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Education

Psy. D. Clinical Psychology, California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS), June, 2020

B.A. Communication Studies (Emphasis in Rhetoric and Social Change), Early Entrance Program at California State University of Los Angeles, June 2012

Professional Experience

Licensed Clinical Psychologist Private Practice, California

June 2022-Present

- Provides short and long-term therapy for adults

Clinical Director and Co-Founder Free Association Clinic for Psychotherapy, California

January 2022-Present

- Manages referrals for clinicians across the state
- Provides supervision to trainees and psychological assistants

Associate Director and Co-Founder New School For Existential Psychoanalysis, California

January 2022-Present

- Constructed curriculum for post-doctorate training in existential psychoanalysis
- Responsible for organizing faculty, lectures, and supervision for candidates
- Planned yearly retreats

Program Director Free Association Inc. DBA Gnosis Retreat Center, California

November 2016-Present

- Responsible for strategy and direction of organization's fundraising efforts
- Involved with ongoing planning and clinical design of a residential therapeutic project for individuals experiencing extreme states of psychological distress
- Board member who was responsible for organizing all meetings and note-taking

Treasurer Association of Transpersonal Psychology, California

November 2019-2022

- Board member responsible for recording, reporting, and managing all financial aspects of organization's activities
- Served on the executive committee and participates in all major decision processes

Psychological Assistant at Berkeley Therapy Institute, California

June 2020-June 2022

- Received Post-doctoral supervision and training

Psychotherapy Intern at Berkeley Therapy Institute, California

August 2017-June 2020

- Received pre-doctoral internship training in eclectic approaches to psychotherapy
- Responsible for billing, intake, and other administrative duties
- Participated in ongoing training as a psychological assistant

Clinical Training

Existential Psychoanalysis Salon at Free Association Inc., California

November 2016-Present

- Received training and supervision from psychoanalyst Michael Guy Thompson PhD
- Participated in weekly reading groups and clinical consultations covering the breadth of existential philosophy and psychoanalytic theory

Practicum Trainee at Psychological Services Center of CIIS, California

September 2015-August 2016

- Provided psychodynamic individual therapy
- Received extensive individual supervision in psychodynamic therapy
- Participated in case consultation

Practicum Trainee at Momentum for Mental Health La Selva, California

October 2013-September 2014

- Provided therapy to clients with severe mental health and addiction issues
- Designed and facilitated LGBT support group and Hearing Voices support groups
- Provided support as needed to clients in the community mental health milieu
- Engaged in weekly supervision and case consultation

Publications

What Is the Lived Experience of Fully Integrating the Benefits of MDMA-Assisted Psychotherapy for PTSD?

ProQuest Dissertations Publishing-June, 2020

“There and Back Again”: A Tale of a Discipline’s Departure and Triumphant Return

Journal of Humanistic Psychology-March 21, 2018

Research Experience

EEG Lab Research Assistant at Sofia University in Palo Alto, CA

September 2012-August 2013

Teaching Experience

Adjunct Faculty at California Institute of Integral Studies, California

September 2020-December 2020

Teachers Assistant at California Institute of Integral Studies, California

January 2020-December 2020

Foreign English Teacher at New Oriental Elite in Beijing, China

February 2012-May 2012

American History Instructor at Renmin University and UIBE in Beijing, China February 2012-May 2012

Public Speaking Instructor at Top U University in Beijing, China

February 2012-May 2012

Volunteer Experience

Peer Counselor for MAPS' Zendo Project, California

June 2017-July 2017

- Provided “psychedelic harm reduction” counseling at a music festival
- Facilitated a sense of safety and relief for people experiencing drug-induced crises

Volunteer for LGBT Community Center in Beijing, China

February 2012-May 2012