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Education/Training

- MSPH, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Master of Science in Public Health
- MSW, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Master of Social Work
- RPCV, United States Peace Corps, El Salvador, Returned Peace Corps Volunteer
- BA, College of Charleston, South Carolina, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Interests

Courtney is interested in community-based health research, engagement, and partnership among rural and underserved communities across West Virginia and the world.

Honors

- Fellow, Leadership in Public Health Social Work, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2014-2016
- Scholar, Royall and Miller Scholarships, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2014-2016
- Completion of Service, United States Peace Corps Volunteer, El Salvador, 2010-2012
- Most Outstanding Student, Political Science Department, College of Charleston, 2009

Selected Research and Scholarly Activity

- Concept Mapping to Better Understand WV Community Perceptions of Health and Biomedical Research (2020)
- West Virginia Physician Retention (2020)
- Facilitators and Barriers to Practicing Behavioral Health Professions in WV and Treating Opioid and Substance Use Disorders (2020)
- West Virginia Provider Survey on Pain Management and Use of Medication-Assisted Treatment (2020)
- West Virginia Community Voices: Training Communities to be Partners in Research (2020)
- Harm Reduction in Calhoun County, WV: Community Perceptions and Paths Forward (2019)
- Community Childhood Asthma Detection and Barrier Identification (2018)
- Prescription Opioid and Heroin Awareness Toolkit: Boone County (2018)
- UNC Applied Research Project: Carolina Heart Alliance Networking for Greater Equity (CHANGE) (2016)

Affiliations

- Communities in Schools Greenbrier County, Mentor
- Country Roads Transport and Rescue, Secretary
- Lewisburg Literary Festival, Treasurer
- WV Practice Based Research Network Protocol Review Committee, Member
- WV Rural Health Association Board, Member
- WV Rural Health Association Committees, Planning Chair, Research Co-Chair
- WV School of Osteopathic Medicine LGBTQ+ Health Series, Member