

POST PROFESSIONAL TRANSITIONAL DPT PROGRAM

FACULTY PROFILES

Denise McVay

Dr. Denise M. McVay is an Assistant Professor and Director of the transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Utica College. She joined the faculty in 1995. Dr. McVay earned a BS in Sports Medicine from Marietta College, a BS/MS in Physical Therapy from D'Youville College and a DPT in Physical Therapy from Utica College. She is certified by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialists (ABPTS) as a Geriatric Certified Specialist (GCS), and licensed within the State of New York. Dr. McVay continues her interests in the area of gerontology research and has presented at national physical therapy conferences on balance in the elderly.

Samantha Marocco

Dr. Samantha Marocco received her Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from Russell Sage College, her MS in Basic Science-Gerontology from Clarkson University, and her BS in Physical Therapy from Russell Sage College. She is a board certified specialist in geriatrics and has diverse research interests in fitness and aging, Alzheimer's disease, and the oral history of her profession. She has presented at national PT meetings on varied topics including: Geriatric Physical Therapy in the 1960's, Competency Based Hiring Practices in Academia, Lymphedema Management of a Patient with Primary Lymphedema, Characteristics of Clinical Instructors, Use of Oral History in Problem Based Learning, Physical Therapy Management of an Individual with Systemic Sclerosis, as well as other topics. She facilitates her local Alzheimer's Disease Support Group and conducts community presentations on "dementia and memory" and "fitness and aging". She lives in Saranac Lake, NY with her family and enjoys hiking, biking, skiing, and canoeing in the Adirondacks.

Deanna Errico

Dr. Deanna Errico joined the Utica College faculty in 2010. Dr. Errico earned a BS in Sports and Exercise Studies from the University of Buffalo, a MSEd in Athletic Training and Biology Education from Alfred University, an MPT from Clarkson University, and a tDPT from Simmons College. She was a full time faculty member in the entry-level PT program at Clarkson University from 2002-2011. She is a Certified Athletic Trainer with extensive athletic training experience and is currently the Past-President of the New York State Athletic Trainers' Association but while president worked tirelessly to improve athletic training in NYS as well as improve their relations with physical therapy. She has also been a volunteer athletic trainer for the US Olympic Committee. Dr. Errico has publications in both the PT and athletic training arena and has presented at numerous regional and national professional conferences.

Shauna Malta

Dr. Shauna Malta is a recently retired Professor and former Chairperson for the Dept of PT at Utica College. She joined the college in 1995 as the Director of Clinical Education for the entry level PT program. She earned her DPT degree from Utica College, MS in Adult Ed from Elmira College & BS in PT from Russell Sage College. Her interests and teaching are focused on the adult learner, transitioning to problem based learning and the role of the clinical educator. She has published works in the Journal of PT Ed. and has presented at national conferences including APTA CSM, Ed Leadership & the Assoc for Schools of Allied Health Annual Conf. She is a lifelong resident of central NY with clinical experience in inpatient rehabilitation settings.

ADJUNCT PROFESSORS

Lucia Corriette

Dr. Corriette joined the adjunct faculty in 2013. Dr Corriette earned a Diploma in physical therapy (BSc equivalent) from the University of the West Indies in 1997. In 2010 she completed an MBA from the University of Leicester in the United Kingdom. She attained a DPT from Utica College in 2012. Dr. Corriette has worked extensively in acute care hospitals and in out-patient rehabilitation in the Caribbean. She has also worked with amateur and professional athletes. Her areas of interest include back pain and rehabilitation of the hand. Dr. Corriette is licensed in the State of New York.

Sibyl Edward

Dr. Sibyl Edward joined the faculty at Utica College in August 2013 as an Adjunct part time lecturer and currently teaches in the UC Post Professional tDPT program. Beyond Utica, Edward is currently the senior physiotherapist at the newly commissioned Owen King – European Union Hospital where she supervises six (6) staff members. Her ardent interest is neurology but has extensive experience in acute care, cardio-pulmonary, musculo-skeletal, oncology and orthopedics. Additionally, when time permits, Dr. Edward covers swimming and cricketing events and practices part-time in-home care. She also lectures to businesses and paramedical staff on issues related to Ergonomics and back care. She is a founding member and served as four (4) years as the President of the Physiotherapy Association of Saint Lucia Inc. She has represented St. Lucia at all Major AGM (Annual General Meetings) of the North America Caribbean Region

of the World Physiotherapy (formerly known as World Confederation for Physical Therapy) and also Congresses hosted by World Physiotherapy. Edward is a lifelong resident of St. Lucia, a picturesque island in the Caribbean.

Michele Leslie

Dr. Michele Leslie became a member of the adjunct faculty in 2014. She earned a BS in Anthropology from Temple University in 1994, a BS in PT (1998) and an MS in physical therapy and management (2000) from the University of Brighton, UK, and a DPT degree from Utica College. She is currently working as a clinician in the British Virgin Islands at the only hospital in the region, in home health care, inpatient and outpatient PT services. Dr. Leslie has also completed McKenzie Parts A-D and is an active member of the British Virgin Islands Allied Health Council and the UK Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.

Susan Mintz

Dr. Susan Mintz joined the adjunct faculty of Utica College in 2013 after completing her DPT at Utica College. She earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Connecticut and later pursued her master's work in orthopedic manual therapy after moving to California. Her experience includes pediatrics, geriatrics, acute care, home health and rehabilitation. She presently resides with her husband in Los Olivos, California where she works in a private out-patient clinic in this beautiful semi-rural area. Additionally, she volunteers with multiple organizations in the area including Medical Reserve Corps, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) as an instructor, and local sports organizations.