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Education

M.ED, MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING 1985 – 1987
University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA
Psychology Department Research Assistant, 1985-1986.
Internship with Outreach Counseling Services, 1986-1987.
Student Advising Internship, 1986-1987.

BA, PSYCHOLOGY 1982 - 1985
University of California, Los Angeles Los Angeles, California
President, UCLA Chapter of Psi Chi (psychology honor society), 1984.
Curriculum Coordinator, UCLA Infant Development Program, 1984-1985.
Teaching Assistant, Fernald School (for learning disabled students) 1983.

Employment

FIELD REPRESENTATIVE (INTERMITTENT) 2020 AND 2023
United States Census Bureau Butler County, OH
In 2020 visited selected households in Butler County to enumerate the household and confirm or revise census data through visits to sites. In 2023, conducted on-site and remote interviews as part of the American Housing Survey.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR 2014-2016
Miami University Global Initiatives Oxford, OH
Coordinated activities between Miami University and international agencies. Facilitated relationships between international and study abroad students, alumni, and various local, state, and national organizations. Member Diverse by Design Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. Wrote articles for Global Initiatives newsletter.

INTERVENTION LEARNING SPECIALIST 2011-2014
Miami University Student Athlete Support Center Oxford, OH
As an Intervention Learning Specialist provided one-to-one academic support, including tutoring, to student athletes. Assessed individual students' learning needs and determined effective educational interventions. Implemented systematic application of learning interventions and taught effective learning strategies.

CHILD, INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY THERAPIST 2004-2008
Community Counseling & Crisis Center Oxford, OH
Contract Therapist counseling children, adolescents and adults, providing individual and family therapy (including Miami undergraduate and graduate students). Served as liaison between other agencies and clients/client families.

CHILD & FAMILY THERAPIST 1998-2002
Community Services Association Ma'adi, Cairo, Egypt
Contract Therapist counseling children, adolescents and adults in the expatriate community who were dealing with issues typical to community services agency clientele, as well as issues of acculturation to living in Egypt. Consulted with organizations working with African refugee populations. Created and led workshops for schools and other human services organizations.

FAMILY THERAPIST 1994 - 1997
College Park Youth & Family Services College Park, Maryland

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY COUNSELOR <i>Cranston Office for Drug and Alcohol Counseling</i>	1990 - 1992 <i>Cranston, Rhode Island</i>
CONSULTANT <i>Brown University Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies</i>	1990 <i>Providence, Rhode Island</i>
ADDICTIONS AND FAMILY COUNSELOR <i>Montgomery County Pre-Release Center</i>	1988 - 1990 <i>Rockville, Maryland</i>
ACADEMIC ADVISING <i>Curry School of Education, University of Virginia</i>	1987-1988 <i>Charlottesville, VA</i>

Memberships & Licenses

- ⊕ Affiliate Member, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, 2000 - present.
- ⊕ Associate Member, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, 1986 – 2000.
- ⊕ Licensed Professional Counselor, State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 2004 – present.
- ⊕ Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor, Maryland State Board of Certified Counselors, 1989 - 2003.
- ⊕ National Certified Counselor, National Board of Certified Counselors, 1987 - present.
- ⊕ Certified Addictions Counselor, Rhode Island Board for Certification of Chemical Dependency Professionals, 1992 - 1996.
- ⊕ Member, Association for Play Therapy, 1994 - 1997.

Additional Training

- ⊕ Certification in Child-Centered Play Therapy. *National Institute of Relationship Enhancement, Kensington, MD*
- ⊕ Certification in Relationship Enhancement-Couple & Family Therapy. *National Institute of Relationship Enhancement, Kensington, MD*

Skills

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Experience with Microsoft Office Suite (MSWord, Excel, PowerPoint, etc)
- Strong organizational and logistics skills.
- Ability to prepare and maintain detailed case records and reports in compliance with agency standards and regulatory guidelines.
- Ability to establish and maintain therapeutic and working relationships with diverse client populations.
- Capable of self-evaluation and able to use supervision to improve and enhance skills.
- Ability to work independently as well as collaborate and consult effectively with other members of the clinical team.
- Experience working remotely and in-person.
- Capable of self-evaluation and able to use supervision to improve and enhance skills.
- Ability to act as liaison between outside agencies and clients and families.
- Proficiency at assessing the psychotherapeutic needs of clients and writing assessment and treatment plan for each formal case.
- Ability to provide crisis intervention including assessment of suicide risk.
- Ability to create, plan and implement workshops on various topics relevant to emotional and/or behavioral needs of diverse client populations.
- Develops good rapport easily and known ability to work with difficult cases.

References available upon request