

## VITA

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### EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of Illinois (2004)  
Department of Leisure Studies  
Champaign, Illinois
- M.S. University of Missouri (1988)  
Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism  
Columbia, Missouri
- B.S. University of Missouri (1977)  
Department of Recreation and Park Administration  
Columbia, Missouri

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- August 2006 – present Assistant Professor  
Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies  
Ithaca College  
Ithaca, New York
- 1995 –2006 Assistant Professor,  
Department of Recreation Administration  
Eastern Illinois University  
Charleston, Illinois

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Summer's 1995 - 2001 Program Manager, Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project  
Department of Leisure Studies  
University of Illinois  
Champaign, Illinois

Responsible for the administration of the Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project. The Project developed community recreation programs in rural communities. Duties included the establishment of overall administrative structure, staff recruitment, staff hiring, staff training and supervision, budget development, program implementation and evaluation, and liaison with community Recreation Committees.

- 1988 - 1991 Superintendent, Maramec Spring Park  
The James Foundation  
St. James, Missouri

Responsible for the operation of the store, restaurant, Maramec Museum, Ozark Agriculture Museum, Nature Center, outreach program, hiking trails, special events, and campground.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (continued)

- 1982 -1985                      Manager, Recreation Services  
Avco Management Services, St. Louis Area Support Center  
Granite City, Illinois
- Responsible for the operation of twelve recreational facilities. Facilities included a golf course, bowling center, gymnasium, child development center, library, arts and crafts shop, auto craft shop, recreation center, swimming pool, outdoor equipment rental center, picnic area, and athletic fields and courts.
- Nov 84 - May 85                Acting Manager, Community Services
- While fulfilling the responsibilities of Manager, Recreation Services, I was appointed Acting Manager, Community Services. Community Services included a restaurant and lounge, package beverage store, and barbershop.
- 1980 - 1982                      Recreation Supervisor  
Berkeley Parks and Recreation Department  
Berkeley, Missouri
- Responsible for planning and conducting programs and activities to meet the social, cultural, and athletic needs of the community. This included the operation of the summer playground program, recreation centers, swimming pool, and concession stand.
- 1979 - 1980                      Park Manager  
Jellystone Park Campground Resort  
Cuba, Missouri
- Responsible for the operation and management of this 120 acre, 380 site recreational vehicle campground with full recreational amenities. This included two swimming pools, concession stand, miniature golf course, fishing lake and marina, and athletic fields and courts.
- 1977 - 1979                      Program Director  
Camp Don Bosco  
Hillsboro, Missouri
- Responsible for assisting in the development of programs to meet camp goals, and client objectives. Duties included: planning, implementing, and evaluating programs; recruitment, training, supervising and evaluating staff; purchasing of supplies and equipment; marketing and public relations.

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 1991 - Present                   National Recreation and Park Association, Member  
2006 – Present                 New York State Recreation and Park Society, Member  
1997 – 2006                     Eastern Educational Journal Editorial Board, Member. College of Education and Professional Studies, Eastern Illinois University  
1995 - 2006                     Illinois Parks and Recreation Association, Member

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (continued)

- 2001 – 2002 Attorney General Jim Ryan’s Select Committee on Recreation Opportunities for People with Disabilities, Member
- 1998 - 2003 Charleston Park and Recreation Foundation, Member, Treasurer (2000-2002)
- 1988 - 1998 Missouri Park and Recreation Association, Member
- 1991 - 1992 Executive Board, Missouri Park and Recreation Association, Member
- 1991 - 1992 Park and Natural Resource Section, Missouri Park and Recreation Association, President Elect,
- 1991 - 1992 Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Evaluation Committee, Chair.
- 1991 - 1992 Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Park Section Educational Sessions Committee, Member.
- 1990 - 1991 Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Auction Committee, Member.
- 1987 - 1988 Graduate Student Association, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, University of Missouri, President,

GRANTS

- 2007 Received a \$1500 grant from the Instructional Development Fund Committee, Ithaca College to attend an ArcGIS introduction course applicable to course development in RLS 23500 Design and Operation of Areas and Facilities.
- 2006 Center for Research and Development, Ithaca College. Provides one course/three credits of released time for one semester during the 2007-2008 academic term to pursue scholarly/creative projects. Approximate value \$4,000
- 2006 Co-authored and received a \$750 grant from the Research and Grant Committee, College of Education and Professional Studies, Eastern Illinois University *Family Leisure Participation: Life Course Transition in Single Parent Families*
- 2000 Co-authored and received \$189,819 grant from the Office of the Governor to fund the Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project, fiscal years July 1999/June 2000 and July 2000/June 2001
- 2000 Co-authored and received \$7,000 grant from the Illinois Arts Council for activities related to involvement in the Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project
- 1999 Co-authored and received \$5,000 grant from the Illinois Arts Council for activities related to involvement in the Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project.
- 1999 College of Education and Professional Studies Research grant for \$500, *Funding of Public Recreation in Rural Communities*

CONSULTING CONTRACTS

- 1999 - 2000 Development of a Teen Organization. Centralia Teen Center Development Committee, Centralia, Illinois (\$6000)
- 1992 - 1993 Study of a Summer Playground Program, Hannibal, Missouri. Missouri Youth Initiative, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri (\$2,000).

## PUBLICATIONS

Barnett – Morris, L. & Weber, J (Submitted 2006). Teaching Children About Religion and Spirituality: The Role of Recreational Activities. *Society and Leisure/Loisir*.

Barnett – Morris, L. & Weber, J. (Submitted 2006). Perceived Benefits to Children from Participating in Recreational Activities. *Journal of Parks and Recreation Administration*.

Weber, J. (2004). Archery. In *Encyclopedia of Recreation and Leisure in America*. Ed. Cross, G. S., Charles Scribner's Sons; Farmington Hills, MI.

Yoder, D., Weber, J., & Wachter, C. (1999). Student Perceptions of Leisure Service Careers. *Illinois Parks & Recreation*, 30 (1), 17-20.

Brademas, J., & Weber, J. (1999). Rural Recreation in Illinois: The Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project. *Journal of Extension*, Cooperative Extension Services University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Weber, J. (1993). Japan at leisure - "Impressions." *Images*, Journal of the Missouri Park and Recreation Association, Fall.

Card, J., & Weber, J. (1993). *The Munger Lane 1992 summer playground program in Hannibal, Missouri*. Columbia, MO: University of Missouri, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism

Card, J., & Weber, J. (1993). A summer playground program for youth-at-risk: Were their leisure needs met? *Abstracts from the 1993 Symposium on Leisure Research*, 37

Weber, J., & Card, J. (1991). Satisfaction, Integration and Graduate Record Examination: Are these factors related to completion of a Masters Degree? *Journal of Recreation and Leisure*, 11(1), 13-18.

Weber, J. (1989). The James Foundation symposium on recreation. *Images*, Journal of the Missouri Park and Recreation Association, Winter

Weber, J., & Card, J. (1989). The relationship of selected student characteristics and completion of the Master of Science degree in Parks, Recreation and Tourism. *Abstracts of Research Papers of the American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance*, 102, 222.

## PRESENTATIONS

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| 2007 | Dynamic Programming for Families: The Sequel. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana  |
| 2007 | The Role of Out-of-School Activities in Children's Lives. Leisure Research Symposium, National Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana. |
| 2006 | Childhood Obesity: So What's the Problem? Cortland Recreation Conference, State University of New York, Cortland   |
| 2006 | Dynamic Family Programming. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Seattle, Washington.   |

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- 2005 Five Year Alumni Survey: Assessment of Professional Preparation Reported by 1 Year and 5 Year Graduates. College of Education and Professional Studies Research Fair, Eastern Illinois University
- 2004 Leisure in Single and Dual Parent Families. College of Education and Professional Studies Research Fair, Eastern Illinois University.
- 1999 Internships: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Nashville, Tennessee
- 1998 Higher Education and Public Parks and Recreation – Student Perceptions of Employment, Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois
- 1998 Internships: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly, Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1998 Rural Recreation Development, National Recreation and Parks Association Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 1997 Illinois Rural Recreation Project - Revisited. Research Symposium, Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1996 Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project. National Recreation and Park Association Annual Conference, Kansas City, Missouri.
- 1996 The Family and Family Leisure. University of Missouri, Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism - 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Educational Sessions, Columbia, Missouri.
- 1996 Bringing Community Recreation to Rural Communities. Missouri Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference. Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, Missouri.
- 1996 Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project - Program Evaluations. Research Symposium, Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1996 The Illinois Rural Recreation Development Project. Illinois Parks and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- 1993 A Summer Playground Program for Youth-At-Risk: Were Their Leisure Needs Met? National Research Symposium, National Recreation and Park Association, San Jose, California.
- 1991 Profile of Maramec Spring Park Visitors. Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, St. Louis, Missouri.
- 1990 Career Role Development - College Vs. Real Life. Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Columbia, Missouri.

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- 1989 The Relationship of Selected Student Characteristics and Completion of the Master of Science Degree in Parks, Recreation and Tourism. National research symposium, American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, Boston, Massachusetts, refereed.
- 1989 The Relationship of Selected Student Characteristics and Completion of the Master of Science Degree in Parks, Recreation and Tourism. Missouri Park and Recreation Association Annual Conference, Kansas City, Missouri.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## Ithaca College

- TRLS 137 Leisure Travel
- TRLS 232 Program Planning
- TRLS 235 Design and Operation of Areas and Facilities
- RLS 101 History and Philosophy of Leisure
- RLS 103 Society and Leisure

## Eastern Illinois University

- REC 1320 Leadership in Recreation
- REC 1780 Introduction to Leisure Service Agencies
- REC 2290 Programming for Leisure Agencies
- REC 2500 Challenge of Leisure
- REC 3300 Commercial and Employee Recreation
- REC 3510 Camp Administration and Leadership
- REC 3900 Operation of Leisure Facilities
- REC 3910 Microcomputer Applications in Leisure Service
- REC 4274 Pre-Internship
- REC 4740 Research and Evaluation in Leisure Service
- REC 4790 Swimming Pool Management and Operations
- REC 4830 Administration in Leisure Service
- EIU 4121 Leisure Time: An American Perspective

## University of Illinois (graduate assistant)

- LEIST110B Introduction to Leisure Service Organizations
- LEIST116 Computer Applications in Leisure Services
- LEIST215 Recreation Program Development.
- LEIST 240 Resource and Facility Management

## Courses Developed

- REC 4274 Pre-Internship
- REC 3400G World Leisure: A Cultural Perspective (Approved at University Level – 12/06)

FIELDWORK/INTERNSHIP SUPERVISION

## Ithaca College

- Fieldwork I – 2006 - 2007
- Fieldwork II – 2006 - 2007

## Eastern Illinois University

- Fieldwork/Internship Coordinator (1996 – 2002), (2003 – 2005)
- Fieldwork/Internship Supervisor (1996 – 2002), (2003 – 2005)

DEPARTMENT/COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SERVICEDepartment Activities

## Ithaca College

Department Majors Club Advisor (2006 - Present)

## Eastern Illinois University

Curriculum Committee, Member (1995-present), Chair (1997-1998), Chair (2005-2006)

Personnel Committee (1995 - 2002)

Library Representative (1996-2001)

Student Association for Recreation, Co-Advisor (1996-1998), (fall 2000)

Minority Recruitment and Retention Committee, Member (1995-1996)

Professional Development Schools Committee, Member (1995-1996)

College/School Activities

## Ithaca College

Ithaca College, Academic Policy Sub-committee for Curriculum, member (2007 – 2010)

School of Health Sciences and Human Performance, Curriculum Committee, Member (2006 - 2007)

## Eastern Illinois University

Curriculum Committee, member Vice Chair (2005-2006), (1996-1999), Secretary (1997-1999), Research/Grants Committee, Member (1996-present), Chair (1998-1999), (2001-2002), (2003-2004), (2004-2005)

Technology Committee, member (1996-2001)

Scholar Work Station, mentor (1996-1997)

University/College Activities

## Ithaca College

Ithaca Seminar Steering Committee (Fall 2006)

## Eastern Illinois University

Financial Aid/Grants Committee, member (1997-2001)

Library Advisory Board, member (1997-2001)

Campus Recreation Board, member (1997-1999)