

Biographical Information

Dr. Shawn L. Spurgeon is an Associate Professor of Counselor Education at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, currently serving as Coordinator of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling program. He received his Ph.D. in Counseling and Counselor Education in 2002 from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He has published articles on African American male development and Professor Counselor identity development and has presented at several national and regional conferences on these subjects. He served as the faculty advisor for the Upsilon Theta chapter of Chi Sigma Iota for 9 years.

Dr. Spurgeon was a member of the American Counseling Association's 2014 Ethics Revision Task Force and served as Chair of the ACA Ethics committee for 4 years. He currently serves as a Board Member for the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC). He is the Past-President for the Southern Association of Counselor Educators and Supervisors (SACES) and is the first recipient of the Cortland C. Lee Multicultural Excellence Scholarship Award.

Dr. Spurgeon has previously worked as a mental health counselor in a family services agency, a private practice, and a community mental health center. His work has included couples, families, and adolescents with emotional and behavioral problems. He is currently Licensed as a Professional Counselor (LPC) in North Carolina and Tennessee.