

## **Short CV: L Ackerman**

### **1. Position**

Lecturer (Full time)

### **2. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

B.Soc.Sc. with distinction in Psychology      UOFS (1989)

B.Soc.Sc Honours (with distinction)      UOFS (1990)

M.Soc.Sc. (with distinction)      UFS (2002)

### **4. AREAS OF ASSIGNED TEACHING RESPONSIBILITY**

First year sociology: Introduction, culture, groups and organisations, structure of society, inequality in society, gender, race and ethnicity, collective behaviour, religion, family, economy and work, politics, urbanisation, HIV/aids, population dynamics  
Societal issues

Second year: Family and domestic life

Third year: Research methodology (Presenter of 3 themes and facilitator)

Post graduate: M – mini dissertations

### **5. NUMBER OF THESES/DISSERTATIONS/RESEARCH REPORTS SUPERVISED**

One (Mini-dissertation)

### **6. TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

14 Years

**Teaching:** I am currently involved in **five** first year modules. I also act as the course (module) coordinator of the first year. I am responsible for one second year course and I am a facilitator and presenter in one of the third year semester courses.

**Experience** with regard to undergraduate education

I have extensive experience on teaching undergraduate students particularly on a first and second year level. I have lectured Sociology 115 and 125 for the past 14 years (1991-2004). I lectured the English and Afrikaans speaking students, full time as well as part time (adult).

In addition to this I have tutored both English and Afrikaans speaking students in the above courses.

I was also involved in the Career Preparatory Program for the first 4 years this programme ran (1993-1996). This is a bridging program that is offered by the University of the Free State in conjunction with Bloemfontein College. The aim of the program is to develop certain study skills and to increase the accessibility to tertiary institutions.

I acted as a group facilitator and lecturer for various courses: research methodology - third year level (1991,2003); second year “Deviant behaviour course” (1992); second year “Gender and domestic life course” (2000, 2001, 2003); medical students (SAG115) in 1999 and MED 113(A) in 2004.

### **Experience of post graduate teaching**

I am the supervisor for one masters-student completing her mini-dissertation in the Centre for Development Support (CDS).

## **7. OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

Professional Officer (1992-1997)

Junior Lecturer (1998-2001)

## **8. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Member of SASA (South African Sociological Association)

## **9. CONFERENCES ATTENDED**

1992 Attended South African Sociological Association (24th Annual Congress), Pretoria: 15-17 January 1992.

1992 Attended South African Association for Research in Development in Higher Education Congress - *Quality and Equality in Higher Education*. UOFS Bloemfontein. 1-2 October 1992.

- 1995 Attended international conference: *Dynamic Ageing: the Challenge*. Cape Town. 4-6 October 1995.
- 1997 Attended international conference: *International Federation on Ageing: Third Global Conference*. Durban. 19-23 October 1997.

## **10 PAPERS PRESENTED**

- 1992 Inequality in health care. Paper delivered at the EPOG multi-disciplinary paper series, UOFS, Bloemfontein, 6 November 1992.
- 1992 Presented a lecture on group work at the ADB (Academic Development Bureau)-lecturer orientation course, UOFS, Bloemfontein, January 1992.
- 1992 Presented a lecture on group work at the ADB-lecturer orientation course, UOFS, Bloemfontein, June 1992.
- 1993 Presented a lecture on group work at the ADB-lecturer orientation course, UOFS, Bloemfontein, January 1993.
- 1993 Presented a lecture on group work at the ADB-lecturer orientation course, UOFS, Bloemfontein, June 1993.
- 1996 The experiences of informal carers of the elderly in greater Bloemfontein. Paper delivered at the EPOG multi-disciplinary paper series: UFS, Bloemfontein, 26 October 1996.
- 1999 Presented a paper titled: "The vulnerability of women to HIV infection" in September 1999 at the EPOG multi-disciplinary paper series held at the UOFS.

## **11. PUBLICATIONS**

### **11.1 Accredited**

Pelser AJ, Botes LJS & **Van der Berg L**

**1991.** The role of politics in the South African population development programme. *Tydskrif vir Christelike Wetenskap*.

Pelser AJ, Botes LJS & **Van der Berg L**

**1991.** Politics as an environmental factor in population development: Reviewing the South African situation. *Development Southern Africa*.

**Ackermann L & Matebesi Z**

**1998.** Experiences of co-resident carers of elderly persons in Mangaung (Bloemfontein). *Southern African Journal of Gerontology*, 7(1):25-25

De Wet M & **Ackermann L**

**2000.** Improving eye care in the primary health care setting. *Curationis*, 23 (1): 36-41.

**Ackermann L** & De Klerk GW

**2001.** Social Factors that make South African Women Vulnerable to HIV Infection. *Health Care for Women International*, 23 (2):163-172.

De Wet M & **Ackermann L** and Crichton A,

**2001.** Ineffective condom programming in the primary health care setting – “a prescription for disaster”. *Curationis* in May 2001.

**Ackermann, L. & de Klerk GW**

2003. When ideal and real culture clash – trust, infidelity and condom use. *Curationis*, 26(2): 40-43.

**Ackermann, L.**

2004. The danger of HIV infection for girlfriends and wives. *Social Work* , 40(1): 51-60.

**Ackermann, L.**

2004. Divorce in South Africa: an overview. *Social Work*, 40(4): 366-375.

### **Section in book**

I wrote the section concerning AIDS in South Africa in the following book.

Van Rensburg HCJ, Pretorius E & Fourie A. 1992. Gesondheidsorg in Suid-Afrika- struktuur en dinamika. Academica: Pretoria.

## **11.2 Non-accredited ( Research Reports and working documents)**

**Van der Berg L** & Myburgh HA

**1990.** *Die houding van die inwoners van Heidedal ten opsigte van die oprigting van 'n sentrum vir liggaamlik gestremdes.* (Unpublished Honours Research Report: Department of Sociology, UOFS)

**Ackermann L** & van Vuuren SJEJ.

**1995.** *Die stand van bejaardesorg in Bloemfontein (The position in respect of elder care in Bloemfontein).* Manuscript submitted for publication to the *Southern African Journal of Gerontology*.

De Wet M., **Ackermann L**, Matebesi Z & Motlounge LA.

**1997.** The Free State utility supported solar home electrification project – a cost benefit and programme evaluation. Report forwarded to Energy Development Group.

## **12. OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

Submitted an article on marriage in South Africa. Currently busy writing an article about alcohol use in Zambia in collaboration with Zambian researcher.

## **13. CONSULTING**

None

## **14. PROFESSIONAL GROWTH ACTIVITIES**

### **14.1 COURSES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS ATTENDED**

- 1992 Attended BAO (ADB)-lecturer orientation course, UOFS, Bloemfontein. January 1991.
- 1992 Attended “Voog/tutor” Seminar offered by the BAO. UFS. 18 ebruary 1992
- 1992 Attended Seminar on Supplemental Instruction. UOFS. Library Autorialium. 10-12 August 1992
- 1993 Attended Tutor Learning Assistant – training session offered by the BAO. UOFS. 4 March 1993
- 1995 Attended symposium. *Die Bejaarde van Vandag*. UOFS, Bloemfontein. 14 June 1995.

- 1995 Education development seminar: Helping students to learn. BAO. UOFS, 23 October 1995.
- 1996 Attended an information session regarding the *proposed policy on the aged*. UOFS, Bloemfontein. 15 March 1996.
- 1996 Attended Workshop: *Providing support to learners of the OLDEAP Access Programme*: UOFS, Bloemfontein. 18-19 July 1996.
- 1997 Attended Workshop: *Designing Materials for Learning*. Bloemfontein College of Education. Bloemfontein. 14-15 July 1997.
- 1998 Attended a Workshop: *Capacity Building for Quality Teaching in Further in Higher Education*. UOFS. Bloemfontein. 21 September 1998.
- 1999 Attended an information session on *Telematic learning*. UOFS. Bloemfontein. 19 February 1999.
- 1999 Attended a briefing by the Riverbend Group concerning *Distance Education*. UOFS. Bloemfontein, 10 September 1999.
- 1999 Attended a workshop on “*How to conduct focus groups*” presented by Heidi Hugo. UOFS. (unfortunately I cannot remember exact date).
- 2000 Attended course presented by Riverbend Group titled: *Outeurs Opleiding*. UOFS. 14 February 2000.
- 2000 Attended an *AIDS Awareness Workshop*. Presented by Dr P Basson. UOFS. 18 February 2000.
- 2000 Attended training session on the *Financial Systems of the UOFS* – offered by the Internal Audit Department. UOFS. 5 May 2000.
- 2000 Attended course on *Topclass*, offered by the Riverbend Group. UOFS. 4 October 2000.
- 2001 Attended an workshop on *How to deal with large classes* offered by the BAO. . UOFS. 23 February 2001.
- 2001 Attended a course on “*Creativity*” offered by Human Resources Department of the University. UOFS. 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July 2001.
- 2001 Attended workshop on *Women and Mentoring in Higher Education*—offered by FAWESA – UFS. 18 Oct 2001.
- 2002 Attended session on *Self Motivation* offered by Human Resources Department. UFS. 21 Augustus 2002.

- 2002      Attended discussion of the Community Service Policy Document offered by Dr M Erasmus and Rev K Jaftha. Department of Sociology. 19 September 2002
- 2002      Attended a presentation on the writing of articles and research proposals presented by Prof A Wessels and Ms Engelbrecht and Mr F Steyn. UFS. 14 November 2002.
- 2002      Attended a two day workshop on *Academic Entrepreneurship in the Humanities* offered by the Deans Office presented by Peter Roseel. UFS. 23-24 October 2003.
- 2003      Attended workshop on Domestic Partnerships. South African Law Commission. Bloemfontein: 13 October 2003.
- 2003      Attended Research Deliberations offered by the Deans Office, facilitated by Prof Z Ofir. Bloemfontein: 12 November 2003.
- 2004      Attended a workshop: Assessment Training presented by H Geyser and Dr R Smit (RAU). Organised by SOSHO. UFS. 26-27 May 2004
- 2004      Attended a workshop: Principles of Good Practice in Adult Learning presented by Prof C Reinhart (University without walls Skidmore College, New York State USA. Organised by Department of Psychology. UFS. 28 May 2004

## **14.2    COMPUTER LITERACY**

- 1993      Obtained Computer Practice N4 with distinction (Bloemfontein College).
- 1995      Attended E-Mail orientation course at UOFS - June 1995.
- 1996      Attended a course on Power Point offered at New Horizons Training Centre, Bloemfontein

## **15. INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES PERFORMED**

Was a member of the AIDS forum 2002-2003

Member of the faculty board

External Moderator of the MEC 113 course at the University of the Free State

Moderator of SOS132/252 (course guides)

Moderator of SOS 212 and 152 and several other courses.

#### **16. REWARDS, HONOURS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Obtained Deans Medal for best Honours student

Merit promotion (during my time as a professional officer)

#### **17. PROFESSIONALLY RELATED COMMUNITY SERVICES**

None

#### **18. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

None