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Prior to this role, he was the assistant director of research, grants, and assessment at the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition, where he facilitated a number of national surveys and oversaw research collaborations and grant opportunities between the National Resource Center and the higher education community and across the University of South Carolina campus.

He has published multiple manuscripts on college impact, research methodology, and the first-year experience in national journals and book chapters, including 2009 National Survey of First-Year Seminars: Ongoing Efforts to Support Students in Transition; 2011 National Survey of Senior Capstone Experiences: Institutional-Level Data on the Culminating Experience; Journal of College Student Development; Journal of Higher Education; and New Directions for Institutional Research. Padgett also serves on the editorial board of the Sociology of Education Journal and the Journal of The First-Year Experience & Students in Transition and is a Teagle Assessment Scholar.