E., & **Derzis, N.** (2014). Transition and Emerging Adulthood Methods: Training Rehabilitation Counselors as Related Service Providers (TEAM). Office of Special Education Programs. A five-year project totaling \$1,250,000.00.

Contracts

Derzis, N.C. (2023). Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, Transition Unlimited Project: (PI) (\$290,085).

Derzis, N.C. (2022). Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, Transition Unlimited Project: (PI) (\$284,000).

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E. (PI) (2022) Ingram State Technical College: Vocational Village Project (\$55,000)

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E., Curtis, R.C (2022). Alabama Department of Corrections: (Co-PI) Polling Project at Tutwiler Prison for Women (\$221,000).

Shippen, M.E., & **Derzis, N.C.**, (Co-PI) (2018-2022): Alabama Department of Corrections: Co-PI, Women's Risk Needs Assessment Validation study in Partnership with the University of Alabama. Sub-award (\$592,935- across four years).

Derzis, N.C. (2020) (PI) Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. Pre-employment Transition Services contract \$332,236.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E., Curtis, R.S., (PI) (2020) Department of Corrections Polling Project. Alabama Department of Corrections. A one year contract totaling \$216,876.00.

Derzis, N.C. (2019) (PI) Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. Pre-employment Transition Services contract \$311,000.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E., Curtis, R.S., (PI) (2019) Department of Corrections Polling Project. Alabama Department of Corrections. A one year contract totaling \$216,074.00.

Derzis, N.C., Shippen, M.E., Fleming, C.L., (PI) (2018) Department of Corrections Polling Project. Alabama Department of Corrections. A one year contract totaling \$213,187.00.

Shippen, M.E., Fleming, C.L., **Derzis, N.C. (Co-PI) (2017)** Tutwiler Polling Project. Alabama Department of Corrections. A one-year contract totaling \$139,182.00.