

Research Biography

Dr Noemi Tari-Keresztes completed her master's degree in sociology through the University of Szeged Hungary (2004) and her PhD degree in psychology from the Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary (2009). She also holds a Williams Life Skills (WLS) Facilitator (2006) certificate and participated in short courses such as Trauma Informed Care (AMSANT), Suicide prevention (Wesley Lifeforce), Cultural Awareness (Menzies School of Health Research), and Healing Trauma and Addiction (Wholehearted/Dr Gabor Mate).

Currently, she is a Research Fellow (Lived Experience) at Flinders University, Rural and Remote Health – NT, College of Medicine & Public Health. Previously, she was a Research Fellow at Menzies School of Health Research (Menzies), Alcohol, Other Drugs and Gambling (AODG). Prior to this role, she was a Research Support Officer II. at the Centre for Resilience and Socio-Emotional Health at the University of Malta and a Research Support Officer I. at the Islands and Small States Institute at the University of Malta. Her previous working history also includes posts as (1) assistant professor at the Institute of Physical Education and Sport Sciences (University of Szeged, Hungary), (2) visiting researcher at the Centre for Social Research in Health (UNSW, Sydney, Australia), and (3) postdoctoral research fellow at the Institute of Physical Education and Sport Sciences (University of Szeged, Hungary). She voluntarily contributed her time as a PhD supervisor at the University of Pecs, Hungary, and she was an examiner for master's theses at Charles Darwin University (CDU).

She gained most of her experience in quantitative studies, where she was responsible for project and data management including data collection, coding, cleaning, statistical analysis, publication, and knowledge translation. In the last couple of years. Noemi has expanded her experience in qualitative research methods, so she became experienced enough to apply mixed methodology in her studies. She has contributed to multiple Australian Government, Primary Health Network (PHN), Non-Government Organisation (NGO) and National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) funded socio-emotional wellbeing (SEWB) research and evaluation projects that extend into areas relating to community mental health, peer education, peer recovery, alcohol and other drug use, gambling, education, workforce capacity building, and other Indigenous-focused research contexts. She has been listed as a Co-Investigator on several research projects, amounting to nearly \$2 Million. The outcomes of her research contributed to the AODG team being awarded a 2019 National AOD Award for Excellence and Innovation (Research) by the Alcohol and Drug Foundation. These have all been focused on improving the health outcomes of highly vulnerable populations. Recently, she was successful in securing research funding from the Alcohol and Drug Foundation, Menzies School of Health Research and the National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre. Over the past years, Noemi has been awarded multiple grants and awards like Scholarship of Republic (Hungary), Hungarian Academy of Sciences Award, Balassi Tutorial Fellowship, Hungarian Sport Science Association Publication Award, Magyary Zoltán Postdoctoral Fellowship, Campus Hungary Long-term Mobility Fellowship and several travel grants and conference awards. She has published several papers in international and Hungarian journals, international and Hungarian academic book chapters, books and serves as an ad hoc reviewer for international and Hungarian journals. She has been recently invited as a Review Editor on the Editorial Board of Public Mental Health (specialty section of Frontiers in Public Health, Frontiers in Psychiatry and Frontiers in Sociology).

Qualifications

PhD, Psychology, Semmelweis University, Hungary

Award Date: 7 Nov 2009

Master, Sociology, University of Szeged

Award Date: 11 Jun 2004

Employment

Full Member

Flinders Health and Medical Research Institute Flinders University
11 Apr 2022 → present

Research Fellow

Menzies School of Health Research, Australia 1 May 2019 → 1 Feb 2022

Research Support Officer I (part-time)

University of Malta Msida, Malta 1 Jan 2018 → 1 Jan 2019

Research Support Officer II (part time)

University of Malta
Msida, Malta
1 Jan 2018 → 1 Jan 2019

PhD supervisor

University of Pécs Pécs, Hungary 1 Jan 2014 → present

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

University of Szeged 1 Jan 2013 → 1 Jan 2015

Assistant Professor

University of Szeged 1 Jan 2010 → 1 Jan 2016

Part-time Lecturer

University of Szeged 1 Jan 2005 → 1 Jan 2010

Doctoral Researcher (PhD studies)

1 Jan 2004 → 1 Jan 2007

Higher Degree Researcher (HDR

University of Szeged 1 Jan 2003 → 1 Jan 2004

Honorary Fellow/Research team

University of Szeged Faculty of Medicine Hungary
1 Jan 2003 → present

Research outputs

Conflict management in Physical Education: The critical role of team-based activities in physical education to improve cooperation and wellbeing

Dely-Palinkas, A., Tari-Keresztes, N. & Gupta, H., Nov 2023, In: International Journal of Emotional Education. 15, 2, p. 164-168 5 p.

"You Don't Get That from Professionals": A Consumer-Led Peer Recovery Program for Families and Friends of Individuals with Alcohol and Other Drugs Use Issues in Darwin

Tari-Keresztes, N., Armstrong, N., Smith, J. A., Gupta, H., Goding, S. & Endemann, S. A., 14 Apr 2023, In: International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health. 20, 8, 12 p., 5514.

Evaluation of the "Professionalising the NT Peer Workforce and expanding peer supports for Territorians who experience mental health challenges" project

Tari-Keresztes, N., Smith, J. A., Gupta, H. & Aanundsen, D., Nov 2022, NT, Australia: UniPrint NT. 60 p.

'Like a family in the end': Improving mental health Recovery skills through Peer-to-Peer communication in Darwin, Australia

Tari-Keresztes, N., Girdler, X., Gupta, H., Clarke, B., Christie, B., A. Smith, J., Armstrong, N. & Harris, V., Nov 2022, In: Health and Social Care in The Community. 30, 6, p. e5336-e5345 10 p.

Supporting family members' and friends' individual recovery with a locally co-designed peer-led recovery program in Darwin

Tari-Keresztes, N., Armstrong, N., Smith, J. A., Gupta, H., Goding, S., Endermann, S-A. & Mulholland, K., Oct 2022, Darwin, Northern Territory: Flinders University. 67 p.

Drink and drug driving education in the Northern Territory: a qualitative study illustrating issues of access and inequity Wright, C. J. C., Miller, M., Wallace, T., Clifford, S., Black, O., Tari-Keresztes, N. & Smith, J., Aug 2022, In: Australian and New Zealand Journal of Public Health. 46, 4, p. 450-454 5 p.

Evaluation of the Two Ways Mentoring Program

Tari-Keresztes, N., Gupta, H. & Smith, J., Jan 2022, Menzies School of Health Research. 62 p.

A qualitative investigation of Aboriginal gambling behaviour, consequences, risk factors, and help-seeking in the Northern Territory. Northern Territory

Gupta, H., Tari-Keresztes, N., Aanundsen, D. & Stevens, M., Aug 2021, Northern Territory: UniPrint NT. 90 p.

Follow-up Evaluation of the Peer-Led Education Pilot in Darwin Tari-Keresztes, N., Smith, J. & Gupta, H., 2021, Brinkin, N.T.: UniPrint NT. 97 p.

An exploratory study of Hungarian university students' sexual attitudes and behaviours Keresztes, N., Piko, B. F., Howard-Payne, L. & Gupta, H., Apr 2020, In: International Journal of Emotional Education. 12, 1, p. 83-87 5 p.

A scoping review about social and emotional wellbeing programs and services targeting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in Australia: understanding the principles guiding promising practice Gupta, H., Tari-Keresztes, N., Stephens, D., Smith, J. A., Sultan, E. & Lloyd, S., 2020, In: BMC Public Health. 20, 20 p., 1625.

Beyond Blue Be You Pilbara and Kimberley Project: Mid-Term Evaluation Report Stephens, D., Merlino, A., Tari-Keresztes, N., Clifford, C., Vigona, J., Palmer, D., Caton-Graham, P., Mulholland, K., Smith, J., Collard, L. & Adams, M., 2020, Casuarina, NT: Menzies School of Health Research. 104 p.

Evaluation of a Peer-Led Education Pilot for people with psychosocial support needs in Darwin, Northern Territory Tari-Keresztes, N., Christie, B., Gupta, H., Wallace, T., Stephens, D., Caton-Graham, P. & Smith, J. A., 2020, Brinkin, N.T.: UniPrint NT. 148 p.

Promising Practice Guide: Improve the social and emotional wellbeing of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with severe and complex mental health needs

Smith, J., Christie, B., Tari-Keresztes, N., Gupta, H., Stephens, D., Wallace, T. & Caton-Graham, P., 2020, Parkville, VIC: Orygen. 21 p.

Final Report: Promising practice approaches to improve the social and emotional wellbeing of young Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people with severe and complex mental health needs

Smith, J. A., Christie, B., Tari-Keresztes, N., Gupta, H., Stephens, D., Wallace, T. & Caton-Graham, P., Dec 2019, Brinkin, N.T.: UniPrint NT. 76 p.

A Passage to Malta: The health and wellbeing of foreign children in Malta Cefai, C., Keresztes, N., Galea, N. & Spiteri, R., 2019, Santa Luċija, Malta: Commissioners for Children, Malta. 248 p.

Does competitiveness count? The role of competitive attitudes in health risk and preventive health behaviours Keresztes, N., Pikó, B. & Fülöp, M., 2015, In: European Journal of Mental Health. 10, 1, p. 44-61 18 p.

The Interacting Role of Physical Activity and Diet Control in Hungarian Adolescents' Substance Use and Psychological Health

Kovacs, E., Piko, B. F. & Keresztes, N., 2014, In: Substance Use and Misuse. 49, 10, p. 1278-1286 9 p.

Self-control, diet concerns and eater prototypes influence fatty foods consumption of adolescents in three countries Gerrits, J. H., O'Hara, R. E., Piko, B. F., Gibbons, F. X., De Ridder, D. T. D., Keresztes, N., Kamble, S. V. & De Wit, J. B. F., Dec 2010, In: Health Education Research. 25, 6, p. 1031-1041 11 p.

Do high-and low-active adolescents have different prototypes of physically active peers? Keresztes, N., Piko, B. F., Gibbons, F. X. & Spielberger, C. D., Jan 2009, In: Psychological Record. 59, 1, p. 39-52 14 p.

Sociodemographic and socioeconomic variations in leisure time physical activity in a sample of Hungarian youth Piko, B. F. & Keresztes, N., Dec 2008, In: International Journal of Public Health. 53, 6, p. 306-310 5 p.

Táplálkozáskontroll középiskolások körében: Az étkezési magatartás társas összefüggéseinek nemek szerinti jellegzetességei

Pikó, B. & Keresztes, N., Jun 2008, In: Mentalhigiene es Pszichoszomatika. 9, 2, p. 149-164 16 p.

Social influences in sports activity among adolescents

Keresztes, N., Piko, B. F., Pluhar, Z. F. & Page, R. M., 1 Jan 2008, In: Journal of the Royal Society For the Promotion of Health. 128, 1, p. 21-25 5 p.

Early adolescent girls' psychosocial health in the light of their sports activity behavior

Keresztes, N. & Piko, B. F., 2008, *Progress in Exercise and Women's Health Research*. Coulter, J. P. (ed.). New York: Nova Science Publishers, Inc., p. 255-269 15 p.

Self-perceived health among early adolescents: Role of psychosocial factors

Piko, B. F. & Keresztes, N., Oct 2007, In: PEDIATRICS INTERNATIONAL. 49, 5, p. 577-583 7 p.

Serdülok egészségmagatartása két szociális megküzdési (coping) mechanizmus tükrében

Pikó, B. & Keresztes, N., Jun 2007, In: Magyar Pszichologiai Szemle. 62, 2, p. 203-214 12 p.

The Role of Social Coping Mechanisms in Adolescent Health Behavior

Piko, B. & Tari-Keresztes, N., 2007, Focus on Adolescent Behavior Research . Rhodes, T. C. (ed.). New York: Nova Science Publishers, Inc.

Pszichoszomatikus tünetképzés mint egészségindikátor a korai serdülokorban: Magatartás-epidemiológiai elemzés Pikó, B. & Keresztes, N., 7 May 2006, In: Orvosi hetilap. 147, 18, p. 819-825 7 p.

Aggressive behavior and psychosocial health among children

Piko, B. F., Keresztes, N. & Pluhar, Z. F., Apr 2006, In: Personality and Individual Differences. 40, 5, p. 885-895 11 p.

Physical activity, psychosocial health, and life goals among youth

Piko, B. F. & Keresztes, N., Apr 2006, In: Journal of Community Health. 31, 2, p. 136-145 10 p.

Awards

Remote National Psychosocial Support (NPS)
Armstrong, N., Tari-Keresztes, N., Gupta, H. & Smith, J. 2/01/24 → 30/06/25