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**Educational
Background**

GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY, Phoenix, AZ
PhD in General Psychology with Emphasis in Cognition and Instruction

May 2020

- GPA 3.97

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, Orlando, FL

MS in Clinical Psychology

May 1998

- Recipient of Incentive Graduate Fellowship Award
- Adapted and taught eight-week humor training program to undergraduates
- GPA 4.0

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, Orlando, FL

BS in Molecular Biology and Microbiology (Biomedical Sciences)

May 1992

- Dean's List each of nine semesters attended
- President's Honor Roll five times
- Member Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Kappa Phi, and Golden Key Honor Societies
- Graduated summa cum laude

**Employment
History**

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA, Orlando, FL

Instructor/Lecturer/Associate Lecturer

August 2011-Present

- Teach various undergraduate courses in psychology in face-to-face and web-based formats
- Supervise undergraduate research projects
- Sponsor PsychKnights student organization
- IDL 6543 certified

Visiting Instructor, Regional Campuses

August 2010-May 2011

- Teach various undergraduate courses in psychology in face-to-face and web-based formats

Adjunct Professor, Regional Campuses

August 2006-May 2010

- Teach various undergraduate courses in psychology in face-to-face and web-based formats

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Psychology

August 1996-May 1998

- Responsible for test creation and grading

Employment History (continued)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Biology

August 1994-December 1994

- Solely responsible for instruction in Immunology Lab and General Microbiology Lab courses
- Composed and delivered lectures pertaining to lab topics
- Responsible for test creation and grading

TURNING POINT COUNSELING & CONSULTING, St. Cloud, FL Licensed Mental Health Counselor

January 2001-present

- Provide mental health counseling services to adult, child, and family clients

Director, Drug Court Program

January 2001-August 2010

- Agency liaison to Osceola County Drug Court
- Oversee compliance for charts of all Drug Court therapists
- Provide individual and group substance abuse counseling to court-ordered clients

Director, Inmate Residential Substance Abuse Program

July 2000-June 2003

- Supervise clinical staff of two in 16-bed program
- Provide individual and group substance abuse treatment to incarcerated males
- Responsible for chart compliance, public relations, staff training, client case staffing, administrative duties

STAR CONSULTANTS, Altamonte Springs, FL

Licensed Mental Health Counselor

March 2001-December 2005

- Provide in-home Medicaid diagnosis confirmations and counseling for children

PARK PLACE BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, Kissimmee, FL

Director, Children's Center

March 2000-July 2000

- Supervised ten clinical staff and two support staff
- Department delivered therapeutic and psychiatric services to over 700 children annually
- Responsible for chart compliance, insurance authorizations, client case staffing, consumer relations, administrative duties, and staff meetings and trainings

Director, Victim Advocate Program

March 1999-July 2000

- Supervised staff of four advocates
- Provided 24-hour crisis support to victims of personal tragedies
- Responsible for providing brief crisis intervention and debriefing to clients, referral to other agencies, and acted as liaison between client and law enforcement
- Responsible for staff training, staff debriefing, chart compliance, administrative duties

Crisis Counselor, Project HOPE

May 1998-May 1999

- Provided crisis counseling to victims of 1998 Kissimmee tornadoes

Mental Health Counselor Intern

August 1997-April 1998

Teaching Activity

COURSES TAUGHT Face-to-Face (F), Online (O), Hybrid (H)

Clinical Psychology	F	O	H
Cross Cultural Psychology	F		
Health Psychology	F	O	
History and Systems of Psychology	F		
Interviewing and Counseling	F		
Personality Theory	F		
Principles of Behavior Modification	F		
Psychobiological Aspects of Drugs		O	
Psychology of Aging	F		H
Psychology of Women	F	O	
Psychopathology	F	O	
Social Psychology	F		
Women's Mental Health	F	O	

AWARD

2023 UCF College of Sciences Excellence in Instructor/Student Engagement Award

HONORS IN THE MAJOR (HIM) THESES DIRECTED

Latasha McDowell

Emotional Neglect in Childhood and Attachment Anxiety in Adult Relationships as Predictors of Social Networking Addiction
2022

Sarah Thomas

Protective Factors: Empowering Girls to Protect Themselves from the Effects of Childhood Sexualization
2023

Sophie Sevan Mikkelsen

2023-2024

OTHER TEACHING AND INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITY

Honors Undergraduate Thesis (HUT) Committee Member

Adam Schultz

Medicate to Execute: Medical and Legal Considerations
2012

**Teaching
Activity
(continued)**

Jasmin Mokbel
Profanity's Relation to Personality and Impulsivity
2013

Erum Qureshi
Music's Influences on Health Compromising Behaviors
2013

Robert Thally
A Dialogical Approach of Group Identity Salience and the Academic Competence of Nontraditional College Students
2013

Kelly Silberman
Media Influence on Risky Driving Behaviors Among Adolescents and Emerging Adults
2014

Giorgi Beruashvili
Women as Nontraditional Terrorists
2020

Alexandra Oropallo
Fake News and Women: Fake and Real Media's Impact on Sexism in Consumer Attitudes
2021

Adrianna Valencia
Prevalence Rates of Antisocial Behaviors in Generation Z
2021

Karina Cabrera
Susceptibility and the Stockholm Syndrome
2022

Mirella Galliano Rechani
Effects of Mental Health Disorder on Time Perception
2022

Annyssa Karran
The Merits of Reporting Battered Woman Syndrome in South Asian Women
2022

Caitlin Rechdan
The Phenomenon of the Infantilization of Women
2022

**Teaching
Activity
(continued)**

Kyla Huelle
*Interventions to Alleviate Guilt in Family Caregivers of Patients
Receiving Hospice or End-of-Life Care*
2023

Ethan Mote
*Aerobic and Anaerobic Exercises in Relation to Anxiety and
Depression*
2023

Joshua Pearson
Personality and Social Media Use
2023

Current HUT Committee Member (2023-)
Alexis Cunha
Nelly Dragu
Emily Mezni

Student Scholar Symposium Presentations Supervised

Jason Carver & Teresa Guzman
*The Relationship Between Psychopathy and Socio-Political
Attitudes*
2012

Kristen Dempsey, Alyssa Tanaka, Robert Thally
*Relationship Between Music Genre Preference and Levels of
Depression*
Nominated, Undergraduate Research Mentor of the Year
2012

James Hernandez, Crystal Hicks, Valerie Nieves
*Internet Addiction Disorder: The Distinction Between Normal and
Abnormal Social Networking Behavior*
2012

Isabella Marulanda, Patricia Ospina, Dipti Sharma
*The Relationship between Extracurricular Activity Participation
and Self-Esteem in College Undergraduates*
2012

Angela Parra, Hector Silva, & Christian Quiles
*Relationships Between Attitudes Toward War and Big Five
Personality Traits Agreeableness and Neuroticism*
2014

**Teaching
Activity
(continued)**

Anabella Barajas, Samantha Denegri, Valerie Taylor, Ashley Torres
The Relationship Between Political Knowledge and Political Involvement in College Students
2015

Ismar Alburquerque, Hannah Elmtioui
The Relationship Between Political Attitudes and Cynicism
2016

Enrique Leon, Devin Smith
The Relationship Between Political Attitudes and Self-Esteem
2016

Yu Miao, Kacie Snipes
Relationships Between Religiosity, Political Ideology, and Parenting Style
2017

Chelsea Byrd, Milenna Castro, Rebecca Pierre
Relationship Between Social Media Use, Political Participation, and Political Ideology
2018

Katie Allen, Julia Andersen, Kirstin Hall, Nisa Heerwan
Politics and Perspective: Relationships Between Life Satisfaction, Trust, Religiosity, and Political Ideology
2019

Ceara Carlos, Keira Monaghan
Profiles in Political Ideology: Why Are Women More Religious but Not More Conservative?
2020 (canceled due to COVID-19)

Oljunie Antoine, Claudia Urbina, Amber Wuorio
Politics and Parenting: How Parenting Style Can Affect Ideology
2021

Fernando Elizarraras, Roberto Martinez-Espinosa, Gabrielle Scott
The Politics of Kindness: Ideology, Empathy, and Entitlement
2021

Madeline Judy
Attitudes of Healthcare Practitioners Toward Queer AFAB Individuals
Winner, Judge's Choice Award
2021

**Teaching
Activity
(continued)**

Meggan Bean, Latasha Wadsworth, Rebecca Yochem
Political Ideology: A Post-2020 Paradigm
2022

Amanda Lewis, Mary Kathleen Brickner, Ale Rios
*Political Ideology: An Investigation of Nature Versus Nurture Via
College Experience*
2023

Student Mentoring Activities

UCF-Valencia West/Osceola Undergraduate Research Event

- Organized poster session modeled after Student Scholar Symposium for regional campus students
- Over 30 posters and models presented by over 60 students from across disciplines
- Spring 2012

Faculty Co-Mentor, Multi-Dimensional Psych Club

- 2012-2013

Faculty Mentor, PsychKnights Student Organization

- 2013-present

UCF-Osceola Career Day Professionals Panel Member

- Fall 2014
- Fall 2016

Turning Point Counseling & Consulting Site Visit, PsychKnights Student Organization

- Spring 2017

Psi Chi Grad School/Career Q&A Session Panel Member

- Fall 2018
- Spring 2019
- Fall 2019

UCF-Valencia Psychology Event Series Panel Member

- Fall 2019
- Spring 2020
- Fall 2020
- Spring 2021
- Fall 2021
- Spring 2022
- Fall 2022
- Spring 2023
- Fall 2023

Teaching Activity (continued)

Graduate School and Career Advising

- Averaged one to two conversations every week with students to advise on graduate school options and preparation and/or career opportunities in the psychology field
- 2011-present

Undergraduate Teaching Assistants Supervised

- 2011-2012 94
- 2012-2013 85
- 2013-2014 67
- 2014-2015 55
- 2015-2016 53
- 2016-2017 46
- 2017-2018 64
- 2018-2019 111
- 2019-2020 125
- 2020-2021 151
- 2021-2022 130
- 2022-2023 155
- **Total 1136**

Letters of Recommendation Written

- 2011-2012 36
- 2012-2013 30
- 2013-2014 37
- 2014-2015 41
- 2015-2016 26
- 2016-2017 46
- 2017-2018 37
- 2018-2019 51
- 2019-2020 71
- 2020-2021 95
- 2021-2022 84
- 2022-2023 99
- **Total 653**

Guest Speakers Invited to Classes and Club Meetings

- Alan Bruns, Danielle Hall, Lindsay Lane, & Megan Norman, Program Coordinators, Mental Health Association of Central Florida (MHACF)
 - Fall 2015
 - Summer 2016
 - Fall 2016
 - Summer 2018
 - Fall 2018
 - Fall 2019
- Allison Belles & Nathalie Sarju, Feeding Children Everywhere
 - Spring 2016
 - Fall 2016
- Katie Craft, Claire Lottman, & Jordie Ramos, Camen Behavioral
 - Spring 2016
 - Fall 2016
- Joanne Turner, Turning Point Counseling & Consulting
 - Spring 2017

Teaching Activity (continued)

- Kirstin Hall & Enrique Leon, OCA Behavioral Analysis
 - Fall 2017
 - Fall 2018
 - Spring 2019
 - Spring 2022
- Jacqueline Kooser, TransLife
 - Fall 2017
- Heather Stamm, Kids House, Wayne Densch Children’s Advocacy
 - Fall 2017
- Samantha Class, Kennesaw State Admissions Counselor
 - Spring 2018
- Pierre Lubold, Licensed Psychologist, Valencia Community College
 - Spring 2019
- Ashley Lugo, Sonder Autism Center
 - Fall 2021

Students Placed in Experiential Learning Opportunities

- 2012-2013 1 Turning Point internship
- 2013-2014 4 Counselor shadowing (2), Turning Point internships (2)
- 2017-2018 4 American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
- 2018-2019 14 MHACF (10), Osceola County Center for Behavior (4)
- 2019-2020 17 MHACF (12), Osceola County Center for Behavior (5)
- 2020-2021 12 MHACF (9), Total Life Counseling (3)
- 2021-2022 16 MHACF (10), Breakthrough Behavior (6)
- **Total 68**

Service Activity

COLLEGE SERVICE ACTIVITY

Degree Expo Representative

- Represented Department of Psychology at West and Osceola Connect Center Degree Expos each semester
- 2014-present

DirectConnect to UCF Event Representative

- Represented Department of Psychology at West and Osceola Connect Center DirectConnect to UCF Events each semester
- 2015-present

UCF-Valencia Psychology Event Series Planning Committee Member

- 2019-2020
- 2020-2021
- 2021-2022
- 2022-2023
- 2023-2024

Department of Psychology Diversity and Inclusion Task Force: Discrimination and Bias Investigation Process Subcommittee Member

- 2020-2021
- 2021-2022
- 2022-2023

Department of Psychology Diversity and Inclusion Task Force: Instructional Design and Management Subcommittee Member

- 2020-2021
- 2021-2022
- 2022-2023

Volunteered to Increase Student Capacity in Classes

- 2020 Summer
- 2020 Fall
- 2021 Spring
- 2021 Summer
- 2021 Fall
- 2022 Spring
- 2022 Fall
- 2023 Spring
- 2023 Fall

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Participant

- Fall 2021, Exploring changes to SOP 3742 Psychology of Women

Affordability Counts Badges Awarded

- 2021-2022 5 course sections
- 2022-2023 5 course sections

**Service
Activity
(continued)**

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACITIVITY

Member, American Counseling Association

- 2020-present

Counseling Services

- Provided 10% of available mental health counseling sessions at no/low cost to serve those who otherwise would not have access to counseling
- 2001-present

UNIVERSITY SERVICE ACTIVITY

Ex-Officio Faculty Advisor, Osceola County UCF Alumni Club

- 2013-2020

Interview: La Nota Magazine Family Communication Feature, “La Base de Todo” (“The Basis of Everything”)

- Fall 2014

Regional Campus Faculty Forum Faculty Representative – West and Osceola Campuses

- Fall 2015
- Fall 2016
- Fall 2018

Interview: Orlando Sentinel Article, “Health, Fitness Businesses Thrive in New Year

- Spring 2016

Central Campus Regional Faculty Forum Member

- Fall 2016

Faculty Center Advisory Board for Faculty Senate

- 2018-2019 - **Chairperson**
- 2019-2020 - **Chairperson**
- 2020-2021 - Member

Graduation Ceremony Marshal

- Fall 2019

Interview: Knightly News feature, “The Psychology of Mask Refusal”

- Fall 2020

Interview: Knightly News print story, “Social Costs of Online Learning”

- Spring 2021

Guest Speaker, Pi Beta Phi Sorority, “What is Feminism?”

- Spring 2021

**Service
Activity
(continued)**

Interview: UCF Connect Video, "Advice for Incoming Transfers"

- Fall 2021

Panel Member: College Access Summit: Discovery & Awareness Adventure Week Panel for Middle and High School Students and Teachers about College Preparation and Career Choice

- Fall 2021

Florida Undergraduate Research Conference Abstract Reviewer

- Spring 2022

Student Scholar Symposium Judge

- Spring 2022
- Spring 2023

"Getting Into a Mental Health Career" PowerPoint Presentation Created for Psych Advising Website

- Spring 2022

Guest Speaker, Psi Chi

- Fall 2022
- Fall 2023

Hiring Committee Member

- Spring 2022 – Summer 2023

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITY

St. Cloud Schuler Memorial Food Distribution – PsychKnights volunteering event

- Fall 2013

Indialantic Beach Cleanup – PsychKnights volunteering event

- Spring 2014

Give Kids the World – PsychKnights volunteering event

- Spring 2016
- Spring 2018
- Spring 2019
- Fall 2019

Osceola Council on Aging – PsychKnights volunteering event

- Fall 2018

Poinciana High School – Guest Speaker, How to Succeed in College

- Spring 2019

Melbourne Beach Cleanup – PsychKnights volunteering event

- Fall 2019

Other Information

Second Harvest Food Bank

- Spring 2023
- Summer 2023

TRAININGS COMPLETED

UCF Actions to Prevent and Correct Discrimination

- 2015-2016

FERPA Training

- Spring 2017
- Spring 2021
- Spring 2023

Lunch with TED: The Power of Vulnerability DEI Training

- Spring 2021

ABCs of Diversity Workshop

- Fall 2021

Inclusive Communication Workshop

- Spring 2022