

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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Assistant Professor and Extension Educator
Ohio State University Extension, Family and Consumer Sciences
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Area of Specialization: Financial Literacy and Food Safety

Career Positions:

2024-current	Assistant Professor, Ohio State University Extension
2017-2023	Educator III and IV, Ohio State University Extension
2010-2017	Director of Grants Development and Administration, Northwest State Community College
2000-2010	Family and Children First Coordinator, Williams County Ohio
1991-1995, 1998	Extension Associate, Ohio State University Extension

Education:

M.A.Ed. in Education and Curriculum Development, Defiance College
B.A. in Family and Consumer Science and Business Administration, Goshen College

Certifications:

- Accredited Financial Counselor (AFC), 2023-current
- Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI), 2021-current
- Principal Investigator Status, 2021-current
- HUD Certified Housing Counselor, 2019-current
- ServSafe, 2017 - current

Extension and Continuing Education Instruction:

My teaching includes both group and individual instruction. Participants include Extension professionals, elected officials, community members, and university colleagues in Ohio and around the nation. Over the past 2 years, my teaching averaged 4000 persons per year in class/group settings, plus 100 per year one-on-one.

Curriculum Development:

My curriculum contribution focuses on areas of family resource management and personal finances to help citizens, families, communities, and organizations how to improve their financial health.

(2019-present) **Simplify Your Space** – A series of four lessons, activities, a follow-up evaluation, Action guides, and resource materials.

(2023-present) **Counting Your Money Calendar** This curriculum has been around since the early 1990's. I participated in a complete revision and republishing of this n, lesson plan, activities, and an evaluation.

Unpublished Scholarly Presentations (most recent, state, and national) (since 2022):

1. Heer, C.J.; Jenkins, M.; Rupp, M.J. (2023) *Financial Literacy for Youth: an OSU Extension Approach*. Family and Consumer Science Teacher In-Service. Lecture conducted from Napoleon, Ohio, USA.
2. Heer, C.J.; Jenkins, M.; Rupp, M.J. (2023). *Experiential Learning Hits the Mark: Real Money. Real World*. The University of Akron - The H. Kenneth Barker Center for Economic Education Teaching Financial Literacy Conference. Lecture conducted from Akron, Ohio, USA.
3. Rupp, M.J.; Stewart, G. (2022). *Beginners Guide to Grant Writing: "Lettuce help you get the greenbacks!* Ohio State University Extension Family and Consumer Science State Conference. Lecture conducted from Columbus, OH, USA.
4. Marrison, E.G., Barlage, L.; Shumaker, K.; Kendle, C.; Rupp, M.; Heer, C. et al. (2022). *Selecting, Storing, and Serving Ohio Produce: How to Build a Program from a Publication*. Ohio State University Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Conference. Lecture conducted from Wauseon, Ohio, USA.
5. Rupp, M.J.; Powers-Barker, P. (2022). *The Secret History of Home Economics and Family and Consumer Sciences*. Northwest Ohio Family and Consumer Science Teacher In-Service. Lecture conducted from Toledo, Ohio, USA.
6. Barlage, L.O.; Rupp, M. (2022). *Food Preservation Inservice - Jars and Lids*. March 2022 - OSU Extension - FCS Professional Development. Lecture conducted from Wauseon, Ohio, USA.

Scholarly and Creative Works (2021-present):

Moving Images (2022-present):

1. (2023). *Food Preservation Five: Drying and Freeze Drying* [Moving Image]. Distributed by: Ohio State University Extension Food Preservation Team. Available from: <https://fcs.osu.edu/programs/healthy-people/food-preservation/food-preservation-webinar-series/june-6-2023-freeze-drying>.
2. (2022). *Selecting, Storing, and Serving Ohio Potatoes* [Moving Image]. Distributed by: Ohio State University Extension Food Preservation Team. Available from: <https://fcs.osu.edu/programs/healthy-people/food-preservation/food-preservation-webinar-series/September-20-2022>
3. (2022). *Selecting, Serving, and Storing Ohio Onions and Herbs* [Moving Image]. Distributed By United States: Ohio State University Extension Food Preservation Team. Available from: <https://fcs.osu.edu/programs/healthy-people/food-preservation/food-preservation-webinar-series/may-31-2022-onions-and>
4. (2022). *OSU Extension Connection Radio Program* [Moving Image]. Distributed By : WMTR 96.1 Radio. Available from: <https://fulton.osu.edu/news/extension-connections-radio-program>
5. (2022). *Play Your Way Through the Holidays Wellness Challenge Promotional Video* [Moving Image].
6. (2022). *Rightsizing Your Space; Wellness Wednesday* (Zoom Link Views, 7 Live, 57, YouTube Views, 17) [Moving Image]. Distributed By United States: Ohio State University Extension.

Multimedia/Website (2022-present):

1. Barlage, L.O.; Dellifield, J.; Kline, R.; Lobb, J. et al. (2022). *#LHLW365 Text Messages - 2022*. Publisher: Ohio State University Extension, Last updated on: 2022-12-31, Distributor: Remind
2. Rupp, M.J.; Lewis, S. (2022). *Ohio State University Extension - Fulton County Facebook Page*. Retrieved from <https://www.facebook.com/fulton.osu.edu>

3. Jones, T.; Barlage, L.; Zies, S.; Dunfee, L. et al. (2022). *Live Healthy Live Well/FCS Facebook page*. Retrieved from <https://www.facebook.com/livesmartohio>

Other Creative Works

1. Rupp, M.J. (2022). *Spring Clean Your Finances!* [Peer Reviewed Email Message]. Columbus, United States: Ohio State University Extension.
2. Rupp, M.J. (2021). *Well Begun...Start addressing your financial well-being today* [Blog post]. Columbus, OH, Live Healthy Live Well.
3. Rupp, M.J. (2021). *The value of family conversations* [Blog]. Columbus, OH, Ohio State University Extension.

Service:

- 2024-present Tri liaison for NEAFCS Annual Session 2025
- 2022-present Reviewer for Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education (AFCPE) Proposals
- 2020-present Homebuyer Education Team, Co-lead
- 2018-present NEAFCS Sponsorship & Support Committee, Active Contributor
- 2019-2022 Healthy Finances Team, Team Lead
- 2018-present Healthy Finances Team, Active Contributor
- 2019-present Live Healthy Live Well State Team, Active Contributor
- 2018-present Proposal Reviewer for State JCEP Awards
- 2018-present Healthy People Programs Team, Active Contributor
- 2018-present County Wellness Committee, Active Contributor
- 2018-present County Family and Children First Council, Executive Committee
- 2018-present Healthy Choices Caring Communities (HC3), Active Contributor
- 2018-present Jobs and Family Services Advisory Council
- 2019-present Food Safety Team, Active Contributor

Awards:

- **2023 AFCPE Program of the Year Award: Real Money Real World**
- **2023 Homebuyer Counseling, 2nd place Counseling Agency of the Year Award**
- **2023 JCEP Awards: 2nd News Story, 3rd Feature photo, Press Release and Promotional Flyer**