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Education Institution Degree:

8/07-08/08 **Case Western Univeristy:** Cleveland, OH
M.A. Bioethics School of Graduate Studies; Dept. of Bioethics
8/00 – 5/04 **Oral Roberts University:** Tulsa, OK
School of Arts and Sciences
B.S. Biology (Concentration: Environmental Science), Minor: Philosophy

Work Experience:

11/07- 08/08 **Clinical Research Coordinator**, Veterans Affairs Hospital—Cleveland, OH
Responsibilities: Enroll patients in studies for infectious disease research, medical and literature research, perform microbiology tests, and write papers on studies.

08/07—12/07 **Teacher’s Assistant**, Case Western Reserve – Cleveland, OH
Responsibilities: Assist professor, grade papers, and occasionally lead discussion for the undergraduate bioethics course.

11/05 – 07/07 **Dept. Lab Coordinator/ Instructor**, Oral Roberts University, Dept. of Biology – Tulsa, OK
Responsibilities: Planned and coordinated freshman labs, updated freshman biology curriculum, placed all orders for the department and made all the media for microbiology labs. Taught one lecture or lab per semester.

Courses taught/Course development

BIO 101 (lecture and lab) Principles of Biology
BIO 111 Introductory Biology Lab
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BIO 212 Microbiology lab
BIO 259 Scientific Terminology
BIO 456 Bioethics
Co-developed BIO/CHE 105 Foundations of Biology and Chemistry
Ad-hoc BIO 499 Special Topics: Global Health and Disease

Guest speaker

- HUM 101 Humanitas – “Bioethics and its importance in society”
- HUM 305 Christian Worldview and Culture—“Euthanasia: terms and ethics” and “Reproductive Technologies: what lengths ought we go to be parents?”
- PSY 301 Developmental Psychology “Reproductive technologies and what it means to be a parent”
- DRAM 305 Theatre History & TVF 318 Fundamentals of Scriptwriting “Bioethics in Film in Television—the pen’s ability to sway the public”
- ORU American Scientific Affiliation panel member, presentation on “Bioethics—where faith and science must interact”

Services to ORU

ORU Faculty Senate 2009-2013
Faculty Advisor for ORU Biological Honors Society 2011-2013
College of Science and Engineering Vice President 2012-2013

Member of Committee for COSE Dean Selection Procedures

Publications/Presentations:

- Trillis F, Eckstein E, **Budavich R**, et. al. Contamination of Hospital Curtains With Healthcare-Associated Pathogens. *Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology*. (29)11:1074-1076, 2008.
- Lent V, Eckstein E, Cameron A, **Budavich R**, Eckstein B, Donskey C. Evaluation of patient participation in a patient empowerment initiative to improve hand hygiene practices in a Veterans Affairs medical center. *American Journal of Infection Control*. (37)2:117-120, 2009.

Research interest

- How science education and bioethical case studies influence opinions on bioethical issues