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## **Education**

### **Ph.D., Higher Education**

College of Education  
Pennsylvania State University

August 2013  
University Park, PA

*Dissertation Title:* Many Peas, No Pods: Community, Diversity, and College Access in Rural America

*Dissertation Chair:* Dr. John Cheslock

*Cognate Area:* Education Policy

### **Master of Business Administration**

Carey Business School  
Johns Hopkins University

May 2009  
Baltimore, MD

### **B.S., Information Sciences and Technology**

College of Information Sciences and Technology  
Pennsylvania State University

May 2004  
University Park, PA

## **Research Interests**

Postsecondary education access, pathways, and outcomes of rural populations; Community effects on educational access; Rural community colleges; Public policy; Large-scale, quantitative data analysis

## **Academic Positions**

Texas Tech University

Lubbock, TX

### **Assistant Professor of Higher Education (Tenure-Track)**

Dept. of Educational Psychology & Leadership, College of Education

8/2013 – Present

Pennsylvania State University

University Park, PA

### **Academic Skills Mentor**

Morgan Academic Support Center for Student-Athletes

8/2011 – 5/2013

### **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Department of Education Policy Studies

1/2011 – 5/2013

### **Graduate Assistant**

Center for the Study of Higher Education

Assistantship supervisors: Dr. John Cheslock, Dr. Fred Loomis

8/2010 – 7/2013

### **Studies and Manuscripts In Progress**

**Koricich, A.**, Barnard-Brak, L., Paton, V., Aranda, F., & Flores, J. Factors associated with better online self-regulated learning among rural and urban distance learners. Target publication: *International Review of Research in Open and Distributed Learning*

**Koricich, A.**, Koca, F., & Nogowski, J. Understanding how rural residence impacts postsecondary degree completion: A longitudinal analysis. Target publication: *Journal of Higher Education*

Louis, D. & **Koricich, A.** Experiences of new faculty transitioning from management and administration to academia. Target publication: *The Journal of Faculty Development*

**Koricich, A.** & Jones, S. J. Divergent reasons for a common decision: Understanding the institutional choice rationales of rural community college students. Target publication: *Community College Journal of Research and Practice*

**Koricich, A.** & Knight, D. B. Diversifying engineering by focusing on place: Understanding rural youth participation in collegiate engineering programs (Currently in analysis)

**Koricich, A.** On the move: Using Google Maps and federal student data to examine the postsecondary education and employment migration patterns of rural youth (Currently in design)

### **Manuscripts Under Review**

**Koricich, A.**, Chen, X., & Hughes, R. P. Looking beyond the family: How community impoverishment and population loss influence the postsecondary pathways of rural youth. Submitted to: *Higher Education*.

**Koricich, A.**, Chen, X., & Hughes, R. P. Understanding the effects of rurality and socioeconomic status on college attendance and institutional choice in the United States. Submitted to: *Review of Higher Education*.

**Koricich, A.** & Pfluger, S. A confluence of challenges: Examining the potential college transition challenges of rural student veterans. Submitted to: *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*.

### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

- Chen, X. & **Koricich, A.** (2014). Reaching out to remote places: A discussion of technology and the future of distance education in rural America. In *E-Learn 2014 Proceedings: World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare, & Higher Education*. Chesapeake, VA: Association for the Advancement of Computing in Education.
- Koricich, A.** (2013). Outcomes instead of outputs: Using a New Public Service approach to humanize “No Child Left Behind”. *American Journal of Education Forum*. Available at <http://www.ajeforum.com/?p=573>.
- Koricich, A.** (2013). Using technology to help rural students through the college admissions process. *American Journal of Education Forum*. Available at <http://www.ajeforum.com/?p=385>.
- Koricich, A.** (2012). Seeing “rural” as a differentiated space, *American Journal of Education Forum*. Available at <http://www.ajeforum.com/?p=316>.

### **Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters**

- Koricich, A.** (2015). The role of rural community colleges in educating a Twenty-First Century workforce (pp. 32-52). In S. J. Jones & D. L. Jackson (Eds.), *Examining the Impact of Community Colleges in the Global Workforce*. Hershey, PA: IGI Global.

### **Invited Publications**

- Koricich, A.** (2013). Multimedia discussions through VoiceThread. *The Community College Enterprise*, 19(1), 76-79.

### **Peer-Reviewed Presentations**

- Koricich, A.** & Jones, S. J. (2015, November). *Exploring the institutional choice motivations of rural students at public community colleges*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Higher Education. Denver, CO.
- Koricich, A.** & Pfluger, S. (2015, February). *A confluence of challenges: College access and transition concerns of rural student veterans*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Educational Research Association. San Antonio, TX.
- Chen, X. & **Koricich, A.** (2014, October). *Reaching out to remote places: A discussion of technology and the future of distance education in rural America*. Paper presentation at

E-Learn 2014: World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare, & Higher Education. New Orleans, LA.

- Koricich, A.** (2014, April). *Bad for the gander? The effects of local economic factors on college access and choice*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Philadelphia, PA.
- Koricich, A.** (2014, April). *The effects of rurality on college access and choice*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association. Philadelphia, PA.
- Koricich, A.** (2013, March). *Does farther away mean further behind? The effects of rurality on college attendance and choice*. Poster session presentation at the 2013 Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA.
- Koricich, A.** (2012, November). *The effects of local industry on postsecondary degree-holding patterns in rural Appalachia*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Higher Education, Las Vegas, NV.
- Koricich, A. & Gilbert, C.** (2012, November). *A multi-state assessment of dual enrollment programs on baccalaureate degree completion*. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of Higher Education, Las Vegas, NV.
- Koricich, A.** (2012, October). *Local industry effects on timely postsecondary attendance and initial institutional choice in rural Appalachia*. Paper presentation at the Annual Conference and Research Symposium of the National Rural Education Association, Cincinnati, OH.
- Koricich, A.** (2012, March). *Differences in rural education levels by local industry type*. Paper presentation at the annual symposium of *Higher Education in Review*, University Park, PA.
- Koricich, A.** (2011, October). *Differences in postsecondary enrollment by community type*. Paper presentation accepted to the Annual Conference of the National Rural Education Association, Hilton Head, SC.

### **Invited Presentations**

- Koricich, A.** (2015, November). *Filling open spaces with opportunity: Moving toward a better understanding of rural populations and postsecondary education in Oregon and the United States*. Invited keynote address at the Annual Conference of the Oregon Community College Association, Gleneden Beach, OR.

**Koricich, A.,** Blumenthal, P., & Esparza, J. (2015, June). *Keeping sight of the forest and the trees: Rethinking diversity and college opportunity for rural populations in Oregon and the U.S.* Invited convening presentation co-sponsored by the Oregon Community College Association and The Ford Family Foundation, Portland, OR.

**Koricich, A.,** Blumenthal, P., & Esparza, J. (2015, June). *Keeping sight of the forest and the trees: Rethinking diversity and college opportunity for rural populations in Oregon and the U.S.* Invited session presentation at the 2015 Regards to Rural Conference, Bend, OR.

**Koricich, A.** (2014, December). *Current trends in research on rural populations and higher education.* Invited webinar presentation to the Oklahoma Rural School Alliance sponsored by the Regional Education Laboratory Southwest and Institute for Education Sciences.

**Koricich, A.** (2014, October). *More than meets the eye: Postsecondary challenges for an increasingly diverse Rural America.* Invited general session presentation at the Annual Conference of the National Scholarship Providers Association, Pittsburgh, PA.

### **Funding Applications In Progress**

*Principal Investigator*, Examining the Education and Employment Outcomes of Rural Youth Coming Out of the Great Recession, William T. Grant Foundation, Officer's Research Grants, \$25,000, Submission deadline: January 2016

### **Instructional Experience**

#### Texas Tech University

##### Instructor of record:

Assessing Student Outcomes in Higher Education (2014, 2015)

Doctoral Capstone Seminar (2014, 2015)

Funding Higher Education (2014, 2015)

History of Higher Education in the United States (2013)

Master's Capstone Seminar (2015)

Policy Analysis and Issues in Higher Education – *Online* (2015)

Resource Management & Efficiencies in Higher Education – *Online* (2014)

Technology in Higher Education – *On-campus* (2013, 2014)

Technology in Higher Education – *Online* (2014)

##### Guest lectures:

Qualitative Research Methodology, University of Massachusetts–Amherst (2014)

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Pennsylvania State University

Teaching assistant:

- Designing Institutional Research Studies (2011, 2012, 2013)
- Foundations of Institutional Research (2011, 2012)
- Community Colleges and Technical Institutes (2012)
- Planning and Resource Management in Higher Education (2011)

**Awards & Honors**

- 2015 TTU Alumni Association New Faculty Award Nominee – *College of Education, Texas Tech University*
- 2014 New Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award Finalist – *College of Education, Texas Tech University*
- 2013 Roe L. Johns Travel Grant – *Association for Education Finance and Policy*
- 2012 Martorana Family Dissertation Award – *Pennsylvania State University*
- 2012 National Data Institute Fellow – *Association for Institutional Research, National Center for Education Statistics, and National Science Foundation*
- 2012 HEPAC Outstanding Presentation Award for “Differences in Rural Education Levels by Local Industry Type” – *2012 Higher Education in Review Symposium*
- 2012 Research Initiation Grant – *Pennsylvania State University*
- 2011 Graduate Student Policy Seminar – *Association for the Study of Higher Education*
- 2009 International MBA Consulting Project – *Johns Hopkins University and University of Augsburg (Germany)*

**University & National Service**

Texas Tech University

- Faculty Representative – University Discipline Committee (2014-Present)
- Member, Texas Tech Chapter – AAUP (2014-Present)
- College of Education Delegate – Faculty Senate (2014-2015)
- College of Education Academic Program Reform (2013-2015)
- College of Education Research Facilities Manifest Contributor (2013)

Pennsylvania State University

- Full Member – President’s Commission on LGBT Equity (2010-2013)
- Vice-President – Higher Education Student Association (2010-2011)

National Service

- Article Submission Reviewer – *Journal of Research in Rural Education* (2013-Present)
- Article Submission Reviewer – *Public Administration Quarterly* (2013-Present)
- External Review Board Member – *Higher Education in Review* (2013-Present)
- Conference Proposal Reviewer – Assn. for the Study of Higher Education (2012-Present)

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Article Submission Reviewer – *Educational Policy* (2014)  
Conference Session Moderator – *Engaged Scholarship Consortium* (2013)  
National Data Institute Application Review Panel – AIR/NCES/NSF (2013)  
Student Board Member – *American Journal of Education* (2012-2013)

**Membership in Professional Organizations**

American Educational Research Association (Divisions J and L, Rural Education SIG)  
Association for Institutional Research  
Association for the Study of Higher Education  
National Rural Education Association  
Rural Sociological Society  
Southern Rural Sociological Association

**Thesis Committee Membership**

Texas Tech University  
Aaron Chavarria, Higher Education Administration\*  
Alyssa Singleton, Higher Education Administration (2015)  
Christopher Watts, Higher Education Administration (2015)

\* = Committee chair

**Dissertation Committee Membership**

Texas Tech University  
Adrien L. Bennings, Higher Education (2015)  
Catherine Nutter, Higher Education Research  
Clint Havens, Higher Education Research<sup>+</sup>  
Jeffrey Taylor, Higher Education\*  
Amanda Veesart, Higher Education Research

\* = Committee chair, <sup>+</sup> = Committee co-chair

**Press & Media Coverage**

Education Week (2014)  
The Chronicle of Higher Education (2014)  
The Hechinger Report (2014)  
USA Today (2014)

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### **Professional Development Workshops**

Texas Tech University  
Tenure Academy (2014)  
Faculty Proposal Development Program (2013-2014)  
Budgeting Basics for Researchers (2013)  
Teaching Orientation for New Faculty (2013)

### **Non-Academic Professional Positions**

GEICO  
**Lead Programmer Analyst**  
Internet Business Unit

Washington, DC  
11/2007 – 7/2009

**Lead Application Systems Analyst**  
Internet Business Unit

10/2006 – 11/2007

**Emerging Leaders Program Candidate**  
Rotations: Systems Operations Dept., Information Services Dept., Internet Business Unit

6/2004 – 10/2006