

Notes from the Field

Online Professional Development: 'Talking With Pictures': Photovoice - June 2-10, 2018

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University of Hawaii at Manoa, Center on Disability Studies Professional Development summer course is now available. Register through UH Outreach College at <http://bit.ly/CDSphoto> class start on 6/2/2018.

For 25 years, researchers, programs, and activists have used “Photovoice” to engage people with disabilities, patients, youth, families and communities in representing their lives, point of view, and experience using photos, video, art, and writing. Photovoice is a participatory approach to understanding and communication that encourages dialogue and mutual learning. It generates powerful data on health, community, and real lives. It engages participants, professionals, and the public in identifying opportunities for change. It fosters knowledge and awareness on issues of importance to families, communities, and policymakers alike, and helps people to feel their ‘voices’ are heard.

In this interactive online course (a combination of live Zoom sessions and asynchronous work) based on her award-winning in-person workshop, social scientist Laura Lorenz explores the foundations of Photovoice and shares photos from projects she has led in the US and South Africa since 2001 -- with teenage girls, youth living with HIV/AIDS, and adult brain injury survivors. For this course, disabilities from brain injury will serve as a running theme and focus throughout. Readings, presentations, and between-session assignments support person-centered learning and provide hands-on experience working with images and text. By the end of this training, participants will have a solid understanding of a popular approach to participatory health and community assessment, its ethical considerations, approaches to interpreting photos and text, and strategies for outreach. Participants will leave this course with hands-on experience and insights on adapting Photovoice to care, programming, and research intended to engage and benefit people with disabilities, patients, youth, families, and communities.



Seminar Topics Include

- Achieving fair process in healthcare
- Applying Photovoice to clinical work, research, and community engagement
- Adapting Photovoice to different abilities and disabilities
- Interpreting Photovoice data (photos, captions) and options for wider sharing
- Developing a Photovoice plan for use in clinical care, programming, and research

Who Should Attend

- Mental Health Professionals and Social Workers (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Levels)

Other audiences that will find this course useful:

- Evaluators, researchers, rehabilitation clinicians
- Activists, artists, and community organizations

Class Details

Saturday, June 2: 8:00 – 10:00 AM Foundations of Photovoice

Sunday, June 3: 8:00 – 10:00 AM Photovoice Ethics

Wednesday, June 6: 4:00 – 5:30 PM Working with Photos & Captions

Saturday, June 9: 8:00 – 10:00 AM Reaching Audiences

Sunday, June 10: 8:00 – 9:30 AM Planning Your Photovoice Project or Activity

Location: Online (Hawaii Standard Time)

Fees: \$250 (Cancellation deadline: May 25, 2018)

Continuing Education (CE) fee: \$50

For information about continuing education credit, please see www.lslorenz.com(link is external)

Laura Lorenz, PhD, MEd, is a social scientist using innovative approaches to engage patients, youth, and communities in health. A major focus in her work has been collaborating with interdisciplinary teams on programming and research to improve quality of life and function for people with disabilities from brain injury. Before her graduate studies, Dr. Lorenz encouraged community partnerships, project replication, and behavior change through continuing education and photo-journalism in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the U.S. (For more go to www.lslorenz.com(link is external))