

Name: Rachel Budavich
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Education:

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
B.S. Biology, School of Arts and Sciences

Work Experience:

08/08- present **Instructor of Biology,** Oral Roberts Universtiy, Dept. of Biology and Chemistry—
Tulsa, OK

11/07- 08/08 **Clinical Research Coordinator,** VA Hospital—Cleveland, OH
Responsibilities: Enroll patients in studies for infectious disease research, perform microbiological tests on samples, and edit journal submissions.

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

11/05 – 07/07 **Dept. Lab Coordinator/Adjunct,** 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.

Awards

Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year for the Department of Biology and Chemistry (2012-13)
Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year for the College of Science and Engineering (2012-13)

Courses taught/Curriculum development

BIO 101 (lecture and lab) Principles of Biology
BIO 111 Introductory Biology Lab
BIO 112 (lecture and lab) Introductory Biology
BIO 212 Microbiology lab
BIO 259 Scientific Terminology
BIO 456 Bioethics
Co-developed and taught BIO/CHE 105 Foundations of Biology and Chemistry
Ad-hoc BIO 499 Special Topics: Global Health and Disease

Professional Development Courses Completed (non-degree seeking)

PRM 626 Principles of Biblical Counseling
PRM 676 Marriage Counseling
PRM 643 Marital & Family Systems Theory
PRM 671 Religion and Personality

Guest lectures

- 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 to 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

Freshman advisor for the Department of Biology 2008-present

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 2012-2013

Memberships/Committees

Member of American Society for Bioethics and Humanities (2013-present)

City of Tulsa, Human Rights Commission (2015- present)

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.