

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Doctor of Education (Ed.D.), International & Multicultural Education

University of San Francisco, CA | 2023-Present

Master of Arts (M.A.), Counseling Psychology (MFT concentration)

University of San Francisco, CA | 2019-2022

GPA: 4.0

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Psychology (Pre-Med coursework)

University of Memphis, TN | 2009-2014

GPA: 3.67

Teaching Experience

Adjunct Faculty

University of San Francisco, CA | January 2024 - Present

- Teach graduate-level courses in Counseling Psychology within the MFT program.
- Advise students in the cohort and assist with their academic and professional development.

Graduate Assistant

University of San Francisco, CA | 2019-2021

- Co-authored a research paper on Liberation Psychology principles, focusing on immigrant

populations.

- Assisted professors with research and managed student data for various academic projects.

Clinical Experience

Associate Mental Health Clinician

InnerActive Health, CA | March 2024 - Present

- Provide culturally competent, trauma-informed mental health services to a caseload of 15 clients.

Associate Mental Health Clinician

East Bay Agency for Children, CA | 2022-July 2023

- Provided individual and group therapy to students at a school site of 276 students.
- Worked under HIPAA regulations and collaborated with teachers and parents to provide social justice-based therapy services.

Counseling Intern

Oakland Unified School District at Cleveland Elementary, CA | 2021-2022

- Conducted individual therapy and restorative justice group sessions for 205 students.
- Facilitated social and emotional learning curriculums to support student success.

Research Experience

Research Assistant

University of Memphis, TN | 2011-2016

- Co-authored research on the coronal loop project in astrophysics, contributing to the debate on solar loop properties.
- Assisted with research on human impulses, addictions, and memory processes in collaboration with cognitive and behavioral neuroscience labs.

Graduate Research

University of San Francisco, CA | 2019-2021

- Co-authored research focusing on the impact of Liberation Psychology on LatinX immigrant children and families.
- Conducted qualitative and quantitative research with underserved populations, particularly at the U.S./Mexico border.

Publications

- "Cruzando Fronteras: Liberation Psychology in a Counseling Psychology Immersion Program"
Available at: <https://repository.usfca.edu/psyc/64/>
- "Astrophysics Research: Coronal Loop Properties"
Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1088/0004-637X/813/1/71>

Professional Experience

Risk Manager

SynapseFI, SF, CA | 2015-2017

- Managed risk analysis and compliance for a financial technology startup.
- Developed fraud prevention protocols and compliance checks against sanctions lists.

Volunteer Experience

Athena Clinic

University of Memphis, TN | 2014-2015

- Worked with women experiencing domestic violence to assess long-term mood disorders and PTSD.

Memphis Crisis Center

Memphis, TN | 2014-2015

- Provided crisis support for callers on a hotline and was trained to handle suicidal crisis calls.

University of California, San Francisco

2017-2018

- Provided psychoeducation to seniors on fall prevention practices.
- Assisted with patient needs through daily rounds.

Skills and Certifications

- Trained in Trauma-Informed Care
- Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Techniques
- Experience with HIPAA compliance and Medi-Cal billing
- Multilingual: English, Malayalam, Tamil
- Strong communication, leadership, and organizational skills
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite and research tools