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## EDUCATION

- 2006           **Ph.D.**, Community Psychology, DePaul University-Chicago  
2003           **Master of Arts**, with Distinction, Community Psychology, DePaul University  
1999           **Honors Bachelor of Arts**, with Distinction, Double major, Psychology & History  
University of Wisconsin-Madison

## TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

- 2009-Present   **Assistant Professor**, Psychology Department, National-Louis University  
Courses: Advanced Social Psychology, Principles of Community Psychology, Program  
Evaluation, Community Organizing, Consultation, Human Sexuality, General  
Psychology
- 2007-2008      **Adjunct Faculty**, Psychology Department, DePaul University  
Courses: Graduate Program Evaluation, Community Psychology
- 2004-2006      **Teaching Fellow**, Psychology Department, DePaul University  
Courses: Contemporary Problems in Mental Health (Service Learning), Applied Psychology I,  
Community Psychology (Service Learning), Human Sexuality, Psychology and Social  
Justice (Service Learning),  
Introduction to Psychology
- 2000            **Faculty Assistant**, Department of Psychology, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Co-designed and taught an undergraduate course on psychometric methods

## RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

- 2006-2009    **Research Associate**  
*DePaul University--Office of Institutional Planning & Research*
- Conducting research studies to support institutional decision making
  - Supporting assessment efforts in student affairs & academic program review
  - Compiling and reporting official university statistics to data clearinghouses, state and federal agencies
  - Supervising student employees' research projects
- 2004-2006    **Project Director**- School Transitions on Youth with Disabilities  
*DePaul University—Department of Psychology*  
Evaluated the academic, social, & emotional impacts over time, of closing a specialized  
Chicago public high school for students with disabilities.
- Managed day-to-day project operations and grant budget

- Supervised and trained a team of graduate and undergraduate students
- Conducted quantitative and qualitative data analysis
- Led conference presentations, report writing and manuscript formulation

2001 – 2005 **Graduate Research Assistant-** Oxford House Research Team

*DePaul University—Center for Community Research*

Evaluated the effectiveness of the Oxford House Model for substance abuse recovery in a year-long study of over 800 people across the nation.

- Reviewed literature on substance abuse, mutual-support groups, and helping behavior
- Wrote successful NIH pre-doctoral training grant
- Developed a reliably self-report helping scale
- Assisted in data collection, tracking participants, and data analyses
- Presented findings at professional conferences
- Wrote scholarly research journal articles

1998-2000 **Research Team Leader & Independent Project Coordinator**

*University of Wisconsin--Social Psychology Laboratory*

Studied prejudice among European Americans toward African Americans.

Measured motivations to respond without prejudice and emotional responses to stereotypes.

- Designed and conducted an independent research project
- Performed quantitative data analyses
- Trained student research assistants

## **GRANT/FELLOWSHIP**

2002-2004 **National Research Service Award Pre-Doctoral Training Fellowship**

National Institute on Drug Abuse Research (NIDA).

Therapeutic Helping among Oxford House Residents. (\$66,622)

## **APPLIED EXPERIENCE**

2008-Present **Consultant,** Office of Specialized Services, Chicago Public Schools.

- Evaluation research design, analysis and support
- Sampling, survey design, observations, interviews, data analyses

2008-Present **Community Outreach Consultant,** John G. Shedd Aquarium Education Department.

- Planning support for program expansion and evaluation
- Logic Modeling, observations, community building

2007-2008 **Consultant,** Youth Connections Charter Schools.

- Data exploration and analysis

- Refined data collection of student characteristics, challenges, strengths, academic progress, objectives, services and outcomes
- Developed a model for success indicators in alternative charter school for students who have dropped out or been dropped by the public school system

2006-2007 **Evaluation Consultant**, High School Peer Jury Program, Safe & Healthy Schools Initiative, Chicago Public Schools.

- Developed and administered survey and focus group protocols to evaluate programming impact

2006-2008 **Research Methodology Consultant**, Least Restrictive Environment efforts, Office of Specialized Services, Chicago Public Schools.

- Mixed methods research planning; sampling techniques and data analysis

2004-2005 **Evaluation Consultant**, National Drug Prevention and Safety Coordinator Program, Office of Specialized Services, Chicago Public Schools.

- Conducted process & impact evaluation of federally funded grant
- Collaboratively developed and analyzed internet survey
- Collaboratively developed program logic model
- Analyzed longitudinal data collected by the school system
- Drafted interim and final reports

2002-2005 **Statistical Consultant**, Student Counseling Services, DePaul University

- Advised staff on database formation for process evaluation
- Conducted descriptive and inferential data analysis

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**Viola, J.J.**, & McMahon, S.D. (2010). *Consulting and evaluation with community based organizations: Tools and strategies to start & build a practice*. Boston: Jones & Bartlett Publishers.

**Viola, J.J.**, Ferrari, J.R., Davis, M.I., & Jason, L.A. (2009). Measuring in-group and out-group helping in communal living: Helping and substance abuse recovery. *Journal of Groups in Addiction & Recovery* 4(1).

**Viola, J.J.** (2008). *University Ecology & Student Service Motivation*. Germany: VDM Publishing.

McMahon, S.D., Parnes, A.L., Keys, C.B. & **Viola J.J.** (2008). School belonging among low-income urban youth with disabilities. *Psychology in the Schools* 45(4), 26-47.

**Viola J.J.** (2006). I want to be a consultant to non-profit organizations: Considerations before taking the plunge. *New Directions in Evaluation* 111, 5-9.

Suarez-Balcazar, Y. & **Viola, J.J.** (2006). A need for community action to achieve social change and increase access to healthy foods in minority communities. *The Community Psychologist* 39 1, 36-39.

- Olson, B.D., **Viola, J.J.**, Jason, L.A., Davis, M.I., Ferrari, J.R., Rabin-Belyaev, O. (2006). Economic Costs of Oxford House Inpatient Treatment and Incarceration: A Preliminary Report. *Journal of Prevention & Intervention in the Community* 31(1/2), 61-70.
- McMahon, S.D., Keys, C., **Viola, J.J.** (2005). School Transitions Among Youth With Disabilities: Preliminary Findings from a Collaborative Evaluation Project. *Scholarship with a Mission: Externally Funded Research in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 2*, 23-26 S. Pagliaro (Ed.) DePaul Publications Group: Chicago IL.
- McMahon, S.D., Keys, C., **Viola, J.J.** (2005). School transitions among youth with disabilities: A collaborative project between Chicago Public Schools and DePaul University. In *Scholarship with a Mission: Externally Funded Research in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 1*, 30-32. S. Pagliaro (Ed.) DePaul Publications Group: Chicago IL.
- Bloodworth, M., Kapungu, C. Majer, J.M., McDonald K.E., Sharma, A., **Viola, J.** & Wilson, B. (2004). The student consensus panel: Reflections on community research practices and its implications. In *Participatory community research: Theories and methods in action*. L.A. Jason, C.B. Keys, Y. Suarez-Balcazar, R.R. Taylor, M.I. Davis, J. Durlak, & D. Holtz Isenberg, (Eds.) American Psychological Association: Washington D.C.
- Bloodworth, M. Chimata, R., Kapungu, C., Majer, J., McDonald, K., Sharma, A., **Viola, J.** & Wilson, B. (2002). Student consensus panel reflections on the second Chicago conference on community research: Participatory methods. *The Community Psychologist*. 35, (4) 17-18.
- Olson, B.D., Jason, L.A., D'Arlach, L., Ferrari, J.R., Alvarez, J., Davis, M. I., Olabode-Dada, O., Horin, E., Oleniczak, J., Cooper, D., Burger, T., Curtis, C., Flynn, A., Sasser, K., & **Viola, J.** (2002). Oxford House, Second-Order Thinking, and the Diffusion of Systems-Based Innovations. *The Community Psychologist*. 35, 21-22.

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS** (last 5 years)

- Williams, J., Haney, K., Germuth, A., Nichols, T., Scheirer, M., & **Viola, J.** (November, 2009). *Starting and Succeeding as an Independent Evaluation Consultant*. Panel to be presented at the American Evaluation Association Conference. Orlando, FL.
- Viola, J.J.**, Fromm-Reed, S., & Belyaev-Glantsman, O. (May, 2009). Expanding the Big Tent of Community Psychology through Doctoral Training. Roundtable discussion presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.
- Howe, S., Porter, N., & **Viola, J.** (May, 2009). Policy Research as a Component of Translational Research. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.

- Williams, J., Haney, K., Germuth, A., Nichols, T., Scheirer, M., & **Viola, J.** (November, 2008). *Starting and Succeeding as an Independent Evaluation Consultant*. Panel Presented at the American Evaluation Association Conference. Denver, CO.
- Viola, J.J.**, McMahon, S.D., Olson, B.O (October, 2008). Start Consulting: How to bring the value and values of Community Psychology to the real world?
- Cameron, J., **Viola J.** (May, 2008). *Who's Teaching This Term? Exploring Quantitative Methods of Tracking, Analyzing and Understanding Part-time Faculty Retention*. Demonstration presented at the Annual Forum of the Association for Institutional Research. Seattle, WA.
- Viola, J.** & McLaughlin, G. (March, 2008). *A Strategic Initiative to Inventory, Describe & Assess co-curricular activities across the University*. Roundtable Discussion presented at the Annual Catholic College and University Forum for Institutional Research, Radnor, Pennsylvania.
- Viola, J.**, Droege, E., Porter, N., Olson, B., Braciszewski, J. (October, 2007). *Public Policy Advocacy: Helping SCRA to Act as a Resource*. Roundtable Discussion presented at the Annual meeting of the Midwest Ecological-Community Psychology Conference. Chicago, IL.
- Crouch, R., Sorani, S., Graham, B., O'Neill, K., Porcic, I., **Viola, J.**, Roesner, N. & Keys, C. (October, 2007). *Qualitative Methods Used for the Evaluation of Students with Disabilities Transition into New Schools*. Symposium Presented at the Midwest Ecological-Community Psychology Conference. Chicago, IL.
- Andolina, M., **Viola, J.** (June, 2007). *The Urban, Vincentian University & The Civically Engaged Student: A Profile*. Evangelization to Discipleship Conference Notre Dame University.
- Cameron, J., **Viola J.** (June, 2007). *Student Experiences on Campus: Predictors or Outcomes of Civic Engagement?* Scholarly Paper presented at the Annual Forum of the Association for Institutional Research. Kansas City, MO.
- Crouch, R., Berardi, L. Williams, T., Parikshak, S. McMahon, S., **Viola, J.**, & Keys, C. Multiple (June, 2007). *Perspectives of Social Support and Organizational Practices for At-Risk Youth*. Symposium Presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Pasadena, CA.
- McLaughlin, G. & **Viola, J.** (April, 2007). *Thoughts on Inter-Institutional Cooperation and Best Practices Benchmarking across Catholic Colleges and Universities*. Symposium presented at the Annual Catholic College and University Forum for Institutional Research, Radnor, Pennsylvania.
- Berardi, L., Crouch, R., McMahon, S. D., Keys, C. B., Morgan, M., & **Viola, J. J.** (Oct, 2006). *Teacher and Principal Views of School Practices: Assessing Different Perspectives in Chicago Public Schools*. Symposium presented at the Midwest Ecological Community Conference, Saugatuck, Michigan.

- Viola, J.J.** (2006, May). *What is DePaul's Role in Student Motivation for Public Service?* Presentation as part of "Examining Our Mission: A two-part series on DePaul's mission-driven Identity and Activities. Chicago, Illinois.
- Pokorny, S., Adams, M., Jason, L., Dubois, D., Braciszewski, J., Barrett, E., McMahon, S., Parnes, A. & **Viola, J.J.** (2006, May). *Building Strong University-School Collaborations for Research.* Roundtable discussion presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.
- Viola, J.J.** (2006, March). *The Impact of Perceived Institutional Atmosphere and School Sense of Community on Student Motivation for Public Service.* Symposium presented at the Annual Catholic College and University Forum. Chicago, Illinois.
- Viola, J.J.,** McMahon, S.D. (2005, October). *Consultants' tackle the "tough questions": Sharing experiences and answers about how best to start and build your independent consultant practice.* Roundtable Discussion presented at the Annual Joint Meeting of the Canadian Evaluation Association/ American Evaluation Association (CES/AEA). Toronto, Canada.
- Cowman, S.E., Cameron J., **Viola, J.,** Velcoff, J., Ferrari, J.R. (2005, October). *On a Mission: Community Psychologists' Role in Higher Education Assessment.* Symposium presented at the Annual meeting of the Midwest Ecological-Community Psychology Conference. Saugatuck, MI.
- McMahon, S.D., Parnes, A.L., Keys, C.B., **Viola, J.J.,** Radak, L.C., Parikshak, S.D., Williams, T.T. & Ambrozewski, M.R. (2005, August). *School Belonging and Psychosocial Outcomes: Experiences of Students with Disabilities.* Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association (APA) Convention. Washington D.C.
- Viola, J.J.** (2005, June). *A Collaborative School-Based Evaluation: Challenges, Successes and initial Findings.* Symposium presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Community Research and Action. Champaign IL.
- Viola, J. & Staggs, S.** (2005, May). *Consulting in Community Psychology: Starting and Managing Your Practice.* Symposium presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.
- Viola, J.,** Ambrozewski, M.R., Colon, Y., Crouch, R., Esparza, P., Keys, C.B., Manalel, S., McMahon, S.D., O'Neill, K., Parikshak, S., Parnes, A., Sanders, C., Wells, P & Williams, T. (2005, May). *Unique Perspectives Concerning a Collaborative Evaluation Project.* Roundtable Discussion presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.
- Viola, J.,** Ferrari, J.R., Berkowitz, W., & White, A. (2005, March). *Applied Careers in Community Psychology: Where to Begin.* Panel presented at the Annual Meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association. Boston, MA.

**Viola, J.** (2004, October). *Bringing the Values of Community Psychology to Consulting Work: How do Students Get Started?* Symposium presented at the Annual meeting of the Midwest Ecological-Community Psychology Conference. Saugatuck, MI.

Shagott, T., Olson, B., Davis, M., **Viola, J.**, Nelson, C., Alvarez, J., Majer, J., Garcia, R., Groh, D., Adebajo, A., Latta, T., Jason, L., Braciszewski, J., & Cooper, D.G. (2004, October). *Restorative Justice and its Implications for Community Psychology*. Roundtable Discussion presented at the Annual meeting of the Midwest Ecological-Community Psychology Conference. Saugatuck, MI.

**Viola, J.J.**, Ferrari, J.R., Jason, L.A., & Davis, M.I. (2004, April) *The Relationship between Helping Behavior and Time in Oxford House*. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association. Chicago, IL.

## **SERVICE – PROFESSIONAL**

2009-Present **Committee Member**- Council of Education Programs- Society for Community Research & Action (SCRA)  
 2009-Present **Chair Elect**- Social Policy Committee (SCRA)  
 2008-Present **Contributing Editor**- Disaster Task Force- Disaster Response Manual  
 2008-Present **Treasurer** – Chicagoland Evaluation Association  
 2008 **Doctoral Dissertation Committee**- Loyola University Sociology Department  
 2008 **Reviewer** – Jones & Bartlett Textbook Publishers  
 2008 **Forum Evaluation Committee**- Association for Institutional Research  
 2008 **Reviewer** – American Evaluation Association Annual Conference  
 2007 **Reviewer** – American Journal of Evaluation  
 2007 **Reviewer** – Society for Community Research & Action Biennial Conference  
 2002-2005 **Student Editor**- Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community  
 Haworth Press  
 2005 **Reviewer** - American Psychological Association Annual Conference, Division 27

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- American Evaluation Association
- Chicagoland Evaluation Association
- Midwestern Psychological Association
- Psi Chi Psychology National Honors Society
- Psychologists for Social Responsibility
- Society for Community Research and Action (SCRA) –Div. 27 of American Psychological Association
- Association for Institutional Research