

Stacey Ronald Smith

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Academic History

2005-present	University of North Texas Post-Baccalaureate student taking psychology classes preparing for application to graduate school. <i>Honors Thesis:</i> Hope, Optimism, and Quality of Life in HIV+ Adults.
1985-1989	Texas Tech University Bachelor of Science in Education, English/Speech/Theater Arts

Academic Honors

2006	National Dean's List (spring) – University of North Texas
2005	National Dean's List (spring/fall) – University of North Texas

Research Interest/Activities

Current research interest and activities include optimism, hope and quality of life in individuals with a chronic illness; and the relationship between optimism, coping and forgiveness. Interested in all areas of research concerning the area of Positive Psychology.

Research Experience

2005-present	Research assistant to Dr. Mark Vosvick, Ph.D., at the Center for Psychosocial Health at the University of North Texas. Responsibilities include collaborating on current and future HIV related projects using research and data collection <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Project Voices</i> – Analyzed data using multiple regression analyses of 288 83-page surveys from HIV+ individuals in the DFW area using SPSS.• <i>Primary Prevention</i> - Assisted in data collection of over 600 computer based 2-hour surveys from undergraduates at UNT. Analyzed data using SPSS.• <i>Growing Up Positive (GUP)</i> - Assisted in survey construction, performed data collection, interviews of participants, transcription of interviews, assisted in production of IRB application.• <i>Project Perdón</i> – Assisted in the literature search and additional research used in the collaboration and writing of the CDC grant for the project.
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- *Stigma Burden* – Assisted in constructing the project’s proposed theoretical model and literature search.
- *Project Forgive* – Project manager that assisted with grant writing, literature search, and completed the IRB for submission.

Posters and Abstracts

Smith, S.R., Vosvick, M., (2006). *Hope, Optimism, and Quality of Life in HIV+ Adults*. Presented at the American Psychological Association Poster Presentation, New Orleans, LA.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Smith, S.R., Vosvick, M., & Moore, A., (2006). *Hope, Optimism, and Quality of Life in HIV+ Adults*.

Research/Training Skills

Training

· **HIPPA Training** – *Completed June 2006* - Course sponsored by UT Southwestern Medical Center covering the policies and procedures with respect to protected health information.

· **IRB Training** – *Completed September 2005* – Course covering the system of review, approval, and oversight for the protection of human subjects of biomedical and behavioral research.

· **NIH Certification Training** - *Completed May 2005* - Course on Human Participants Protection Education for Research Teams, sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The course covers ethical principles and guidelines that should assist in resolving the ethical issues inherent in the conduct of research with human participants.