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EDUCATION

Degrees

- 1978 Ed.D. Ball State University - Educational Administration
1969 M.S.W. University of Denver - Community Organization
1966 B.A. Western Kentucky State University - Psychology

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- 1993 - 1996 Consultant - Center For Mental Health - Adult Services Outpatient, Anderson, Indiana
1987 - 1988 Lilly Open Fellowship - Worked as Adult Protective Service Investigator in Indianapolis, IN while on leave from Ball State University
1971 - Present Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor, Social Work Department, BALL STATE UNIVERSITY

TEACHING AREAS: Social Services with Older Adults, Introduction to Social Work, Social Welfare and Social Services I and II, Social Welfare Policy, Human Behavior in Social Environment, Social Work Practice 2, Methods of Intervention, Internship in Social Welfare, Interventions in Family Violence, and Social Work Research 1.

- 1969 - 1971 Personnel Officer and Staff Development Consultant, Family and Children Services, Gary, Indiana
1966 - 1967 School Social Worker, Hammond Public Schools, Hammond Indiana
1965 - 1966 Caseworker with the older adults, Family and Children Services, Hammond, Indiana

RESEARCH/CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Publications

- Judge, L.W., Dolon, R., Livergood, K., and Evans, B. (2024) "Laughter in the locker room: Unlocking high performance through humor in coaching Physical Education" 81 (4).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B. E. (2001). "Another look at the Helpfulness of occupational groups in the discovery of elder abuse and neglect." *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*, 3(3), 1-24.
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (2000). "Perceptions of adult protective services workers of the support provided by criminal justice professions in cases of elder abuse." *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*, 12(3/4), 71-94.
- Dolon, R. (1999). Adult protective service investigators: Indiana's response to endangered adults. *Victimization of the Elderly and Disabled*, 2(3), 38-44. (Invited Article).
- Dolon, R. (1999). The dimensions of elder abuse: perspectives for practitioners. In Gerry Bennett, Paul Kingston, and Bridget Penhale, *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*, 10(1&2), 172-174. (Invited book review).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (1998). A test of public reactions to alleged abuse. *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*, 9(4), 42-65.
- Dolon, R., Blakely, B.E., & Douglas, D. (May 1993). Improving the responses of physicians to elder abuse and neglect: Contributions of a model program." *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 19(3-4), 35-47.
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (1991). Elder mistreatment. In J.E. Hendericks (Ed.), *Crisis intervention in criminal justice and social services*. Springfield, IL, 113-146.
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (1991). The relative contributions of occupational groups in the discovery and treatment of elder abuse and neglect." *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 17(1/2), 183-199.
- Dolon, R., & Blakley, B.E. (1991). Area agencies on aging and the prevention of elder abuse: The results of a national study. *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*, 3(2), 21-40.
- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (May 1991). Breaking the cycle of family violence: Services for children in shelters for battered women. *Free Inquiry in Creative Sociology*, 19(1), 31-36.

- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (1989). Elder abuse and neglect: A study of adult protective services workers in the United States. *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect, 1(3)*, 31-50
and Neglect, 1(1), 75-90.
- Dolon, R., Blakely, B.E., & Hendricks, J. (Summer 1988). Teaching social work practice: A study in innovative teaching methods in an undergraduate social work program." *ARETE, 13(1)*, 35-42.
- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (February, 1987). Identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect. *IN FOCUS, 15*, Indiana Middle School Association.
- Dolon, R., Hendericks, J., & Meagher, S. (September, 1986). Police practices and attitudes towards domestic violence. *Journal of Police Science and Administration, 14(13)*, 187-192.

Professional Presentations

- Dolon, R., (October 2024) *Laughter is the Best Medicine: Stress Management Through Humor*. Invited Presentation at National American Association of Service Providers, Indianapolis, IN
- Dolon, R., and Evans, Brandon (October 2024) *Promises of the Golden Years: Identifying, Intervening, and Preventing Financial Exploitation of Older Adults* at Adult Protective Services Conference, Galveston, TX
- Dolon, R., Gray, Judy & Evans, Brandon (September 2024). *Romance Scams Targeting Older Adults: Social Awareness of a Growing Problem*; Virtual presentation at Aging and Social Change Fourteenth Interdisciplinary Conference, Galway, Ireland
- Dolon, R., and Gray, Judy (August 2024). *Romance Scams Targeting Older Adults* at 29th International Summit on Violence Abuse and Trauma. San Diego, CA
- Dolon, R., Gray, Judy & Evans, Brandon (May 2024) *Survive and Thrive: Stress Management Through Humor*. Third Annual National Conference on Police Social Work. New Haven, CT
- Dolon, R. & Evans, Brandon (April 2024) *Laughter is the Best Medicine: Humor as Stress Management for Caregiving*, Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor, Denver, CO
- Dolon, R., Gray, Judy, & Evans, Brandon (March 2024) *Laughademics: Humor as a Teaching Strategy*. 41st Annual Conference The Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors. New Orleans, LA
- Dolon, R., & Evans, Brandon, (October 2023). *Sweethart Cons: Romance Scams Targeting Older Adults*. 40th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference. Austin, TX.

Dolon, R., (October 2023). *Tarnished Golden Years :Detecting, Assessing , and Preventing Abuse of Older Women*. 40th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference. Austin TX.

Dolon, R., & Gray, J. (April 2023). *Romance Scams Targeting Older Adults*. 20th Hawaii International Summit on Preventing, Assessing, and Treating Trauma Across the Life Span. Honolulu, HI. (Referred Workshop)

Dolon, R., & Gray, J. (March 2023). *Engaging Students: Infusion of Humor into the Social Work*

- Classroom*. 40th Annual Bachelors Social Work Directors Conference, Birmingham, AL (Referred Workshop)
- Dolon, R. (September 2022). *Financial Exploitation of Older Adults: A Social Awareness of a Major Social Problem*. Virtual Presentation at 12th International Conference on Health, Wellness, and Society. Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland. (Referred Paper)
- Dolon, R. (September, 2021). *Stress Management Through Humor*. Virtual Presentation at Eleventh International Conference on Health, Wellness and Society. Paris, France.
- Dolon, R. & Gray J. (August, 2021). *Tips for Detecting, Assessing and Preventing Human Trafficking*. Virtual Presentation at 26th International Summit on Violence, Abuse and Trauma Across the Life Span. San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R., (April, 2020). *Smiles, Giggles and Laughter: Humor as a Teaching Strategy*. Virtual Presentation at The Center for Scholastic Inquiry Conference. Charleston, SC.
- Dolon, R., Taylor, Kim. (October, 2019). *Smiles, Giggles and Laughter: Strategies for Caregivers*. Presented at the 25th Annual Case Management Conference. Philadelphia, PA. (Referred Workshop)
- Dolon, R. (October, 2019). *Stress Management Through Humor*. Presented at the 25th Annual Case Management Conference. Philadelphia, PA. (Referred Workshop)
- Dolon, R. (July, 2019). *Tips & Tactics to Prevent Financial Exploitation of Older Adults*. Presented at NOVA's 45th Annual Training Event, Phoenix, AZ. (Referred Workshop)
- Dolon, R. (June, 2019). *Tips & Tactics on Preventing Human Trafficking*. Presented at the National Organization of Forensic Social Work Conference in Las Vegas, NV. (Referred Workshop)
- Dolon, R. (February, 2019). *Laughademics: Humor As a Teaching Strategy*. Presented at Lilly Conference on Teaching for Active and Engaged Learners, Anaheim, CA.
- Dolon, R. (September, 2018). *Just Do It: Stress Management Through Humor*. Presented at 8th International Conference on Health, Wellness, and Society, Imperial College of London.
- Dolon, R. (July, 2018) *Preventing Exploitation of Older Adults*. Presented at National Organization of Forensic Social Work Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Dolon, R. (February, 2018). *Laugh and Learn: Humor as a Teaching Strategy*. Presented at Lilly Conference, Anaheim, CA.
- Dolon, R. (October, 2017). *Using Humor to Fight Burnout*. Presented at the 34th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference. South Padre Island.
- Dolon, R. (July, 2017). *Interpersonal Violence: Assessment and Intervention Techniques with Older Battered Women*. Presented at the National Conference of Forensic Social

Workers. Boston, Massachusetts.

Dolon, R. (August, 2016). *Jest Do It: Stress Management Through Humor*. Presented at 21st International Summit on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA

Dolon, R. (August, 2016). *Later Life Interpersonal Violence: Older Battered Women*. Presented at 21st International summit on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA.

Dolon, R. & May, D. (July, 2016). *Helpful Strategies for Caregivers: Stress Management Through Humor*. Presented at n4a Annual Conference and Tradeshow, San Diego, CA.

Dolon, R. (June, 2016). *Prevent Burnout: Stress Management Through Humor* presented at American Family Therapy Academy Conference, Denver, CO.

Dolon, R. (March, 2016). *Teaching Social Workers Assessment and Intervention Techniques with Older Battered Women*. Presented at Association for Gerontology in Higher Education's 42nd Annual Meeting and Educational Leadership Conference. South Padre Island, Texas. (Refereed Workshop).

Dolon, R. (November, 2015). *Meeting the Needs of Underserved Victims: Older Battered Women*. Presented at 32nd Annual Adult Protective Services Conference. South Padre Island, Texas. (Refereed Workshop).

Dolon, R. (October, 2015). *Invisible Population: Outreach, Assessment and Intervention Strategies with Older Battered Women*. Presented at the 26th National Adult Protective Services Association Conference, Orlando, FL.

Dolon, R. (September, 2015). *The Invisible Victim Population: Older Battered Women*. 2015 National Training Institute, The National Center for Victims of Crime, Anaheim, CA.

Dolon, R. (August, 2015). *Indiana's Adult protective Service Investigators: Then and Now*. Presented at 20th International Conference and Summit on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA.

Dolon, R. (September, 2014) *Humor as Stress Management: Practical Strategies for Caregivers*. Presented at 19th International Conference and Summit on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma, San Diego, CA.

Dolon, R. (August, 2014) *He Who Laughs Lasts: Humor as Stress Management*. Presented at 40th National Organization Victim Assistance, Chicago, IL.

Dolon, R. (May, 2014) Invited Faculty Member of Second Indiana State Victim Assistance Academy, Indianapolis, IN.

Dolon, R. (March, 2014). Invited Closing Speaker at the 29th Ohio Adult Protective Services Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

- Dolon, R. (March, 2014). *Sheltering Older Battered Women in Indiana*. Presented at 2014 Annual Conference on American Society on Aging, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R., & Gray, J. (September 2013). *The Not So Golden Years: Older Battered Women*. Presented at 18th International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R. (September 2013). *Humor, Stress and Victim Services*. Presented at 39th NOVA Conference, Columbus, OH.
- Dolon, R. (August, 2013). *Chuckles and other Laughing Matters*. Presented at 2013 Florida Conference on Aging, Orlando, FL.
- Dolon, R. (June, 2013). Invited Faculty Member of the First Indiana State Victim Assistant Academy.
- Dolon, R. (April, 2013). *Humor: Helps Us Maintain Our Relationships*. Presented at National Organization of Forensic Social Work, Seattle, WA.
- Dolon, R. (August, 2012). *Jest for Health: Humor as Stress Management*. Presented at 38th National Organization of Victims Assistance Conference, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R. (July 2012). *Humor, Stress and Human Services*. Presented at 37th Annual National Institute for Social Work and Human Services in Rural Areas, Nashville, IN.
- Dolon, R. (September, 2011). *Humor, Stress and Victims Services*. Presented at 16th International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R. (February, 2011). *Laughademics: If We're Not Laughing, We're Not Learning*. Presented at 28th Annual Baccalaureate Program Directors Conference, Cincinnati, OH (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (September, 2010). *Survive and Thrive: Stress Humor*. Presented at 15th International Conference on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R. (August, 2010). *Laughing Matters: Humor as Stress Management*. Florida Council on Aging 55th Anniversary Conference, Orlando, FL.
- Dolon, R. (September, 2009). *Children Services in Battered Women Shelter: Then and Now*. Presented at the 14th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA.
- Dolon, R. (June, 2006). *Humor, stress and aging*. National Education Association – Retired Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida. (Invited Presentation).
- Dolon, R. (October, 2006). *Laughademics: Teaching with humor*. Twenty Fourth Annual Conference of the Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors, Los

- Angeles, California. (Refereed Paper). Dolon, R. (March, 2006). *Humor, Stress and Aging Services*. Joint conference of the National Council on Aging and American Society on Aging, Anaheim, CA. (Referred Paper).
- Dolon, R. (February, 2006). *Caregiving is everybody's business: Educating caregivers in the workplace*. Fourth Annual Gero-ED Forum, Chicago, Illinois. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (February, 2006). *Wrinkle but a Twinkle: Third age theatre group role play clients with social work students*. Thirty-second Annual Meeting of Educational Leadership Conference Association of Gerontology in Higher Education, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- Dolon, R. (February, 2004). *The Use of Older Adults to Role Play Clients with Social Work Students*. Presented at The Second National Gerontological Social Work Conference, Anaheim, CA (Refereed paper).
- Dolon, R. (October, 2003). *Understanding Sensory Changes: A Hands On Approach*. Presented at the 21st Annual Conference of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors, Reno, NV (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (September 2003). *Caregiver Stress: Techniques for Prevention and Treatment of Elder Mistreatment*. Presented at the 8th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (October, 2002). *Prevent Elder Mistreatment: Caregiver Training in the Work Place*. Presented at the 13th Annual Conference of the National Association of Adult Protective Services Administrators, Scottsdale, AZ (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. & Blakely, B. E. (September, 2002). *Victim Assistance Programs: Meeting the Needs of Elderly Victims*. Presented at the 7th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (April, 2002). *Humor as an Antidote to Stress: How to Avoid Terminal Seriousness*. Presented at 2002 Joint Conference of the National Conference on Aging and The American Society on Aging, Denver, CO (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R. (October, 2001). *The Micro Counseling Model As A Teaching Technique With Social Work Students*. Presented at National Organization for Human Service Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (October, 2001). *He Who Laughs Lasts: Humor As Stress Management*. Presented at National Organization for Human Service Education Conference, Indianapolis, IN (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R. (September, 2001). *Adult Protective Services: Indiana's Response To Elder Mistreatment*. 6th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA (Refereed Paper).

- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (September, 2000). *Older battered women: Spouse abuse or elder abuse*. 5th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (March, 2000). *Techniques for caregivers to prevent elder mistreatment*. Presented at the 46th Annual Meeting of the American Society on Aging, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (November, 1999). *Perceptions of adult protective service workers of the support provided by criminal justice professionals*. Presented at the 16th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (September, 1999). *Stress is about tightening up: Humor is about lightening up*. Presented at the National Organization for Victim's Assistance, 25th Annual North American Victim Assistance Conference, Los Angeles, CA. (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1999). *Chuckles and other laughing matters*. Presented at 45th Annual meeting of the American Society on Aging, Orlando, FL. (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (October, 1998). *The relationship between adult protective services and the criminal justice system: A national study*. Presented at Fourth International Conference on Children Exposed to Family Violence, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (December, 1997). *Source of support for adult protective services*. Presented at American Society of Criminology, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (November, 1997). *Reactions of bystanders to possible causes of elder abuse*. Presented at 14th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (November, 1996). *Adult protective services: Case management for abused and neglected elderly in Indiana*. Presented at 3rd International Conference on Long Term Care, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (November, 1996). *Humor: The natural stress remedy*. Presented 13th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1996). *Humor: Don't leave home without it*. Presented at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the American Society on Aging, Anaheim, CA. (Refereed Workshop).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (September, 1994). *Victim assistance program: An under utilized resource in cases of elder mistreatment*. Presented at the Eleventh Annual Adult Protective Service Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (February, 1994). *Adult protective service investigators: A criminal justice perspective*. Presented at the National Conference - Silent Suffering in America, Long Beach, CA. (Refereed Paper).

- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (April, 1993). *Perceptions and practices of adult protective service workers: A national study*. Presented at the National Council On Aging Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (March, 1992). *Elder shelter: Emergency housing for abused and neglected elderly*. Presented at the 38th Annual Meeting of the American Society on Aging, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., Blakely, B.E., & Hendricks, J. (March, 1992). *The role of police in prevention, identification and treatment of rape victims*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Pittsburgh, PA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (November, 1991). *A summary of the 1990-91 assessment of adult protective services in Indiana*. Presented at the Eighth Annual Conference of Adult Protective Services Workers, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., Hendricks, J., & Stephenson, J. (March, 1991). *Critical incidence stress debriefing: A national study*. Presented at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meeting, Nashville, TN. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (March, 1990). *A comparative analysis of victims' assistance programs*. Presented at Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference, in Denver, CO. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (November, 1989). *Adult protective service investigators: The Indiana model for elder abuse and neglect*. Presented at the 42nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontology Society of America, Minneapolis, MN. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (October, 1989). *The use of physician home visits in elder abuse and neglected cases*. Presented at the 6th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (October, 1989). *Methods of intervention by adult protective service workers*. Presented at National Conference of Social Workers, San Francisco, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (November, 1988). *Elder abuse, neglect and exploitation: A study of adult protective service workers in the United States*. Presented at the 5th Annual Adult Protective Services Conference, San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1988). *The impact of PL 1002: A mandatory reporting law for adult protective services in Indiana*. Presented at the 34th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Aging, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1987). *Elder abuse and neglect: A national study*. Presented at the 33rd Annual Meeting of American Society of Aging, Salt Lake City, UT. (Refereed Paper).

- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (October, 1986). *The role of the prosecutor in providing services for the victims of elder abuse and neglect*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (March, 1986). *An exploratory study of abuse and neglect of the elderly in selected Indiana counties*. Presented at the 32nd Annual Meeting of the American Society on Aging in San Francisco, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., Hendricks, J., & Meagher, S. (November, 1985). *A study of police response to elder abuse cases in selected Indiana cities*. Presented at the American Society of Criminology Meetings, San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (November, 1985). *Breaking the cycle of family violence: Meeting the needs of children in shelters for battered women*. Presented at the NASW National Meeting. Chicago, IL. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (March, 1985). *Structure and operations of displaced homemaker programs: A national study*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Gerontological Society in Denver, CO. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (February, 1985). *Teaching social work practice: A study in innovative teaching methods in an undergraduate social work program*. Presented by the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Washington, D.C. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., Blakely, B.E., & Hendricks, J. (November, 1984). *A study of police intervention in domestic violence cases in selected Indiana cities*. Presented at the Annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meeting in Cincinnati, OH. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (April, 1983). *Elder abuse and neglect: A statewide study of adult protective service workers*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Gerontological Society in Albuquerque, NM. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1983). *The use of simulations in teaching social welfare policy in an undergraduate social work program*. Presented at the Annual Program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education. Fort Worth, TX. (Refereed Paper).

- Dolon, R., & Hendricks, J. (March, 1983). *Court mandated program for men who batter women*. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meeting in San Antonio, TX. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (June, 1982). *The health needs of children in shelters for battered women: A national study*. Presented at the 17th Annual Conference of the Association for the Care of Children's Health in Seattle, WA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Neiman, L. (March, 1982). *The impact of public law 276 on child abuse and neglect services and the juvenile justice system*. Presented at the 1982 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Meeting in Louisville, KY. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (March, 1982). *Infracom: An innovation approach to teaching a social work practice course in an undergraduate social work program*. Presented at the 1982 Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (February, 1982). *The future of pre-retirement education programs offered by College and Universities in the United States*. Presented at the 28th Annual Meeting of the Western Gerontological Society in San Diego, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Blakely, B.E. (July, 1981). *The use of infracom in teaching social welfare and social services II*. Presented at Improving University Teaching, the Seventh International Conference in Tsukuba, Japan. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (June, 1981) *The impact of a shelter for battered women on domestic violence in Middletown, U.S.A.* Presented at the National Conference on Social Welfare in San Francisco, CA. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R. (May, 1981). *The impact of public law 135 on the role of school social worker in Indiana*. Presented at the Second National Conference of School Social Workers in Washington, D.C. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., & Bode, J. (March, 1981). *Women as administrators of undergraduate social work programs*. Presented at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Louisville, KY. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon R. (March, 1981). *With a little help from their peers: The use of senior social work majors as undergraduate teaching assistants in an undergraduate social work program*. Presented at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Louisville, KY. (Refereed Paper).
- Dolon, R., Bode, J., & Huffman, V. (March, 1981). *Meeting the needs of elderly in Middletown, U.S.A.* Presented at the Third Annual Conference on Needs Assessment in Health and Human Service Systems, Louisville, KY. (Refereed Paper).

Dolon, R. (July, 1980). *Teaching introductory social work: An exploratory experience utilizing senior social work majors as teaching assistants*. Presented at improving university teaching. Presented at the Sixth International Conference in Lausanne, Switzerland. (Refereed Paper).

Dolon, R. (March, 1980). *Personalized system of instruction: An innovative approach to teaching child welfare*. Presented at the 1980 Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education in Los Angeles, CA. (Refereed Paper).

Dolon, R. (July 4-7, 1979). *An innovative approach to teaching social welfare and social services*. Presented at Improving University Teaching, The Fifth International Conference in London, England. (Refereed Paper).

Dolon, R. (March, 1978). *Wife abuse in Middletown, U.S.A.* Presented at the Second National Conference on Needs Assessment in Health and Human Services, Louisville, KY. (Refereed Paper).

Funded Grants

Summer Grant. (March, 2005). "Older Battered Women: Elder Abuse or Family Violence?" Funded for \$16,036.

Diversity Associate Program Grant. (June, 2003). "Understanding Sensory Losses in Older Adults: Simulation Development." Funded for \$1,500 by the Diversity policy Institute, Ball State University.

Authored second year Hartford Geriatric Enrichment Award Grant (January, 2003). Funded for \$29,000 by the Council on Social Work Education with support from the John A. Hartford Foundation.

John W. Fisher Faculty Research Fellowship. (April, 2002) Preventing Elder Mistreatment: Caregiver Training in the Workplace. Funded for \$1,500.

Authored Hartford Geriatric Enrichment Award Grant. (January, 2002). The purpose of the project is to develop an age-enriched curriculum to provide graduates who provide geriatric social work services to the aging population in Indiana. Awarded by the Council on Social Work education with support from the John A. Hartford Foundation. Funded for \$44,090.

Summer Grant. (March, 2000). When Mother calls, call us. We can help you both. A research project with the Center on Healthy Aging, Santa Monica, CA. Funded by the Archstone Foundation Caregiving Initiative. The purpose of the project is to create, test and implement a practical program for adult children to learn about aging and caregiving. Summer grant 2000 funded for \$13,500.

Authored Faculty Development Grant. (May, 1995). A guide to interviewing elderly clients in social work 322. Center for Gerontology. Funded for \$250.

Authored Grant. (December, 1992). Career development program for high school students. Developed for Indiana Chapter of NASW, Funded by the National Association of Social Workers. Funded for \$1,000.

Authored Grant. (April, 1992). Comparative analysis of victim assistance programs: A national study. W. Karl and Lenora Rehfeld Faculty Fund. Funded for \$713.

Authored (Summer 1991). Breaking the cycle of violence: The role of child advocate in shelters for battered women. Summer Grant. (Summer, 1991). Funded for \$9,850.

Co-authored grant. (September, 1990). An assessment of the Indiana APS system and elder abuse. Funded for \$3,230 by National Aging Resource Center on Elder Abuse.

Co-authored grant. (March, 1990). The role of police in prevention identification and treatment of rape victims. Faculty Research Grant funded for \$470.

Authored Grant. (March, 1989). A national survey on the needs and effectiveness of direct service workers' response to elder abuse and neglect. W. Karl and Lenora Rehfeld Faculty Fund, funded for \$700.

Authored grant. (March, 1987). A national study of protective service workers. Funded for \$1,500 by Institute of Gerontology.

Authored grant. (March, 1987). The impact of public law 1002: Two years later. Faculty Research Grant funded for \$520.

Authored grant. (April, 1986). A study of the development of the twenty adult protective service units in Indiana. Funded for \$2,200 by the Institute of Gerontology.

Authored grant. (March, 1985). Elderly abuse and neglect: A national study of protective service workers in areas on aging agencies. Faculty Research Grant. Funded for \$450. Also, funded for \$900 by the Institute of Gerontology.

Authored grant. (Funded March, 1985). Breaking the cycle of family violence: Meeting the needs of children in shelters for battered women. W. Karl and Lenora Rehfeld Faculty Fund. Funded for \$495.

Co-authored with Jim Hendricks. (February, 1984). An exploratory study of abuse and neglect of the elderly in selected Indiana counties. Faculty Research Grant Awarded \$556.10.

Co-authored with Jim Hendricks. (April, 1983). A study of police intervention in domestic violence cases in selected Indiana cities. Faculty Research Grant Awarded \$370.

Authored grant. (November, 1982). Elder abuse and neglect: A statewide study of adult protective service workers. W. Karl and Lenora Rehfeld Faculty Fund, awarded for \$275.

Co-authored grant with Bernard Blakely. (October, 1981 to September 20, 1982). Parent/child nurturing clinic, from Children's Division, Indiana Department of Public Welfare. Funded for \$18,750.

Co-authored with Lionel Neiman. (April, 1981). The impact of public law 276 on child abuse and neglect services and juvenile justice systems. Faculty Research Grant Awarded for \$638.

Special Teaching Projects and Curriculum Development

Immersive Learning Class “Child Exploitation: Protecting Children from Crimes of Victimization” Spring 2024

Immersive Learning Class “The Invisible Population: Older Battered Women” Spring 2023

Immersive Learning Class “Romance Scams Targeting Older Adults” Fall 2021

Immersive Learning Class “Breaking the Chain; Teen Dating Violence” Spring 2020

Immersive Learning Class “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” Fall 2019

Immersive Learning Class “Fighting Human Trafficking” Spring 2019

Immersive Learning Class “Pink Leaf Activity Book” Fall 2017

Immersive Learning Class “Preventing Financial Exploitation of Older Adults” Fall 2016

Immersive Learning Class “Without a Voice” Fall 2010

Authored. (March, 1996). The microcounseling model as a teaching technique with social work students. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$540.

Authored. (March, 1988). The use of personalized systems of instructions in teaching SOCWK 100, Introduction to Social Work. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$226.

Authored. (March, 1985). "The use of drama students in teaching social work helping skills. Creative Teaching Grant Awarded for \$125.

Authored. (April, 1982). The use of simulations in teaching public social welfare. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$135.

Authored. (April, 1981). The comparison of guide design to the lecture method in teaching the social

work course methods of intervention. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$120.

Authored. (April, 1980). The use of infracom in teaching social welfare and social services. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$125.

Authored. (April, 1979). Teaching introductory social work: An exploratory experience utilizing senior social work majors as group discussion leaders. Creative Teaching Grant. Awarded for \$110.

Authored the following Social Work courses

SOCWK 470	Introduction to Police Social Work	2024-25
SOCWK 370	Interventions in Domestic Violence	1992-93
SOCWK 360	Social Services with the Elderly	1985-86
SOCWK 516	Social Welfare with the Elderly	1985-86
SOCWK 460	Senior Seminar in Social Work	1980-81
SOCWK 100	Introduction of Social Work	1979-80
SOCWK 203	Internship in Social Welfare	1975-76
SOCWK 355	Social Work Helping Skills	1975-76
SOCWK 557	Directing Social Services	1975-76
SOCWK 454	Methods of Social Work Intervention	1974-75
SOCWK 315	Human Behavior in Social Work Practice	1973-74
SOCWK 440	Social Work Practice	1973-74

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

University Service

Department Representative Bracken Library, Seat 1999 to Present

Member of College of Sciences and Humanities Promotion and Tenure Committee, September 2011-June 2012, September 2012 – June 2013, September 2013 – present.

Building Better Communities “Without a Voice” Project, 2012

Member of the Professional Affairs Council, August 2001 to June 2004.

Member of the Academic Policies Council, September 1996 to June 1999.

Departmental Representative, Bracken Library, September 1999 to Present.

Member of Faculty Advisory Committee, Nontraditional Students, September 1986 to 1991.

Member of College of Science and Humanities Promotion and Tenure Committee, September 1985 - June 1987, September 1989 - August 1990, September 1997 – August 1998, August 2001 – August 2002, and January 2005 – August 2005.

Chairperson, Department of Social Work Promotion and Tenure Committee, September 1985 - June 1987, September 1989 - August 1990, September 1997 - August 1998, August 2001 – August 2002, and January 2005 – August 2005.

Member of University Senate, September 1983 to May 1986.

Member of Institutional Review Board, September 1982 to June 1984.

Counselor providing Counseling Services at Counseling and Psychological Services, Lucina Hall, November-March 1982.

Chairperson of Public Service Task Group - Task Force III, North Central Association Self Study, January 1982 to May 1983.

Administrative Internship with Graduate School, Fall Quarter 1981.

Member of College of Science and Humanities Promotion and Tenure Committee, September 1978 to August 1979.

Secretary of Criterion Committee, September 1978 to August 1979.

Chairperson of Social Work Department Promotion and Tenure Committee, September 1978 to August 1979.

Member of Professional Policies Council, September 1980 to May 1982.

Member of Special Leave Subcommittee, September 1980 to May 1981.

Secretary to Senate Continuing Education Committee, September 1979 to May 1982.

Member of Teacher's Education Faculty, September 1978 to present.

Member of Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1977-78

Member of Department Graduate Committee, 1975-76.

Member of Department Undergraduate Committee, 1974-75, 1973-74, 1971-72.

Member of Department Recruitment Committee, 1971-72.

Advisor to Volunteer Friends Program - a special project with Delaware County Probation Department, 1971-June 1973.

Supervisor of eight students completing senior honors thesis.

Member of ten doctoral committees.

Administrative Responsibilities

Served as Acting Social Work Program Coordinator from September 1974 to December 1974. This administrative role involved scheduling courses, advising students and staff coordination. During the same quarter, also involved in the in-role socialization of two new faculty members and one faculty member in the new role of field consultation.

Served as Acting Social Work Program Coordinator from January 1973 to August 1973. This administrative role included scheduling courses, interviewing students dealing with career goals, and assisting students with field placement. Also completed the planning of field placement for students for Summer Practicum 1973. This task involved dealing with social work agencies throughout the state of Indiana. Assumed the responsibilities of Acting Social Work Program Coordinator in addition to normal class instruction assignments due to the misfortune of the previous program coordinator.

Professional Services

Review Manuscripts for Addiction, Recovery, and After Care Journal. September 2013 to Present.

Invited Participant Poly Victimization in Later Life Forum- National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, St. Paul MN. October 2013

Faculty Member for 1st Indiana Statewide Victim Assistance Academy, May 2013

S.A.L.T. Council for TRIAD – A Delaware County program of law enforcement and seniors working together. March 2004 to Present.

Review Manuscripts for Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment and Trauma. June 2002 to Present.

Consulting Editor for The Journal of Baccalaureate Social Work. June 2001 to Present.

Review manuscripts for Family Violence & Sexual Assault Bulletin. May 2001 to Present.

Appointed as Board Member of Intergovernmental Commission on Domestic Violence. July 1999 to Present.

Member of the Advisory Council, Life Stream Services, Inc. July 1999 to June 2001.

Review manuscripts for: The Justice Professional. 1995 to Present.

Review manuscripts for: Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect, 1994 to Present.

Faculty Associate for Institute of Gerontology. Teach three workshops for Indiana Health Association Workshop per year.

Member of Mayor's Steering Committee on Domestic Violence. Chair of Education and Community Awareness Committee, July 1989-1993.

Board Member National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, 1993-present.

Consultant for Victims Advocacy Program with the Muncie Police Department, June, 1989 - 1993.

Member of State Task force on Legal Needs of the Elderly, April 1989 - 1990.

Charter Member National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, December 1986 to present.

Member of Board of Directors, Indiana Runaway Hotline, June 1984 to June 1985.

Member of State Task Force on Abuse and Neglect of the Elderly, September 1981 to 1984.

Elected to the State Board of Indiana Information and Referral Association Board of Directors, September 1980 to September 1981.

Family Counseling Service is a voluntary, non-profit, social service agency serving residents of Delaware County. A human service resource whose primary purpose is prevention of family disorganization and suffering.

Member of Professional Services Committee, August 1981 to June 1985.

Member of Finance Committee, September 1980 to August 1981.

Vice-President of Board of Directors, January 1981 to May 1981.

Chairperson of Search and Screen Committee for Executive Director, October 1980 to March 1981.

Participant in Health Fair for Family Counseling, September 1980.

A Better Way - a voluntary organization which provides shelter, counseling, and advocacy for battered women and their children.

Member of Merger Committee, negotiations merger between Family Counseling and A Better Way, September 1980 to December 1980.

Vice-President of Board of Directors, January 1978 to January 1981.

Chairperson for Annual Meeting, October 1980.

Chairperson for Executive Director Search and Screen Committee, August 1979 to October 1979.

Chairperson of Search and Screen Committee for four CETA employees, June 1978 to September 1978.

Elected Regional Representative on the Board of Directors of the Indiana Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, May 19, 1979 to June 1981.

Member of Title XX Advisory Group, September 1979 to September 1980.

Member of Diagnostic/Treatment Sub-committee, Central Indiana Health Systems Agency, September 1979 to August 1980.

Appointed to the Community Child Protection Team, a Consultant group to Child Protection Services of the Delaware County Department of Public Welfare, January 1979 to January 1985.

Elected to Charter Board of Directors of Indiana Chapter of National Association of Social Workers, February 1976.

Member of Delaware County Task Force on Wife Abuse, September 1977 to June 1978.

Member of Board of Directors of Delaware County Mental Health Association, January 1974 to June 1975.

Member of Advisory Committee to Delaware County Department of Public Welfare, November 1972

to May 1975.

Member of Case Conference Committee for Youth Services Bureau of Muncie, Indiana, June 1971 to September 1973.

Other Notable Honors

Awarded the “2003 Kirkpatrick Achievement Award for Achievement in Gerontological Teaching” at the 49th Kirkpatrick Memorial Conference in Aging, Muncie, Indiana.

“Pope Eminent Scholar” with the Rosalyn Carter Institute for Human Development of Georgia Southwestern State University, Finalist, October. 2000.

“Social Worker of the Year Award” by Indiana Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Region 5, March 2000.

Awarded the "Sagamore Of The Wabash" by Governor Evan Bayh, November, 1996.

Awarded the 1996 Kirkpatrick Achievement Award for Research in Gerontology, presented at the 42nd Kirkpatrick Memorial Conference on Aging, Muncie, Indiana.

Appointed as an alternate delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging, by Governor Evan Bayh, May 1995.

Awarded the Lilly Endowment Faculty Open Fellowship for Academic Year 1987-88. The fellowship allowed visits with researchers and practitioners to gain first-hand knowledge on abuse and neglect of the elderly. Additionally, worked as an adult protective service investigator for the Indiana Department of Aging and Community Service.

Listed in Who's Who Among Human Service Professionals, 1988 Edition.

Awarded the "We-ness Award" for Autumn Quarter 1986 by the Student Leadership Development Board. Award is given to a student, faculty member, or staff member for service given unselfishly to the people of Ball State University.

Nominated for, "Outstanding Teacher Award," 1986-87.

Invited to be registered in Who's Who in the Midwest, April 1979.

Invited to be registered in the First International Edition of Who's Who in Education, November 1978.

Nominated for "Outstanding Teacher Award," 1976-77.

Awarded a Doctoral Fellowship, Ball State University, 1976-77.