

Heather Knoeferl, DSL, OTR/L

Education

2022	Doctor of Strategic Leadership , Liberty University, Lynchburg VA
2016	Master of Science in Organizational Leadership , Argosy University, Phoenix AZ
1997	Completion of Level II Fieldwork in Occupational Therapy: Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland OR (Spring 1997) Portland VA Medical Center, Vancouver WA (Fall 1996)
1996	Bachelor of Science : Major in Occupational Therapy, Pacific University, Forest Grove OR

Leadership Experience

2025	Golden Horn North Condo Association – Secretary
2024 - present	Palm Gardens Condo Association board member (communications officer)
2019 - present	Academic Fieldwork Coordinator- Nova Southeastern University (49% administrative appointment)
2017 - 2019	Therapy Program Manager - Lakeview Village, Lenexa KS Collegeview and Deer Creek Clinic locations
2004 - 2005	Consultant - St. Thomas More Preschool, Baton Rouge LA
1999 - 2003	OT Supervisor - Oregon Health Sciences University, Inpatient Psychiatry Portland, OR

Teaching Experience

2024- present	Associate Professor, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale FL
2019 - 2024	Assistant Professor, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale FL
	<u>MOT Courses:</u> Fieldwork Issues I Level I Fieldwork, Mental Health Level I Fieldwork, Adults Level I Fieldwork, Pediatrics (assist) Independent Study (co-taught) Fieldwork Issues II Level II Fieldwork A and B
	<u>OTD Courses:</u> Introduction to Didactic, Clinical, and Research Experiences Interventions I: Mental Health, Wellness, and Community Interventions I: Mental Health, Wellness, and Community Lab Research Proposal and IRB Level I Fieldwork: Mental Health, Wellness, and Community

	Level I Fieldwork: Children and Youth
	Level I Fieldwork: Adults
	Level II Fieldwork Experience A and B
	<u>Post Professional DrOT Courses:</u>
	Capstone II
	Capstone III
2014 - 2015	Academic Fieldwork Educator, Brown Mackie College, Kansas City KS
	<u>Courses:</u> Therapeutic Media
	Applied Anatomy and Kinesiology II
	Level I Fieldwork (co-taught)
	Interventions for Adult Populations
	Interventions for Geriatric Populations
	Interventions for Neurological Conditions (co-taught)
	Level II Fieldwork A and B
2012 - 2015	Lead Instructor, Brown Mackie College, Kansas City KS
	<u>Courses:</u> Therapeutic Media
	Applied Anatomy and Kinesiology II
	Interventions in Mental Health
	Level I Fieldwork (co-taught)
	Interventions for Adult Populations
	Interventions for Geriatric Populations
2007	Fieldwork Educator – MOT student from Rockhurst University, The Rehabilitation Institute
2000 - 2003	Fieldwork Educator – OT and OTA students from various universities and colleges (approximately 9): Oregon Health Sciences University

Clinical Experience

2022	NSU ALS Clinic with Dr. Eduardo Locatelli
2017 - 2019	Therapy Program Manager - Lakeview Village, Lenexa KS Collegeview and Deer Creek clinic locations
2008 - 2012	Key Rehabilitation - Greater Kansas City area
2007 - 2008	The Rehabilitation Institute – Overland Park, KS
2006 - 2007	Supplemental Healthcare – Greater Kansas City area
2004 - 2005	Consultant - St. Thomas More Preschool, Baton Rouge LA
1999 - 2003	OT Supervisor - Oregon Health Sciences University, Inpatient Psychiatry Portland, OR
1997 - 1998	Intermittent Care Company – Portland OR

Professional Service and Volunteerism

2024 – current	Faculty Search Committee Chair – faculty and program director positions, department of Occupational Therapy
2024 – current	OTD Curriculum Committee
2024 – current	DrOT Curriculum Committee
2023 – current	Alumni Committee
2022 – current	Day for Children OT Department Lead and volunteer
2022 – current	Pi Theta Epsilon Faculty Advisor
2021 – current	AFWC Mentor for AESIS – Using a CoP approach to provide guidance for new AFWCs
2021 – current	Committee on Student Progress (co-chair, 2021 – 2024)
2020 – current	Ad Hoc Committee – FLOTEC task force to create new Fieldwork Florida Occupational Therapy Education Consortium (FLOTEC) Educator course for organizational use
2019 – current	Florida Occupational Therapy Education Consortium(FLOTEC)
2019 – current	Student Professionalism Committee – Ad Hoc Committee assembled to create new mechanisms to measure and develop students’ professional behaviors
2016 – present	Nepri Inc. - Guest speaker on topics related to healthcare, leadership, and Occupational Therapy
Nov 2020	Discussing Occupational Therapy – presentation for Cypress Bay High School Allied Health Assisting Students
2019 – 2020	Nova Southeastern Admissions Committee
2019 – 2020	Interprofessional Diabetes Education and Awareness (IDEA) Initiative, NSU – Faculty Representative for an interdisciplinary student team presenting diabetes education in the community
2008	Supervision of a Level II Fieldwork student from Rockhurst University
1999 – 2003	Supervision of Level II OT and OTA students at Oregon Health Sciences University

Public and Community-Related Service

2019 – present	Car Fit Event Volunteer
2017 – 2018	Wellington Park Homeowners Association, Secretary
2008 – 2013	Holy Spirit Athletic Association, Volleyball Coach
2010 – 2011	Blue Valley Youth Wrestling Club, President
2005 – 2014	Holy Spirit Parents Association, various board positions

Honors and Awards

2022	Graduate with High Distinction (academic excellence)
2020	Recipient of the 2020 – 2021 Omega Nu Lambda Scholarship for Academic Excellence
2018	“Deficiency Free” Recognition as Program Manager during Medicare Initial Certification for Outpatient Clinic – Lakeview Village at Deer Creek
2017	“Deficiency Free” Recognition as Program Manager during Medicare Initial Certification for Outpatient Clinic – Lakeview Village at Collegeview
2016	Graduated Summa Cum Laude from Argosy University, MSOL Program

2016	Awarded Brown Mackie Employee of the Quarter
2012	Awarded the “Golden Key” by Key Rehabilitation for outstanding patient care and team participation

Professional Licenses and Certifications

2019 – present	Licensed in Florida, #19907
2006 – 2019	Licensed in Missouri, #2006027512
2005 – 2019	Licensed in Kansas, #17-02344
1997 – 2003	Licensed in Oregon, #1016869
1997 – present	Registered by National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT)

Practice Certifications

2016 – present	Fieldwork Educator Certificate (Digital Badge)
2018 – present	Car Fit Technician and Event Coordinator
2016 – 2020	NBCOT Badge Certification for Education and Research (Digital Badge)
2007 – present	Certified in Physical Agent Modalities

Professional Presentations

2025	Invited speaker, FLOTEC Spring Meeting – <i>Updates to FLOTEC Site Specific Objectives</i>
2024	AOTA Education Summit Poster Presentation (additional speaker) - <i>Mentoring for Post-professional Occupational Therapy Capstone Advisement: Creating an Effective Asynchronous and Synchronous Program</i>
2024	AOTA Education Summit Poster Presentation - <i>A Strategic Approach to Level I Fieldwork: Addressing Risk, Resources, and Sustainability in Experiential Learning</i>
2023	Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP) Annual Conference (accepted poster presentation) <i>The Use of Simulation to Address Shortages in Higher Education Programs: Challenges and Opportunities in Occupational Therapy</i>
2023	FLOTEC Fieldwork Educator course (re-occurring annually)
2023	FOTA Poster Presentation – <i>Co-Occurring Truths in Fieldwork Education: Facing the Challenges of Fieldwork Education as an Occupation</i>
2022	FLOTEC Ad Hoc Committee – <i>Recommended Updates to the Fieldwork Educator Course</i>
2022	The Effect of Decision-Making Processes on Organizational Outcomes in Higher Education: Case study submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Strategic Leadership
2022	AOTA Education Special Interest Section: Exploring Innovative FW Supervision Models
2021	<i>What the Fieldwork? The Burning Questions in All of Our Minds</i> – Zoom CEU event through Nova Southeastern University (5 contact hours of presentation)

2017	Lakeview Village Rehabilitation Services, Lenexa, KS – <i>The Many Ways You Can Benefit from Therapy Services in Various Settings</i>
2012 - 2015	Brown Mackie College, Kansas City, KS – <i>Becoming an Occupational Therapy Assistant</i> (Annual Recruitment Fairs)
2012	Community Stakeholders Meeting: Brown Mackie College, Kansas City, KS – <i>Advances in Level I Occupational Therapy Assistant Fieldwork</i>
2004	St. Thomas More Preschool, Baton Rouge, LA – Screening for Special Needs in Preschool Children
2000	Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR – <i>Implementing the Allen Diagnostic Module for Interdisciplinary Communication</i>
1999	Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland, OR – <i>The Necessity of Standardized Patient Evaluations in Occupational Therapy services for Inpatient Mental Health</i>

Current Professional Affiliations

- Member of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
- Member of the Florida Occupational Therapy Association (FOTA)
- Member of Florida Occupational Therapy Educational Consortium (FLOTEC)
- CarFit Initiative by AARP, AAA, and AOTA (American Occupational Therapy Association)
- Omega Nu Lambda National Honor Society, Alpha Chapter
- Alpha Eta Society, Nu Sigma Upsilon Chapter

Relevant Continuing Education 2010 to Present

2025	AOTA Spring Academic Leadership Council meeting
2024	AOTA Education Summit attendance/poster presentation
2024	AOTA Fall Academic Leadership Council meeting
2023	AOTA Conference / Spring Academic Leadership Council meeting
2023	AOTA Fall Academic Leadership Council meeting
2023	Center for Academic and Professional Excellence (CAPE) course – <i>The Blended Learning Institute</i>
2022	FOTA Conference attendance/poster presentation
2022	AOTA Fall Academic Leadership Council meeting
2022	AOTA Spring Academic Leadership Council meeting
2022	Reba Anderson Memorial Lecture: Revealing the Genius of Everyday Occupational Therapy Practice
2021	FLOTEC Spring Meeting
2021	Primary presenter for NSU CEU event: What the Fieldwork? 1/16/2021
2020	FL Occupational Therapy Educational Consortium (FLOTEC) Spring meeting
2019	AOTA Fall Academic Leadership Council – Las Vegas, NV
2019	FLOTEC Fall meeting
2018	CarFit Event Coordinator Training
2018	CarFit Technician Training
2017	Ability KC Interprofessional Education Event

2016	Kansas Occupational Therapy Association Conference
2016	AOTA Fieldwork Educators Certification Course – Chicago, IL
2015	Teaching Strategies – Best Practices for Building a Syllabus
2015	Wound Care
2014	Effective Home Health Care - Summit Professional Education
2014	Teaching Strategies – Preparing for Regulatory Visits from HLC and ACOTE
2013	Using the DSM-5 for Diagnosis and Treatment
2013	Teaching Strategies – Flipped Classroom
2012	Teaching Strategies – Best Practices for LMS Course Shells
2011	Shoulder Injuries in Adults
2010	Evidence Based Interventions and Treatment for Stroke Rehab and Recovery

Relevant Continuing Education Prior to 2010

- Physical Agent Modalities Practitioner Credentialing – Saginaw Valley State University (2007)
- Therapy Documentation Workshop – Med A, Med B, and Other
- Sensory Integration in Children
- The Allen Diagnostic Module – Presented by Claudia Allen