

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- **Indiana State University Evansville** • Evansville, IN • 1978 - 1979

- **Northwestern University** • Chicago, IL • 1977

Below Knee Prosthetics, Above Knee Prosthetics, Upper Extremity Prosthetics, Special Prosthetics, Certification to care for Veterans-Veterans Administration

- **University of California at Los Angeles** • Los Angeles, CA • 1974

Below Knee Prosthetics

- **University of Texas at El Paso** • El Paso, TX • 1973

## Experience

- **Garrison's Prosthetic Services Inc.** • N. Miami Beach, FL • 1986 - Present

Prosthetist/facility owner & manager

- **Mankey's Prosthetics & Orthotics** • Ft. Lauderdale, FL • Staff Prosthetist

- **JE Hanger Inc.** • Chicago, IL • Staff Prosthetist

- **JE Hanger Inc.** • Evansville, IN • Residency

- **El Paso Brace and Limb Co.** • El Paso, TX • Prosthetic on the job training

## Professional Certifications

- State of Florida Department of Health  
Awarded Licensed Prosthetist • 1998
- American Board for Certification in Orthotics & Prosthetics  
Awarded Certified Prosthetist • 1979
- Certified Prosthetist Veterans Administration  
Certified to provide care for United States War Veterans • 1978

## Continuing Education Study

- Otto Bock: Dynamic Arm Course (2 Days)
- Postoperative Management of the Lower Extremity Amputation
- Touch Bionics i-LIMB Hand course
- Otto Bock Myoelectric Upper Extremity
- DAW Industries Advance program materials for prosthetics
- Silicone Suction for Below Knee system
- Flex Foot
- Collage Park foot
- Microprocessor knee – Otto Bock, Endolite, Ossur, TrueLife, Freedom Innovations
- Life Like Laboratories – cosmetic partial foot
- Various programs relating to appropriate care for the diabetic foot and partial foot amputee
- CAD-CAM related studies
- College Park Product Preview
- Motion Control: Super Course (Utah Arm & ProPlus)
- OttoBock C-Leg 4 Version 2
- Endolite LINX Certification
- Endolite LINX Integrated Limb System

## Professional Achievements

- *It's Just A Matter of Balance* became recommended reading by The American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists • 2009
- Authored an autobiography titled *It's Just A Matter of Balance*, providing insight and inspiration for both the permanently disabled and the professionals that care for them • 2005
- Assistant Professor Florida International University • Miami Florida  
Taught one semester of Upper Extremity Prosthetics to Senior Students + Lab • 1993
- Founded Company: Garrison's Prosthetic Services Inc. • 1986
- U.S. Patent #4,564,365: Quick Change Mechanism for a Limb Prosthesis • 1986
- Published an article: *Journal of the American Orthotic and Prosthetic Association* • 1983  
Volume 37, Number 2, 1983, p. 53

## **Guest Speaker Engagements Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students)**

- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2019
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2018
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2017
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2016
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2015
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2014
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2013
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2012
- Nova Southeastern University (Physical Therapy Masters Degree/Doctorate students) Morning Lecture – "Lower Extremity Amputee Needs" • 2011
- St Petersburg College (Junior Prosthetic Bachelor's Degree students) Lecture and Lab – "The Syme Amputation Patient" • 2011
- Lecturing (PowerPoint presentations) at various local Rehabilitation Hospitals, Hospital Physical & Occupational Therapy depts., MD offices • On-going
- St Petersburg College (Junior Prosthetic Bachelor's Degree students) Lecture and Lab – "The Syme Amputation Patient" • 2010
- Miami Dade College/Wolfson Campus, Bioscience Speaker Series Event • 2010
- Broward County Florida, Pompano Beach Branch Public Library • 2010
- St. Petersburg College (Junior Prosthetic Bachelor's Degree students) • Lecture and Lab – "The Syme Amputation Patient" • 2009
- Miami Dade College/Wolfson Campus, Bioscience Speaker Series Event • 2009
- Miami Dade College/North Campus, Keynote Motivational Speaker, Retooling Science Team • 2009
- Hollywood Memorial Spinal Cord Injury Support Group (Inspirational) • 2009
- Georgia Tech, Prosthetic Master's Degree students (Lecture on Ethics) • 2008
- St. Petersburg College, Senior Prosthetic Bachelor's Degree students (Lecture on Ethics) • 2008
- Stranahan High School Magnet Health Care Students Reviewed "It's Just a Matter of Balance" • 2008
- Keiser College, OTA students Inspirational talk: "*It's Just a Matter of Balance*" • 2006 - 2007
- Dallas Amputee Network, Dallas, TX (Inspirational for amputees) • 2006
- Florida Amputee Support Team, Sunrise, FL (Inspirational for amputees) • 2006

## **Volunteer Activities**

- Member of the Health Science Advisory Board for the Broward County Public School System • 2007
- Active association with the Barr Foundation • 1986 - Present
- Attend monthly at the Miami Veterans Administration Hospital (Amputee Clinic for the service-connected injured veteran) • 1980 - Present
- Served on the Board for the Handicapped in the city of Plantation, FL • 1990 - 1993
- Served as Vice President on the Board for the Broward County Independent Living Center • 1990

## **Active Professional Memberships**

- American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics
- American Academy of Orthotists and Prosthetists
- American Orthotic Prosthetic Association

## **Current Professional Activities & Projects**

- Northwestern University Orthotic and Prosthetic Program  
Masters Degree Program/Psychology Curriculum  
Asked to assist in the designing of the new psychology course; *It's Just A Matter of Balance* will become required reading in it • 2008-Present
- *It's Just A Matter of Balance* becoming required reading in both Georgia Tech and St. Petersburg Colleges' Orthotic and Prosthetic Programs • 2008-Present
- *It's Just A Matter of Balance* becoming required reading in all Magnet Health Care High School Programs • 2008-Present
- *It's Just A Matter of Balance* becoming required reading in all college-level Prosthetic and Orthotic Educational Programs in the U.S., U.K., and Australia • 2008-Present