Ann-Marie Buchanan, PhD, MSW, LMSW

Professor of Social Work Program Director and Chair, Department of Social Work

Biography

Dr. Ann-Marie C. Buchanan serves as Professor, Chair and Program Director for the Social Work Department; she currently teaches Social Welfare Policy, Medical Social Work, Orientation to Practice, Family Grief and Loss, Human Diversity and Social Justice, and Human Behavior and the Social Environment. Dr. Buchanan previously taught at Mississippi Valley State University as an associate professor in the Department of Social Work. She was in Mississippi for two (2) years. From 2006-2011, she was in Berrien Springs and Buchanan, MI, where she worked as the Bachelor of Social Work Program Director and an assistant professor in the Department of Social Work at Andrews University (Berrien Springs). Dr. Buchanan received her BSW from Oakwood College (now Oakwood University, Huntsville, AL), her MSW from The University of Central Florida (Orlando, FL), and her Ph.D. from Capella University (online). She has taught a plethora of social work classes and enjoys learning from the students. She is a licensed Social Work in TN and AL. She is a member of the Tennessee Board of Social Work Licensure, and she serves as a member of the Board of Directors (Licensed Social Worker) of the Association of Social Work Boards. Dr. Buchanan loves the Lord and hopes to make it to Heaven when He returns.

Teaching and Research Interests

Dr. Buchanan enjoys teaching Social Welfare Policy, Medical Social Work, Orientation to Practice, Family Grief and Loss, Human Diversity and Social Justice, and Human Behavior and the Social Environment.

Research interests include: Grief and loss, domestic violence, divorce among Christians, and more.

Publications and Presentations (last five years)

Presentations

- Buchanan, A. (March 29, 2023). National Association of Social Worker-TN, Social Work Day on the Hill (Virtual). Panelist on teaching Social Work Policy.
- Buchanan, A. (March 30, 2022). National Association of Social Worker-TN, Social Work Day on the Hill (Virtual). Panelist on teaching Social Work Policy.
- Buchanan, A. (April 2022). Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Justice presentation at the Association of Social Work Boards' Spring Education Conference, (Board of Directors' Liaison for the Regulatory Education and Leadership Committee), Chicago, IL.
- Buchanan, A. & Davis, O. J., Jr. (2020). Looking through the Christian/political lens of the concept of neighborhoods. Presented virtually at the National Association of Christians in Social Work, November 2020.

- Buchanan, A. (2019). Service presentation, Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Official Holiday Service Honoring 2016 Graduating Seniors. Sponsored by Friends of Lincoln School and the Department of Inclusion and Diversity, Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN.
- Buchanan, A. (2018, October). Am I brother's keeper or his judge? Poster presentation at NACSW Annual Convention in New Haven, CT.
- Buchanan, A., Diaconu, M., & Racovita-Szilagyi, L. (2018, April). Holistic care in changing communities: Challenges to social work education. Accepted for presentation at the 8th European Conference for Social Work Research at the University of Edinburgh in Edinburgh, Scotland.
- Buchanan, A., Diaconu, M., Munoz, D.C., & Racovita-Szilagyi, L. (2018, April). eLearning in social work education at crossroads: Perceptions from Spain and the United States. Accepted for presentation at the 8th European Conference for Social Work Research at the University of Edinburgh in Edinburgh, Scotland.

LMU Service

Member of University committees: Advisor, Black Student Association (2014-2018; 2022 -), Health & Safety; Chair (2020/2021) LMU Research Day Committee; Inclusion & Diversity Committee (2016-2020); School: Chair (2019-2020) Research Committee; President, Faculty Senate (2016-2018).

Professional Service

Association of Baccalaureate Program Directors (2015 – present)

Association of Social Work Boards (2015 – present)

Mental Health Active Response Team, TN (MHART), Board of Directors, Resource Coordinator, (2020 – 2022)

North American Association of Christians in Social Work (member – 2012 - 2023)

NASW-TN, Social Work Day on the Hill (Nashville, TN) (2016 – current) (2021/2022 – virtual)

Tennessee Social Work Licensure Board (Member from 1/2015 – present)

Social Workers of the Lakeway Area (2013 – present), Chair of Planning Committee