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I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name: Katherine VS Theaker (Sawyer) MSRS, RT(T) Title: Assistant Professor, Radiation Therapist

B. Educational Background

Degree	***Year***	***University***	***Major***	***Thesis/ Dissertation***
M.S.R.S.	2022	Midwestern State University	Radiologic Science Education and Administration	
B.S.	2018	Texas State University	Radiation Therapy, minor in Healthcare Administration	

C. University Experience

Position	***University***	***Dates***
Assistant Professor, Radiation Therapy	Texas State University, Round Rock, TX	January 2023- present

D. Relevant Professional Experience

Position	***Entity***	***Dates***
Radiation Therapist- PRN	The Austin Center for Radiation Oncology, Austin, TX	2023- present
Radiation Therapist	The Austin Center for Radiation Oncology, Austin, TX	2018-2022

E. Other Professional Credentials (licensure, certification, etc.)

American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, ID number 584623
Texas Medical Board License, active since 2018
American Society of Radiologic Technologists, member since 2016
Healthcare Provider (BLS) Adult, Child and Infant CPR/AED & First Aid
Association of Educators in Radiologic Technology, member since 2025
ACUE Certification in Effective Teaching, May 2026
National Society of Collegiate Scholars, member since 2018
Lambda Nu Honors Society, member since 2018

II. TEACHING

A. Teaching Honors and Awards:

B. Courses Taught:

nstructor, RTT Seminar, Texas State University, RTT 4191, 1 semester hour, 1/2022-present nstructor, RTT Seminar, Texas State University, RTT 4191, 1 semester hour, 1/2022-present

Instructor, International Healthcare and Wellness, HS 4300, 3 semester hours, June 2025, June 2026
Instructor, Clinical Radiation Oncology I, RTT 4370, 3 semester hours, January 2023-present
Instructor, Operation Issues, RTT 4331, 3 semester hours, January 2023- present
Instructor, Quality Assurance, RTT 4330, 3 semester hours, May 2023- August 2025
Instructor, Clinical Radiation Oncology II, RTT 4371, 3 semester hours, August 2023-present
Instructor, Sectional Anatomy, RTT 3314, 3 semester hours, August 2023- December 2023
Instructor, Patient Care, RTT 3300, 3 semester hours, August 2024- present
Instructor, Directed Clinical I, 2 semester hours, August 2023-present
Instructor, Directed Clinical II, 2 semester hours, January 2023-present

C. Directed Student Learning (i.e. theses, dissertations, exit committees, etc.):

Clinical Supervisor, The Austin Center for Radiation Oncology
Fall, 2018, 2019, 2025
Spring, 2019, 2026

D. Courses Prepared and Curriculum Development:

Instructor, Patient Care, RTT 3300, 3 semester hours, August 2024
Instructor, International Healthcare and Wellness, HS 4300, 3 semester hours, June 2025

E. Teaching Grants and Contracts

1. Funded External Teaching Grants and Contracts:

2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Teaching Grants and Contracts:

3. Funded Internal Teaching Grants and Contracts:

4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Teaching Grants and Contracts:

F. Other:

Theaker, K. Intro to BSHS course, Introduction to Radiation Therapy, class presentation, Spring 2026
Theaker, K. Intro to BSHS course, Introduction to Radiation Therapy, class presentation, Fall 2025
Theaker, K. Intro to BSHS course, Introduction to Radiation Therapy, class presentation, Spring 2025.
Sawyer, K. Intro to BSHS course, Introduction to Radiation Therapy, class presentation, Fall 2024

G. Teaching Professional Development Activities Attended

ACERT Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2027. (Accepted, Speaker)
95th Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Meeting and Educational Symposium, Austin, TX, Spring 2026. (Speaker)
AEIRS Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL, Summer 2024
ODEL Summer Institute Course, Summer 2023.
ASRT- Radiation Therapy Conference, San Diego, CA, Fall 2023. (Speaker)

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

A. Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press):

1. Books:

a. Scholarly Monographs:

b. Textbooks:

c. Edited Books (In Progress):

d. Chapters in Books:

Sawyer, K. Chapter 5: Detection and Diagnosis. In C.M. Washington, D.T. Leaver, M. Trad (Eds.), Principles and practice of radiation therapy: Practical applications 6th edition.

Sawyer, K. & Coleman, A. Chapter 8: Treatment Procedures. In C.M. Washington, D.T. Leaver, M. Trad (Eds.), Principles and practice of radiation therapy: Practical applications 6th edition.

Editor- (2024). Chapter 2 Safety- A Priority for Health Science Workers. *Introduction to Health Science, 2nd Ed.* Goodheart- Wilcox Publisher. ISBN: 978-1-64925-773-4.

Editor- (2024). Chapter 5 Career Skills in Therapeutic Services. *Introduction to Health Science, 2nd Ed.* Goodheart- Wilcox Publisher. ISBN: 978-1-64925-773-4.

e. Creative Books:

2. Articles:

a. Refereed Journal Articles:

Theaker, K. V. & Trad, M. L. (2026). The Influence of Social Media on Cancer Awareness, Prevention, and Patient Support. *Radiation Therapist.* (Accepted).

Theaker, K. V., Herrin, S. R., Hudgins, A., Henry, N. R., Gibbs, K. A., Trad, M. L. (2026). Enhancing health professions students' beliefs and attitudes regarding interprofessional collaboration using photovoice methodology. *Radiologic Sciences & Education, 31*(1), 8-17.

Theaker, K. V., Herrin, S. R., Trad, M. L, Gibbs, K. A. (2025). Uncovering academic burnout in the health professions classroom. *Radiation Therapist. 34*(2), 135-142. *This article was also published in the ASRT Journal, Radiologic Technology, in September 2025.

***Theaker, K. V**., Herrin, S. R., Trad, M. L, Gibbs, K. A. (2025). Uncovering academic burnout in the health professions classroom. *Radiologic Technologist, 97*(1), 15-22.

Herrin, S. R., **Sawyer, K. V**., Trad, M. L., & Gibbs, K. A. (2024). Using photovoice to stimulate reflection and collaboration in health professions students through an interprofessional education activity. *Journal of Allied Health, 53*(2), 116-121.

Sawyer, K. (2023). Effect of COVID-19 Pandemic on Radiation Oncology Leaders. *Radiation Therapist.* 32(2), 138-142.

b. Non-refereed Articles:

3. Conference Proceedings:

a. Refereed Conference Proceedings:

Trad, M. Innovative Pedagogical Strategies for the Radiation Therapy Classroom, ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference, Chicago, IL, 09/19.

Trad, M. Innovative Pedagogical Strategies for the Radiation Therapy Classroom, ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference, Chicago, IL, 09/19.

Trad, M. Innovative Pedagogical Strategies

for the Radiation Therapy Classroom, ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference, Chicago, IL, 09/19

b. Non-refereed:

4. Abstracts:

Sawyer, K. V., Henry, N. R., Hudgins, A. M., Herrin, S. R., Gibbs, K. A., & Trad, M. L. (2024). Stimulating reflection and creativity in interprofessional education using the photovoice methodology. *Respiratory Care, 69*(Suppl 10), 4137766. https://rc.rcjournal.com/content/69/Suppl_10/4137766

5. Reports:

6. Book Reviews:

7. Essays:

8. Poems:

9. Short Stories:

10. Other Works in Print:

B. Works Not in Print:

1. Papers Presented at Professional Meetings:

Sawyer, K. Secondary Malignancies Related to Pediatric Cancer, The North Texas Society of Radiation Therapists Spring Symposium, Irving, TX, 4/21/2018.

2. Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

Theaker, K. V. & Trad, M. L. ACERT Annual Conference, “Implementing Change: Combating Academic Burnout in the Health Professions Student,” Las Vegas, Nevada. February 2023. (Accepted)

Theaker, K. V. & Trad, M. L. 95th Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Meeting and Educational Symposium 2026, "Combatting Academic Burnout in the Health Professions Student," Austin, TX. April 2026.

Theaker, K. Westwood High School Career Fair, Tabling Event, 2/26/2026.

Theaker, K. ACC Students: Online Radiation Therapy Q & A- Zoom Meeting, 9/25/2025.

Sawyer, K. V., Henry, N. R., Hudgins, A. M., Herrin, S. R., Gibbs, K. A., & Trad, M. L., American Association for Respiratory Care Congress 2024, "Stimulating reflection and creativity in interprofessional education using the photovoice methodology," Orlando, FL. November 2024.

Sawyer, K. ACC Students: Online Radiation Therapy Q & A- Zoom Meeting, 10/24/2024.

Sawyer, K. Medical Explorers of San Marcos, meeting. Introduction to Radiation Therapy. 4/02/2024.

Sawyer, K. ACC Students: Online Radiation Therapy Q & A- Zoom Meeting, 11/14/2023.

Sawyer, K. & Trad, M. ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference, "Incorporating Low Stress Teaching Methodologies to Reduce Student Burnout," San Diego, CA, 10/03/23.

3. Consultancies:

4. Workshops:

Theaker, K. New Tenure-Track Faculty Orientation, College of Health Professions Roundtable leader, August 2026.

Theaker, K. New Tenure-Track Faculty Orientation, College of Health Professions Roundtable leader, August 2025.

5. Other Works not in Print:

a. Works "submitted" or "under review":
b. Works "in progress":
c. Other Works Not in Print:

6. Posters:

Theaker, K. V., Herrin, S. R., Hudgins, A. M., Henry, N. R., Gibbs, K. A., Trad, M. L., (2026). Translational Health Scholar Showcase, "Learned Self Reflection, Interprofessional Interaction, and Growth of Health Professions Students' Using Photovoice Methodology," Texas State University Translational Health Research Center, Texas State University Performing Arts Center, San Marcos, TX, United States. (April 2026).

This work was also accepted and presented at the Texas State College of Health Professions Research Forum in April 2026

Sawyer, K. V., Henry, N. R., Hudgins, A. M., Herrin, S. R., Gibbs, K. A., & Trad, M. L., (2024). Stimulating reflection and creativity in interprofessional education using the photovoice methodology. Orlanda, FL. (November 2024).

Sawyer, K. V., Trad, M. L., Herrin, S. R., Gibbs, K. A., (2024). College of Health Professions Research Forum, "Academic Burnout in Health Professions Students," Texas State University College of Health Professions, Avery Building, Texas State University-Round Rock Campus, Round Rock, TX, United States. (April 11, 2024).

Gibbs, K. A., Herrin, S. R., **Sawyer, K. V.**, Trad, M. L., (2024). College of Health Professions Research Forum, "Interprofessional Education Made Easy: Collaboration Between Physical Therapy and Radiation Therapy Using Photovoice," Texas State University College of Health Professions, Avery Building, Texas State University-Round Rock Campus, Round Rock, TX, United States. (April 11, 2024).

Herrin, S. R., Gibbs, K. A., Trad, M. L., **Sawyer, K. V**., (2024). Combined Sections Meeting, "Photovoice and Interprofessional Education: Stimulating Reflection, Collaboration, and Positive Attitude Changes in Health Professions Students," American Physical Therapy Association, Boston, MA. (February 16, 2024)

Sawyer, K. V., Herrin, S. R., Trad, M. L., Gibbs, K. A., (2024). Translational Health Scholar Showcase, "Academic Burnout in Health Professions Students," Texas State University Translational Health Research Center, Texas State University Performing Arts Center, San Marcos, TX, United States. (February 2024).

Sawyer, K. **V.**, (2023). Health Scholar Showcase, "Access to Radiation Therapy in Costa Rica," Texas State University. (March 2023).

Sawyer, K. V., (2023). College of Health Professions 27th Annual Faculty/Student Research Forum, "Access to Radiation Therapy in Costa Rica for Prostate Cancer," College of Health Professions, Texas State University, Online. (April 2023).

C. Scholarly / Creative Grants and Contracts:

1. Funded External Grants and Contracts:

2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Grants and Contracts:

Herrin, S. R. (Co-Principal), **Sawyer, K. V**. (Co-Principal), "Interprofessional Collaborative Practice in Integrated Cancer Care," Sponsored by APTA Oncology, Private / Foundation / Corporate, $7,250.00.

Herrin, S. R., **Sawyer, K. V. (Co-Principal),** "Interprofessional Collaborative Practice in Integrated Cancer Care," Sponsored by Division of Research, Texas State University, $16,000.00.

3. Funded Internal Grants and Contracts:

4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Grants and Contracts:

D. Scholarly / Creative Fellowships, Awards, Honors:

College of Health Professions 2024 Presidential Distinction for Excellence in Scholarly/Creative Activities, Texas State University, College of Health Professions. (2024).

E. Scholarly / Creative Professional Development Activities Attended:

F. Media Recognition:

IV. SERVICE

A. Institutional

1. University:
   Pre-Radiation Therapy, Co-Faculty Advisor, 2024-present
   Truth College Ministry, Faculty Advisor, 2023-present
   Delta Gamma Fraternity, Alumnae volunteer, Panhellenic Advisor, Zeta Eta chapter, Summer 2025-present

2. College:
   Nominations and Elections Committee, 2025-present
   Student Success Committee, 2025-present
   BSHS Search Committee member, Spring 2025-Fall 2025
   Interprofessional Education (IPE) Committee, Vice-Chair, 2023-present
   Faculty and Student Research Forum, member, 2023-present
   Study Abroad and Study in America Committee, member, 2023-present
   Faculty/Student Research Forum, member, 2023-present
   Faculty Senate, liaison, 2023-present
   Student Scholarship, member, 2023-2025
   Faculty Development and Research, member, 2023-2025

3. Department/School:
   Radiation Therapy Representation, Admitted Student Day
   2025, 2026
   Radiation Therapy Representation, Round Rock Days
   2024, 2025, 2026
   Radiation Therapy Representative, Bobcat Days
   2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
   Radiation Therapy Student Interview Committee
   2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
   Cancer Awareness Day, Radiation Therapy Program

2023, 2024, 2025, 2026

B. Professional:

C. Community:

Delta Gamma Fraternity, Alumnae volunteer, Panhellenic Advisor, Beta Eta chapter
Spring 2026-present
Delta Gamma Fraternity, Alumnae volunteer, Panhellenic Advisor, Zeta Eta chapter
Summer 2025-present
The Vine Community Church, Kids Camp, volunteer
Summer 2025
The Austin Stone, Serve Team Member, Worship Team
2025-present
The Well Community Church, Kids Camp, volunteer
Summer 2024
The Austin Stone, Serve Team Member, Production Team
2024-present
The Well Community Church, Serve Team Member, Worship Team
2022-present
The Well Community Church, House Church Leader
2022-2023
The Well Community Church, Serve Team Lead
2022-2023
The Well Community Church, Connections Team Lead
2022-2023
Delta Gamma Fraternity, Alumnae volunteer, Honor Board Advisor, Beta Eta chapter
2019-2023
The Austin Delta Gamma Alumnae Chapter, Panhellenic delegate
2018-2019
Be The Match, Bone Marrow Drive
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX- Fall 2016
The University of Texas, Austin, TX- Fall 2016
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX- Fall 2017
The University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley, Brownsville, TX- Spring 2018
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX- Spring 2024

D. Organization Memberships:

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) membership
Fall 2016- present.
Texas Society of Radiologic Technologists (TXSRT) membership
Spring 2023- present.
Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Science (AEIRS) membership
Spring 2023- present.

E. Service Honors and Awards:

Lambda Nu Honor Society for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
The National Society of Leadership and Success

F. Service Grants and Contracts:

1. Funded External Service Grants and Contracts:

2. Submitted, but not Funded, External Service Grants and Contracts:

3. Funded Internal Service Grants and Contracts:

4. Submitted, but not Funded, Internal Service Grants and Contracts:

G. Service Professional Development Activities Attended:
Delta Gamma, Collegiate Leadership Collective, small group facilitator
January 24th, 2026.