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Melodie Kondratek

Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy
Area of Recognition: Research

A member of the physical therapy program faculty since 2004, Melodie Kondratek has published three articles, co-authored a textbook and presented six peer-reviewed research poster presentations, receiving recognition for her research in pediatrics and orthopedics. Her research poster, "The Effect of Joint Mobilization on Knee Flexion Contractures in an Adolescent with Cerebral Palsy: A Case Report," received the Michigan Physical Therapy Association 2006 Award for Outstanding Clinical Poster. In addition, Kondratek's article, "Values for Active Lumbar Range of Motion in Children," received the 2008 Toby Long award for the best-written research paper published in the journal, *Pediatric Physical Therapy*. Kondratek received an Oakland University Faculty Research Grant, two education development grants and was recently awarded, with Oakland colleagues John Krauss and Doug Creighton, a \$20,000 research grant from the Del Harder Research Fund from the Detroit Medical Center. Kondratek teaches in the entry-level DPT program, the DScPT program and the orthopedic manual physical therapy and pediatric certificate programs.

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