

Suzanna D. Smith, Ph.D., CFLE

Educational Background

Ph.D., 1988, Child and Family Development, University of Georgia

M.S.W., 1980, University of Georgia

B.A., 1975, B.A. Sociology (Minors in Psychology and Education), Bethany College, Bethany WV

Certified Family Life Educator, National Council on Family Relations, 2001-present

PROFESSIONAL AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Human Development and Family Life, Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences, University of Florida, 1993-present

Assistant Professor, 1988-1993, Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences, University of Florida,

Research Assistant, Institute for Behavioral Research and Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia, 1986-1987

Project Coordinator, Adolescent Maltreatment Training, Southeastern Network for Runaway Youth and Family Services, 1985-1986

Project Coordinator, Family and Leisure Services Project, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia, 1983-1985

Teaching Assistant, Department of Child and Family Development, University of Georgia, 1982-
Human Services Training Specialist, Office of Continuing Social Work Education, University of Georgia,. 1980-1981

Caseworker, Children and Family Service Association, Wheeling, WV. 1976-1978

Assistant Project Director, Senior Aides Program, Senior Services, Wheeling, WV, 1975-1976.

Teaching (70% FTE)

Teach undergraduate and graduate courses in family life, specializing in family problems including poverty and economic stress, family violence, and work and family pressures. Courses emphasize family coping strategies and resilience, and the use of external resources designed to support healthy family functioning. Also, offer experiential courses and applied activities to develop student skills in designing and conducting family life education programs.

- Family Policy
- Family Problems
- Human Services
- Family Life Education
- Family Violence
- Family Theory
- Families and Globalization

Advise undergraduate and graduate students.

- Supervise the University of Florida Certified Family Life Education (CLFE) provisional certification program for undergraduate students. 50 undergraduate students each semester
- Chair or member of Family, Youth and Community Sciences and member of thesis and doctoral degrees in Agricultural Education and Communication, Anthropology, Clinical and Health Psychology, Counselor Education, Geography, Nursing, and Latin American Studies graduate student committees.

Served as Undergraduate Coordinator for day-to-day management of the interdepartmental instructional program (1996-2001; 2004) through period of rapid student enrollment and change in departmental status.

Served as Chair (1997-1999) of committee to develop the M.S. degree in Family, Youth and Community Sciences

Cooperative Extension Service (30% FTE)

Executive Producer, *Family Album Radio* (WUFT/FM, NPR satellite distribution, and internet).

Established and currently lead the development of a regular radio series that provides current research-based information about family life in a listener-friendly format. Over 1100 scripts have been produced and aired daily to a local, regional and national listening audience. The website attracts thousands of users world-wide. Personal role includes supervising all script production by the Writer and Host, writing hundreds of scripts on current research and interpreting results for family use, involving dozens of students in script writing, and assisting with marketing.

Develop educational programs for use by families and professionals in their communities, with an emphasis on the topics of family stress, coping and resilience; family communication; work and family; and elder caregiving. Develop educational materials including a variety of print and audiovisual materials, train professionals to deliver programs, and support the evaluation of program effectiveness.

Research and Funding (selected)

History of cross-disciplinary and cross-unit research.

“Family and Consumer Sciences Response to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill”. September 2010-June 2011; \$15,000. (With Heidi Radunovich and Michael Gutter). Needs assessment and educational materials development for families and professionals impacted by the BP Oil Spill.

“Welcome baby kit: Family Album Radio CDs”. \$7,000 contract. Section of community-based project funded by United Way of North Central Florida, to prepare new and expectant parents for the first year of their baby’s life.

“Defining and Identifying Fishing Dependent Communities: Development and Confirmation of a Definitional Protocol.” October 1998-September 2000. \$304,000 (Co-Principal Investigator with Steve Jacob). Two year study to define and identify fishing dependent communities and to empirically evaluate the definition and protocol.

“The Impacts of the Florida Net Ban on Commercial Fishing Families.” February 1997-July 1998 \$95,000;

Florida Sea Grant (Principal Investigator). Longitudinal study of the impacts of the state's constitutional ban on commercial entanglement net fishing, on commercial fishing families.

"Coping Strategies of Fishing Families in Response to Perceived Changes in Marine Policy Regulations." April 1991-August 1993; \$59,450; National Sea Grant (Principal Investigator). Study of the impacts of changing marine fisheries regulations on commercial fishing families' individual and family stress, financial well-being, and business practices.

Honors/Awards

Undergraduate Teacher of the Year, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, 2010
Kobbe Innovation in Extension Award, 2009, USDA, for Family Album Radio
Council on Contemporary Families (a leading national professional organization on families),
2007 Media Award, Best Radio Program on Family Life
IMAGE Award, Gold Medal for *Family Album Radio*, 2007
IMAGE Award, Grand Prize for *Family Album Radio*, 2005
Advisor of the Year, College of Agriculture, 1999
Agricultural Communicators in Education (ACE), Second place in Distance Education and
Instructional Design, satellite teleconference, "Florida's Welfare to Work Transition, 1998.

Selected publications

Zhang, J., Smith, S., Swisher, M., & Fu, D., & Fogarty, K. (in press). Gender role disruption and marital satisfaction among wives of Chinese International Students. *Journal of Comparative Family Studies*.

Jackson, T., Barnett, R., Smith, S. & Gibson, H. (2010). The effects of religiosity and sibling relationships on the timing of sexual debut. *New directions for child and adolescent development. Family Science Review*, 15(2), 24-41. Available at http://www.familyscienceassociation.org/FSR15_2_2010.php

Mayberry, J. C., Fogarty, K., Smith, S. D. & Echevarria-Doan, S. (2010). Policy contexts for couples' participation in premarital preparation. *Family Science Review*, 15(2), 66-83. Available at http://www.familyscienceassociation.org/FSR15_2_2010.php

Smith, S. & Davis, D. (2008). The use of radio broadcast, Internet and podcasting in a Family Life Education program. *Journal of Extension*, 26(2), Article Number 2IAW1.

Ingoldsby, B. & Smith, S. (Eds.) (2006). *Families in global and multicultural perspective* (2nd Ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE. And Ingoldsby, B. & Smith, S. (Eds.) (1995). *Families in multicultural perspective*. New York: Guilford Press.

Smith, S., Jacob, S., Jepson, M. & Israel, G. (2003). After the net ban. *Society and Natural Resources*, 16,39-59.

Selected Presentations

National

Smith, P. Smith, S., Fogarty, K., & Sanders, S. (2010). Influences on African America single young adult women's decisions about engaging in unprotected premarital sex. Poster presented at the Annual meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.

Daniel, C. & Smith, S. (2008). Cooperative Extension adolescent and young adult sexuality education. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting National Council on Family Relations, Little

Rock, AR.

- Wu, L., Smith, S., Fogarty, K., & Lee, C-F. (2008). The well-being of Chinese sojourning grandparents in the U.S. Poster accepted for presentation at the National Council on Family Relations, Little Rock, AR.
- Zhang, J., Smith, S., Swisher, M., & Fu, D. (2008). Gender role disruption and marital satisfaction among Chinese international students. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Smith, S. & Davis, D. (2007). Family Album Radio—and Beyond: The use of radio, podcasts, and the Internet in a Family Life Education program. Invited presentation to the Extension Family Life Specialists Preconference. Minneapolis, MN.
- Smith, S., Davis, D. & Baugh, E. (2007). Welcome Baby Kit: A community-based program. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Birmingham, R. & Smith, S., & Barnett, R. (2007). Family violence research: A retrospective analysis. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Goin, K. & Smith, S. (2006). African American father involvement with their children. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Council on Family Relations, Minneapolis, MN.

State Extension Programs

- Smith, S. & Radunovich, H. (2011, April). *Balancing work and family*. Workshop presented to Florida Cooperative Extension Service, Central District Regional Meeting, Osceola County (invited).
- Smith, S. & Headlee, K. (2010, August). *Balancing work and family*. Workshop presented to Florida Cooperative Extension Service Annual Meeting (invited).
- Smith, S., Humphries, D., & Brinkley, M. (2010, July). *Parenting and divorce*. Inservice training for county Extension faculty. Gainesville, FL.
- Smith, S. & Parks, R. (2009, May). *Work-Life Balance*. Inservice training for county Extension faculty, Gainesville, FL.