

**Rebecca S. Nicholson OTD, OTR**  
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Education:

May 2011 Completed Clinical Doctoral Degree at the University of Kansas  
December 1994 Master of Science in Special Education, University of Kansas  
May 1985 Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy, University of Kansas  
August 1978 to May 1979 Garden City Community College,  
May 1978 Graduated from Garden City High School with Honors

Experience:

Kansas University Medical Center Clinical Instructor in Occupational Therapy  
Education  
Department, August 1999, to Present.

Leavenworth County Special Education Cooperative, August 1985 to May 15, 2001

Research Experience:

Spring 2012 Facilitated student research group examining the use of telecommunication to support fieldwork educators and students in the interpretation of the Sensory Profile

Spring 2012 Mentoring OTD candidate Deanna Thorne in the Use of an Assessment Guide in School Based Practice

Spring 2012 Mentoring OTD candidate Kelli Reiling in Examining the Effect of Assessment Tool in Goal Development in Service Learning Project.

Spring 2011 Facilitated student research group examining the use of telecommunication to support rural school based practice

Spring 2010 Mentor for students examining the use of evidence in practices across Kansas.

Spring 2000 Mentor for students investigating the use of assistive technology in school based practice

Fall 1994 Master's projected involved development of a teacher in-service program to improve teacher's ability to identify behaviors appropriate for referral to occupational therapy.

Teaching Experience:

Child Development, Pediatric Interventions & Theory, Evaluation & Assessment, Case-Based Clinical Reasoning, Practice Models, Special Topics in Pediatrics,

Planning and Intervention, Family and Community Service Systems, Program Evaluation, and Practicum Courses.

## Publications

Fall 2012 Contributed to the new edition of Best Practice Occupational Therapy in Community Service with Children and Families

Brown, C., Nicholson, R. (2010). Sensory skills. In Brown, C. & Stoffel, V.(Eds.)*Occupational Therapy in Mental Health: A Vision for Participation*,( pp.280-297). Philadelphia: F.A. Davis.

Bigby, L., Neal, J., Nicholson, R.,(2004). Occupational therapy, physical therapy, and orientation and mobility services in public schools. *Intervention in School & Clinic*, Vol. 39,.

## Committees:

Admissions Committee  
Recruitment Committee  
Curriculum Committee  
Academic Fieldwork Coordinator

## Projects

Fall 2011 Supervise Level II fieldwork students at the KUMC Cancer Center.

Spring 2010 to Present Supervise occupational therapy students conducting service learning project teaching dance to children with special needs in the community.

August 2005-May 2010 Completed year five of a fieldwork project in South East Kansas to provide occupational therapy services to underserved areas. During the five year period supervised 24 level II fieldwork students in a school based practice.

## Professional Accomplishments

- 2010 Selected as a Trainer for AOTA Fieldwork Certification Workshop
- 2008 to Present Academic Fieldwork Coordinator
- 2005, 2006, 2008, 2010,2012 Joyce Jones Award for Excellence in Teaching
- 2005 Stata Norton Distinguished Teaching Award
- 1992 Awarded the LOTTTS fellowship for leaders in the field of Occupational Therapy