

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, APA Accredited Psy.D. Program

Marshall University, Huntington, WV

Date of Graduation: August 13, 2021

Dissertation Defense Date: April 24, 2020

Dissertation Title: *Understanding the Influence of Childhood Experiences on the Development of Female Sexual Perpetrators Against Underage Individuals*

Master of Arts in General Psychology, August 2018

Marshall University, Huntington, WV

Dually enrolled in M.A. and Psy.D. Programs at Marshall University

Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, May 2016

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, May 2014

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

EMPLOYMENT

Fremouw, Sigley & Baker Psychological Associates, PLLC

Kingwood, WV 26537

Position: Licensed Clinical Psychologist

FamilyCare Health Centers

September 2021 – February 2024

116 Hills Plaza

Charleston, WV 25387-2438

Position: Licensed Clinical Psychologist

Primary Supervisor while applying for licensure: Dr. Kathryn Adams, Head of Behavioral Health Department

Interim Supervisor from August 19, 2022 – January 27, 2023, while applying for licensure: Dr. Thomas D. Linz

Adjunct Supervisor while applying for licensure: Dr. Brittany Canady

PREDOCTORAL INTERNSHIP

Hershel “Woody” Williams VA Medical Center, APA Accredited Internship Program

Huntington, WV

Start Date: 08/03/2020

Completion Date: 07/30/2021

Director of Clinical Training: Denise Harris, Psy.D. (Phone: 304-429-6755 x2713)

1st Major Rotations, 08/03/2020 – 01/29/2021:

Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)

Supervisor: Ryan S. Price, Psy.D.

- Conducted intake assessments with new Veterans in the program
- Conducted brief cognitive assessments including the SLUMS
- Provided individual CBT and supportive therapy to Veterans for a variety of presenting problems including Major Depressive Disorder and COVID-19 pandemic concerns
- Participated in weekly interdisciplinary treatment team meetings

PTSD Clinical Team (PCT)

Supervisor: Lauren Davidson, Psy.D.

- Conducted consult assessments with new Veterans to determine appropriateness for treatment with PCT to address trauma concerns
- Administered personality assessments to assist in differential diagnosis
- Provided individual therapy to Veterans with Trauma- and Stressor-Related Disorders
- Participated in weekly interdisciplinary treatment team meetings

2nd Major Rotations, 02/01/2021 – 07/30/2021:

General Mental Health (GMH)

Supervisor: Tina Lunsford-Peterman, Ph.D.

- Provided individual therapy to Veterans with a variety of presenting concerns including Major Depressive Disorder and Generalized Anxiety Disorder
- Administered brief self-report measures to monitor symptomology including the PHQ-9 and GAD-7
- Completed safety plans with Veterans who endorsed suicidal ideation
- Participated in weekly interdisciplinary treatment team meetings

Substance Use Disorders (SUD)

Supervisor: Michael Bias, Psy.D.

- Provided individual and group therapy to Veterans with substance use disorders
- Administered the Brief Addiction Monitor-Revised (BAM-R) to monitor substance use, protective factors, and risk factors
- Completed safety plans with Veterans who endorsed suicidal ideation
- Participated in weekly interdisciplinary treatment team meetings

Minor Rotation, 08/03/2020 – 07/30/2021:

LGBT Healthcare

Supervisor: Shelia Robinett, Psy.D.

- Conducted gender affirming hormone therapy candidacy evaluations
- Created educational pamphlets about gender affirming hormone therapy including risks, expected changes, and types of hormones
- Provided staff training and open panel discussions regarding VHA Directives for LGBT and Intersex Veterans and other related topics

- Participated in monthly VISN 5 LGBT Care Coordinator meetings
- Attended LGBT webinars and complete associated trainings

Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) Mentorship, 08/03/2020 – 07/30/2021:

Trauma Focused Interventions

Supervisor: Rebecca Sullivan, Psy.D.

- Completed online training in Cognitive Processing Therapy (CPT)
- Provided CPT to Veterans with PTSD due to military sexual trauma and combat trauma
- Administered self-report measures including: PCL-5, PCL-5 Weekly, BDI-II, and PHQ-9 to track changes in PTSD and depression symptoms

Psychological Assessment, 08/03/2020 – 07/30/2021

Assessment Coordinator/Supervisor: Rachael Hatfield, Psy.D.

- Conducted clinical interviews with Veterans presenting for a variety of reasons including surgical candidacy appropriateness, gender affirming hormone therapy candidacy appropriateness, and capacity to manage finances
- Coordinated with assessment coordinator and supervising psychologists for each assessment
- Administered and scored psychological assessments including: MMPI-2-RF, MMPI-2, RBANS, ILS, SLUMS, MBMD, AUDIT-C, and DAST
- Produced integrated psychological assessment reports
- Provided feedback to Veterans and interdisciplinary teams

FORMAL PRACTICA TRAINING (PRE-INTERN)

FamilyCare Health Center

August 2019 – May 2020

Teays Valley, WV

Supervisor: Kathryn Adams, Psy.D., Head of Behavioral Health Department

- Served as a supervised psychologist at this integrated primary care setting
- Completed intakes and provided individual therapy to patients across the lifespan, primarily for anxiety, depression, and adjustment disorders
- Provided individual and group therapy to patients with opioid use disorder in the OBMAT program
- Administered and scored psychological assessments including GAD-7, PHQ-9, and MOCA

Diversified Assessment and Therapy Services (DATS)

August 2018 – August 2019

Kenova, WV

Supervisor: Sandra Kiser-Griffith, Psy.D., Owner of DATS

- Served as a supervised psychologist at this private practice
- Conducted psychological assessments with patients across the lifespan, but primarily with residents of Golden Girl Group Home
- Produced integrated assessment reports incorporating intellectual, achievement, and behavioral measures
- Participated in treatment planning with residents of Golden Girl Group Home

Marshall University Psychology Clinic

August 2017 – August 2018

Huntington, WV

Clinic Director: Penny Koontz, Psy.D.

Supervisors: Jeffrey Boggess, Ph.D., Jennifer Tiano, Ph.D., Brittany Canady, Ph.D., and Thomas D. Linz, Ph.D.

- Served as a psychology trainee at this university clinic, which offers free therapy services to university students and reduced prices for community members
- Provided individual and group therapy to Marshall University students and members of the community
- Conducted psychological assessments and produced integrated assessment reports incorporating intellectual, achievement, and behavioral measures
- Participated in outreach events on campus and in the community

Federal Correctional Institution (FCI), Morgantown

August 2015 – April 2016

Morgantown, WV

Site Supervisor: Edward Baker, Ph.D., Chief Psychologist

- Served as a practicum student at this minimum-security federal prison while completing master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling at West Virginia University
- Provided individual and group therapy to inmates with CARE1-MH and CARE2-MH care level statuses
- Completed intake, transfer, and risk of sexual victimization assessments as well as yearly medication reviews

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Marshall University Psychology Clinic

May 2018 – May 2020

Huntington, WV

Clinic Director: Penny Koontz, Psy.D.

- Served as a graduate assistant at this university clinic, which offers free therapy services to university students and reduced prices for community members
- Monitored clinicians' caseloads, audited active and inactive patient files, and tracked billing and documentation in electronic medical record system (Titanium)
- Maintained an inventory of psychological assessment materials

Hovah Hall Underwood Children's Home

August 2017 – November 2018

Ona, WV

Clinic Director: Delvin Johnson

Supervisors: Emily Wilson, MA, and Thomas Linz, Ph.D.

- Served as a counselor in a 15-bed temporary facility for adolescents who are in state custody
- Provided brief individual therapy to residents and completed treatment and care coordination plans
- Participated in weekly treatment team meetings

Fremouw, Sigley & Baker Psychological Associates, PLLC

July 2013 – July 2016

Morgantown, WV

Senior Partners: William Fremouw, Ph.D. and Terry Laurita Sigley, MA

Junior Partner: Edward Baker, Ph.D.

- Served as a psychometrician in this private practice
- Administered and scored intelligence, achievement, malingering, vocational, behavioral, and other psychological assessments
- Assisted office staff with scheduling appointments, transcribing reports, and tracking payments received from insurance companies and patients

ADDITIONAL TRAINING EXPERIENCE

West Virginia Area Health Education Centers Rural Community Health Scholars Program

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

October 2018 – June 2020

Program Coordinator: Jessica Stidham, MA

- Completed 80 hours of didactic training and 80 hours of practicum experience in a federally designated rural county to enhance knowledge of rural healthcare considerations
- Received stipend and national recognition for program participation

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Dissertation

Title: *Understanding the Influence of Childhood Experiences on the Development of Female Sexual Perpetrators Against Underage Individuals*

Dissertation Committee Chair: Keith Beard, Psy.D.

Dissertation Committee Members: V. Ray Haning, M.D. and Sandra Stroebel, Ph.D.

Dissertation Defense: April 24, 2020

Mental Health and Aging Lab, West Virginia University August 2013 – May 2014

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Supervisors: Amy Fiske, Ph.D. and Elizabeth Price, Ph.D.

PUBLICATIONS

Stroebel, S. S., O'Keefe, S. L., Griffiee, K., Harper-Dorton, K. V., Beard, K. W., Young, D. H., ...Hershman, C. M. (2020). Etiological risk factors for men becoming sexual perpetrators who prey on underage victims, *Sexual Addiction & Compulsivity*. doi: 10.1080/10720162.2020.1751358

Steele, K., Stroebel, S. S., O'Keefe, S. L., Griffiee, K., Harper-Dorton, K., Beard, K. W., . . . Hershman, C. M. (2019). Disguisable and obvious child sexual abuse behaviors: Analysis of effects on sexual addiction in adults and between-sex comparisons of occurrence percentages using anonymous data from perpetrators and victims. *Sexual Addiction & Compulsivity*. doi:http://dx.doi.org.marshall.idm.oclc.org/10.1080/10720162.2019.1647319

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

West Virginia University

August 2014 – May 2016

Graduate Teaching Assistant – Psychology Department

Supervisors: Constance Toffle, Ph.D. and Elizabeth Levelle, Ph.D.

Courses taught: Introduction to Psychology (3 semesters) and Introduction to Human Development (1 semester)

West Virginia University

August 2013 – May 2014

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant – Psychology Department

Supervisors: Cheryl McNiel, Ph.D., Christina Duncan, Ph.D., and Patricia Hopkins, Ph.D.

Assisted instructors with the following courses: Exceptional Children (1 semester) and Abnormal Psychology (1 semester)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Psychological Association

November 2021 – Present

West Virginia Rural Health Association

October 2019 – Present

ORCID

April 2019 – Present

West Virginia Psychological Association

February 2018 – Present

Personal and Professional References Are Available Upon Request