

DR. JESSIE PABLO, DSW, LSW

EDUCATION

Doctor of Social Work (DSW) 2023 – 2026

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

GPA 4.0

Capstone: Culturally responsive education: Equipping social work students for practice with immigrant populations

Leadership: President, DSW Student Community (2025)

Leadership: Advisory Board Member, DSW Program (2025-2026)

Leadership: Membership & Networking Chair, DSW Student Community (2024)

Master of Social Work (MSW) 2011 – 2012

Roberts Wesleyan College, Rochester, NY

Concentration: Children and Families

GPA: 3.925

Honors: Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) 2007 - 2011

Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN

Minor: Urban Ministries

GPA: 3.87, Magna Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Cultural responsiveness in social work education
- Immigrant population engagement and integration
- Multi-theoretical frameworks in practice
- Online social work education pedagogy
- Relational-cultural theory in supervision

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Field Director, Assistant Faculty 8/2015 – Present

Indiana Wesleyan University, National & Global

- Subject Matter Expert: Intro to Social Work, Field Placement
- Courses taught: Intro to Social Work, Human Behavior & the Social Environment, Social Problems, Field Placement, Statistics for Social Sciences
- Course development, revision and AI integration
- Adjunct faculty oversight
- Annual program evaluation and collaboration on self-study documentation for re-affirmation of accreditation
- Field placement oversight including student placement and supervision; creating legal contracts; problem-solving placement issues; maintaining oversight of students, field liaisons and field instructors; and developing and upholding policies for field placement.
- Advisor for Phi Alpha Honor Society

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Peer Reviewed Publications

Wells, M., Jesiolowski, J., VerWayne, J., & Pablo, J. (2020). Meta-synthesis of OER transition in online higher education. *International Journal of Open Educational Resources*, 3(2).

<https://ijoeer.scholasticahq.com/article/25073-meta-syntheses-of-oer-transition-in-online-higher-education>

Editorial Publication

Accepted, not published. Pablo, J. (2025). Embracing diversity: Why language inclusion is essential for a just and equitable society, *Social Work Today*, 25(4).

Pablo, J. (2026, February). Parakaleó: Encouragement across cultures. *Thriving Together*.

<https://www.wesleyan.org/thriving-together-february-2026>

Conference Presentations

- Pablo, J. (2026, April 28). *Culturally responsive education: Equipping social work students for practice with immigrant populations* [Conference presentation]. 2026 DSW Showcase of Scholars, University of Kentucky, online.
- Pablo, J. (2026, April 17). *Culturally responsive education for social work students: A conceptual paper for equipping students for practice with immigrant populations* [Conference presentation]. National Conference on DSW Education and Social Work, online.
- Pablo, J. (2026, April 9). *Culturally responsive education: Equipping social work students for practice with immigrant populations* [Conference presentation]. 2026 Social Work Distance Education Conference, online.
- Wells, M., VerWayne, J., & Pablo, J. (2025, November 15). *Fostering relational capacity in online social work education and field placement* [Conference presentation]. North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Convention 2025, online.
- Pablo, J. (2025, November 15). *Breaking barriers: Immigrant struggles during integration* [Conference presentation]. North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Convention 2025, online.
- Pablo, J. & Wallace, B. (2025, April 10). *Utilizing a relational framework in practicum supervision: Implementing best practices for anti-oppressive social work* [Conference presentation]. 2025 Social Work Distance Education Conference, online
- Pablo, J. (2023, November 10). *Reconciliation of faith and cultural conflict* [Conference presentation]. North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Convention 2023, online.
- Wells, M., VerWayne, J., Pablo, J., & Jesiolowski, R. (2022, April 8). *Facebook "friendly": Social work curriculum and student experiences foster DEI dialogue* [Conference presentation]. 2022 Social Work Distance Education Conference, online.
- Wells, M., VerWayne, J., Pablo, J., & Jesiolowski, R. (2019, November 8). *Faith integration: Developing a servant's heart in online BSW students* [Conference presentation]. North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Convention 2019, Indianapolis, IN.
- Lee, T., Jesiolowski, J., & Pablo, J. (2017, November 3). *Retention and perseverance in BSW online programs: Relationship or not?* [Conference presentation]. North American Association of Christians in Social Work Annual Convention 2017, Charlotte, NC.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University Committee Service, Indiana Wesleyan University

- Nominating Committee 2021 – Present
- Faculty and Staff Development Retreat Committee 2024 – 2026
- Academic Appeals Committee 2019 – 2023
- Academic Advisor of Phi Alpha Honor Society 2019 – Present
- Admissions Review Subcommittee 2017 – 2019, 2021 – 2023
- Social Work Coordinating Council 2015 – Present
- Advisory Board for IWU Social Work Programs 2015 – Present
- General Education Committee 2016 – 2018

Professional Committee Service

- Cross-Cutting Working Group on Immigration, Grand Challenges for Social Work 2026 – Present

Educational Training Development & Professional Presentations

- Wallace, B. & Pablo, J. (2025, September 9). *Utilizing a relational framework in practicum supervision: Implementing best practices for anti-oppressive social work* [Professional training]. Portland State University.
- Pablo, J. & Wallace, B. (2025, August 21) *Utilizing a relational framework in supervision: Implementing best practices for anti-oppressive social work* [Agency training]. Jewish Community Services, Baltimore, MD.
- Pablo, J (2023, February 14). *Maintaining Love in the Midst of Cultural Conflict* [University presentation]. Day of Courageous Conversations, Indiana Wesleyan University.
- Garner, G., Bruehler, B., Ponce, F., Rennaker, M., Pablo, J., Snyder, T., Finger, R., & Richardson, P. (2021, September). *Faith integration training: Foundations, synthesis, applications* [University training]. Faculty Development Series, Indiana Wesleyan University.

Direct Practice Services

Family Support Specialist: Healthy Families of Grant County (Marion, IN) 06/2012 – 8/2015

- *Responsibilities:* Weekly home visitations, child development education, health and safety information, collaborated with families to set/accomplish goals, community service referrals, occasional case management, and promoted parent-child interaction
- *Accomplishments:* supported families in successful drug detoxifications, empowered families, increased parent-child interaction, gained greater knowledge regarding drug use and its impact

School Social Work Intern: Craig Hill Elementary School (Rochester, NY) 08/2011 – 4/2012

- *Responsibilities:* Individual and group counseling sessions; presented on “positive parenting” skills; taught class lessons on “hot topics”; connected families with outside service providers; crisis intervention response; wrote treatment plans; and conducted assessments and interventions
- *Accomplishments:* Developed critical thinking skills, confidence to work with other professionals, successfully terminated services, wrote curriculum for classroom lessons, and gained expertise in childhood anxiety and anger management

Case Manager Intern: Debra Corn Foster Care Agency (Marion, IN) 01/2011 – 5/2011

- *Responsibilities:* case management, supervised family visits, wrote monthly reports and court reports, interacted with DCS supervisors, processed pay roll, facilitated foster parent trainings, public relations, taught independent living skills, and worked with the “40 Developmental Assets”
- *Accomplishments* – Gained expertise in childhood diagnoses and attachment

- Supported Living Shadow:** Carey Services (Marion, IN) 09/2010 – 12/2010
- Responsibilities: Organized programming paperwork, advocated for clients, attended team meetings, made programming recommendations, and provided direct care in homes and administrative support
 - *Accomplishments:* increased appreciation for diversity

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Cultural Community Development

- Filipino American Christian Fellowship** – The Philippines Cultural Community Center 08/2021 – Present
- Cultural community center development and volunteer leadership
 - Social capital building for immigrant populations
 - Cultural preservation and integration programming

Community Leadership & Service

- Roanoke Inter-Church Council** 10/2024 – Present
- Interfaith collaboration and community service coordination
 - Resource sharing and community needs assessment

- District Board of Administration,** Crossroads District of the Wesleyan Church 06/2024 – Present
- Organizational governance and policy development
 - District resource allocation oversight
 - Delegate to District Conference and General Conference
 - Participating in nomination of 2026 District Superintendent

- Mental Health Team,** Fairmount Camp 06/2024 – Present
- Mental health support for at-risk youth
 - Trauma-informed care, crisis intervention, and inter-disciplinary collaboration

Grassroots Organizing

- Leader,** Grassroots Diaper Bank 2021 – Present
- Serving Northern & Central Indiana
 - Community needs assessment and resource mobilization
 - Volunteer coordination and distribution logistics

Community Event Organization

- “Socktober” Sock Collection: 442 pairs collected October 2022
- Family Fall Festival Coordination 2022, 2025
- “Family corner” at Roanoke Friday summer festivals 2024 –2025
- Forward Indiana Food Pantry volunteer coordination and advocacy 2021 – Present

Youth and Family Development

- Roanoke Soccer League Coach 2022, 2024
- Children’s Ministry Volunteer, Arise Church 2020 – Present
- New Life Ministries, Women’s Life House – Volunteer teacher 2022 – 2023
- PTO at Roanoke Elementary School 2021 – Present
- Volunteer at Coventry Meadows Assisted Living Center 2021

MINISTRY ENGAGEMENT

Student Minister, Crossroads District of the Wesleyan Church

04/2024 – Present

- Ecclesiastical appointment within the Wesleyan denominational structure
- Director of Outreach and Missions, Arise Church
- Integration of Wesleyan theology with social work practice
- Community organizing through principles of social holiness
- Participation in Women in Ministry cohort
- Immigrant advocacy and networking partnerships
- Completion of ministry courses anticipated in 2027

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Licensed Social Worker, Indiana License # 33007293A

- Issued: 4/8/2015

Rewards & Distinctions

- Voices of Hope Scholarship, Southeastern Brain Tumor Foundation 2023, 2025
- Phi Alpha Honor Society DSW Student Award, Mu Omega Chapter 2025