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EDUCATION

M.S. Clinical Mental Health Counseling

University of North Texas (CACREP Accredited)

Child and Play Therapy Focus

May 2012

Overall GPA: 4.0

B.A. Psychology, with honors

The University of Texas at Austin

May 2008

Overall GPA: 3.8

B. Journalism, with honors

The University of Texas at Austin

May 2008

Overall GPA: 3.8

Liberal Arts Honors (Plan I) Certification

The University of Texas at Austin

May 2008

LICENSES AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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| • Licensed Professional Counselor Intern
License # 70172 | December 2012 – Present |
| • Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Honors Society | February 2014 – Present |
| • Psi Chi Psychology Honors Society | February 2006 - Present |

CLINICAL COUNSELING EXPERIENCE

SafeHaven of Tarrant County, Fort Worth, TX

Fort Worth Outreach Center and Fort Worth Shelter

Clinical Counselor/Play Therapist

Licensed Professional Counselor – Intern

November 2012 - Present

- Conduct individual counseling sessions with adult victims of domestic violence living in shelter and at the outreach center
- Conduct individual counseling sessions with adolescents living in shelter and at the outreach center
- Conduct play therapy sessions with children living in shelter and at the outreach center
- Conduct new client intakes
- Facilitate support groups and psychoeducational groups for children and adolescents
- Facilitate parenting groups for adults living in shelter
- Conduct *Love and Logic* parent education classes for adults living in shelter
- Advocate on behalf of clients through communication with attorneys and community agencies
- Network with community agency partners

- Present case conceptualizations and treatment plan in collaboration with coworkers
- Present counseling techniques and provide training to coworkers in staff development meetings

**SafeHaven of Tarrant County, Fort Worth, TX
Fort Worth Outreach Center**

August 2011 – May 2012

Counselor

Master's Level Student Intern

- Conducted individual counseling sessions with adult victims of domestic violence at the outreach center
- Conducted individual counseling sessions with adolescents at the outreach center
- Conducted play therapy sessions with children at the outreach center
- Conducted new client intakes
- Co-facilitated support group for adult victims of domestic violence

**Counseling and Human Development Center, Denton, TX
University of North Texas**

May 2011 – August 2011

Counselor

Practicum Student

- Conducted individual counseling sessions with adults from the Denton and UNT communities
- Conducted individual play therapy sessions with children from the Denton and UNT communities
- Administered and interpreted assessments
- Provided and presented case conceptualizations, treatment plans and diagnoses to classmates and professors
- Participated in weekly triadic supervision

**Communities in Schools of North Texas, Justin, TX
Byron Nelson High School**

February 2011 – May 2011

Counselor

Student Intern

- Co-facilitated a personal growth group for adolescent girls identified as at-risk by the Communities in Schools program
- Worked with co-facilitator and Communities in Schools staff to develop techniques and approaches

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT

Trained at University of North Texas, Spring 2010

- Parent Stress Index (PSI)
- Child Behavior Checklist (CBC)
- Behavior Assessment System for Children (BASC)
- Piers-Harris Children's Self-Concept Scale 2 (PHCSCS - 2)
- Harter Self-Perception Profile (SPFPC)
- Beery Test of Visual Motor Integration (VMI)
- Test of Information Processing Skills (TIPS)
- Weschler Intelligence Scale for Children – IV (WISC – IV)
- Symptom Checklist – Revised (SCL-90-R)
- Adult Behavior Checklist (ABC)
- Adult Self Report (ASR)
- Youth Self Report (YSR)
- Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI)
- Strong Interest Inventory (SII)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- Attended ACH Motivational Interviewing Training, Fort Worth, TX **January 2014**
- Attended American Dance Therapy Association (ADTA) Annual Conference New York, NY **November 2013**
- Attended *Dr. Tom Burdinski's DSM-V Training*, Millwood Hospital Arlington, TX **October, 2013**
- Attended Art Station Art Therapy Training **September 2013**
Understanding Children's Artwork - Heidi Tournoux-Hanshaw, LPC-AT/S, ATR-BC
Fort Worth, TX
- Attended UNT Play Therapy Conference – Summer Series **June 2013**
Denton, TX
Developmental/Relationship Play Therapy (DIR Floortime) – Dr. Esther Hess
- Attended Chi Sigma Iota Seminar **February 2013**
Denton, TX
Sandtray Therapy with Multiple Populations – Dr. Pedro Blanco, LPC-S, RPT
- Attended The Turning Point, Rape Crisis Intervention Training **May 2012**
Denton, TX
- Attended Denton County Child Advocacy Center Training **May 2012**
Denton, TX
Recognizing Child Abuse
- Attended Red Cross Psychological First Aid Training **May 2012**
Denton, TX

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Legacy Tap Project, Grapevine, TX

January 2013 – Present

Social Media Marketing Chair

- Maintain Facebook and Twitter accounts for non-profit dedicated to preserving historical tap dance

The Dance Company, Arlington, TX

May 2010 – January 2014

Dance Instructor/ Tap Director

- Taught tap, jazz and ballet classes to children ages 2-17
- Taught adult tap classes
- Directed tap competition teams
- Choreographed dance routines for performance and competition

Center Stage, Leander, TX

January 2007 – June 2009

Dance Instructor

- Taught tap, jazz and ballet classes to children ages 4-17
- Taught creative movement classes to children ages 2-4
- Taught adult tap classes
- Choreographed dance routines for performance and competition

Afterschool Outreach Program Volunteer, Austin, TX

September 2005- December 2006

Volunteer Mentor

- Mentored and supervised children as part of an outreach program providing free after school childcare to children whose parents could not afford daycare services

Kids Club Volunteer, Austin, TX

January 2005 – June 2005

Volunteer Mentor

- Worked as a mentor to children living in government subsidized housing
- Coordinated activities, games, and reading and learning activities

RELATED COURSEWORK

Graduate Coursework: Play Therapy, Group Play Therapy, Assessment and Wellness, Counseling Adolescents, Crisis Intervention, Drug and Addictions Education, Group Counseling, Multi-Cultural Counseling

Undergraduate Coursework: Abnormal Psychology, Psychology of Religion, Psychology of Sex, Motivation, Psychology of Human Mating, In Search of Meaning, Psychology of Advertising, Child Psychology, Behavioral Neuroscience

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The University of Texas at Austin
Language and Health Psychology Lab
James W. Pennebaker, Ph.D.

February 2008- December 2008

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Worked on the *Electronic Audio Recorder Study*
- Listened to and transcribed audio files, coded data, and discussed paradigms and findings in a study examining parent-child interactions within the framework of the Ecological Systems Theory

The University of Texas at Austin
Evolutionary Psychology Research Lab
David M. Buss, Ph.D.

August 2007 – December 2007

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Worked on study entitled, *Progesterin's effects on women's psychology*
- Ran participants, compiled participant survey packets and entered data for a study examining how disease avoidance behaviors vary in women across hormonal phases of the menstrual cycle
- Worked on study entitled, *Attitudes towards homosexuals and coalitional psychology*
Daniel M.T. Fessler, Ph.D., UCLA
- Helped develop priming measures and methods for a study examining how eliciting various social motivational states affects heterosexuals' attitudes towards homosexuals and homosexual behavior.

The University of Texas at Austin
Gender and Racial Attitudes Lab
Rebecca S. Bigler, Ph.D.

May 2006 – December 2007

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Worked on study, *Gender stereotyping in young children: A developmental intergroup perspective*
- Worked with children aged 2-4 on a study examining the foundations of gender stereotyping
- Entered data, and helped develop and design test methods, as well as discussing and evaluating pros and cons of the methodology.

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy, Dance Movement Therapy, Expressive Arts Therapies, Evolutionary Psychology, Social Psychology