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EDUCATION:

B.S., Industrial Engineering, Lamar State University, 1959.
B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Lamar State University, 1959.
M.S., Engineering, University of Alabama, 1961.
Ph.D., Industrial Engineering, Texas Tech University, 1967, Major in Ergonomics.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Dr. Purswell has taught ergonomics, human factors engineering, industrial engineering and products safety, statistics, biomechanics and experimental methodology for human performance studies. He has conducted research dealing with highway safety, occupational safety, consumer product safety, work physiology and occupational biomechanics.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

5/95-present ***Professor Emeritus and Adjunct Professor, University of Oklahoma; President of Purswell & Purswell, Engineering & Ergonomics.***

Dr. Purswell served on student graduate committees as the advisor for their research and taught on an irregular schedule. Dr. Purswell consults with manufacturers, government agencies and attorneys in the areas of safety and ergonomics. He has continuing research interests in the areas of highway safety, occupational safety, product safety and occupational biomechanics. The basic principles of safety practice and ergonomics, and their relationship have been a continuing interest of Dr. Purswell over the last 20 years.

11/93-5/95 ***Professor of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.***

Taught and performed research in the areas of ergonomics, safety and their relationship as applied to the design of products, transportation systems and workplaces.

9/92-11/93 *Professor and Interim Director of the School of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Provided administration and leadership for the faculty and staff of the school. Taught and performed research in the areas of ergonomics, safety and their relationship as applied to the design of products, transportation systems and workplaces. Served on a variety of university and professional committees; also served on national advisory committees for safety and ergonomics. Consulted with manufacturers and attorneys.

9/82-9/92, 11/93-5/95 *Professor of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Taught and performed research in the areas of ergonomics, safety and their relationship as applied to the design of products, transportation systems and workplaces.

8/81-8/82 *Chief, Occupational Safety and Health Branch, the International Labor Organization, Geneva, Switzerland.*

Dr. Purswell directed the activities of a staff of 40 medical doctors, engineers and translators dealing with worldwide concerns in Occupational Safety and Health. The Branch produced international standards (codes of practice) dealing with a variety of OSH issues, conducted international technical meetings on OSH topics and operated a computer data base of worldwide OSH information.

1/81-7/81 *Professor of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Performed research, taught and consulted in the areas of ergonomics; occupational and product safety; work physiology and biomechanics.

6/78-12/80 *Director, Directorate of Safety Standards Programs, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), U.S. Department of Labor; and Special Assistant for Scientific and Regulatory Affairs to the Assistant Secretary for OSHA.*

In his capacity as Director of Safety Standards Programs, Dr. Purswell directed a staff of approximately 40 engineers and safety specialists who produced safety standards for the full range of industry, including construction, general manufacturing industry, shipbuilding and marine terminal operations. In addition to directing safety standards development for OSHA, Dr. Purswell also coordinated the entire range of scientific and technical activities of OSHA. He advised the Assistant Secretary on issues related to the development and enforcement of both safety and health standards and acted for the Assistant Secretary to provide a coordinated approach to scientific and regulatory matters for all OSHA programs. (Dr. Purswell was on assignment to the U.S. Department of Labor from the University of Oklahoma under an Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) appointment.)

9/77-6/78 *Professor of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Performed research, taught and consulted in the areas of ergonomics; occupational and product safety; work physiology.

6/73-8/77 *Professor and Director, School of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Directed the activities of curriculum review, student and faculty evaluation, laboratory and research program development, and also performed usual faculty duties as described above, although on a reduced scale.

9/70-6/73 *Associate Professor, School of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Performed research, taught and consulted in the areas of ergonomics, occupational and product safety, transportation safety and work physiology.

6/68-8/70 *Assistant Professor, School of Industrial Engineering, the University of Oklahoma.*

Duties and responsibilities same as period 9/70-6/73.

9/67-5/68 *Assistant Professor of Industrial Engineering, the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.*

Taught ergonomics and statistics and performed research in ergonomics.

1/65-5/65 *Assistant Professor, University of Texas at Arlington.*

Taught statistics and engineering mechanics.

9/62-1/65 *Manager, Staff Industrial Engineer, Collins Radio Company, Dallas, Texas.*

Managed a group of 15 highly qualified industrial engineers who served as internal consultants to Collins Radio Company. Activities included sales analyses, facilities planning, standard company operating procedures, development of manufacturing methods and development of staff requirements.

6/61-8/62 *Industrial Engineer, Proctor and Gamble, Macon, Georgia and Cincinnati, Ohio;*

Industrial engineer in charge of planning, budgeting, wage administration, and method improvement for an operating department.

5/59-9/59 *Technical Service Engineer, The Pure Oil Company, Nederland, Texas (later purchased by ARCO)*

5/60-9/60 *Technical Service Engineer, The Pure Oil Company, Nederland, Texas (later purchased by ARCO)*

Technical service engineer who documented existing process piping and equipment for refinery operating units, planned repairs needed after an accident in cracking unit, evaluated maintenance needs for a variety of operating units on an ongoing basis as well as for "turnarounds" and planned maintenance operations during "turnaround".

CONSULTING:

Consulting services have been provided to corporations, insurance companies and legal firms in matters involving ergonomics and safety. Service also includes consultation in occupational safety and ergonomics to the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), the U.S. Department of Labor (OSHA), the U.S. Congress (Office of Technology Assessment), the United Nations (International Labor Office), and the Centers for Disease Control, Injury Prevention Program. Consultations in the areas of product hazard warnings/instructions, occupational safety, and the ergonomics of product design have included clients in all fifty states and Canada.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

National Society of Professional Engineers.
Human Factors and Ergonomics Society.
Ergonomics Research Society of England.
American Industrial Hygiene Association.
Institute of Industrial Engineers.

HONORARY SOCIETIES:

Tau Beta Pi - National Engineering Honorary.
Alpha Pi Mu - National Industrial Engineering Honorary.

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Standard Oil Award for \$1,000 for teaching excellence in 1971.
Faculty Advisor for National AIIE Student Paper Contest Winner for 1970, 1971 and 1974.
Outstanding Educator Baldwin Study - Travel Award of \$1,000 for superior teaching as judged by students and alumni, 1984.
David F. Baker award for outstanding research contributions in Industrial Engineering - awarded by Institute of Industrial Engineers, 1985.
Demco Distinguished Lecturer - College of Engineering - \$2,500 awarded each year over five years of service, 1985.
Appointed to Board of Scientific Advisors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, 1988-1990.
Appointed to Advisory Board for The Center to Protect Workers' Rights, a research organization of the national building trades unions with funding from NIOSH and the unions (occupational safety and ergonomics expertise), 1992-present.
Chosen by Industrial Engineering students as Outstanding Professor, 1991 & 1993.

PUBLICATIONS:

1. Purswell, J.L., Ramsey, J.D. *The Correlation of Mechanical and Physiological Measures of Work for Movement of the Upper Limb*. AIIE Transactions, 1971.
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7. Purswell, J.L., Karim, B. *A Preliminary Study of Maximal Control Force Capability of Female Pilots*. FAA-AM-72-27, 1972, (Issued by NTIS).
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10. Purswell, J.L., Cochran, D., Hoag, L. *Development of a Predictive Model for Dynamic Visual Inspection Tasks*. Proceedings of the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Human Factors Society, 1973, pp. 31-43.
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14. Purswell, J.L., Stephens, Roger, *Blood Pressure and Static Work - An Important Consideration in Work Design*. Proceeding of the Human Factors Society, 1975. pp 199-202.
15. Purswell, J. L., Mill, R., Beaulieu, H. *Multidisciplinary Accident Investigation Final Report - Oklahoma*, Prepared for U. S. Dept. of Transportation, Contract No. DOT-HS-219-3-708, February 25, 1975

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19. Purswell, J.L. *Data Collection for Hand Tool Injury: An Approach*. Proceedings of a National Bureau of Standards Workshop, Gaithersburg, MD., May 26-28, 1976.
20. Purswell, J.L., Terrell, R. *The Influence of Forearm and Wrist Orientation on Static Grip Strength as a Design Criterion for Hand Tools*. Proceedings of the Sixth Congress of the International Ergonomics Association, 1976, pp. 28-32.
21. Purswell, J.L. *Designing Jobs for Women: Productivity Implications*. Proceedings of AIIE Systems Engineering Conference, 1976, pp. 107-110. (Reprinted by Coca-Cola for worldwide distribution.).
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25. Purswell, J.L. *A Study of Post-Crash Bus Evacuation Problems*. Proceedings of the Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of the Human Factors Society, 1978, pp. 522-527.
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33. Purswell, J.L. *Safety and Health Practices of Multinational Enterprises*. Published as monograph by ILO, Geneva, Switzerland, 1984, (with contribution by John Northcott).
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35. Purswell, J.L. *Preventing Illness and Injury in the Workplace*. Published by the Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress, April, 1985, (Contributed to several chapters).
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37. Purswell, J.L. *Health and Safety Technologies in the Workplace*. Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress (invited contribution, written with R.L. Stephens), Published by NTIS, 1985.
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41. Purswell, J.L., Ratliff, R., Hughes, M., Hadwiger, J. *A Content Validation Methodology for Job Related Physical Performance Test*. Public Personnel Management, Vol. 18, No. 4, Winter, 1989.
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