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Associate Professor of Gerontology/Program Leader for Gerontology
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EDUCATION

- PhD, Social Gerontology** 2011
Miami University, Department of Sociology & Gerontology
- Dissertation: *The Spiritual Lives of Old Women: An Exploration of Essence and Effect*
 - Advisor: Kathryn B. McGrew, PhD
- MGS (Master of Gerontological Studies)** 2004
Miami University, Department of Sociology & Gerontology
- Master's Thesis: *A Conscious Evolution: Older Women Embracing the Divine Feminine*
- BA** 2000
Centre College, Department of Anthropology and Sociology

POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

- NIH/NIA Postdoctoral Fellowship (T-32)*, Center for Aging 2011-2013
Duke University
- Preceptor: Dr. Linda K. George

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Aging and Well-being
Resilience and Vulnerability

Religion and Health
Mixed Methods

CURRENT POSITION

- Associate Professor of Gerontology** 2013 – present
Department of Human Services, Concordia University Chicago
- Director and Program Leader for Gerontology MA and PhD/EdD programs
 - Director of Center for Gerontology at Concordia University Chicago
 - Investigation of resilience, religion, gender, and health in later life through data collection and analysis (using Dedoose, ATLAS.ti, NVivo, STATA, SAS) and publication of qualitative/quantitative data
 - Teaching graduate level courses in the Gerontology MA and PhD/EdD programs; development/administration of Gerontology MA, PhD/EdD programs; oversight of program budget and center research grants

GRANTS AND RESEARCH SUPPORT

Co-Principal Investigator. *The Impact of Performing Arts Attendance on the Cognitive Health and Wellbeing of Older Adults.* Proposal to the National Endowment for the Humanities. Application amount: \$15,000. Status: under review.

Principal Investigator. *Encounters with Adversity: Examining Resilience for Older Adults with HIV.* Proposal to Rush Alzheimer's Disease Core Center. Application amount: \$23,979. Status: Not funded.

Project Leader/Grant Director. *Applied Center for Gerontology.* Invited proposal by the Kott Charitable Trust/Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation. Application amount: \$497,653. Status: Phase I - II funded at \$250,000; Phase III – under review

Co-Principal Investigator. *Resilience And Health In Communities And Individuals: Exploring the Connection Between Resilience Narratives and Candidate Measures.* NIH/NIA [R03]. Application amount: \$100,000. Status: expected for submission January 2015

Principal Investigator. *The Role of Prayer in Late Life Experiences of Resilience.* SSRC/New Directions in Study of Prayer. Fall 2011. Application amount: \$152,300. Status: Not funded

Co-Principal Investigator. *The Spiritual Lives of Old Women: An Exploration of Essence and Effect.* NSF/SBE Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. Application amount: \$10,000 Status: Not funded.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Sociology and Gerontology
Miami University, \$18,000 2010 - 2011

Research Presentation Award, Graduate School
Miami University, \$300 2011

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Manning, L., Radina, M. (2014). Exploring the spiritual capital of mothers of breast cancer survivors: A qualitative analysis. *The Journal of Religion, Spirituality, and Aging* (Forthcoming).

Manning, L., Carr, D., Kail-Lennox, B. (2014). Do Higher Levels of Resilience Buffer the Deleterious Impact of Chronic Illness on Disability in Later Life? *The Gerontologist* (Forthcoming).

Dassel, K., Ewen, H., Carr, D., Fitzgerald, K., Leach, C., **Manning, L.** (2013). What can I go with a gerontology degree? Expanding your options. *Gerontology & Geriatrics Education* (Forthcoming).

Manning, L. K. (2013). Navigating hardships in old age: Exploring the relationship between spirituality and resilience in later life. *Qualitative Health Research*, 23(4), 568-575.

Manning, L. (2012). Enduring as Lived experience: Exploring the essence of spiritual

resilience for women in Late Life. *Journal of Religion and Health*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1007/s10943-012-9633-6

Manning, L. (2012) Spirituality as a lived experience: Exploring the essence of spirituality in late life. *International Journal of Aging and Human Development*.75(2):95-113.

Manning, L., Leek, J., Radina, M.E. (2012). Making sense of extreme longevity: Explorations into the lives of centenarians. *Journal of Religion, Spirituality, and Aging*, 24(4), 345-359.

Manning, L.K. (2012). Articulating the ineffable: Explorations into the spiritual lives of old women. *Journal Of Religion, Spirituality & Aging*, 24(3), 179-20.

Manning, L.K. (2012). Experiences from pagan women: A closer look at croning rituals. *Journal of Aging Studies*, 26(1),102-118.

Mwangi, S., Yamashita, T., Ewen, H., **Manning, L.**, Kunkel, S. (2012). Globalizing gerontology education: Current practices and perceptions for gerontology education in the United States. *Journal of Gerontology & Geriatrics Education*, 30, 198-217.

Manning, L. (2010). An exploration of paganism: Aging women embracing the divine feminine. *Journal of Religion, Spirituality & Aging*, 22(3),196-210.

Manning, L. (2010). Gender and religious differences associated with volunteering in later life. *Journal of Women & Aging*, 22(2),125-135.

Carr, D., Muschert, G., Brown, J.S., Robbins, E., Kinney, J., Petonito, G., **Manning, L.** (2010). Silver Alerts and the problem of missing adults with dementia. *The Gerontologist* 50(2): 149-157.

Carr, D., **Manning, L.** (2010). A New paradigm for qualitative research in the United States: The era of the third age. *Qualitative Sociology Review*, 7(1): 16-33.

Rahman, A., Straker, J., **Manning, L.** (2008). Staff Assignment Practices in Nursing Homes: Review of the Literature. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* 10(1): 4-10.

Radina, M.E., Lynch, A., Stalp, M., **Manning, L.** (2008). When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple: Red hatters cope with getting old. *Journal of Women & Aging* Volume 20 (1/2): 99-114.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND ENTRIES

Manning, L. (2014). Spirituality, Aging, and Cultural Factors. *Invited submission for the Encyclopedia of Adulthood and Aging* (Forthcoming).

Rowles, G., **Manning, L.** (2011). Experiencing the third age: The perspective of qualitative inquiry. In: Carr, D. C. & Komp, K.S. (eds.). *Gerontology in the Era of the Third Age: Implications and Future Steps*. Springer Publications, pp. 147-166.

Radina, M.E., **Manning, L.**, Lynch, A., Stalp, M. (2010). "Give me a boa and some bling!" Red Hat Society members commanding presence through ritual dress and appearance in the public sphere. In Bobel, C. & Kwan, S. (eds.) *Embodied resistance: Challenging the norms, breaking the rules*. Vanderbilt University Press, pp. 67-77.

BOOK REVIEWS

Manning, L. (2013). Review for *Anthropology & Aging Quarterly*. Review of Hayslip, B., Smith, G. (Eds.). Annual Review of Gerontology and Geriatrics, Volume 32, 2012: Emerging Perspectives on Resilience in Adulthood and Later Life.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Costello, M., **Manning, L.**, Fujita, F., Ratkiewicz, S. Adult Age Differences in the Speed-Wisdom Relationship: A Mixed-Methods Investigation

Manning, L., Miles, A. Examining the Effects of Religion on Resilience in the Face of Life Course Trauma: Is Religion Really Beneficial?

Manning, L. Encounters with Adversity: Exploring Resilience for Older Adults.

Manning, L. Resilience as a Way of Being: Older Adults' Perspectives on "Resilient Aging"

APPLIED RESEARCH BRIEFS

Applebaum, R., Wellin, V., Mehdizadeh, S., Brown, J.S, McGrew, K. **Manning, L.**, Menne, H., Wilson, K., Johnson, J., Baker, H., & Chow, K. (2009). An Evaluation of the Assisted Living Medicaid Waiver Program. Oxford, OH: Prepared for the Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University.

Manning, L.K., Mehdizadeh, S. (2008). Ohio's Aging Workforce: Opportunities and Challenges for Ohio Employers. Report prepared for the Scripps Gerontology Center.

Brown, K., **Manning, L.**, Applebaum, R. (2008). Meeting Demand for Medicaid Funded Assisted Living: A Review of State Experiences. Report prepared for the Scripps Gerontology Center.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Qualitative Researcher/Consultant

2011 –2014

Resilience Solutions Group, Arizona State University

- Qualitative research consultant for a multigenerational study examining the predisposing and contemporaneous predictors of resilient aging
- Analysis and management of qualitative data for the Resilience And Health In Communities And Individuals Project. Principal Investigator: Alex Zautra, PhD. [NIH/NIA – R01]

Postdoctoral Scholar

2011 - 2013

The Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development/Department of Sociology, Duke University

- Investigation of resilience, religion, gender, and health in later life through data collection and analysis (using Dedoose, ATLAS.ti, Vivo, STATA, SAS) and publication of qualitative/quantitative data
- Mentor: Linda K. George, PhD

Project Manager

2010 - 2011

Department of Sociology and Gerontology and the Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University

- Team management of 5 scholars, research (survey design and qualitative focus groups), and publication support for the Spirituality Inventory Project
- Supervisor: Robert Atchley, PhD

Project Manager

2009 - 2010

Department of Sociology and Gerontology and the Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University

- Team management of 10 scholars, research and publication support for the Silver Alerts Project and research on elders who had gone missing
- Supervisor: Glenn Muschert, PhD

Doctoral Researcher

2007 - 2011

Department of Sociology and Gerontology and the Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University

- Project and publication support for projects pertaining to gender, identity, spirituality, US aging workforce, LTC public policy, healthcare policy, and teaching gerontology and sociology
- Supervisors: Jean Lynch, PhD; Shahla Mehdizadeh, PhD; Robert Applebaum, PhD; Kathryn McGrew, PhD

Research Assistant

2002 - 2004

Department of Sociology and Gerontology and the Scripps Gerontology Center, Miami University

- Qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis, semi-structured questionnaire and survey development, data entry and analysis in Atlas.Ti and SPSS, teaching support (proctoring exams, grading, guest lecturing)
- Supervisors: Lisa Groger, PhD; Christopher Wellin, PhD; Cary Kart, PhD

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Visiting Assistant Professor

2012

Department of Sociology, Duke University

Visiting Assistant Professor

2006 - 2007

Department of Family Studies and Social Work, Miami University

Adjunct Instructor

2004 - 2006

Department of Behavioral Studies, University of Cincinnati-Raymond Walters

Adjunct Instructor

2004 – 2005

Department of Gerontology and Sociology, Miami University

COURSES TAUGHT:

Aging in American Society (Miami University at the undergraduate level/service learning)
 Death and Dying in American Society (Miami University at the undergraduate and graduate level)
 Family in Later Life (Miami University at the undergraduate and graduate level)
 Adult Development and Aging (University of Cincinnati at the undergraduate level)
 Contemporary Social Problems (Duke University at the undergraduate level)
 Practicum in Gerontology (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)
 Perspectives in Gerontology (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)
 Public Policies and Aging (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)
 Sociology of Aging (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)

Values, Attitudes, Ethics, and Aging (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)
Advanced Topics in Gerontology (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)
Seminar in Gerontology (Concordia University Chicago at the graduate level)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS – PEER REVIEWED

Manning, L. Linking Adversity, Assessment, and Authority: Who Determines Resilient Aging? Paper prepared for the 8th International Symposium on Cultural Gerontology/2nd Conference of the European Network in Aging Studies (ENAS). Galway, Ireland. 2014.

Bach, J., **Manning, L.** Combatting the Invisibility of Older Women: Linking Women's Studies, Gerontology, and the Experiences of Older Women. Paper presentation, The Sixth Annual Joint Gender & Women Studies Conference, Dominican University and Concordia University Chicago, River Forest, IL. 2014.

Manning, L. A Qualitative Exploration of Resilience among Late Life Couples. Paper presentation, the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Denver, CO. 2014.

Manning, L. Understanding and Enhancing Resilience: A Qualitative Analysis. Paper presentation, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA. 2013.

Manning, L. Do Only the Strong Survive?: Exploring Resilience in Later Life. Paper presentation, Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA. 2012.

Costello, M., **Manning, L.** Narrating Wisdom: Exploring the Link Between Generalized Slowing and Wisdom in Aging, Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA. 2012.

Manning, L., Miles, A. Examining the Effects of Religion on Resilience in the Face of Life Course Trauma: Is Religion Really Beneficial? Paper presentation, Association of the Sociology of Religion, Denver, Colorado, 2012.

Manning, L. Navigating Hardships in Old Age: Exploring the Relationship Between Spirituality and Resilience in Later Life. Poster presentation, Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts, 2011.

Carr, D. C., **Manning, L.K.,** Brown, J.S. Productivity in later life: The role of life stage. Poster presented at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Aging Exchange, 2011.

Manning, L. Searching for the Sacred: Understanding Women's Spirituality in Advanced Age, Qualitatives 2011, Brantford, Ontario, Canada, 2011.

Radina, M.E., **Manning, L.** Teaching Qualitative Methodology in Gerontology: A Case Study of Students and Red Hatters. Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Cincinnati, Ohio, 2011.

Gibbons, H., **Manning, L.** The Social Networking Effect: The Presence of the Older Adults in Virtual Networks. Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Cincinnati, Ohio, 2011.

Manning, L., Gibbons, H. Successful Service-Learning Syllabi. Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, Cincinnati, Ohio, 2011.

- McGrew, K., **Manning, L.** Innovation in Indiana: One State Agency's Creative Solutions to Service Delivery, Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2010.
- Manning, L.** Gender and Religious Differences Associated with Volunteering in Later Life. Poster presentation, Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, Georgia. November 2009.
- Carr, D., **Manning, L.** Formal Productive Engagement in Later Life: The Role of Life Phase. Paper presentation, Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, Georgia. November 2009.
- Lynch, J., McMahon-Klosterman, K., **Manning, L.** An Overview of Disabilities Studies: What's Covered, What's Not. Paper presentation, Association for Humanist Sociology Meetings, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2009.
- Muschert, G., Petonito, G., Bhatta, T., and **Manning, L.** Missing Older Adults with Dementia: A Study of News Coverage of Incidents and Policy Developments, 2006-2008. Paper presentation, Society for the Study of Social Problems Meetings, San Francisco, California, August 2009.
- Petonito, G., Muschert, G., Bhatta, T., and **Manning, L.** Putting the Cart before the Horse: The Strange Case of the Silver Alerts 'Solution' to the Missing Adult 'Problem. Paper Presentation, Symbolic Interaction and Ethnographic Research Conference, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, May 2009.
- Radina, M.E., **Manning, L.K.**, Faubert, K.M., Levey, J.L., Cox, A.A., Stalp, M.C., Lynch, A. (2008). "I'm not old yet!" Red Hat Society members combating the cultural invisibility of women in mid and later-life. Presentation at the Annual Conference of the Gerontological Society of America, November, 2008.
- Mehdizadeh, S., **Manning, L.K.** (2008). U.S. Labor force Participants Are Changing Due to the Aging of the Population. How Would this Change Impact the Economy? Presentation at the Annual Conference of the North Central Sociological Association, April 2008.
- Manning, L.K.** (2005). Explorations into Paganism: Older Women Embracing the Divine Feminine. Presentation at the Annual Conference of the Gerontological Society of America, November 2005.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS:

- Manning, L.** Resilience as a Way of Being in Later Life: A Qualitative Analysis. Presentation at Midwest Lifelong Learning Conference, Eastern Illinois University. Rosemont, IL. 2014
- Manning, L.** Spirituality and Resilience: Minding the Gap Between Assessment and Identity. Presentation at Duke University's Center for Spirituality, Theology and Health, 2013.
- Manning, L.** Spirituality and Aging. Presentation at University of Vermont's Center on Aging Gerontology Symposium, 2011.
- Manning, L.** Ageism in America: Exploring the Marginalization of Older Adults. Presentation at the Ohio's Association of Professionals in Aging, 2010.
- Manning, L.,** Mehdizadeh, S. Ohio's Aging Workforce: Opportunities and Challenges for Ohio Employers. Presentation at the Southwestern Ohio Council on Aging's Annual Forum. 2009.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Founder/CEO: 4th Age Revolutions, INC* 2006 - 2008
Cincinnati, OH
- Gerontological consulting firm providing eldercare benefits to local companies
- Co-Founder/Executive Vice President: Eldercare Education Consultants, LLC* 2004 - 2006
Cincinnati, OH
- Gerontological consulting firm providing eldercare benefits to local companies
- Internship: The Spiritual Eldering Institute* 2003
Boulder, CO
- Master's practicum
 - Education program director; grant writing; marketing development
 - Supervisor: Lori Miller, MS
- AmeriCorps National Leader: Neighbor-to-Neighbor AmeriCorps Program* 2001 - 2002
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, Burlington, VT
- Supervisor; Renee Ross, MSW
- AmeriCorps Neighbor-to-Neighbor Program Member* 2000 - 2001
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging, Burlington, VT
- Supervisor: Renee Ross, MSW
- Internship: Sanders-Brown Center on Aging/ University of Kentucky* 1999
Lexington, KY
- Undergraduate internship
 - Research assistant
 - Supervisor: Graham Rowles, PhD., Director of PhD Program in Gerontology

CERTIFICATES

Online Teaching Certification

- Concordia University Chicago
- 4 week certification course in online course development, instruction, and evaluation 2013

Women's Studies Graduate Certificate

- Miami University, Women's Studies Program 2011
- 12 credit hour concentration in Women's Studies, independent research project, public presentation of findings and implications for research benefiting women

College Teaching Certificate

- Miami University, Center for Education, Learning, and Teaching (CELT) 2010
- 12 hour college teaching program

Summer Business Institute Certificate

- Miami University, School of Business 2004
- 6 week, 12 credit hour "mini-MBA" program

Certificate of Gerontology

University of Vermont, Department of Continuing Education

2003

- 24 credit hour certificate program for professionals interested in aging

SERVICE

<i>Secretary/Executive Committee, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education</i>	2014 - present
<i>Accreditation Task Force/Organization Subcommittee Member, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education</i>	2014 - present
<i>Secretary/Executive Committee, Association for Anthropology and Gerontology</i>	2013 - present
<i>Board Member, Oak Park-River Forest Senior Services Board of Directors</i>	2013 - present
<i>ESPO Representative to Behavioral and Social Sciences Committee, Gerontological Society of America</i>	2012 - present
<i>Intergenerational Learning and Research Initiative, Association for Anthropology and Gerontology</i>	2011 - 2013
<i>Student Chair, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education</i>	2008 - 2010
<i>Campus Ambassador, Gerontological Society of America</i>	2007 - 2011
<i>Events Chair, Miami University Graduate Student Association</i>	2008
<i>Education Committee Member, Ohio Association of Professionals in Aging</i>	2005 - 2008
<i>Member, Sigma Phi Omega National Honor Society in Gerontology</i>	2004 - 2011

EDITORIAL BOARDS

<i>InvestigAge (Mather LifeWays/Institute on Aging)</i>	2013 - present
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PEER REVIEWER

<i>The Gerontologist</i>	2011 - present
<i>Journal of Family Theory and Review</i>	2011 - present
<i>The International Journal of Aging and Human Development</i>	2011 - present
<i>The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Social Sciences</i>	2014 - present
<i>Journal of Cross Cultural Gerontology</i>	2014 - present
<i>Health Psychology</i>	2014 - present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
- Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE)/IR
- Association for Anthropology and Gerontology (AAGE)
- American Society on Aging (ASA)
- North American Network of Aging Studies (NANAS)
- Southern Gerontology Society (SGS)
- Chicago Bridge: Emerging Professionals in Aging

REFERENCES:

Dr. Linda K. George
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