

Curriculum Vitae

Surname: Naidoo

First name: Pravani

1. Educational background

PhD (Psychology), University of KwaZulu-Natal, 2009

2. Contact details

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3. Fields of Specialisation

Psychology of Well-being (Positive Psychology)

Psychology of Disability

Qualitative Methodology

Community Psychology

Social Psychology

Therapeutic Horse Riding

4. Current post

Lecturer, Department of Psychology, University of the Free State, 2004-current

Areas of assigned responsibility:

Third year module : Co-ordination and lecturing

- PSY 312 Advanced Social Psychology

Honours modules: Co-ordination and lecturing (English & Afrikaans)

- SIL 624 Social Psychology
- SIL 604 Perspectives on Groups and Communities

Honours module: Co-ordination, lecturing and supervision

- SIL 606 : Research report

Community Service Learning:

- Co-ordination and supervision as well as practical implementation of the therapeutic horse riding Community Service project which articulates with the SIL 604 module.

Masters Programme: Lecturing

- Qualitative Research Methods

Masters Programme: Selection

- Involvement in paper selection process, August 2009

PhD Child Psychology Programme: Selection

- Involvement in selection process with regard to research, November 200

Gender Studies Programme: Co-ordination and Lecturing

- GAW 608, Gender and Work, which forms part of the Postgraduate Diploma in Gender studies

Committee : Research Sub-Committee (Psychology) 2009- current.

5. Theses/dissertations/research reports supervised

March 2009 : External reviewer for Acta Academica

June 2009 : Internal viewer for Acta Academica

2007: Co-supervision of an MA (N. Burgess)

Current : Co-supervision of a PhD (D. Visser)

Served as external examiner for UFS final year Occupational Therapy students' research projects, August 2004.

6. Other Work Experience

Lecturer, Department of Psychology, Vista University, 1996-2004

Graduate assistant and tutor in the Department of Psychology, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal, 1995 : Attached to Graduate Assistantship scholarship

7. Conference papers and journal articles

Paper presented at the Occupational Therapy Association of South Africa Conference, Bloemfontein, September 2002

Paper presented, poster presented and international discussion group pannelist on the Health and Education Forum at the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association's Annual Conference, Houston, Texas, 8-12 November 2005

Naidoo, P. (2005). The psycho-social side of health care. Book review. *Psychology in Society*, 32, 92-95.

Naidoo, P. (2006). Therapeutic horse riding. *CommTalk*, April.

Naidoo, P., vd Berg, H.S., and Hayes, G. (2006). Potential contributions to disability theorising and research from Positive Psychology, *Disability and Rehabilitation*, 28 (9), p595-602.

Burgess, N., Beukes, R.B.I., & Naidoo, P. (in press). Reviewing the Career Preparation Programme of the University of the Free State as a method of broadening access to tertiary education. *Acta Academica*.

8. Workshops

Participated in "How to write a Masters/PhD thesis" workshops, UDRAW, UFS, 2006

Participated in the International Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation Therapeutic Horse Riding Clinic, 3-4 April 2006

Participated in “How to conduct a WOW presentation” workshop,
Dreamagineers, Bloemfontein, March 2007

Participated in “How to write a research article” workshop, Dreamagineers,
Bloemfontein, August 2007.

Participated in “Equine-Assisted Psychotherapy” workshop, Pretoria,
2007.

Participated in “Blackboard” training, Bloemfontein, November 2009