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Professional Experience:

- 1998- *Professor and State Extension Specialist* – Community Economic Development, Department of Agricultural Economics, Kansas State University
- Fall 2000 *Visiting Scholar* - Brandon University, Rural Development Institute, Brandon, Manitoba, Canada
- 1994 *Economic Advisor* to the Łódź Province Agricultural Extension Service in Poland. A six-month contract with the USDA Polish/American Extension Project.
- 1989 – 1998 *Associate Professor*, Kansas State University
- 1983 – 1989 *Assistant Professor*, Kansas State University
- 1982 – 1983 *Consultant* to the village of Cardington and Morrow County Commissioners.
- 1979 – 1982 *Doctoral Program*. Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Ohio State University.
- 1974 – 1979 *Research Associate*. Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University
- 1971 – 1973: *Agricultural Economist*. Ministry of Agriculture. The Republic of Botswana. (Peace Corps)

Education:

- Ph.D. The Ohio State University, 1983
 M.S. University of Massachusetts, 1974
 B.S. University of Massachusetts, 1970

- Discipline: Agricultural Economics
 Specialties: Community Economic Development
 Rural Development
 Strategic Visioning and Planning
 Retail Trade Analysis
 Measuring and Monitoring Community Change

Extension programs and short courses:

- Community Economic Development for the 21st Century
 Building Healthy Communities
 Building a Healthy Retail Community
 Measuring and Monitoring Change

Grants and contracts:

Kansas State Library. \$3,000 – Community Development @Your Library
Casino Impact Analysis.\$10,000 - TheTribal Council of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.
Trade Potential Analysis..... \$3,000 - Spring Hill Camber of Commerce
Casino Impact Analysis..... \$ 10,000 - The Prairie Band of the Potawatomi Nation.
Book of Readings..... \$5,000 - North Central Regional Center for Rural Development
Strategic Planning Video..... \$680 - KSU Ag Alumni Association
Successful Coping Strategies of
Rural Communities.....\$38,748 - KSU Ag Experiment Station Social Science Research
Input-Output.....\$9,000 - North Central Computer Institute
Input-Output.....\$ 7,500 - North Central Regional Center for Rural Development
Osage County Development Project...\$ 3,800- Kansas Department of Commerce
CDBG.....\$113,600 - Ohio Department of Economic Development
CDBG.....\$116,500 - Ohio Department of Economic Development
CDBG..... \$265,000 - Ohio Department of Economic Development
Jobs Bill.....\$ 6,500 - Ohio Department of Resources
Infrastructure Improvements\$18,000 - Ohio Department of Economic Development

Service activities:

United States

Member, The Community Development Society
Past editor of CD Practice for the Community Development Society (CDS)
Co-chair of the Communications Committee of CDS in 1998 and 1999.
Book Review Editor for the Journal of the CD Society, 1997 to 1999
Past co-chair of the Awards Committee of the CD Society, 1994
Past board member of the National Small Stores Institute
Advisor for joint NACo and USDA Satellite Conference, March 1992
Member of the Southern Regional Science Association, 1992
Invited presentation by the USDA to address the state CRD leaders on retail trade
Extension Programming
Member of the American Agricultural Economic Association, 1987-93
Editorial Board of the Extension Journal in the mid 1980s

Multi-State

Mid-America and It's Future, member of conference planning committee and invited as a
Speaker in 1992
Planning Committee in 1994 - 2000, 4-State Heartland Conference, Chair of Committee in 1997.

Kansas

Vice President of the Kansas chapter of the Community Development Society, 2000
Member, Economic Development Committee of the KCCI
Colonel, Kansas Cavalry, by appointment of Governor Carlin, 1985 to 1990
Member, Kansas Industrial Developers Association
State CD Chapter (founding member and past president)
Kansas Leadership Forum (founding member)
Planning committee for the annual conference of the Kansas Leadership Forum, 1995
Co-editor of the newsletter of the Kansas Leadership Forum, 1995

Refereed publications: 2000 to 2004

1. Upendram, Sreedhar and David Darling. "Monitoring and Analyzing Retail Trade: A Case Study of Kansas." **Applied Research in Economic Development**. Vol. 2, No. 1, August 2004.
2. Darling, David. "Sustaining Progress." In the Extension Bulletin series **Building Healthy Communities**, K-State Research and Extension, Manhattan, 2003.
3. Darling, David. "Economic Planning". **Encyclopedia of Community**, Volume II, Sage Publications, 2003.
4. Darling, David and Gerry Snyder. : Community Economic Development: An interactive guide to understanding your community's economy." Version 4. K-State Research and Extension, Manhattan, 2003.
5. Darling, David and J. Liu. "County Trade Pull Factors." **Kansas Business and Economic Review**, Vol. 25, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Spring 2002.
6. Darling, David and Xialou Yang. "Who's Prospering in Prosperous Times." **Kansas Business and Economic Review**, Vol.23, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Spring 2000.
7. Darling, David. "Building Healthy Retail Communities: Lesson from two Towns". **Small Town and Rural Economic Development**, Praeger Publications, Westport, CT, 2000.

A short biography:

David L. Darling provides leadership to Kansas State University's Research and Extension efforts as the Agricultural Economist employed to address economic development issues. His mission is to guide groups to make wise decisions as they focus on the future by addressing and resolving community and economic development issues...

Over his career, he has been a part of a nation building team in Africa while a Peace Corps Volunteer. He was part of a rural development team in Indiana and then ran a consulting business in Ohio. Also, he has been an advisor to the Polish Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security and a visiting scholar at Brandon University's Rural Development Institute.

As an Extension Specialist/Professor, he works on many aspects of rural, community, and economic development. Working in teams, he has developed unique measures for Kansas, produced a newsletter and supplied statistical reports for all 105 counties yearly, written Extension Bulletins, and worked with every major city in Kansas. Lately, he has developed new training materials on community economic development for the 21st century. These are used in his class, workshops, consulting visits with Kansas communities, posted on his web site, and packaged in a multimedia compact disk.