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**Education**

Ph.D. Ohio State University

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B.A. Central Connecticut State University

**Appointments**

Professor, Department of Psychology

University of Notre Dame

Director, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts

College of Arts and Letters

University of Notre Dame (2011-2017)

International Visiting Scholar,

Department of Social and Developmental Psychology

Departments of Excellence Program, La Sapienza - University of Rome (2019-2022)

Experts Advisory Board, Departments of Excellence Program

La Sapienza - University of Rome (2019-2024)

Advisory Board, Integrated Centre for Wellbeing (iWELL),

The Education University of Hong Kong (2019-2024)

## Awards/ Honors

Fellow, American Psychological Association

Greenville Clark Award, University of Notre Dame

Awarded for volunteer activities that serve to advance the cause of peace and human rights

Distinguished Service Award

 Health Equity Special Interest Group, Society of Behavioral Medicine

Innovation Award

 American Cancer Society: Celebration of Hope (2022)

**Scholarship**

Merluzzi, T.V., Salamanca-Balen, N., Philip, E.J., & Salsman, J.M. (2023).“Letting go” - Relinquishing control of illness outcomes to God and quality of life: Meaning/Peace as a mediating mechanism in religious coping with cancer. *Social Science and Medicine.* <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115597>

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**Conference Presentations/ Lectures (2014-present)**

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Juarez-Martinez, M.E., Meneses-Hernandez, J., Carus-Sanchez, A., Barrera-Tlapa, R., Sanchez-Berber, R., Magali Rocha-Rocha, V., Merluzzi , T.& del Rocio Banos-Lara , M. (2022, August). Evaluation of the quality of life of the pediatric oncological patients receiving supportive care at Una Nueva Esperanza (UNE, Puebla, Mexico). International Psycho-oncology Society Conference.

Kurapatti, M., Salamanca-Balen, N. & Merluzzi, T.V. (2022, August). From cancer treatment to survivorship: A natural language analysis of stages of transition. International Psycho-oncology Society Conference.

Wright, A., Salamanca-Balen, N. & Merluzzi, T.V. (2022, August). Hope, resilience and quality of life of persons with and without cancer during COVID-19. International Psycho-oncology Society Conference.

Kosidowski, K., Lamoretti, V., Wright, A., Salamanca-Balen, N. & Merluzzi, T.V. (2021, April). An intensive analysis of stages of transition from active-curative treatment to "off treatment" Status in four cancer survivors. Society of Behavioral Medicine, Virtual Conference.

Salamanca-Balen, N. & Merluzzi, T.V. (2021, April). A stress-diathesis analysis of COVID-19 impact and tolerance of uncertainty in persons with and without a cancer diagnosis. Society of Behavioral Medicine, Virtual Conference.

Chirico, A., Salamanca-Balen, N, Merluzzi, T.V., & Lucidi, F. (2020, April). *Patient Activation: A closer look at the dimensions of the construct.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA.

Salamanca-Balen, N. Chen, M., & Merluzzi, T.V. (2020, April). *The effectiveness of hope-fostering interventions in palliative care: A systematic review and meta-analysis.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA.

Merluzzi, T.V. Invited graduate seminar: *Culture and Health*

 June 4, 2019: *Culture, health, and illness: Historical perspectives on diversity and disparities*

 June 6, 2019: *Cultural competency in research, public health and clinical work*

 Department of Psychology, University of Rome, Rome, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V. (May 25, 2019). *Coping with cancer: Challenges on the road to empowerment and quality of life.* Closing keynote address, Italian Society of Health Psychology, Naples, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V. (May 23, 2019). *Challenges and resources on the pathway to empowerment and quality life.* International Seminar, Department of Oncology and Hemato-Oncology, University of Milan and the European School of Molecular Medicine, Milan, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V. (May 22, 2019). *Challenges on the pathway to empowerment.* Conference on the role of psycho-oncology in the empowerment of persons confronted with cancer. Institute of Oncology – Vento (National Cancer Institute), Padua, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V. (May 17, 2019). *Challenges and resources on the pathway to empowerment and quality of life: A review of recent research from the Laboratory for Psycho-oncology Research.* Department of Psychology, University of Rome (Sapienza), Rome, Italy.

Salamanca-Balen, N., Koffman, J., & Merluzzi, T.V. (2019, March). *Effectiveness of hope interventions in palliative care patients: A systematic review*. Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC.

Misiti, D.D., Kosidowski, K.A., Prendergast, Z., & Merluzzi, T.V. (2019, March*). From treatment to survivorship: A natural language analysis of stages of transition.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC.

Merluzzi, T.V., Gomer, B., & Philip, E.J. (2018, November). *Serious comorbidities and emotional quality of life: A coping mediation model for persons with cancer*. International Psycho-oncology Society, Hong Kong, PRC.

Merluzzi, T.V. & Philip, E.J. (2018, April). *A multivariate approach to examining potential components of interventions for cancer patients.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, New Orleans, LA.

Merluzzi, T.V. & Martinez Sanchez, M. (2018, April). *It takes two to make a thing go right: Impact of husbands’ perceptions of wives’ self-efficacy for coping with cancer.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, New Orleans, LA.

Merluzzi, T.V. & Philip, E.J. (2018, April). *Relinquishing control of outcomes to God: An examination of physical and emotional outcomes in the context of cancer.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, New Orleans, LA.

Merluzzi, T.V. (April, 2017). *A meta-analytic review of interventions to enhance self-efficacy behaviors in cancer patients and survivors*. Biology Department Special Seminar: Health Behaviors and Cancer Care, An Integrated Perspective: International Collaboration Between Italy and the USA. Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

Merluzzi, T.V. (2017). *A meta-analytic review of interventions to enhance self-efficacy behaviors in cancer patients and survivors*. Biology Department Special Seminar: Health Behaviors and Cancer Care, An Integrated Perspective: International Collaboration Between Italy and the USA. Co-sponsored by the Sbarro Institute for Cancer Research and Molecular Medicine. Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

Merluzzi, T.V., Pustejovsky, J., Philip, E.J., Berendsen, M., Heitzmann Ruhl, C.A., & Salsman, J.M. (2017, March). *A meta-analytic review of interventions to enhance self-efficacy behaviors in cancer patients and survivors*. In J.M. Salsman (Chair), Promoting psychological well-being in cancer patients and survivors: Meta-analyses of randomized clinical trials. Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA.

Salsman, J.M., Moskowitz, J.T., Park, C.L., & Merluzzi, T.V. (2017, March). *Promoting psychological well-being in cancer patients and survivors: Meta-analyses of randomized clinical trials.* Symposium, Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA.

Merluzzi, T.V. (2017, March). *The role of coping in the relationship between serious comorbidities and emotional distress.* In J. Suls (Chair), Multimorbidity in older adults and cancer survivors: Behavioral, cogntitive-affective, and biological processes. Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA.

Philip, E.J., Merluzzi, T.V., Grapperhaus, S. & Lewis, B. (2017, March). *Lifestyle behaviors and psychosocial outcomes among long-term cancer survivors*. Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA.

Merluzzi, T.V., Philip, E.J., & Liu, H. (2016) *Serious comorbidities and emotional distress in cancer survivorship: Does coping make it better?* 8th Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference. Washington, D.C.

Merluzzi, T.V. (2016). *Self-efficacy and coping with cancer: Theory, measurement, and treatment issues.* Invited colloquium: Department of Psychology, University of Padua, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V. (2016). *Spirituality and cancer: “Letting go” in a modern world.* Invited address: Italian Society of Palliative Care-Veneto Region, Conegliano, Italy.

Merluzzi, T.V., Philip, E.J., Yang, M., Liu, H., Heitzmann Ruhf, C.A., Conley, C.C. (2015). *Assessing self-efficacy for coping with cancer: Exploratory (EFA) and confirmatory factor analyses (CFA) of Version 3 of the Cancer Behavior Inventory (CBI).* American Psycho-oncology and International Psycho-oncology Societies, Washington, D.C.

Salsman, J.M., Merluzzi, T.V., Schalet, B., Park, C.L., Hahn, E.A., Snyder, M.A., & Cella, D. (2015). *Refinement and validation of a general self-efficacy item bank and short form for the NIH PROMIS.* International Society for Quality of Life Research, Vancouver, Canada

Merluzzi, T. V., Chirico, A., Serpentini, S., Philip, E.J., Yang, M. (2015). *Adding insult to illness: Negative life events, coping with cancer, and quality of life*. Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Antonio, TX.

Merluzzi, T. V., Serpentini, S., Yang, M., Philip, E.J. (2015). *Social relationship coping efficacy mitigates loss of social support in persons with cancer*. Society of Behavioral Medicine, San Antonio, TX.

Merluzzi, T. V. (2014). *Coping and quality of life for cancer patients and survivors: From theory to practice.* Invited colloquia.

June 6, 2014: The University of Rome (“La Sapienza” – Rome, Italy)

June 12, 2014: The Institute for Oncology – Veneto (Padua, Italy)

Salsman, J.M. (Chair), Fitchett, G., Jim, H.S., Merluzzi, T.V., Munoz, A.R., Snyder, M., Berendsen, M., & Park, C. (2014). *Religion, spirituality and health outcomes in cancer: Three meta-analyses.* Symposium, Society of Behavior Medicine, Philadelphia, April.

Papers presented in the above symposium:

Jim, H.S., Merluzzi, T.V., Danhauer, S., Pustejovsky, J., Munoz, A.R., Fitchett, G., Park, C., Sherman, A., George, L. & Salsman, J. A. *Meta-analysis of the relationship between religion/spirituality and physical health in cancer survivors*

Salsman, J, Munoz, A.R., Pustejovsky, J., Jim, H.S., Park, C., Danhauer, S., Sherman, A., George, L., Merluzzi, T.V., & Fitchett, G. *A Meta-analytic approach to examine the relationship between religion/spirituality and mental health in cancer*.

Merluzzi, T.V., Sherman, A., Park, C., George, L., Fitchett, G., Jim, H.S., Munoz, A.R., Pustejovsky, J., Danhauer, S., & Salsman, J, *A**meta-analytic review of religion/spirituality and social QOL among cancer patients.*

Merluzzi, T.V., Philip, E.J., & Serpentini, S. (2014). *Social relationship coping efficacy (SRCE): A new construct in the mitigation of loss of social support.* Society of Behavioral Medicine, Philadelphia, April.

Philip, E.J., & Merluzzi, T.V. (2014). *Distress screening in survivorship: Who wants help and how do we identify them?"* Society of Behavioral Medicine, Philadelphia, April.

**Grants**

Title: Addressing Social Needs of Adolescents and Young Adults (AYAs) with Cancer.”

PI: Kaitlyn Fladeboe (University of Washington)

Agency: NIH/NCI K99/R00

Status: Funded

Role: Consultant

Title: A Study of Child and Family Support Groups at Una Nueva Esperanza, Puebla, Mexico

PI: Thomas V. Merluzzi

Agency: Kelly Cares Foundation

Status: Funded

Title: Lost in Transition: A Pilot Study of Cancer Patients in the Process of Transitioning from Active Treatment to Survivorship

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency: NDR FRSP-IG

Status: Funded

Title: Cultural Analysis of the Cancer Behavior Inventory

PI: Merluzzi, T.V., Pope-Davis, D., and Schuster, C.

Agency: National Cancer Institute

Total Cost: $322,500 (Direct)

Status: Funded. Starting Date: August 15, 2005

Title: Faith and Health: An Interdisciplinary Conference on the Dynamics of Religious Coping

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency: Templeton Foundation

Total Cost: $16,782

Submitted: September 2006

Status: Funded

Title: Measurement accuracy in assessing patient’s quality of life: To weight or not to weight domains of quality of life.

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency: Northern Indiana Cancer Research Consortium (Contracted)

Total Cost: $6,000

Submitted: October 2006

Status: Funded

Title: Development, Validation, and Integration of the Distress Screening System

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency: Faculty Research Program, University of Notre Dame

Total Cost: $10,000

Submitted: October, 2008

Status: Funded

Title: Development, Validation, and Integration of the Distress Screening System

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency: Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame

Total Cost: $14,994.00

Submitted: November, 2008

Status: Funded

Title: Solution Focused Therapy to Enhance Coping Efficacy in Cancer Patients

PI: Merluzzi, T.V.

Agency National Cancer Institute

Total Cost: $75,000 (Direct)

Status: Funded; Starting Date June 2000

**Direction of Dissertations**

1979-present: Twenty-eight dissertations completed

**Professional Activities**

Editorial Board Member *Cancer Management and Research* (2015- )

 *Psycho-Oncology* (2018- )

Fellow, American Psychological Association,

Member, Society of Behavioral Medicine

 2003 Program Committee; Chair of Diversity Track

 2004 - 2006 Chair, Health Equity Special Interest Group

 2008 - 2013 Program Committee; Chair of Complementary and Alternative Medicine Track

 2008 - 2013 Program Committee, Chair of Spirituality and Health Track

 2013 - 2021 Reviewer of abstracts for the annual conference

Member, American Psychosocial Oncology Society

Member, International Psychosocial Oncology Society

Reviewed Manuscripts for:

*Health Psychology American Psychologist*

*Journal of Abnormal Psychology Journal of Counseling Psychology*

#### *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology Psychological Assessment*

*Journal of Personality and Social Psychology Behavior Therapy*

*Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin Journal of Educational Psychology*

*International Journal of Health and Rehabilitation Patient Education and Counseling*

*BMC Cancer Religions*

*Psychology and Health Journal of Behavioral Medicine*

**Administrative Experience and Committees**

### **University**

Director, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (.5 FTE) (2011-2017)

Arts and Letters Dean’s Executive Committee, College of Arts and letters (2011-2017)

Office of the Vice President of Notre Dame Research Senior Staff Advisory Committee (2011-2017)

University Committee on Appeals (2011- )

Graduate School Committee on Ethics Training for Graduate Students (2009-2010)

### **Department**

Chair, Department Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (2018-2021)

Director of Clinical Training (2019-2020)

Director of Graduate Studies (2009-2011)

Graduate Studies Committee (2001–2002, 2020-2021)

### **Community**

Pro Bono Consultant, RiverBend Cancer Services (2013- )

Advisory Board, The Mental Health Awareness of Michiana Pro Bono Counseling Project (2020- )

**Courses Taught**

Undergraduate Graduate

Senior Honors Thesis Research Methodology

Health Psychology Professional Standards and Ethics

Gender, Ethnicity and Aging Racial and Cultural Aspects of Mental Health

Personality Psychology Victimization

Human Relations Training Clinical Supervision (Individual and Group)

Group Dynamics (Group Therapy)

**Consulting and Clinical Work**

1993-2003 Organizational Consultant

 Holy Cross Health System

 Mercy Health System

 Trinity Health Care

1995-2008 Applied Clinical Practice

 Group Therapy: Co-led two groups each week with Katie L. Steele, Ph. D., HSPP

2018- Facilitator: Men’s Support Group RiverBend Cancer Services