PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

College of Alberta Psychologists – Registered Psychologist (Certificate #3932) Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) – member

EDUCATION

2005 – 2014 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Ph.D. in Counselling Psychology

2002 – 2005 Adler School of Professional Psychology

Chicago, IL

M.A. in Counselling Psychology

1999 – 2000 Sheridan College

Oakville, ON

Marketing Management Post-Graduate Certificate

1997 Cambridge University

Cambridge, UK

International Scholars Summer Study Program through University of New Hampshire

1992 – 1998 Dalhousie University

Halifax, NS

B. Sc. [Advanced in Psychology]; B. A. [Honours in Sociology and Social Anthropology]

AWARDS & HONOURS

2010	Friends of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and	University of Alberta
	Research Scholarship	
2006 - 2007	Larry Eberlein Graduate Scholarship	University of Alberta
2006 - 2007	Provost Doctoral Entrance Award (Renewal)	University of Alberta
2005 - 2006	Provost Doctoral Entrance Award	University of Alberta
2000	Sheridan Scholar	Sheridan College
1998	First Class Honours	Dalhousie University
1998	Dalhousie Club of NY Scholarship	Dalhousie University
1996/97	Dean's List	Dalhousie University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Alberta

2014

"Can Psychologists Identify when the Problem is Cybersex Addiction?: An Exploratory Study" (Quantitative)

M.A. Thesis, Adler School of Professional Psychology

2005

"Alexithymia in Grade 4's After Playing an Emotion Learning Game" (Quantitative)

Marketing Management Post-Graduate Certificate, Sheridan College

1999

Market Research Study of types of readers of early education children's magazines, "Chirp" and "Chikadee", and their identified needs from the magazines (Mixed Method)

B.A. Social Anthropology Honours Thesis, Dalhousie University

1998

"This New Country is My Business': Case Studies of the Cultural Meanings of Entrepreneurship to Immigrant Entrepreneurs" (Qualitative)

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

2012 – Present, Private Practice Edmonton, St. Albert, Calgary, Cochrane, AB & Virtually (Online) Registered Psychologist

- Provide client-centred counselling/ psychotherapy to adults and seniors addressing issues such
 as grief and loss, self-esteem, body issues, substance abuse, substance and process addictions,
 relationship issues, anger management, anxiety, and depression.
- Maintain accurate and up-to-date case files and progress notes.
- Adhere to ethical practices and principles in providing psychological services.
- Created detailed and thorough forms, including informed consent form, general information form, client intake form, consent to release and consent to obtain confidential information forms, etc., for use with clients.
- Actively participate in monthly peer supervision/consultation with other psychologists to ensure ethical and best practices.
- Created ethical and targeted business and promotional materials to reach out to potential clients and referral sources.
- Designed websites and wrote website content for the purposes of promoting services and educating consumers of mental health services.
- Network with other healthcare providers, including physicians, nurses, counsellors and psychologists, and community partners for the purposes of increasing referrals.

Fall, 2015, University of Lethbridge

Lethbridge, AB

Sessional Instructor (Primary Lecturer), Faculty of Education

- Taught "CAAP 6601: Theories of Counselling and their Application to Client Change" online to a group of 20 masters level students.
- Created all course materials in line with the course syllabus, mandate, and university policies.
- Used Moodle online platform to facilitate and enhance the teaching of course content.
- Prepared and presented lecture material in a coherent, comprehensive and engaging manner.
- Prepared and marked exams, papers, presentations and discussion forum posts in a thorough and timely fashion using valid and appropriate measures.
- Provided students with feedback and responded to emails in a respectful, professional and encouraging manner.
- Conducted various administrative duties associated with the position.

2010 – 2011, University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Senior Associate Clinician (Part-time), Faculty of Education, Educational Psychology Clinical Services

- Supervised master's and Doctoral level student clinicians on a weekly basis and as needed.
- Created and facilitated presentations and workshops to master's and Doctoral students on Selfcare for Healthcare Professionals to address prevention and healing from compassion fatigue, burnout and vicarious trauma.

- Managed various administrative tasks in the day to day running of the clinic.
- Conducted a thorough analysis of the client demographic, market and competition for the services provided by the Clinic.
- Researched and wrote the first ever marketing plan for the Clinic.
- Created and managed the advertising plan and ensured that referrals were generated for student clinicians to counsel.
- Initiated and coordinated the Clinics' purchase of the first ever electronic database of partner and referral agencies.
- Planned and implemented the first ever organized large-scale marketing outreach initiative for the Clinic to over 500 partner and referral agencies.
- Created, designed and arranged mail-out for invitations to select partner agencies for Clinic Open House to increase awareness of and referrals to Clinic.
- Organized and executed the Clinic Open House in an efficient manner involving the coordination of multiple persons and resources.
- Revised all client referral and demographic forms to better track the results of the implemented marketing and advertising plan.
- Restructured the website for the Clinic, which involved re-writing content, sourcing images, and coordinating content delivery from other Clinic staff.
- Participated in ongoing administrative meetings regarding the running of the clinic and the status
 of various marketing initiatives.
- Actively engaged in 1 hour of one-on-one supervision on a monthly basis.

Winter & Spring, 2010, University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Sessional Instructor (Primary Lecturer), Department of Educational Psychology

- Taught "EDPY 442: Introduction to Counselling" to a group of 75 (Winter) and 40 (Spring) senior undergraduate students.
- Created all course materials in line with the course syllabus, mandate, and university policies.
- Used eClass/WebCT online component to facilitate and enhance the teaching of course content.
- Prepared and presented lecture material in a coherent, comprehensive and engaging manner.
- Prepared and marked exams in a thorough and timely manner using valid and appropriate measures.
- Coordinated and consulted with multiple seminar instructors as needed for cohesive course delivery.
- Provided students with feedback in a respectful, professional and encouraging manner.
- Conducted various administrative duties associated with the position.

Winter & Spring, 2010, Grant MacEwan University

Edmonton, AB

Term Instructor (Primary Lecturer), Department of Psychology

- Taught "PSYC 241: Social Psychology" to groups of 40 undergraduate students.
- Created course syllabus and ensured all course materials, learning goals, and evaluation measures were in line with course mandate and university policies.
- Used Blackboard/WebCT online component to facilitate and enhance the teaching of course content.

- Designed and facilitated lecture material in a coherent, comprehensive and engaging manner.
- Created and graded exams in a thorough and timely fashion using valid and appropriate measures.
- Provided students with feedback in a respectful, professional and encouraging manner.
- Conducted various administrative duties associated with the position.

Fall, 2009 & 2010, University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Small Group Facilitator (Part-time), Department of Family Medicine

- Facilitated seminar for "MED 526: Patient Centred Care Part II".
- Worked with first year Medical School students to help increase their comfort and proficiency with sexual history taking with patients.
- Provided feedback and skills acquisition support to students in relation to their practice sessions with standardized patients.
- Coordinated with a co-facilitator the discussion and dissemination of information related to issues
 regarding sex, sexuality, sexual disorders, sexual abuse, sexual assault, and sexual orientation as
 they may present in the practice of family medicine.

2006 – 2007, University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Counsellor (Part-time), Student Counselling Services

- Provided client-centred individual therapy to students presenting with anxiety, depression, relationship issues, suicidal ideation, family issues, etc.
- Kept confidential, accurate and timely client files and session notes.
- Liaised on behalf of students, when necessary, with other academic departments.
- Actively participated in individual supervision on a weekly basis.

2004 – 2005, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

Toronto, ON

Counsellor/Therapist, Work Adjustment and Employment Support Services

- Counselled a caseload of 15-20 clients currently dealing with or in recovery from diagnosed mental illness(es) using cognitive reframing, behavioural goals, mindfulness, and emotion regulation to address work related and influenced issues.
- Advocated on behalf of clients with potential employers and additional services, such as ODSP, Housing, WSIB, EI, Social Assistance, legal services, and long and short-term insurance providers.
- Liaised with social workers and primary health care clinicians and physicians to ensure quality and consistency of care for the client.
- Wrote accurate and timely intake reports and client documentation to be entered into client's medical health record.
- Facilitated the creation of unpaid and paid part-time work placements for clients to assist in their transition back to employment.
- Designed and facilitated employment skills group for youth in a day treatment addictions program
 and also youth in an alternative GED program for those with mental health challenges.
- Co-facilitated workshops for college level career counselling students regarding breaking the stigma of mental illness and understanding mental illness in employment counselling.
- Supervised and contributed to the on-site training of co-op student interns.

INTERNSHIPS & PRACTICA

2008 – 2009 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Ph.D. Pre-doctoral Internship, Faculty of Education, Educational Psychology Clinical Services

- Counselled adult and elderly individuals and couples from Edmonton and the surrounding community, presenting with a variety of issues including anxiety disorders, depression, trauma, substance and process addiction, relationship problems, and bereavement, etc.
- Provided personality, diagnostic and projective assessments of appropriate counselling clients, scored assessments, and debriefed counselling clients on the results and meaning of findings.
- Wrote thorough, concise and timely case notes following each client session.
- Created and managed the advertising plan and ensured that referrals were generated for student clinicians to counsel.
- Managed various administrative tasks in the day to day running of the clinic
- Participated in monthly administrative meetings regarding the running of the clinic and accreditation issues, etc.
- Actively engaged in 3 hours of one-on-one supervision and 1 hour of group supervision on a weekly basis.
- Supervised master's level student clinicians on a weekly basis and as needed.

2005 – 2006 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Counselling Ph.D. Practicum Student, Student Counselling Services

- Provided client-centred individual therapy to University of Alberta students presenting with anxiety, depression, relationship issues, suicidal ideation, family issues, etc.
- Kept confidential, accurate and timely client files and session notes.
- Liaised on behalf of students, when necessary, with other academic departments.
- Actively participated in individual supervision on a weekly basis.

2005 – 2006 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Counselling Ph.D. Practicum Student, Educational Psychology Clinical Services

- Counselled adult and adolescent individuals, children, couples and families presenting to the clinic
 with a variety of issues including anxiety, depression, trauma, substance and process addiction,
 personality disorders, relationship problems, bereavement, conflict, and parenting issues, etc.
- Kept confidential, accurate and timely client files and session notes.
- Actively participated in individual and group supervision on a weekly basis.

2003 – 2004 Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

Toronto, ON

Psychology Masters Intern, Personality Disorders Service

- Provided client-centred individual and group therapy using DBT framework to culturally diverse
 adult clients with various personality disorders, trauma histories, suicidal ideation, self-mutilation,
 and substance abuse issues.
- Designed, facilitated and evaluated an interpersonal and communication skills group for clients with a BPD diagnosis.

- Maintained and updated charts containing confidential client information.
- Coordinated with team members such as psychiatrists, social workers, psychologists, and nurses to provide holistic care.
- Participated in team and individual supervision sessions.

TEACHING/RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

2023, Feb 27-29 Harville Hendrix Ventures, LLC

Online (Live)

Clinical Assistant, Getting the Love You Want: A Workshop for Couples with Harville Hendrix & Helen Hunt

2009 – 2010 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Research Assistant, Health Sciences Education & Research Commons

2006 - 2008 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Teaching Assistant, EDPY 533/534 – Masters level "Counselling Practicum" Course, Department of Educational Psychology

Spring, 2006 University of Alberta

Edmonton, AB

Seminar Instructor, EDPY 442 – Undergraduate level "Introduction to Counselling" Course, Department of Educational Psychology

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

University of Calgary

November 4, 2022

Not-for-Profit World in Wonder, Integrity & Kindness (WIWIK) collaboration Online (Live)

Workshop: I Am Not My Gremlin! IIM - Separating you from your inner critic (A live online introductory workshop)

University of Calgary

October 25, 2022

Online (Live)

Key Note Speech: I Am Not My Gremlin. I^{TM} - Separating you from your inner critic

University of Alberta

April 7, 2021

Online (Live)

Key Note Speech: (World Mental Health Day Breakfast Launch) Living Life with Vitality & Wonder

University of Alberta

March 1 - April 30, 2021

Not-for-Profit World in Wonder, Integrity & Kindness (WIWIK) collaboration Online (Live & Recorded)

Campus-wide Mental Health Initiative: I Am Not My Gremlin! [IM

Women Empowering Women (WEW)

Cochrane, AB

Presentation: "It's Not You, It's Your Gremlin!: Freeing Yourself from Anxiety"

Public Presentation

Cochrane Public Library, Cochrane, AB

Presentation: "It's Not You, It's Your Gremlin!: Freeing Yourself from Anxiety"

St. Albert Bereavement Group
St. Albert, AB
February 13, 2013

EDPY 633: Doctoral Counselling Practicum October 25, 2010

Presentation: "Self-care for Healthcare Professionals"

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Coping Mindfully with Loss and Loneliness"

EDPY 533: Masters Counselling Practicum
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

October 13, 2010

EDPY 534: Masters Counselling Practicum
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

March 2 & 4, 2010

Presentation: "Cybersex Addiction: Diagnosis and Treatment"

Presentation/Workshop: "Self-care for Healthcare Professionals"

MED 526: Patient Centred Care Part II

Department of Family Medicine, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Cybersex Addiction: Diagnosis and Treatment"

EDPY 534: Masters Counselling Practicum

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Couples Recovering from Cybersex Addiction"

February 5, 2008

EDPY 497: Teaching Sex Education
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Cybersex Addiction"

October 25, 2007

Educational Psychology Graduate Student Colloquium

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Paper Presentation: "Couples Recovering from Cybersex Addiction"

March 30, 2007

EDPY 497: Teaching Sex Education University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

October 19, 2006

Presentation: "Cybersex Addiction"

Career and Life Management Program (CALM)

July 11, 2006

Ross Sheppard High School, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Cybersex and Internet Safety"

Student Counselling Services

June 15, 2006

University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Cybersex Addiction: Diagnosis and Treatment"

Canadian Psychological Association

June 9, 2006

75th Annual Conference, Calgary, AB

Theory Review Presentation: "The Alexithymia Construct and Implications"

Career and Life Management Program (CALM)

May 9, 2006

Ross Sheppard High School, Edmonton, AB

Presentation: "Cybersex and Internet Safety"

Annual Meeting of the Atlantic Association of

1998

Sociologists and Anthropologists

Paper Presentation: "Would Society Exist at Three O'clock in the Morning if Everyone Where Asleep?"

CONTINUING EDUCATION & TRAINING

March 16, 2023 Online (Recorded)

Being an Ethical Psychologist

Canadian Psychological Association (CPA)

February 28, 2023 Online (Recorded)

The Therapist's Body: The Science of Co-regulation and Embodiment as a Therapeutic Intervention

Essential Therapy Training, Facilitated by Rebecca Clegg, LPC, CEDS-S

December 28, 2022 Online (Live)

The Path to Suicide

Center for Training, Facilitated by Amy Morgan, CFRC(D), CPSL-T(D)

Center for Training, I will will by 2 Im y 1410 gain, CIRC(D), CISE-I(D)

January 23-October 18, 2022 Online (Live)
Tele'Drama Certification Level 2 (Psychodrama for virtual settings, training and

supervision)

International Tele'Drama Institute, Facilitated by Daniela Simmons, PhD, Board Certified TEP

January 8, 2022 Online (Live) **EMDR** Advanced Training: Evicting Toxic Shame EMDR Consulting, Facilitated by Phoebe Bergvall, LCMHC January 6-7, 2022 Online (Live) EMDR Advanced Training: Dealing with Avoidance in EMDR EMDR Consulting, Facilitated by Crystal Whitlow, LCSW November 30, 2021 Online (Live) Working with Trauma with Emotionally Focused Individual Therapy (EFIT) Envision, Facilitated by Dr. Leanne Campbell, RPsych November 26, 2021 Online (Live) Intensive Short Term Dynamic Psychotherapy - Repression: When Anger Goes Inward Western Canada Institute for Intensive Short Term Dynamic Psychotherapy, Facilitated by Jon Frederickson, MSW November 19, 2021 Online (Live) Great Sex for Life: Introducing an Improvisational Sexual Style The Couples Institute, Facilitated by Martha Kauppi, MFT, ASSECT-certified Sex Therapist November 20, 2021 Online (Recorded) Not Tonight, Dear: Advanced Clinical Training on Desire Differences The Couples Institute, Facilitated by Martha Kauppi, MFT, ASSECT-certified Sex Therapist October 30 - November 1, 2020 Online (Live) Imago Clinical Training (Part 2B, Modules 5-8) Imago Relationships North America October 19 - 23, 2020 Online (Live) Intensive Sex Therapy Training Program University of Guelph, Facilitated by Dr. Markie Twist, AASECT Approved October 15 - 17, 2020Online (Live) Belief Focused EMDR (Part 2) EMDR Consulting, Facilitated by Larisa Traga, EMDRIA Approved September 25 - 27, 2020Online (Live) Imago Clinical Training (Part 2A, Modules 5-8) Imago Relationships North America Online (Live) August 7 - 9,2020Belief Focused EMDR (Part 1) EMDR Consulting, Facilitated by Larisa Traga, EMDRIA Approved

July 9 – 30, 2020 Online (Live)

Imago Clinical Training (Part 1B, Modules 1-4)

Imago Relationships North America

December 5 – 19, 2019 Online (Live)

Imago Clinical Training (Part 1A, Modules 1-4)

Imago Relationships North America

June 15, 2019 Online (Live)

Advanced EMDR Webinar: How to Turn Spiders Into Sparkle Fairies; A Tale of Complex Trauma (Alternate Title: Introduction to Working with Dissociation - combining EMDR with Ego State Therapy)

Joy Rising Counselling Services, Facilitated by Kirsten L. Ferguson, MSW, RCSW

April – May 2019 Online (Live & Recorded)

Disarming the Narcissist

Wendy Behary, LCSW through Mind Body Training Institute (MBTI)

March 24 – 25, 2018 Edmonton, AB

Introduction to Existential Analysis (Part 2).

Existential Analysis Canada

January 17 – 20, 2017 Calgary, AB

EMDR Basic Training (Level 1, Part 2) & 1 Additional Practicum.

Life Journeys Counselling, Facilitated by Sue Genest, EMDRIA Approved

October 19 – 22, 2016 Calgary, AB

Calgary, AB

EMDR Basic Training (Level 1, Part 1) & 1 Additional Practicum.

Life Journeys Counselling, Facilitated by Sue Genest, EMDRIA Approved

September 30 – October 2, 2016

Introduction to Existential Analysis (Part 1).

Existential Analysis Canada

May 28, 2016 Banff, AB

Intermediate/Advanced Clinical Hypnosis Training – O.K. I've Got the Script, Now What Comes Next? Complexity and Creativity in Applying Your New Clinical Skill.

Canadian Federation of Clinical Hypnosis (CFCH)

May 27, 2016 Banff, AB

Intermediate/Advanced Clinical Hypnosis Training – Hypnotherapy for Anxiety Disorders Canadian Federation of Clinical Hypnosis (CFCH)

May 21, 2016 St. Albert, AB

Mythodrama Leadership Training

Olivier Mythodrama, Facilitated by Michael Boyle

March 26, 2016 Edmonton, AB

Introduction to Narrative Therapy Workshop.

The Narrative Project

June 2 - 4, 2015Toronto, ON 4-Day Externship in Emotionally Focused Couples Therapy The International Centre for Excellence in Emotionally Focused Therapy (ICEEFT) May 22 - 24, 2015Banff, AB **Basic Clinical Hypnosis Training** Canadian Federation of Clinical Hypnosis (CFCH) April 17 – 24 & September 13 – 19, 2015 Calgary, AB **Expressive Arts Training: Level 1 Certificate** Prairie Institute of Expressive Arts Therapy (PIEAT) September 29 – December 19, 2014 Online (Live & Recorded) Telemental Health Introductory Certificate Program. The Traumatology Institute (Canada) in partnership with the Telebehavioral Health Institute (TBHI) May 14 - 17, 2014West Palm Beach, FL Multidimensional Partner Trauma Model Association for Partners of Sex Addicts Trauma Model Specialists (APSATS) September 14 – December 2, 2009 Edmonton, AB Advanced Clinical Supervision in Psychology University of Calgary, Division of Applied Psychology April 25 & 26, 2009 Toronto, ON Compassion Fatigue Specialist Training The Traumatology Institute (Canada) February 11, 2009 Edmonton, AB How to Improve the Effectiveness of Your Clinical Work by 65% The Family Centre, Facilitated by Scott Miller, Ph.D. December 15, 2004 Toronto, ON Dealing with Hostile and Aggressive Behaviour Centre for Addiction and Mental Health October 27, 2004 Toronto, ON Neglected or Hidden Conference on Connecting Employers and People with Disabilities in Canada October 21, 2004 Toronto, ON Sustaining Ourselves as Helping Professionals, Full Day Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

September 22, 2004 Healing Approaches to Mental Health Toronto, ON

Cultural Competency in Mental Health Conference

September 22, 2004 Toronto, ON

Cultural Competency Panel of Best Practices & Cultural Competence Mental Health Service Delivery Project

Cultural Competency in Mental Health Conference

August 18, 2004 Toronto, ON

Diversity Training, Full Day

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

June 23, 2004 Toronto, ON

Code White & Code Blue Training, Full Day

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

June 16 & 17, 2003 Toronto, ON

An Introduction to Brief Therapy: Guiding Assumptions, Operating Principles and Practical Methods, Two Day

The Hincks-Dellcrest Centre

OTHER EXPERIENCE				
2021-Present	World in Wonder, Integrity & Kindness (WIWIK)	Alberta, CAN		
	Mental Wellness Foundation (Not-for-Profit)			
Founder & Dire	ector			
2004	Davenport Perth Neighbourhood Centre	Toronto, ON		
Employment Cod	ach, Employment Resource Centre			
2002 - 2003	Youth Employment Services (YES)	Toronto, ON		
Career Counsello	r, Crossways Adult & Youth Job Centre			
2002	LUCIDEA	Toronto, ON		
Owner, Corporal	te & Public Speaker & Trainer			
2002, Q1	The Learning Annex	Toronto, ON		
Public Seminar I	Leader			
2000 - 2002	L(earn) ² Inc.	Toronto, ON		
Corporate Train	ing Consultant/ Facilitator			
2000 - 2003	Mount Sinai Hospital	Toronto, ON		
Volunteer Patie	nt Companion, Inpatient Psychiatric Ward			
2000	Forever Yours Lingerie, Inc.	Oakville, ON		
Fashion Runwa	ry & Set Designer			
2000	Toronto School of Art	Toronto, ON		
Teaching Assist	ant			
1999 - 2000	J. Walter Thompson	Toronto, ON		
Advertising Acce	ount Executive			

1999	Promotions Or Whatever (P.O.W.)	Toronto, ON		
Promotions Assistant				
1998	Creative Advice	Halifax, NS		
Account Executive				
1997 – 1998	Radio Egypt	Halifax, NS		
Marketing, Media and Public Relations Manager				
1997	Market Research Associates Ltd.	Halifax, NS		
Research Assistant				
1995	Art Gallery of Nova Scotia	Halifax, NS		
Exhibit Coordinator				
1994 – 1996	Dalhousie University	Halifax, NS		
Volunteer Career Information Assistant, Psychological and Career Counselling Centre				
REFERENCES				

Available upon request.