2014 Graduate Research Presentations

1. Happiness and Social Interaction of Older Independent Apartment Residents in an Occupation-based Program by Bonnie Hardik, OTS; Colleen Noga, OTS; Allison Ortman, OTS; Samantha Panuski, OTS; Jessica Roe, OTS.
2. A Test of the Usability of the ADA-CAT Font Guide. Researchers: JoAnne Bloom, OTS; Kimberly Heffner, OTS; Stephanie Strawser, OTS; Andrea Todd, OTS.
3. A Survey on Occupational Therapists’ Perceived Knowledge, Competencies, and Comfort Levels in Treating Clients with Dementia by Veronique Flynn, OTS; Erica Lausch, OTS; Krystal Robinson-Bert, OTS; and Beth Yencho OTS.
4. Promoting Socialization Through Occupation for Seniors Living in Independent Apartments by Amanda Forgus, OTS; Stephanie M. Hassler, OTS; Sirley Y. Marin-Pareja, OTS; and Andrea L. Porchiazzo, OTS.
5. An Evidence-Based Literature Review of the Effects of Horticultural Therapy on Person with Mental Health Conditions by Ashley Benz, OTS; Alanna Holmgren, OTS; Dana Kinter, OTS; Gabrielle Rufino, OTS; and Joseph McGarry, OTS.
6. Evaluating Home Safety and Safety Awareness for Independent Living Older Adults: Occupational Therapy Recommendations for Environmental Modifications and Adaptive Devices by Melissa Bendig, OTS; Kristine Keller, OTS; Julianne Rakus, OTS; Kendra Stoltzfus, OTS; Caitlin Templeton, OTS.
7. Examining the Benefits of Community-based Self-Help Groups for Persons with Chronic Health Conditions by Chelsea Boyer, OTS; Noelle Lopopolo, OTS; James Miller, OTS; Katie O’Hearn, OTS; and Catherine Strbo, OTS.
8. Parental Perceptions of Adolescent Health and Wellness by Jerilyn Firlil, OTS; Jessica Miller, OTS; Monica Wall, OTS; Jaimie Washofer, OTS.
9. Determining the ease of use of the Font Guide Tool in the American Disabilities Act - Compliance Assessment Toolkit (ADA-CAT) by Carly Lewis, OTS; Elizabeth Masko, OTS; Megan Novak, OTS; Alissa Richardson, OTS; and Ashley Yankanich, OTS.
10. The Effectiveness of iPad Handwriting Applications on Improving Visual Motor and Handwriting Skills in Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder by Chelsey Converse, OTS; Lindsey McLaughlin, OTS; Shannon McSweeney, OTS; Cathryn Steinhoff, OTS.
11. Successful Aging in Place: Identifying Potential Barriers and Supporting Factors by Mary Lewis, OTS; Krista Randall, OTS; Sarah Schultz, OTS; and Bethany Stroup, OTS.
12. Determining the Test-Retest Reliability and Inter-Rater Reliability of the Americans with Disabilities Act - Compliance Assessment Toolkit (ADA-CAT) Specifically Elevators by Meghan Keffer, OTS; Noreen Ouano, OTS; Jean Sayre, OTS.