

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- 2010-2013; 2025 American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA): Membership # 000004325487
- 2012 - 2024 American Society of Hand Therapists (ASHT): Membership # 1168320
- 2015 - Present Wound Care Education Institute (WCEI)
- 2015 - Present National Alliance of Wound and Ostomy Care (NAWOC): Membership # 8291636
- 2010 - Present Virginia Occupational Therapy Association (VOTA)
- 2010 - 2014 American Society of Occupational Therapy (AOTA)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- 2015 - 2023 Guest Lecturer: VCU Department of Occupational Therapy
OCCT 520 Lecture and Lab: Kinesiology (2015, 2016)
OCCT 590 Lecture and Lab: Functional Movement Analysis in OT (2017-2023)
- 2015 - 2025 Fieldwork I & II Supervisor: Virginia College Occupational Therapy Assistant Department
VCU and Murphy Deming Occupational Therapy Departments
- 2016 - 2018 Lab Instructor: VCU Department of Occupational Therapy
OCCT 630 Lab: Adult Evaluation and Intervention I: Orthotic Intervention
- 2016 - 2018 Student Supervisor: VCU Department of Occupational therapy
OCCT 623: Occupational Therapy Practice Activities III
- 2019 - 2022 Doctoral Experience Mentor: Murphy Deming Department of Occupational Therapy
Mentored students in leadership, administrative, clinical practice, teaching and research skills within the specialty of hand therapy for 4 month rotations
Established hand therapy specific hybrid fieldwork and doctoral rotation program
- 2018 - 2024 Guest Lecturer: VCU Health Department Orthopedic Surgery Hand Module
Hand Therapy: Current Evidence for Rehabilitation Practices and Protocols
- 2014 - 2017;
2022 - 2024 Guest Lecturer: VCU Health Department of Plastic Surgery
Current Evidence in Hand Therapy Post-Operative Protocols
- 2016 Guest Lecturer: Anna Julia Cooper Episcopal School, Richmond, VA
Career Day: Hand Therapy and Occupational Therapy

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- May 2020 Level IV Clinician Status: VCU Health Rehabilitation Department
Recognized for "advanced clinical skills, leadership abilities, commitment to program development & dedication to collecting, applying & teaching evidence-based practice"
- October 2017 Recipient of the Mary Kasch Hand Therapy Scholarship Award
National merit-based scholarship award through the ASHT, HTCC & AHTF, recognizing: "professional involvement & earnestness toward professional development"

September 2014 Recipient of the VCU Health Safety Star Award
Recognized for being “actively involved in safety and quality improvement”

August 2011 Recipient of VOTA Graduate Student Scholarship Award
Recognized for “exceptional qualities, leadership, positive personal characteristics, academic excellence, and involvement in community and volunteer activities”

LEADERSHIP ROLES:

2024 - 2025 Member of Virginia Occupational Therapy Association’s Scope of Practice Committee

2019 - 2023 Member of VCU Health Rehabilitation Department Education Committee

2019 - 2022 Established a hybrid fieldwork and doctoral rotation program at the VCU Health hand therapy clinic

2018 - 2025 Mentor to VCU South Hill Clinic Occupational Therapy Department

2016 - 2018 Member of VCU Health’s OT Month Planning Committee

2001 - 2012 Vice President of JMU Students of Occupational Therapy Association

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:

March 2026 National Council on Education for Ceramic Arts (NCECA) Annual Conference: Presenter
Ergonomics: Working Smarter, Not Harder

March 2025 National Council on Education for Ceramic Arts (NCECA) Annual Conference: Presenter
My Hands Hurt!

November 2024 TRIA Hand Therapy Conference: Invited Speaker
Wound Care Updates: Tips and Tricks for the Hand Therapist

February 2022 Hand Therapy Association of California: Invited Speaker
Wound Care Theory: Physiology-Based Treatment Recommendations and Case Studies

March 2022 Hand Therapy Association of California: Invited Speaker
Conundrums in Wound Care: Educated Problem Solving and Complex Case Studies

October 2020 American Society of Hand Therapists Conference: Session Presenter
Wound Care for the Hand Therapist: Understanding the ‘Why’ Behind the ‘How’

October 2019 American Society of Hand Therapists 2019 Annual Meeting: Poster Presenter
Polymeric Membrane Dressings and Compression: A Preferred Treatment for Hypergranulation Tissue

April 2019 Richmond Area Hand Therapists Quarterly Meeting: Presenter
Flexor Tendon Rehabilitation: Evidence Update

October 2011 Virginia Occupational Therapy Association Annual Conference: Poster Presenter
Incidental Gains of Functional Play in Children with Cerebral Palsy After AcquireC Therapy

MEMBERSHIPS IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:

2013-Present Member and Studio Monitor at the Visual Arts Center

GRANTS:

2024 Wrote and was awarded \$25,000.00 on behalf of the VCU Health Outpatient OT/PT Hand Therapy through the VCU Medical Center Auxiliary Grants Program
Custom and Prefit Compression Garments for Chronic Upper Extremity Instability, Pain, Nerve Damage and Inflammatory Conditions

PUBLICATIONS:

DiDomenico, SD (2025). Lecture: My Hands Hurt! *2025 NCECA Journal*, 128-129

Ogburn, SD. (2018). Meet ASHT Members: Sarah DiDomenico Ogburn. *ASHT Times*, 25(1), 8.

Ogburn, S.D. (2018). Mary Kasch Scholarship: Carrying the Torch of Hand Therapy Giants. [Blog Post]. Retrieved from: <https://www.asht.org/about/blog/mary-kasch-scholarship-carrying-torch-hand-therapy-giants>

RESEARCH:

2019-2022 Perceptions of Hiring New Graduate Therapists in the Hand Therapy Setting: A Mixed Methodology Study
Role: Primary Investigator in Collaboration with OT Doctoral Student

2022-2025 A Phase 2a, Multicenter, Randomized, Patient and Evaluator Blinded, Controlled Study Evaluating the Safety and Efficacy of NTX-001 Compared to Standard of Care in the Treatment of Acute Single Transected Peripheral Nerve Injury Occurring below the Distal Border of the Brachial Plexus Requiring Surgical Repair
Role: Blinded Clinical Evaluator

2015-2023 A Multicenter, Prospective, Randomized, Subject and Evaluator Blinded Comparative Study of Nerve Cuffs and Avance® Nerve Graft Evaluating Recovery Outcomes for the Repair of Nerve Discontinuities (RECON)
Role: Blinded Clinical Evaluator

March 2020 Ergonomics For Hairdressers: Occupation-Specific Repetitive Motion Disorders
Role: Mentor to OT Doctoral Student

May 2012 Comparison of ACQUIRE_c Therapies on the Functional Gains of Play in Children with Hemiplegic Cerebral Palsy as Reported by Parents
Qualitative follow up study based on a multi-site national pilot study.
Role: Primary Investigator

OTHER SCHOLARLY EXPERIENCE

January 2018 CHT Test Prep Question Writer for Exploring Hand Therapy Practice Exam 7

July 2015 Orthotic Intervention Indications for Dupuytren’s Contracture s/p Fasciectomy
Legal consult and literature review submission

Ongoing Regular participant of monthly VCU orthopedic hand surgery journal club

Ongoing Regular participant at the Richmond area hand therapists journal club