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Education

Doctorate of Education (2010)

Concentration Area: Special Education

Nova Southeastern University

Dissertation Topic

“Parental Involvement as a Factor in the Postschool Employment Success of Students with Special Needs”

Masters of Arts (2003)

Southern University and A & M College

Concentration Area: Mental Health Counseling

Plus 30 Graduate Hours (1990)

Southern University and A & M College

Concentration Area: Education

Master of Education (1987)

Southern University and A & M College

Concentration Area: Elementary Education

Bachelor of Science (1977)

Southern University and A & M College

Concentration Area: Childhood Development

Areas of Certification

School Counselor (Southern University and A & M College – 11-26-2003)

Hearing Impaired (Southern University and A & M College – 09/09/1994)

Elementary Grades (Southern University and A & M College – 03-25-1987)

Nursery School (Southern University and A & M College – 03-25-1987)

Kindergarten (Southern University and A & M College – 03-25-1987)

Employment

Southern University and A & M College

Adjunct Faculty

Department of Counseling

College of Education 2011 - 2021

Department of Rehabilitation, Disability Studies, and Counseling
 College of Nursing and Allied Health 2021 -

Job Responsibilities:

- Instructor
- Academic student advisor
- Recruit site supervisors for Practicum and Internship
- Assist with student orientation
- Create syllabus
- Foster relationships within the professional counseling community
- Apply for grants and scholarships

East Baton Rouge Parish School System (1989 – present)

Job responsibilities:

- Elementary and Middle School Teacher
- Hearing Impaired Teacher
- Drug, Alcohol and Violence Prevention Specialist
- Suicide and Trauma Prevention Specialist
- Counseling Supervisor
- Community liaison

Teaching Areas:

- Regular and Special Education Classroom Teacher (Grades K-12)
- Drug/Alcohol and Violence Prevention Specialist
- Summer School Camp Teacher (Grades- 6th -8th)

Presentation	Organization	Location	Date
Mental Health and Wellness During Our Global Pandemic	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.	Virtual	May 8, 2021
Solution Focused Therapy Techniques and Strategies for Grief and Loss	Metro Baton Rouge Licensed Professional Counselors	Virtual	Fall, 2020

Name of Workshop	Organization	Date
Child Abuse: Mandatory Reporting	VectorSolutions K-12	August 4, 2021
Mastering Mindfulness	I CARE Prevention Program	January 19, 2021
Wondering What Telehealth Activities to use: Play Therapy for Behavioral Issues	Louisiana Counseling Association	October 6, 2020
Teletherapy and Supervision	Louisiana Counseling Association	October 6, 2020

Suicide or Autonomy: Navigating Our Own Values When Working with Clients Contemplating End of Life Decisions	Louisiana Counseling Association	October 6, 2020
Assessing, Diagnosing, and Treating Obsessive-Compulsive and Related Disorders	Louisiana Counseling Association	October 4, 2020
"Cannabis and Gambling: What's Lying in the Weeds?"	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
"Confidentiality Law for Substance Use Treatment Professionals: 42 CFR"	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
"Driving Quality and Transparency in Addiction Treatment"	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
"Group Therapy: Back to the Basics for Substance Abuse Groups" P	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
"Peer Professional Development Training"	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
"Souldrama: Blending Psychology & Spirituality in the Counseling Room"	Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors and Trainers, Inc.	September 19, 2020
True Colors	I CARE Prevention Program	August 21, 2020
Prevention Institute 2020	I CARE Prevention Program	August 3, 2020
Obsessive Compulsive Disorder: Diagnosis and Treatment	Louisiana Counseling Association	June 3, 2020

Non-Violent Crisis Training

Substance Abuse Prevention
C, 2021

Community Service

Cenikor Foundation - Local & National Board Member (2003-2021)

Professional Membership

Louisiana Counseling Association (LCA) 2000 to present - Active member

Louisiana Safe and Drug Free Schools Association (LSDFC) 1999 to 2011- Inactive

American Counseling Association (ACA) 2000 to present – Active member

Southern University Counseling Association (SUCA) 2013-2019 - Inactive

Association for Play Therapist (APT) 2013 – present - Active

Louisiana Association for Play Therapy (LAPT) 2000 – present - Active member

Licensure

Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC #4715))

Licensed Prevention Professional (LPP #1057)

Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor (RPT-S)

References

Available Upon Request