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EDUCATION

- 2023 - Present **Ph.D. in Aging Studies**, University of South Florida
Advisor: William E. Haley, Ph.D.
- 2021 - 2023 **Graduate Certificate**, Health Management and Leadership, University of South Florida
- 2021 - 2023 **Master of Public Health**, University of South Florida
Concentration: Global Health Practice
- 2012 - 2013 **Master of Chemistry and Teaching**, Donetsk National University, Ukraine
Concentration: Analytical Chemistry
- 2008 - 2012 **Bachelor of Chemistry**, Donetsk National University, Ukraine
Concentration: Analytical Chemistry

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social connection & engagement
Health behavior & cognition of older adults
Mental health of cancer survivors

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

Alemasova, N., **Babenko, N.**, Alemasova, A. (2016). Electrothermal Atomic Absorption Determination of Gold in Iron-Containing Materials Following Dispersion Microextraction Concentration. *Industrial laboratorJ6strial laborat*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023 - present **University of South Florida, Tampa, FL**
Graduate Teaching Assistant, GEY 4612: Psychology of Aging
(undergraduate class)

Guest Lectures

Age-Friendly Outdoor Spaces: Benefits of Neighborhood Cohesion for Older Adults, June 2024, ChangeLab Solutions

Health Benefits of Social Engagement: Addressing Loneliness and Social Isolation, January 2024, University of South Florida, OLLI-USF

Memory & Attention, Psycholo1 12 Tf5eG12 Tf1 0 0 1 87.624 53083b400009ET0rsitiatd00001 0 03 Tm0 61

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

01.2024 07.2024

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2021 - Present American Psychological Association (APA)
- 2022 - Present Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA)
- 2023 - Present Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
- 2023 - Present Florida Council on Aging
- 2023 - Present American Public Health Association (APHA)
- 2023 - Present Sleep Research Society (SRS)
- 2023 - Present Alzheimer's Association International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment