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EDUCATION

TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

Masters of Education in Counseling Psychology

Philadelphia, PA May 2015

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Bachelors of Arts in Psychology and Criminal Justice

Minor in Exercise Science

Washington, DC

May 2012

EXPERIENCE

MERAKEY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Outpatient Clinician

Philadelphia, PA

November 2017-present

- Provides individual, couples, and family therapy to an ongoing caseload of 35+ clients
- Performs weekly diagnostic intake assessments and conducted suicidal/homicidal assessments; always relaying appropriate safety information and referring clients for crisis when necessary
- Selected as one of only two therapists at Merakey Behavioral Health to participate in a Community Behavioral Health (CBH) training which will lead to certification in trauma-focused cognitive behavior therapy
- Collaborates with a treatment team of case managers, psychiatrists, and behavioral health workers, to provide paramount mental health services to each client

CHILDREN'S CRISIS TREATMENT CENTER

Outpatient Clinician

Philadelphia, PA July 2015-October 2017

- Provided individual and family therapy to an ongoing caseload of 35+ children and adolescents and their families
- Performed weekly diagnostic intake assessments and conducted suicidal/homicidal assessments; always relaying appropriate safety information and referring clients for crisis as necessary
- Maintained meticulously detailed chart records for each client's behavior, treatment, and initiated supportive interventions
- Participated in ongoing trainings on ecosystemic structural family therapy (ESFT) and cognitive behavior therapy
- Served as the liaison and group leader for the outpatient department's cognitive therapy group
- Collaborated with a treatment team of case managers, psychiatrists, and co-clinicians, to provide comprehensive services to each client

FREIRE CHARTER SCHOOL

Intern Therapist

Philadelphia, PA May 2014-May 2015

- Managed a caseload of 12-18 clients
- Provided individual and family therapy, to students, in sessions in the school's counseling center
- Collaborated with a treatment team of teachers, deans, school staff, and co-therapists to implement the best treatment modalities
- Utilized a combination of behavioral modifications and motivational interviewing to help students succeed

THE CHILDREN'S SCHOOL

Teacher

Philadelphia, PA September 2012-June 2013

- Planned and implemented tactile art projects
- Responsible for a classroom of twelve toddler-aged children
- Led enriching and engaging classroom activities

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Leadership and Involvement:

- Member of PSI CHI, the international honor society in psychology
- Certification in cognitive behavior therapy through the BECK community initiative
- Accomplished marathoner and ultra-marathoner. Frequently placing in the age group awards category.
- For the past decade running has been a dominant part of my life. In 2015, I became a USATF certified track and field coach so that I could help others experience the thrill of running and racing. Running has given me a very valuable skill set. I am skilled at pushing through mental fatigue and pain, and this translates to all areas of my life. I have the discipline to finish whatever it is I set out to do.