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EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts Boston | Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology

1997

Dissertation: Development and Psychopathology in Adolescent Psychiatric Patients:

A Longitudinal Study of Outcome

University of Massachusetts Boston | M.A. in Clinical Psychology

1994

Thesis: The Relationship of Autonomy and Intimacy to High Risk Behavior Among Adolescents

Brandeis University | B.A. with High Honors in Psychology

1991

Honors Thesis: Stability of Babyfacedness and Attractiveness Across the Life Span

Junior Year Aboard: Oxford University, Somerville College (Concentration in Psychology)

Phi Beta Kappa Summa Cum Laude Undergraduate Fellow Graduation Speaker

Rider | Certification in School Psychology

2004

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Assessment Clinic Supervisor | Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology (GSAPP)

2025-present

Overseeing the General Assessment Clinic within the Center for Psychological Services. Supervising the Clinical Psychology and School Psychology graduate students who are working and conducting evaluations in the clinic.

Clinical and School Psychologist | Private Practice (Lawrenceville, NJ)

2011-present

Solo practitioner conducting psychological assessments (i.e., psycho-educational evaluations, neuropsychological testing, and assessment of social-emotional functioning) for children, adolescents, and young adults struggling in school and with overall functioning. Parent and school consultation, the identification of interventions and educational accommodations, and providing guidance with the implementation of recommendations and referrals.

School Consultation | Pennington Montessori School (Pennington, NJ)

2003-2024

Part-time consultation with the Director and teaching staff to support preschool students with developmental, learning, behavioral, and emotional challenges. Provided staff development and parent seminars on a range of topics pertaining to child development. Provided parent guidance and referrals for services.

Director of Counseling and Psychological Services | The Peddie School (Hightstown, NJ) 2016-2022 School Counselor 2014-2016, 2022-2023

Provided crisis management, short-term interventions, ongoing counseling support, and consultation for a boarding school community. Developed and implemented office policies and procedures incorporating best practices around the delivery of school counseling services with particular attention to preventative measures and response to students considered at-risk. Consultation provided to administration, faculty, advisors, dorm staff, the Health Center, and parents. Identified areas of need and implemented programming related to emotional wellness. Close collaboration with Academic Support in identifying and creating action plans for students with emotional and academic needs. Supervision and training of other school counselors. Considerable experience supporting international students and their families.

Psychologist Consultant | Christina Seix Academy (Trenton, NJ)

2012-2013

Worked part-time at an independent school to support the school's mission to break down educational barriers for children from marginalized communities providing short-term counseling, psycho-educational evaluations, and consultation to teachers and administration.

School Psychologist | Princeton Regional Schools (Princeton, NJ)

2003-2011

Conducted observations, assessments, interventions, and the development of educational programs for students from preschool to high school with specialized learning needs. Served as the interim Clinical Director of the in-district high school program designed to support high risk students with emotional challenges. Coordinator of the Child Study Team at one of the district's elementary schools.

Psychologist | Princeton Educational Resources, Inc. (Princeton, NJ)

2000-2003

Psychological assessment and psychotherapy consisting primarily of parent consultation and both talk and play therapy with young children in a private practice setting.

Psychopharmacology Fellow | Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (Piscataway, NJ)

1999-2000

Worked in the Division of Clinical Psychopharmacology of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Medicine and Dentistry–Robert Wood Johnson Medical School participating in clinical drug trials of children and adults.

Postdoctoral Fellow | Chestnut Lodge Hospital (Rockville, MD)

1998-1999

Worked at a psychiatric hospital on the adolescent inpatient unit and in the partial hospitalization program for chronically mentally ill adults; psychodynamic training; psychological evaluations of children, adolescents, and adults.

Psychology Resident | Northwest Family Center (Washington, D.C.)

1997-1998

Worked in a community mental health outpatient program. Conducted intake assessments, psychological evaluations, individual psychotherapy with children and adolescents, family therapy, evaluation of children in the Attention-Deficit/ Hyperactivity Disorder clinic, and forensic assessments of children requiring protective services.

Psychology Intern | Mailman Center for Child Development (Miami, FL)

1996-1997

Internship in pediatric and child-clinical psychology. Primary rotation in adolescent medicine consisting of inpatient consultation and outpatient psychotherapy. Secondary rotation in the hematology and oncology clinic. Psychoeducational and neurodevelopmental assessments conducted with medically compromised children and adolescents. Worked primarily with children from high risk communities. Additional training in neuropsychological evaluations, forensic assessments, and family therapy.

Staff Clinician | Human Resource Institute (Brookline, MA)

1995

Conducted outpatient psychological evaluations of children, adolescents, and adults.

Psychology Extern | McLean Hospital (Harvard Medical School) (Belmont, MA)

1993-1995

Primary placement in the child and adolescent partial hospitalization program. Responsibilities included individual treatment (children, adolescents, and adults), family therapy, group treatment, case management, and school consultation.

Psychology Extern | The Children's Hospital (Harvard Medical School) (Boston, MA)

1992-1993

Participated in interdisciplinary diagnostic clinics assessing children from infancy through adolescence with a variety of presenting problems. Outpatient child treatment cases consisting of play therapy in conjunction with parent guidance. Consultation with schools and community agencies.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor (Developmental Psychology) | Rider University

2001-2002

Adjunct Professor (Introduction to Psychology) (Infancy and Child Development) | University of Massachusetts Boston

1995-1996

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Clinical and Research Fellow in Child and Adolescent Psychology McLean Hospital, Child and Adolescent Program

1994-1996

Coordinator of "Assessment and Evaluative Services" responsible for evaluating individuals in the Child and Adolescent Program within 24 hours of inpatient admission.

Dissertation: "Development & Psychopathology in Adolescent Psychiatric Patients: A Longitudinal Study of Outcome

1994-1997

Coordinator of the "Laboratory of Developmental Psychology and Psychopathology." Responsibilities included supervising undergraduate and graduate students to assist in the collection of data for a longitudinal research study of adolescents hospitalized at McLean Hospital in the mid-1980s. The dissertation was derived from the young adult follow-up study.

Master's Thesis Research

1991-1993

"The Relationship of Autonomy and Intimacy to High Risk Behavior Among Adolescents"

Conducted a questionnaire study examining how levels of autonomy and intimacy in adolescents' decision making with regard to important relationships are associated with risk taking behavior.

Research Assistant 1991-1992

Harvard University, Graduate School of Education

Assisted in a large-scale intervention project aimed at decreasing risk taking behavior in children and adolescents. Trained observer of classroom interactions, teachers' instructional approach, and student behavior.

Research Assistant 1991-1992

University of Massachusetts Boston, Department of Psychology

Assessed children with a battery of neuropsychological tests in a study assessing the long-term effects of exposure to the medication Accutane.

LICENSING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

NJ License#: 35SI00378700 Issue Date: 03/06/2000

American Psychological Association, Member

Advisory Committee on Youth Mental Health for Jewish Family & Children's Service of Greater Mercer County

Monthly Psychotherapy Supervision Group (2014-present)

Monthly Assessment Supervision (2020-present)