

**COURSE DIRECTOR/FACULTY TEACHING BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

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**NAME:** Mackenzie Mosera MAT MS MPH CGC

**INSTITUTION POSITION TITLE:** Lead Genetic Counselor, Associate in Pediatrics

**GRADUATE PROGRAM POSITION TITLE:** Course Director

**EDUCATION/TRAINING:** (Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE (if applicable)	Completion Date MM/YYYY	FIELD OF STUDY
The College of New Jersey (Ewing, NJ)	BS	05/2015	Biology / Deaf Education
The College of New Jersey (Ewing, NJ)	MAT	05/2016	Deaf Education
University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)	MS	05/2019	Genetic Counseling
University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)	MPH	05/2019	Health Behavior & Health Education
MI Developmental Disabilities Institute (Detroit, MI)		05/2019	Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND)

**A. Course Title(s):** Medical Genetics I, Public Health Genomics, LEND ITT Program

**B. Please provide a brief statement of expertise and/or skill set that you offer for students taking the course(s) you are responsible for teaching (Standard A2.5.2).**

My primary clinical role focuses on working with patients with a wide range of conditions and genetic risk factors in pediatric and general genetics settings. Specifically, I work in both inpatient and outpatient general genetics clinics as well as serving as the Genetic Counselor for the Cleft & Craniofacial Multidisciplinary Clinic and Newborn Hearing Screening Follow Up. Throughout my time at Vanderbilt, my passion for addressing gaps in care and services, particularly as it relates to caring for patients in the inpatient setting has grown. Over the past few years, I have led efforts to improve genetic counseling services in the inpatient, and other settings at Vanderbilt through both dedicated effort in these spaces as well as increasing access to rapid genome sequencing for critically ill neonates and pediatric patients. My research interests span a variety of quality improvement projects. I aim to bring many of these advocacy skills into the classroom where I work with students to ensure they not only have the knowledge they need, but also the tools to communicate effectively about our expertise. In regard to my continued growth as an educator, I participate regularly in the Becoming a Better Educator Series through VUMC as well as program/course specific training with the MGC program and strive to incorporate student feedback effectively.

**C. Positions, certification, and honors** (include dates):I. Positions and employment:

- I. Lead Genetic Counselor, Associate in Pediatrics, Division of Medical Genetics & Genomic Medicine (Feb 2024 – Present)
- II. Genetic Counselor, Assistant in Pediatrics, Division of Medical Genetics & Genomic Medicine (Sep 2019 – Jan 2024)
- III. Assistant Fieldwork Coordinator, Vanderbilt Masters Genetic Counseling Program (Jan 2022-Jan 2023)
- IV. Genetic Test Utilization Management Counselor, Department of Pathology, Microbiology & Immunology (Jan 2020 – July 2024)

II. Certification (please include specific field)

- I. Certified Genetic Counselor, American Board of Genetic Counseling (8/2019 – Present)
- II. Licensed Genetic Counselor, Tennessee # 313 (8/2019 – Present)

III. Honors:

- I. TNGCA Excellence in Advocacy Award (8/2023)
- II. Safety Super Hero Award (8/2022)
- III. TNGCA Outstanding Clinical Supervisor Award (8/2021)
- IV. Nominated for 2021 Vanderbilt Genetics Institute Excellence in Classroom Education Award (5/2021) Award 5/2019
- V. Nominated for 2020 Vanderbilt Genetics Institute Excellence in Mentoring Award (5/2019)

**D. Please list your Teaching/Mentorship/Clinical Supervision/Leadership Activities.** (within the last 5 years):**Graduate School Courses**Course Director for MGC Courses

GC 6500 - Medical Genetics I (formerly Human Development)   VU MGCP	Sep 2020 - Present
GC7000 - Genomics in Public Health   VU MGCP	Sep 2020 - Present
Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disorders (LEND) MGC IT Program   VU MGCP	Jan 2020 - Present
GC7500 - Topics in Clinical Genetics   VU MGCP	Sep 2020 - Dec 2021

Guest Lectures

Topics in Audiology - Senior Extern Seminar Series | VU Doctorate of Audiology Program

- Genetics: Who, Why & How Often: March 2023

GC 6015 - Theories of the Human Experience | VU MGCP

- Two Day Disability Theory Workshop: March 2022, April 2023, March 2024

LEND Core Module | Vanderbilt Kennedy Center LEND Consortium

- Genetics Core Module Facilitator: November 2022, November 2023

PBHG 667 Public Health Genomics | The College of New Jersey MPH Program

- Genetic Counseling: Clinical Practice & Public Health Implications: Oct 2021, Oct 2022

GC 6250 - Laboratory Science in Medical Genetics | VU MGCP

- Genetic Test Utilization Management: Feb 2021, Feb 2022, Feb 2023, Feb 2024

HRSP 8352 - Pathology of the Auditory System | VU Doctorate of Audiology Program

- Genetic Counseling in the Context of Hearing Loss: Feb 2020, March 2021, March 2022, March 2023

GC 6515 - Medical Genetics II | VU MGCP

- CDG, Skeletal Metabolic Conditions & Biotinidase Deficiency: Feb 2020

GC 6500 - Human Development | VU MGCP

- Development of the Ear & Auditory System & Hearing Loss Genetics: Oct 2019

Curriculum Development

MGCP Integrated Case Content Developer

Sep 2019 - April 2021

- Developed and critically reviewed comprehensive medical education cases in alignment with ABGC Practice Based Competencies for Genetic Counselors

**Continuing Medical Education**

University of Kentucky - Pediatric Genetics

April 2024

*Establishing a Perinatal Demise Workflow; One Institutions Experience*

Division of Genetics & Genomic Medicine (VUMC) - Journal Club

January 2023

Division of Genetics & Genomic Medicine (VUMC) - Journal Club

May 2022

Division of Genetics & Genomic Medicine (VUMC) - MM&I Conference

April 2022

*AIM-ing for the Correct Diagnosis...or No Diagnosis: Importance of Careful Variant*

*Interpretation*

Division of Audiology (VUMC) - Journal Club

December 2020

*Genetics Referrals for Audiologist: Who, Why & How Often?*

Division of Genetics &amp; Genomic Medicine (VUMC) - Journal Club

February 2020

*Isolated Birth Defects Revisited: Early Evidence for Associations between Birth Defects & Pediatric Cancers***E. Professional Activities (Within the last 5 years):**

- I. NSGC Craniofacial Subcommittee of Pediatric Clinical SIG Co-Chair (Jan 2023-Present)
- II. National Coordinating Center for the Regional Genetics Networks (NCC) at ACMG Hearing Loss ACT Sheet Working Group for Revision of ACT Sheet (March 2024)
- III. National Organization of Rare Disease (NORD) Center of Excellence Public Policy & Collective Advocacy Working Group (May 2022-Jan 2024)
- IV. NSGC Ophthalmology / Hearing Loss SIG – Project Co-Chair Pocket Guide for Referrals to Genetics for Hearing Loss for Audiologists & Otolaryngologists (<https://qrco.de/bc0WWd>) (Oct 2020-Mar 2021)

**F. Research, funded grants and/or scholastic endeavors including accepted abstracts and other publications: (Please only include accomplishments from the last 5 years):****Peer-Reviewed Publications****Publication / Journal of Perinatology**

Schuler BA, **Mosera M**, Hatch LD, Grochowsky A, Wheeler F. Collaborative efforts to improve genetic testing in the neonatal intensive care unit. *J Perinatol.* 2023 Dec;43(12):1500-1505. doi: 10.1038/s41372-023-01817-y. Epub 2023 Nov 1. PMID: 37914812.

**Publication / Molecular Genetics & Genomic Medicine**

Tinker, R. J., Guess, T., Rinker, D. C., Sheehan, J. H., Lubarsky, D., Porath, B., **Mosera, M.**, Mayo, P., Solem, E., Lee, L. A., Sharam, A., & Brault, J. (2022). A novel, likely pathogenic variant in UBTF-related neurodegeneration with brain atrophy is associated with a severe divergent neurodevelopmental phenotype. *Molecular genetics & genomic medicine*, 10(12), e2054. <https://doi.org/10.1002/mgg3.2054>

**Poster Presentations at Academic Conferences****Poster / American College of Medical Geneticists (March 2022)**

Wheeler, F., **Mosera, M.**, Solem, E., Porath, B., Lee, L., Stricker, T., Phillips, J., Phillips III, JA., Exome sequencing unravels dual diagnoses and complex molecular etiologies in a family with prior negative diagnostic testing

**Poster / Phonak 8th International Pediatric Audiology Conference (March 2021)**

Mosera, M., Schaefer A., Genetic Counseling and Genetic Testing for Hearing Loss and Deafness: A Foundation for Comprehensive and Tailored Care

**Invited Talks****Peer Reviewed Oral Presentation Moderator / American College of Medical Genetics (March 2024)**

Navigating Genetic Evaluation and Counseling in Cases of Perinatal Demise

**Talk / Vanderbilt Youth Sports Conference (July 2023)**

Improving Care & Support for the Medically Restricted or Disqualified Athlete

**Talk / Cleft & Velopharyngeal Dysfunction Interactive Conference (October 2022)**

Genetics: What Are The Options

**Panelist / Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Virtual Conference (March 2022)**

Food for Thought: Student-Professional Networking Breakfast Panelist