Amanda (Mandi) R. McReynolds

*Curriculum Vitae*

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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

**Iowa State University -** Ames, IA

*Master of Science* in Interdisciplinary Studies: Higher Education, Speech Communication, and Women Studies, May 2007

**Cedarville University -** Cedarville, OH

*Bachelor of Arts* in Organizational Communication, August 2005 (Amanda R. Van Hooser)

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Drake University (Des Moines, IA, 2011- present)**

***Director, Community Engagement and Service-Learning, Office of the President &Office of the Provost (Fall 2013 – present)***

* Advocate and promote community engagement and service-learning opportunities with faculty, staff, and students, including:
	+ Work with faculty, staff, and students to promote and facilitate community-based learning and co-curricular opportunities;
	+ Provide faculty development programs on community-based learning (e.g., community research, civic engagement, and service-learning);
	+ Oversee the development of relationships with agency and community partners
* Cultivate external funding through grants, foundations, and donor relationships for community engagement and service-learning
* Direct Drake University United Way and Iowa Shares Annual Fund Campaign
* Guide and supervise Community Engagement and Service-Learning’s five professional staff members and 16 student staff members
* Govern Service-Learning and Community Engagement Budget, Olson Endowment for Global Service-Learning, and Doug Allen Service-Learning Travel Award
* Serve as an International University Delegate for Strategic Partnership related to Global Service-Learning
* Work collaboratively with other departments/offices on campus to ensure the proper development and facilitation of community engagement and service-learning
* Plan for sustainable growth and assessment of campus-community engagement and service-learning
* Developed risk management policy and procedures for experiential education
* Engage in the scholarship of writing, presenting and publishing on Drake University’s community engagement and service-learning

**Coe College (Cedar Rapids, IA, 2008 – 2011)**

***Director of Service-Learning and Campus Engagement, Division of Student Affairs and Academic Affairs First Year Programs Graduation Requirements***

* Established, fostered, and implemented a university-wide Office of Service-Learning and Campus Engagement
* Managed the Office of Service-Learning and Campus Engagement’s fundraising, financial reporting, programmatic efforts, and assessment.
* Supervised and educated 2 Iowa Campus Compact AmeriCorps VISTA professional staff members, 14 student outreach coordinators, and 90 Off Campus Federal Work Study Students
* Directed 11 sustainable volunteer programs
* Executed days of service for 100 – 600+ participants: New Student Orientation Day of Service, MLK Day, Make A Difference Day, Family Weekend Service Project, Global Youth Service Day
* Guided faculty implementation of service-learning course components
* Administer the Iowa Campus Compact AmeriCorps student education award program for 19 Students
* Advised student service organizations and alternative break trips

# Cornell College (Mount Vernon, IA, 2007- 2008)

# *Assistant Director of Residence Life and Leadership Coordinator, Division of Student Affairs*

# Oversaw approximately 300 students in five residential buildings

* Selected, trained, supervised, and evaluated 10 resident assistants and 2 apartment managers

# Adjudicated discipline cases

* Participated in rotating on-call coverage and intervene in crisis and emergency situations
* Advised hall governments and a first year living and learning community focused on leadership and service
* Developed and enhance leadership programming and opportunities for students
* Coordinated motivational and diverse speakers for the IDEA Institute: Leadership Development Program
* Organized campus wide service-learning project with Special Olympics Iowa

**COURSES TAUGHT**

* First Year Seminar: The Common Good, Drake University (3 Credits, First Year Students)
* Community Dialogue and Development, Drake University (3 Credits, Upper Classman)
* J-Term Travel Seminar: Explorations of Urban Poverty in Des Moines and New York, Drake University (3 Credits, Upper Classman)
* Service-Learning 101 Group Seminars, Coe College (Academic Graduation Requirement, First Year Students)
* Master of Teaching Topics Course: K-12 Service-Learning History, Theory, and Development, Coe College (1-2 Credits, Graduate)
* Dialogues on Diversity, Iowa State University (1 Credit, Undergraduate)
* Introduction to Public Speaking, Iowa State University (3 Credits, Undergraduate)
* Gender and Communications, Iowa State University (3 Credits, Undergraduate)

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books**

**McReynolds**, **M**. & Shields, E. Eds.). (2015). *Diving Deep in Community Engagement: A Model for Professional Development.* Des Moines: Iowa Campus Compact.

**Book Chapters**

**McReynolds, M.** (Accepted). The practice of engagement: Developing as a practitioner-scholar. In Delano-Oriaran, O., Parks, M., & Fondrie, S. (Eds.). *Service-learning and civic engagement: A sourcebook*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

**Journal Articles**

**McReynolds, M.** (Accepted) *Designing an Intentional High Impact Summer of Service-Learning and Social Justice Internship Program: A Response to the New Era for Service-Learning.* Journal of Service-Learning in Higher Education.

**McReynolds, M.** & Huth, A. (Accepted). *Reconsidering the first year orientation day of service*. About Campus.

Bloom, L. R., **McReynolds, A**., Amore, R., Beaman, A., Chantem, K., Chapman, E., Fitzpatrick, J., Iñiguez, A., Mozak, A., Olson, D., Teshome, Y., & Vance, N. (2009). *Identify This*. . . A Readers Theater of Women's Voices: Intersectionality Theory and Performance Practice in Higher Education. *International Review of Qualitative Research.* 2(2). IA.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS**

**International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement (2013 - present)**

* Practitioner-Scholar Working Group (2013 – present)

**National Society for Experiential Education Member (2012 – present)**

**Iowa Campus Compact Program Advisory Board Member (2009 – present)**

* Upper Midwest Civic Engagement Summit Planning Committee (2011 – 2012)

**Iowa Student Personnel Association (ISPA) (2007 – present)**

* Executive Board Member, Past- President (2011 – 2012)
* Executive Board Member, President (2010 – 2011)
* Executive Board Member, Secretary and Information Coordinator (2009 – 2010)
* 2009 Annual Conference Coordinator (2008 - 2009)
* Conference Planning Committee (2007 – 2008)

**Directors of Volunteers in Agencies (DOVIA) (2011 – present)**

**IUGO: Iowa Student Leadership Conference Planning Committee (2009 – 2012)**

* 2011 Statewide Conference Chair (2010 – 2011)
* 2012 Statewide Conference Planning Member (2009- 2012)

**Leaders in Volunteerism (LIV) Member (2008 – 2011)**

* Executive Board Member, Secretary (2010 – 2011)

**AWARDS / HONORS**

* 2014 -2015 Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute Member
* 2013 National Campus Compact Diving Deep Institute Member
* 2012 Iowa Student Personnel Association Outstanding Service Award
* 2012 Upper Midwest Region Association of Colleges and University Housing Officers Social Justice in Action Award
* 2010 Iowa Campus Compact Engaged Staff Award

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

**University Advisory Boards and Committees**

* Co-Chair, Experiential Learning Council, 2011 – present
* University Curriculum Review Task Forces, 2014 - present
* Convener & Member, The Infusion of Global and Multicultural Understanding, 2011- present
* Member, Academic Affairs Council 2011-present
* Task Implementation Group Leader, Strategic Plan Goal IV Working Group, 2012 – present
* Member, Anti-Violence Council, 2013 – 2014
* Member, Global & International Implementation Team, 2011 - present
* Member, Engaged Citizenship Working Group, 2011 – 2013
* Member, Council on Leadership Development, 2011 – 2013
* Member, Drake University Adult Literacy Center Advisory Board, 2012 – 2013
* Member, First Year Programming Academic Committee, Coe College, 2009 – 2011

**Civic Service Boards and Committees**

* Des Moines Social Club Board Member, 2014 – present
	+ Executive Board Member, 2015
* United Way Women’s Leadership Connection Member, 2014 - present
	+ Advocacy Committee Member, 2014 - present
* Dress for Success Des Moines 2011 - present
	+ Strategic Initiatives Planning Board Member, 2014
	+ Dress for Success Des Moines Volunteer and Passion for Fashion Benefit Show Co-Chair 2011 - present
* Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service 2011 - present
	+ AmeriCorp State Grant Review Committee
	+ Volunteer Generational Fund Grant Review Committee
	+ Global Youth Service Day Grant Review Committee
* Everybody Wins! Iowa Volunteer, 2011 – 2012
* Children and Families Urban Ministries Youth Program External Review Committee, 2012
* United Way of Central Iowa Award Review Committee, 2011
* Chair of the American with Disabilities Act Statewide Celebration, 2005
* ARC of Iowa Board Member 2005 – 2006