**Patrick J. Walker**

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Profile

* Pronounced social skills with managerial experience
* Hard-working and goal-oriented with excellent technological skills

Education

**Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions** – Provo, UT

* Doctor of Occupational Therapy– December 2021

**University of Findlay** – Findlay, OH

* Master of Occupational Therapy – December 2017
* Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences – May 2016 – Magna Cum Laude

Board Certifications and Licenses

* National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy 02/07/2018 – Present
* State License (UT) Occupational Therapist 08/22/2022 – Present
* State License (MT) Occupational Therapist 04/20/2020 – 06/15/2023
* State License (MS) Occupational Therapist 01/08/2018 – 06/30/2020

Teaching Experience

**University of Utah Assistant Prof/Capstone Coordinator -** Salt Lake City, UT, August 2022-Present

* Design the Occupational Therapy Capstone Curriculum as the Capstone Coordinator
* Instruct courses in adult practice, pediatric practice, foundations, and leadership
* Advise and mentor students in their academic pursuits
* Review the College of Health curriculum

**Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions Adjunct Faculty-** Provo, UT, Jan. 2022-Present

* Provide feedback and recommendations for all types of doctoral capstones
* Assist primary reviewers in all aspects of doctoral capstones
* Advise students in a manner to guide best practice

**University of Mary Occupational Therapy Instructor**- Billings, MT, April 2020- August 2022

* Instruct courses in foundations, anatomy, research, neuroscience, and adult practice
* Advise graduate students for successful careers in occupational therapy
* Utilize new technology to increase the interest/retention of occupational therapy information
* Mentor doctoral capstone projects with students interested in mental health and psychosocial development
* Mentor and advise a research group on contemporary/experiential teaching styles

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** – OT Department, Findlay, OH, August 2016- June 2017

* Assisted professors with daily tasks, grading, and instructing
* Worked on transitioning from a MOT program to an OTD program
* Instructed students on occupational therapy knowledge and framework

Courses Taught

* OC TH 6040 Creative Occupations Fall 2022 (co-taught)
* OC TH 6850 Population-Based Programming Fall 2022 (co-taught)
* OC TH 6960 Advanced Topics Fall 2022
* OC TH 6211 Pediatrics I Spring 2023 (co-taught)
* OC TH 6980 Special Workshop Pediatrics I Spring 2023 (co-taught)
* OC TH 6411 Adults I Spring 2023
* OC TH 7940 Capstone in OT Spring 2023
* OC TH 6212 Pediatrics II Summer 2023
* OC TH 6980 Special Workshop Pediatrics II
* OC TH 6040 Creative Occupations Fall 2023 (co-taught)
* OC TH 7120 Leadership I Fall 2023
* OC TH 7940 Capstone in OT Fall 2023

Curriculum Development

* Developed OC TH 7871, OC TH 7872, OCTH 7873, and OC TH 7875 as the new entry-level capstone curriculum at the University of Utah. This course series takes entry-level occupational therapy doctorate students through the creation of a capstone project and experience in their desired area of interest.
* Enhanced and solidified changes to Leadership and Management Seminar I to reflect up-to-date business plans and leadership/management styles as they relate to owning a business as an occupational therapist. This included course schedule rearrangement, assignment refining, and content creation.

Student Advising and Mentoring

* Advise approximately 8 students per cohort on academic endeavors and future occupational therapy goals.
* Created an advising plan for occupational therapy doctorate students when deciding on degree declarations.

Service

* Active member with AOTA and NBCOT
* General reviewer and critically appraised paper reviewer for the national INSPIRE annual conference
* Serving on the College of Health Curriculum Committee
* Serving on the scholarship, admissions, and program evaluation committees in the occupational therapy program
	+ Previously served on the occupational therapy program marketing committee.

Current Research

**Effectiveness of the Diabetes Empowerment Program (DEP): A Pre-Post Intervention Study**

* PI to examine an occupational therapy-led diabetes empowerment program with an interdisciplinary approach

**Development of a Neuroimaging Biomarker to Identify Optimal Candidates for Prism Adaptation Treatment**

* Research assistant in understanding patients that benefit from prism adaptation

Scholarship Mentorship

**Group Research Mentor**

2023

* “Clinical Preparation for Fieldwork Through Contemporary Teaching”
	+ Anna Espeland, Marisa Morrison, and Eleni Roulakis
* “Caregiver and Provider Perceptions of Gaps in Care for Children with Special Health Care Needs”
	+ Naomi Bad Bear, Sean Corcoran, Hailee Gregerson, and Katherine Onstad

2022

* “A Caregiver’s Perspective of EAGALA on Social Functioning, Behavior, and Engagement in Children and Adolescents”
	+ Kenisha Bach, Ruby Kallenbach, Andrew Pearson, Annelise Prat, and Jordan Walsh

**Post Professional Occupational Therapy Doctorate Mentor**

2023

* Entry Level Capstone Outcomes (In progress)
	+ Janice Hinds
* Caregivers with Mental Health Disabilities (In progress)
	+ Lynn Farley
* Parent’s Perception of the Effect of Increased Screen Time on Social and Physical Development (In progress)
	+ Ruby Benitez-Mireles
* Integrating Nature-Based Settings into Practice: Special Educators and Occupational Therapist’s Perspectives (In progress)
	+ Erin Thomas

2022

* “Training Occupational Therapists to Teach Caregivers to Play with a Purpose to Reach Their Child’s Highest Potential”
	+ Stephanie Wagers
* “The Efficacy of Primitive Reflex Integration Theory in Children and Youth”
	+ Gabriela Fernandez

**Entry Level Occupational Therapy Doctorate Capstone Mentor**

 2023

* “Caregiver Mental Health in Occupational Therapy”
	+ Ruby Kallenbach
* “Cardio Drumming within a Community-Based Setting to Promote Mental and Physical Wellbeing in Older Adults”
	+ Kayla Matthews
* “Promotion of Equine Programs Through Development of Facilitator Manual”
	+ Andrew Pearson

Occupational Therapy Publications and Presentations

* Walker, P. & Friberg, D. (2023). *Entry-Level OTD Capstones in Utah* [Conference presentation]. UOTA 2023 Annual Conference, Provo, UT, United States.
* Walker, P. J., Gee, B. M., & Leonard, S. (2022). Occupational therapy’s psychosocial role for young children transitioning out of foster care. *The Open Journal of Occupational Therapy, 10*(3), 1-15. https://doi.org/10.15453/2168-6408.2003
* Griffiths, T., Dillon, M. B., Dillon, T., Meredith, M., Hamrick, T., Harmon, J., Kwiatkowski, K., Montalvo, E., Poorman, K., Sayers, C., Scherger, B., & Walker, P. (2017). *Establishing and Understanding the Benefits and Value of Completing Level II Fieldwork in Nontraditional Settings: Practitioner Perceptions* [Conference presentation]. AOTA 2017 Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, United States.
* Griffiths, T., Dillon, M. B., Dillon, T., Tippie, H., Dager, K., Soto, T., Walker, P. (2017). *Using the Kawa Model to Advance Community Occupational Therapy Service Delivery: Influencing the Recovery for Persons with Substance Abuse* [Conference presentation]. AOTA 2017 Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, United States.

Occupational Therapy Experience

**Rehab Without Walls, PRN Occupational Therapist-** Salt Lake City, UT, June 2023-Present

* Provide high-level neurological intervention at home and in the community
* Generate occupational therapy plans of care to reintegrate patients back into the community

**Therapy Connections Occupational Therapist-** Billings, MT, April 2020- Sept. 2022

* Provide evidence-based occupational therapy to children aged 2-19
* Collaborate with all disciplines to increase carryover and success of OT plan of care
* Improve parent understanding through parent coaching strategies

**Rehab Hospital of Montana, PRN Occupational Therapist**- Billings, MT, April 2020- Sept. 2022

* Evaluate and provide therapeutic interventions in the inpatient setting
* Collaborate with team members on prompt, safe discharge plans
* Educate patients on adaptive equipment, home management, and self-care techniques

**Billings Clinic, PRN Occupational Therapist-** Billings, MT, April 2020- Sept. 2022

* Create acute care occupational therapy plan of care
* Provide education and demonstration on surgery precautions or compensatory strategies
* Generate appropriate discharge plans for a safe return home

**Genesis Rehab Services, Director of Rehabilitation** - Starkville, MS, September 2018- April 2020

* Continued role of the lead occupational therapist while becoming director of rehabilitation
* Manage full therapy staff efficiently for client-centered care and evidenced-based practice
* Maintain an open line of communication with the customer of the skilled nursing facility
* Provide therapeutic listening, client-centered treatments, and best practice to all resident

**Genesis Rehab Services, Lead Occupational Therapist**- Starkville, MS, Dec. 2017- Sept. 2018

* Manage occupational therapy department and scheduling
* Fostered occupational therapy assistant’s evidence-based skillset
* Transformed occupational therapy services that were being provided

Additional Certifications

* **Lee Silverman Voice Treatment (LSVT-BIG)-** December 2020- Present
* **Certified Neuro Specialist-** March 2022- Present