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EDUCATION

- PhD Psychology emphasis in Positive Developmental Psychology** December 2022
Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA
Dissertation: “The Intended Heroic Behavior Scale: Creation and Validity of a Scale Predicting Heroism to Advance Developmental Research on Heroes”
Dissertation Committee: Kendall Cotton Bronk (Chair), Jason T. Siegel (CGU), Jeanne Nakamura (CGU), Timothy D. Ritchie (Saint Xavier University)
- MA Psychology** April 2015
Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA
Thesis: “What Makes a Hero? Exploring Characteristic Profiles of Heroes Using Q Methodology”
Advisors: Dr. Allen Omoto & Dr. Kendall Cotton Bronk
- BS Psychology** July 2011
Brigham Young University Idaho, Rexburg, ID

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION/TRAINING CERTIFICATIONS

- Online Teacher Credential (OTC)** April 2020
Salt Lake Community College, Salt Lake City
- Open Educational Resources (OER) Program Certificate** May 2018
California State University, Fullerton
- Trained in the use of OER at the university level
 - Compiled and created open educational resources for psychology courses

RESEARCH

*Journal Papers Published (** indicates authors contributed equally)*

- Riches, B. R.,** Benavides, C. M., & Dubon, V. X. (2020). Development of a fostering purpose intervention. *Evaluation and Program Planning, 83*, 101857.
- Riches, B. R.,** Langdon, M., & Kohen, A. (2020). Ethical Concerns of Heroism Training. *Heroism Science, 5*(2), 1.

Bronk, K.C., Baumsteiger, R., Mangan, S.A., **Riches, B.R.**, Dubon, V.X., Benavides, C., & Bono, G., (2019) Fostering Purpose among Adolescents: Effective Online Interventions. *Journal of Character Education* 15, 21-38.

Kohen, A., Langdon, M., & **Riches, B. R.**, (2019). The making of a hero: cultivating empathy, altruism, and heroic imagination. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*, 59(4), 617-633.

Bronk, K. C., **Riches, B. R.**, & Mangan, S. A. (2018). Claremont Purpose Scale: A measure that assesses the three dimensions of purpose among adolescents. *Research in Human Development*, 1-17.

Riches, B. R. (2017). What Makes a Hero? Exploring Characteristic Profiles of Heroes Using Q-Method. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*, 0022167817716305.

Journal Papers In Press

Journal Papers Under Review

Baumsteiger, R., **Riches, B.**, Mangan, S., McConchie, J., & Bronk, K. C. (revise and resubmit, 2021). What matters: A mixed methodological investigation of values and purpose among adolescents and emerging adults.

Journal Papers in Preparation

Benavides, C., Dubon, V. X., & **Riches, B. R.**, “Changes in Purpose due to the 2016 Election”

Riches, B. R., Dubon, V. X., Benavides, C. M., & Bronk, K. C., “Validating the use of the Searching for Purpose Inventory Among Adolescents and Young Adults”

Book Chapters

Foreword in Allison, S. T. (Ed.) (2017). *Heroes and villains of the millennial generation*. Richmond, VA: Palsgrove.

Bronk, K. C. & **Riches, B. R.** (2017). The role of purpose and moral development in hero formation. In S.T. Allison, G. R. Goethals, & R. M. Kramer (Eds.) *Handbook of heroism and heroic leadership*. New York: Routledge.

Non Peer Reviewed Articles

Bronk, K. C., **Riches, B. R.**, & Dubon, V. (2016). *Fostering purpose among adolescents in secondary education settings*. Jubilee Centre Cultivating Virtues: Interdisciplinary Approaches Conference. Oriel College: Oxford, England. Available online:
http://jubileecentre.ac.uk/userfiles/jubileecentre/pdf/conference-papers/Cultivating_Virtues/CottonBronk,K.pdf

Riches, B. R., (2015). Exploring similarities and differences in characteristic profiles of heroes. *imPulse A Periodic Newsletter of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission*, 43. Retrieved from
http://www.carnegiehero.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/SEP.15.imP_.pdf

National and International Conference Presentations

Riches, B. R., (Oct. 2022) What is psychology discovering about heroes? Brighton, Michigan

Han, H., **Riches, B. R.**, Dawson, K. J.*, & Bronk, K. C. (Nov. 2021). Testing the bifactor model and measurement invariance of the Claremont Purpose Scale. Online Paper Presentation at the 47th Annual Conference of Association for Moral Education.

Riches, B. R., (May 2021) Current State of the Intended Heroic Behavior Scale. Paper Presentation at the Heroism Science Conference. Limerick, Ireland

Riches, B. R., Dubon, V. X., Gieseman, X., Benavides, C. M., Bronk, K., C., (Nov. 2018) Using Technology to Foster Purpose Among Adolescents and Young Adults. Paper Presentation at the Association for Moral Education. Barcelona, Spain

Bronk, K. C., Baumeister, R., Mangan, S., **Riches, B. R.**, & Dubon, V. (Apr. 2018). Fostering purpose among adolescents. Paper presentation for the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence. Minnesota, MN.

Riches, B. R., (Oct. 2017) Fostering Purpose in Students. Presentation at The Hero Round Table. Brighton, Michigan

Riches, B. R., (Aug. 2017) Exploring Heroism – A Modern View of an Ancient Ideal. Presentation at the American Psychological Association. Washington, D.C.

Riches, B. R., (July 2016) What Makes a Hero? Exploring Characteristic Profiles of Heroes Using Q Methodology. Paper presentation at the Heroism Science Conference. Perth, Australia

- Riches, B. R.**, Dubon, V. X., (May 2016) Fostering Purpose Project: Fostering Purpose Through Goal Setting, Values, and Identity. Presentation at the Western Psychological Association. Long Beach, California
- Riches, B. R.**, (Sept. 2015) Heroism and Purpose in Life. Presentation at the Hero Round Table Conference. Brighton, Michigan
- Bronk, K. C., **Riches, B.**, Malin, H. (May 2015). Novel approaches to assessing the purpose in life construct. Symposium at the Western Psychological Association. Las Vegas, NV.
- Bronk, K. C., **Riches, B.**, Mangan, S., & Baumsteiger, R., (Nov. 2014). Prospecction and the Role of Future-oriented Thinking in Moral Development. Paper presentation for the Association of Moral Education. Pasadena, CA.
- Riches, B. R.**, Bronk, K. C., & Mangan, S. (Sept. 2014). Authentic Purpose Scale: A New Scale Assessing all Three Construct Dimensions. Poster presentation for the Western Positive Psychology Association. Claremont, CA.
- Mangan, S., Dowlat, R., **Riches, B. R.**, & Dubon, V. (Sept. 2014). Getting to the Nitty Gritty: Assessing the Link between Mindfulness and Grit. Western Positive Psychological Association Conference, Claremont, CA.
- Riches, B. R.**, Wray-Lake, L., Shubert, J., Metzger, A., Syvertsen, A. K., (June 2013) Character of a Common Hero: Insights from Children and Adolescents. Poster Presentation at the International Positive Psychology Association Third World Congress. Los Angeles, California
- Riches, B. R.**, (2011) Inspiring the Heroic Imagination: A simple method to increase heroic action in college students. Poster presentation at the Brigham Young University Idaho Undergraduate Research Conference. Rexburg, Idaho

Technical Reports

- Bronk, K. C., **Riches, B.**, & Dubon, V. (2016). Fostering purpose among adolescents in secondary education settings. Jubilee Centre Cultivating Virtues: Interdisciplinary Approaches Conference. Oriol College: Oxford, England. Available online:
http://jubileecentre.ac.uk/userfiles/jubileecentre/pdf/conference-papers/Cultivating_Virtues/CottonBronk,K.pdf

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Heroic Imagination Project Research Subcommittee January 2022 to Present
 Supervisors: Matt Langdon (President) & Dr. Philip G. Zimbardo (Founder)
 Heroic Imagination Project, San Francisco, CA

<https://www.heroicimagination.org/>

Adolescent Moral Development Lab

Claremont Graduate University
Supervisor: Dr. Kendall Cotton Bronk
<http://sites.cgu.edu/bronkk/>
<https://www.fosterpurpose.org/>

Spring 2014 to Fall 2021

Project Manager Fostering Purpose Project,

Supervisor: Dr. Kendall Cotton Bronk
Claremont Graduate University

January 2015 to Fall 2018

Research Assistant, Supervisor: Dr. Kendall Cotton Bronk

Spring 2014 to Fall 2021

Positive Youth Development Lab

Research Assistant
Supervisor: Dr. Laura Wray-Lake
Claremont Graduate University

Fall 2012 to Fall 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor

Salt Lake Community College
Department of Psychology
Fall 2021 to Present
Fall 2019 to Present
Fall 2019 to Present

Psychology as a Science and Profession (PSYCH 2010)
Lifespan Development (PSYCH 1100)
General Psychology (PSYCH 1010)

California State University, Fullerton
Department of Child and Adolescent Studies
Fall 2015 to Fall 2018

Inquiry and Methodology in Development
(Research Methods) (CAS 301)
Age 9 Through Adolescence
(Adolescent Development) (CAS 325B)

Fall 2016 to Fall 2018

Brigham Young University Idaho Online
Online Education: Psychology Department
Winter 2014 to Fall 2016
Winter 2013 to Fall 2016

Developmental Psychology (Psych 201)
Introductory Psychology (Psych 111)

Graduate Level Teaching Assistant

Claremont Graduate University
School of Social Science, Policy & Evaluation
Spring 2016

Advanced Qualitative Research Methods (PSYCH 315Q)

Undergraduate Level Teaching Assistant

Brigham Young University Idaho
Psychology Department
Fall 2010 to Fall 2011
Fall 2010 to Fall 2011

Developmental Psychology (Psych 201)
Introductory Psychology (Psych 111)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Heroic Imagination Project, San Fransisco, CA January 2022 to Present
Member Board of Directors
Supervisors: Matt Langdon (President) & Dr. Philip G. Zimbardo (Founder)
Heroic Imagination Project, San Francisco, CA

- Research Subcommittee
- Curriculum Subcommittee

Peer Reviewer

Journal of Humanistic Psychology
Heroism Science
Applied Developmental Science
Journal of Positive Psychology

Other Service

2016, 2018 Academic Mentor, Bonita High School PACE Project (supervising and mentoring high school students to gain research experience)

APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY EXPERIENCE

Heroic Imagination Project Board of Directors January 2022 to Present

- Research Subcommittee
- Curriculum Subcommittee

Hero Construction Company, Brighton, MI March 2015 to December 2020
Member, Board at Large, Supervisor: Matt Langdon

- Creation of character education programs for school aged children and adolescents

Access Point Family Services, Idaho Falls, ID August 2011 to August 2012
Psychosocial Rehabilitation Specialist, Supervisor: April McKenzie

Grand Teton Service Group, Idaho Falls, ID January 2010 to May 2010
Mental Health Direct Support Professional

Juvenile Corrections Center, St. Anthony, ID August 2009 to Jan 2010

Clinical/Counseling Intern

GRANT EXPERIENCE

Research Associate and Project Manager 2015-2018
*Designing and Assessing Tools to Foster Purpose in the Classroom:
A Mixed Methods Intervention Study*
Claremont Graduate University, PI: Kendall Cotton Bronk
Funded By: John Templeton Foundation
Total Costs: \$251,965

HONORS AND AWARDS

Claremont Graduate University Travel Award Spring 2017
Claremont Graduate University Travel Award Fall 2016
Top Teaching Assistant Award: Spring 2016
For excellence as a graduate level teaching assistant
Claremont Graduate University Travel Award Spring 2016
Christina Maslach-Philip Zimbardo Research Award in Social Psychology: 2015
For outstanding research in social psychology
Claremont Graduate University Fellowship Award 2012-2015
1st Place Poster in Social Sciences 2011

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Psychological Association January 2017- Present
Association for Moral Education Member July 2014- Present
Heroic Imagination Project January 2022 - Present
International Positive Psychology Association Member March 2013- Present
Western Psychological Association Member November 2014- Present

REFERENCES AND TEACHING EVALUATIONS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
