

Leon Lifschutz

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EDUCATION:

University of Vermont (UVM), Burlington, VT

Ed.D - Educational Leadership and Policy Studies, 1/2020

Dissertation: "Measuring the implementation fidelity of USA Hockey's American Development Model"

Teaching Effectively Online – Course completed 6/2019

D'Youville College, Buffalo, NY

MS.Ed - Secondary Education, Social Studies, 8/2006

Thesis: "In the middle: why middle schools are the most appropriate way of Implementing the middle school concept"

York University, Toronto, ON

Honors B.A. in History; Minor in Humanities, 8/2005

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

Instructor, EDSC226/396: Student Teaching Internship Supervision (1/2023-Present)

- Observe student teaching Interns at placement sites
- Support student teacher Interns and mentor teachers In navigating and satisfying all components of the placement
- Provide feedback and Instruction on teaching practices and curriculum development

Instructor, EDFS 203: Social, Historical, and Philosophical Foundations of Education (9/2022-Present)

- Initiate, facilitate, and moderate classroom discussions and activities based on universal-design curriculum in a seminar style course
- Help students understand the social, historical, and philosophical factors that have, and continue to shape the educational system and the discourse surrounding it
- Facilitate and aid students in completing assessments and projects that further their knowledge of the key subject matter as well as Improving their skills and critical thinking In becoming future educators.

Instructor, EDHE 146: Personal Health (1/2022-Present)

- Assign weekly modules for online course Including video lectures, explanations of materials, and assignments
- Provide evaluation and feedback to assist students In development of their own personal health and understanding social-ecological model of health and environmental factors impacting public health
- Provide timely and detailed responses to assist students In navigating the online course

Instructor, EDLP 310: Effecting and Managing Change (1/2022-Present)

- Facilitate and execute course curriculum for graduate students In the Masters of Educational Leadership program
- Provide evaluation and feedback to assist students learning about organizational development, change processes, and Implementing change

Instructor, EDLP 300: Leading Learning Organizations (8/2021-Present)

- Facilitate and execute course curriculum for graduate students In the Masters of Educational Leadership program
- Provide evaluation and feedback to assist students In development of their ability to lead learning organizations

Instructor, EDPE 191: Coaching Practicum (1/2021 - 5/2022)

- Design and supervise practicum experience
- Assist students with arranging sites
- Evaluate course work and provide feedback to students as they gain experience In the craft of coaching

Instructor, EDLP 230: Philosophy of Coaching (2/2020-5/2020)

- Assign weekly modules for online course Including video lectures, explanations of materials, and assignments
- Provide evaluation and feedback to assist students In development of their coaching theory and soft skills
- Provide timely and detailed responses to assist students In navigating the online course

Instructor, EDLP 111: Sports Leadership (9/2018-Present)

- Initiate, facilitate, and moderate classroom discussions and activities based on universal-design curriculum in a seminar style course
- Provide evaluation and feedback to assist students in understanding theory and improving interpersonal skills
- Personalize assignments to increase conceptual understanding and personal leadership development in addition to understanding theoretical foundations of sports leadership

Instructor, EDPE 241: Boston – Exploring the Field of Sports Management (9/2015-6/2018)

- Launched new travel study course – teach 1 section semester-long course culminating in a weeklong trip to Boston of approximately 15 students
- Taught as a hybrid course including in-person meetings, online course work, and an immersive experience
- Arranged sporting events, touring facilities, visiting sports agencies and businesses, and meeting professionals in the industry
- Manage all facets of the trip including planning, enforcing rules and policies, and risk management
- Connect career development and job opportunities to core curriculum

Member, Sports Management Program Committee (9/2015 – Present)

- Aided in designing the minor and preparing proposal for the Faculty Senate
- Attend bi-yearly meetings to assess and amend program
- Review course substitution requests and provide resources to academic advisors
- Respond to student inquiries regarding program planning and requirements
- Assist in marketing of program and performed extensive outreach to student services in every college
- Work with campus partners such as Career Center to provide student resources

Instructor, EDPE 101: Introduction to Sports Management (9/2011-5/2022)

- Created course and curriculum – teach 2 sections per year with enrollment of approximately 30 students per class
- Prepare all course materials including syllabi, lesson plans, and assignments
- Evaluate students through graded summative assessments and regular feedback on formative assessments both in-person and on-line
- Maintain all records including attendance and grades via BlackBoard and UVM Portal
- Keep abreast of developments in the field through practical experiences, reading current literature, conversations with colleagues, personal research, and participating in professional conferences

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

University of Vermont Men's Club Hockey Team, Head Coach (07/21-Present)

- Select team and conducted daily athlete evaluation
- Plan all elements of training
- Represent team at conference meetings and with the national governing body
- Advise and develop student leaders

Coach Development Team

- Facilitate and provide trainings for Individuals seeking certifications In USA Hockey's Coach Education Program

Vermont State Amateur Hockey Association, Goalie Development Coordinator (04/21-Present)

- Serve on the VSAHA board and assigned committees
- Develop and Implement strategy and program to recruit and develop goaltenders around the state
- Provide support and advising for local associations
- Evaluate elite goaltenders and make recommendations for regional and national camps

Leon's Sports Properties LLC, Head Coach and Owner (8/2020 - Present)

- Provide coaching and development for youth, high school, and junior hockey players through the Light the Lamp Hockey School and Post2Post Goaltending brands
- Programs Include school break camps, large and small group clinics, spring league, and private lessons
- Work directly with local youth hockey organizations to design and lead specifically tailored development programs
- Manage all facets of the business including staffing of programs, accounting, and marketing

- Committed to providing high-level coaching, developmentally appropriate training, and an Inclusive environment to aid Vermont youth hockey players In growing their playing ability and love of the game

Univeristy of Vermont, Assistant Director Club Sports (5/2019-3/2021)

- Directly supervise 63 club sports with 2,000 participants; expanded the program from 40 clubs and 1,250 participants
- Supervise 2 full-time club sports coaches and 5-7 student employees dedicated to club sports related projects
- Improve training initiatives includind implementing new participant orientation and moving certain trainings and resources over to digital platforms

Club Sports Coordinator, (8/2007-5/2019)

- Directly supervised 60 club sports with approximately 1,900 participants
- Responsibilities included: Data management, risk management, leadership development, and strategic planning
- Financial responsibilities included managing of purchasing cards, writing and managing contracts, advising on budgets which cumulatively ranged over \$1.5MM USD
- Supervision of 4-5 work study students dedicated to club sports related projects

St. Michaels College Women's Hockey Team, Assistant Coach, Colchester, VT (10/2012 – 06/2021)

- Assist with planning and execution of all facets of the season including pre-season, practices, and games
- Break down film and prepare video sessions
- Create scouting reports of upcoming opponents
- Assist with recruiting of potential student athletes

Black N' Gold Productions, Contributor (8/2020 - 08/2021)

- Post several times monthly on Boston Bruins related topics Including player evaluation, hockey analytics, and top stories
- Host weekly Bruins-centric hockey podcast

Univeristy of Vermont Club Lacrosse Team, Head Coach (1/2014- 6/2014)

- Select team and conduct daily athlete evaluation
- Plan all elements of training
- Advise on logistics and provide mentorship to team leaders

Maccabi USA, Philadelphia, PA (7/2013-Present)

Head Team Manager for Team USA at World Maccabiah Games In Israel, July 2022.

- Member of organizing committee creating plans and policies to ensure safety and success of the delegation
- Attend all pre-games planning plenaries
- Manage and directly supervise a staff of 30
- Oversee approxiamately 150 volunteer leaders
- Responsible for on-boarding and training all staff including coaches, medical staff, and managers
- Responsible for all on-ground aspects of the delegation of 1,300 people
- As the "Head of Delegation" daily delegation head meetings and serve as main point of contact and liason to the games organizers Maccabi World Union

Associate Team Manager for Team USA at Pan-American Games in Mexico, July 2019.

- Member of organizing committee creating plans and policies to ensure safety and success of the delegation
- Attended delegation heads meetings snd worked closely with Mexican organizing committeee
- Second in command for delegation of over 400 people.

Head Team Manager for Team USA at Maccabi Youth Games in Israel, July 2018.

- Member of organizing committee creating plans and policies to ensure safety and success of the delegation
- Attended delegation heads meetings and work closely with World Maccabi Union
- Managed and responsible for entire delegation of nearly 200 people
- Managed and directly supervised staff of 6 people

Junior Team Manager for Team USA at 20th World Maccabiah Games in Israel, July 2017.

- Member of organizing committee creating plans and policies to ensure the safety and success of the delegation
- Member of Advanced Team assisting In preparing all sites, schedules, and resources for delegation
- Managed and responsible for all Junior (U18) teams, consisting of nearly 400 people
- Managed and directly supervised staff of 8 people

Accommodations Manager for Team USA Delegation at 19th World Maccabiah Games in Israel, July 2013, Pan-American Games in Chile, January 2016.

- Managed 4 teams including lodging, logistics, and risk management
- Collaborated closely with coaches, village staff, and sports directors

Northern Vermont Wildcats, Founder and Head Coach (3/2007-6/2011)

- Created a split season youth hockey program for High School aged players
- Recruitment of players and assistant coaches
- Scheduled of all practices and contests
- Complied with all USA hockey requirements and paperwork
- Planned all elements of training and game management
- Developed players for their high school teams and post-secondary aspirations

High School Boys' Varsity Hockey, Head Coach (Seasonal - 2007-2013)

- Milton High School (9/2007-3/2009); Burlington High School (10/2010-6/2013)
- Planned all elements of training and game management
- Responsible for game day event management
- Managed information including statistics, health forms, travel plans, school policies etc.
- Communicated with administration and parents

Milton Town School District, Long Term Substitute and Instructional Assistant (9/2006-6/2007)

- One semester teaching World History and English; one semester of working with special education students in 7th and 8th grade supporting 15 students and assisting classroom teachers.

SAVES Goaltending International, Head Instructor (7/2001-8/2006)

- Planned and led on and off ice programs for the training of ice hockey goalies ranging from 5-50 years old of all genders; programs included private, semi-private, small group, large group, and team services
- Scheduled and supervised up to 10 part time staff
- Maintained financial records and managed marketing
- Graduated numerous students to higher levels including Junior hockey, CIS and NCAA

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:

Lifschutz, L. (2022-Present). Tolerance and Awareness Presentations for PH-International Sports for Social Change and Youth Leadership through Sports Boot Camps

Lifschutz, L. (2021). Measuring The Efficacy of a Club Sports New Participant Orientation. *Recreational Sports Journal*, 45(2).

Lifschutz, L. (2019). Examining What Variables Lead to Improved Outcomes for Club Sports Participants. *Recreational Sports Journal*, 43(2).

Measuring the implementation fidelity of the American Development Model, presented at University of Vermont Student Research Conference, April 2019.

Lifschutz, L. (2016). Developing lesson plans for student trainings, workshops, and so on, presented at NIRSA National Conference, Orlando, April 2016

Demonsi, J. & Lifschutz, L. (2015). Pounds vs. People: two different programs approaches to carbon neutrality presented at NIRSA National Conference, Dallas, April 2015.

Lifschutz, L. (2015). University of Vermont club sports participation: Then and now. Poster presented at NIRSA National Conference, Dallas, April 2015.

Lifschutz, L. (2012). Club Sports: Maximizing Positive Outcomes and Minimizing Risk. *Recreational Sports Journal*, 36(2), 104-112.

Lifschutz, L. (2013). Applying Sustainability Practices to UVM Club Sports, poster presented at NIRSA National Conference, Las Vegas, 2013.

Lifschutz, L. (2010). Outcomes for club sports athletes at the University of Vermont. Poster presented at NIRSA national conference, Anaheim, April 2010.

SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

Technology: Microsoft Office Suite, Blackboard Learning Management, Banner, Baseline, Engage, EMS, Google Drive, Peoplesoft, Windows Movie Maker, Screen Casting, HTML, SPSS, Seamonkey

Certifications include: American Red Cross (Instructor: Sports Safety; Adult and Child CPR; First Aid; AED); USA Hockey Coach (Level 4); SafeSport Certificate; UVM Supervisory Learning Series

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Vermont State Amateur Hockey Association, executive board member and goalie development coordinator (2021-Present)

North American Association of Sports Management, Professional member (2021-22)

National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) , Professional Member (2007-2021)
Member of NCCS Tennis Work Team (2012-15) and NIRSA Basketball League Work Team (2014-15)

Maccabi USA, Board Member – member of non-profit's board since December 2018.