

Hannah Knott, PhD, CCLS

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

- Ph.D., Higher Education | 2023
- Dissertation: "Pathways to Thriving Among Online Undergraduate Learners"

UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE

- M.S., Advanced Studies in Child Life | 2014 | *4.0 GPA*

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO

- B.A., Linguistics: Interdisciplinary Language Studies | 2011 | *Summa Cum Laude*

Employment

AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY | AZUSA, CA

Associate Professor, MS in Child Life Program, Department of Psychology, 2023-Present

Assistant Professor, MS in Child Life Program, Department of Psychology, 2018-2023

- Experience teaching online, on campus, and hyflex; graduate and undergraduate courses
- Clinical supervision of over 50 interns and practicum students in multiple local hospitals
- Facilitated two semesters of a virtual practicum during COVID-19 pandemic
- Co-leader of international practicum, Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital, South Africa
- Creator and manager of APU's child life program Youtube channel and LinkedIn page
- Collaborated on ACLP program endorsement application; APU obtained endorsement in 2019
- Psychology Club Advisor, 2021-2023
- Established annual multidisciplinary Faculty Panel for psychology majors at all campuses to hear from and meet with representatives from all psychology-adjacent APU graduate programs.
- Student discipleship groups:
 - Child Life and a Christian's Vocation: Graduate D-Group, Fall, 2022 *Faculty Leader*
 - Faith and Vocation: How the Christian faith can inform the work of child life specialists: Graduate, Fall, 2020 *Faculty Co-leader*
 - Child Life Discipleship Group, Graduate, Summer, 2020, *Faculty Co-Leader*
 - Child Life Discipleship Group, Graduate, Fall, 2019, *Faculty Leader*
 - Child Life Discipleship Group, Graduate, Spring, 2019, *Faculty Leader*
 - APU-TWO: Sophomore Discipleship Group, Fall, 2018, *Faculty Leader*
- Experience with student advising, revising program learning objectives, data collection for multi-year program assessment, department committees, thesis committee/committee chair, admissions interviews
- Maintain productivity data for child life program's two hospital training sites
- Curriculum Development as Subject Matter Expert:
 - New Course Builds:
 - CFS 132T: Care of the Hospitalized Child *CSUF*
 - PCLS 527: Supporting Children with Special Needs in the Healthcare System *APU*

- Course Adaptations to Online Synchronous Format:
 - PCLS 521: Introduction to Child Life Services
 - PCLS 525: Assessment, Preparation, and Documentation
 - PCLS 527: Supporting Children with Special Needs in the Healthcare System
 - PCLS 542: Child Life Practicum
- Courses taught (Graduate):
 - PCLS 501: Advanced Child Development
 - PCLS 502: Applied Child Development and Medical Terminology
 - PCLS 521: Introduction to Child Life
 - PCLS 522: Therapeutic Interventions and Play-Based Techniques
 - PCLS 523: Coping and Trauma in Children
 - PCLS 525: Assessment, Preparation, and Documentation
 - PCLS 527: Supporting Children with Special Needs in the Healthcare System
 - PCLS 531: Ethics, Diversity, and Professional Issues
 - PCLS 542: Practicum in Child Life
 - PCLS 542: Virtual Practicum to provide clinical training during COVID-19 restrictions
 - PCLS 543: Internship in Child Life
 - PCLS 551: Research Methods in Child Life
 - PCLS 552: Thesis in Child Life
- Courses taught (Undergraduate):
 - PSYC 285: Stress and Coping
 - PSYC 290: Human Growth and Development
 - PSYC 432: Psychosocial Interventions for Pediatric Healthcare
 - PSYC 455: Fieldwork
- Thesis Committee Service
 - Thesis Committee Chair: MS in Child Life students, Summer 2023
 - Thesis Committee Member: MS in Child Life students, Fall 2018-Fall 2022
 - Thesis Committee Member: Amy Cheung (2019). *The importance of non-pharmacological pain management in pediatric palliative care* (Master's thesis). Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database. (UMI No. [13897486](#)).

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO | FRESNO, CA

Instructor, Child Development, 2017-2018

- Developed, proposed, and taught university's first ever undergraduate child life course (Care of the Hospitalized Child: An Introduction to Child Life Services)
- Advisory Board Member, Child and Family Sciences Department, 2016-2018

COMMUNITY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER | FRESNO, CA

Certified Child Life Specialist II, 2016-2018

- 2017 Provider of the Year, Department of Pediatrics
- 2018 UCSF-CRMC Quality Improvement Symposium Project Lead, 2nd Place Award
- Project Lead: Implemented Pediatric Family Advisory Council (PFAC)
- Established Child Life practicum program in 2017 including affiliation agreements
- Served on Pediatric Education Council: contributed curriculum and teaching to Pediatric Boot Camp and PICU Skills Fair seminars
- Developed Pediatric Press Newsletter, a multidisciplinary educational initiative

- Collaborated with CRMC Foundation team to maintain donor relations and solicit gifts for pediatric service line
- Conducted readability analysis of pediatric admissions parent handbook and revised document according to plain language standards to support healthcare literacy
- Staff Hiring Committee Lead, Child Life Assistant, 2016
- Trained and supervised one direct report (child life assistant) along with team of volunteers

CHILDRENS HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES | AUG, '14-DEC, '15

CCLS II | CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES, AUG - DEC, 2015

CCLS I | CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES, AUG 2014 - JULY, 2015

- Quality Improvement Project: Piloted initiative with nursing staff to improve the care environment for patients with sensory difficulties
- Project Lead: Child Life and Sibling Support - annual Patient Care Services Education Fair (2015)

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER | FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT | 2014

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER, TUTOR, & CLASSROOM AIDE K-10TH | 2011-2013

Valley Preparatory Academy Charter School, Fresno CA

Publications

- Chicas, N., **Knott, H.**, Lew, D., & Poon, S. (2023). The impact of a child life video preparation on preoperative anxiety and post-hospital behaviors. *The Journal of Child Life: Psychosocial theory and practice*, 4(2). <https://doi.org/10.55591/001c.84471>.
- **Knott, H.** (2023). (Order No. 30526728). Pathways to Thriving for Online Undergraduate Learners. [Doctoral dissertation, Azusa Pacific University]. <https://www.proquest.com/dissertations-theses/pathways-thriving-online-undergraduate-learners/docview/2827943110/se-2>
- **Knott, H.** & Baker, S. (2023). The impact of instructional modality on the relationship of psychological sense of community to thriving among graduate students. *Christian Higher Education*, 22(2). <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15363759.2022.2097142>
- **Knott, H.** (2020). A book review of Conrad & Openo's *Assessment Strategies for Online Learning: Engagement and authenticity*. *Distance Education*, 41(4). <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/01587919.2020.1821608>
- **Knott, H.** (2019). A book review of Cal Newport's *Deep Work: Rules for focused success in a distracted world*. *Child Life Bulletin*, 37(1): pp. 30-31. Association of Child Life Professionals.
- **Knott, H.** (2018). Creating a gastrostomy-tube doll. *Child Life Bulletin*, 36(4): pp. 43-44. Association of Child Life Professionals.

Working Manuscripts

- **Knott, H.** Thriving online: Differences in thriving between online and on-campus learners. *Targeted for College Teaching*.
- **Knott, H.** Pathways to thriving among online undergraduates. *Targeted for College Teaching*.
- **Knott, H.** A review of the evolution of online education. *Targeted for Christian Higher Education*.

Presentations

- Knott, H. & Chicas, N. (2023, May 17). *The impact of a child life video preparation on anxiety and post-hospital behaviors: An experimental child life study* [conference session]. Association of Child Life

Professionals Annual Conference, Grapevine, Texas. <https://www.childlife.org/professional-development/annual-child-life-conference/2023-child-life-conference>.

- Knott, H. & Chicas, N. (2023, May 10). *The impact of a child life video preparation on anxiety and post-hospital behaviors: An experimental child life study* [conference session]. California Association of Child Life Professionals Annual Conference, Azusa, CA. <https://calchildlife.org/conference-agenda>
- “Teaching Online in the Age of COVID-19.” (2020, April). Interviewed for the *Child Life in Action series*. Association of Child Life Professionals (ACLCP).
- Knott, H., Boone, K., & Cheung, A. (2019, November). “Child Life and the Burn Population.” *Annual Burn & Trauma Symposium*. Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.
- Knott, H. (2019, Nov.) “Separation and Trauma in Children: A child life specialist’s perspective.” *Juan Bruce-Novoa Series on Chicana/Latina Experience*. Azusa Pacific University.
- Knott, H. (2019, Sept.) “Child Life and Traumatic Stress in Children.” *SONA*. Azusa Pacific University.
- Knott, H. (2019, Nov.) “Plain Language Principles to Improve Healthcare Communications.” *Annual Conference*. California Association of Child Life Professionals (CACLP).
- Knott, H., English, R., & Simmons, R. (2019, Nov.) “Out of Our Comfort Zone: Supervising child life students internationally.” *Annual Conference*. CACLP.
- Knott, H. (2019, June). “Acute Stress Disorder and Pediatric Medical Traumatic Stress.” *Annual Conference*. Great Lakes Association of Child Life Professionals.
- Panelist: “Empowering Students through Expert Group Learning Strategies.” (2019, April). *Annual Conference Academic Seminar: Identifying and Applying Best Pedagogical Practices*. ACLP.
- Knott, H. (2019, Oct.) “Acute Stress Disorder and Pediatric Medical Traumatic Stress.” *Annual Conference*. CACLP.
- Panelist: “Opioid Crisis: An interprofessional response.” (2018, Oct.) *Annual Interprofessional Education Series*. Azusa Pacific University.
- Poster Presentation: “Establishing a family advisory council in the pediatric intensive care unit.” (2018). *Community Regional Medical Center Annual Quality Improvement Symposium*.
- Poster Presentation: “Child life services and sibling support.” (2015). Children’s Hospital Los Angeles: Annual Patient Care Services Education Fair.

Grants and Fellowships

- 2022: Dissertation Fellowship, Azusa Pacific University, Department of Higher Education (\$2,000)
- 2022: Child’s Play Charity Grant to fund virtual reality system and other equipment for pediatric orthopedic clinic at Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center (\$6554)
- 2020: Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America (POSNA) Research Grant (\$8,260)
- 2018: UCSF-CRMC Quality Improvement Symposium Award to Fund Family Advisory Council (\$200)
- 2017: Child’s Play Charity Grant for pediatric service line, Community Regional Med. Center, (\$50,600)

Professional and Community Service and Projects

- Member, Publications Committee, ACLP, (June 2022 – present)
- Member (Appointed), Nominations Committee for Board of Directors, ACLP (2021-2022)
- Chair Elect, ACLP’s Scientific Advancement of Professional Practice Committee: Proposals Subcommittee (2019-2020)
- Member, ACLP’s Scientific Advancement of Professional Practice Committee: Proposals Subcommittee (2018-2019)
- Member, (Item Writer), ACLP’s Certification Exam Item Writing Committee, (2019-2021)

- APU Department of Psychology's Faith Integration Committee, 2020
- APU Department of Psychology's APA 7th Edition Manual Transition Committee, 2019
- Member, Child Protection Committee, Echo Church, Chino, CA, 2021-Present
- Lead Volunteer, Echo Church Children's Ministry, 2023-Present
- Guest Instructor, Echo Church Institute, "Defining Biblical Womanhood, October, 2023.
- Volunteer, Echo Church Greeter Team, 2023-Present
- Volunteer Training Lead, Echo Church Children's Ministry, 2021-2022
- Volunteer, Echo Church Children's Ministry Volunteer, 2021-2023
- Volunteer, Echo Church Women's Serve Team, 2021-Present
- Hiring Committee Member, Echo Church, Associate Pastor Position, 2022
- Hiring Committee Member, Echo Church Children's Ministry Coordinator Position, 2022

Certifications and Associations

- National Child Life Certification | Association of Child Life Professionals | Certified since 2014
Certification Number: 28290 | Current Certification Cycle: 2019-2024
- Member of the Association of Child Life Professionals since 2013
- Certified Trauma & Resilience Practitioner – Clinical |2017, no exp. | The National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children
- Instructional Modality Certifications: Blended, Distance, and Online Learning (APU, 2020)
- Teaching with Canvas: Online (2019)