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## **EDUCATION**

- 08/14–08/19 **Doctor of Psychology in Clinical Psychology** Azusa Pacific University, California Emphasis in Family Psychology Concentration in Organizational Consultation
- 08/14–07/16 Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology Azusa Pacific University, California
- 01/97–05/99 Master of Arts in Linguistics University of Texas at Arlington
- 08/93–12/96 Bachelor of Arts in Intercultural Studies Biola University, California Magna cum laude

# **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

## 08/20–Present The Claremont Colleges, California Monsour Counseling and Psychological Services Senior Staff Psychologist

- Provide individual and group psychotherapy to a diverse adult population comprised of 8500 undergraduate, graduate, and international students in a private college consortium
- Utilize brief goal-oriented therapy to address issues including, but not limited to, anxiety, depression, eating concerns, substance use, interpersonal conflict, sexual assault, and racial trauma
- Carry caseload of 15-20 clients per week, complete intakes, provide crisis support, refer students for psychiatric and medical evaluation as needed, and facilitate transition to ongoing services in the community when indicated
- Take regular shift as on-call therapist to coordinate care during after-hours crises by assessing risk, providing consultation, and facilitating hospitalization
- Provide consultation for staff and faculty as needed, to support them in providing effective care for students
- Lead psychoeducational and process groups on a variety of topics including men's issues, diversity issues, and interpersonal relationships
- Provide presentations on mental health topics as requested by campus community, and facilitate campus activities to decrease stigma, promote mental health, and increase awareness of services
- Serve on Social Media Task Force to select, develop, and provide timely and relevant tools and resources for student community via social media services such as Instagram
- Participate in group case conferences and crisis disposition meetings, provide peer consultation, and lead didactic seminars

# SUPERVISED CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

## 08/19–05/20 **The Claremont Colleges, California Monsour Counseling and Psychological Services** Postdoctoral Fellowship Supervisor: Fiona Vajk, PhD

- Provided individual and group psychotherapy to a diverse adult population comprised of 8500 undergraduate, graduate, and international students in a private college consortium
- Utilized brief therapy model (5-8 sessions) to address issues including, but not limited to, anxiety, depression, eating concerns, substance use, interpersonal conflict, sexual assault, and prior trauma
- · Carried caseload of 20 clients per week, completed four intakes weekly, referred students for psychiatric and medical evaluation, and facilitated transition to ongoing services in the community
- Provided support for students in distress during weekly crisis shift; assessed for risk, developed safety plans, referred to psychiatric support as needed, and managed follow-up care; periodically functioned as on-call therapist to coordinate care during after-hours crises
- · Provided consultation for staff and faculty to facilitate care for students
- · Co-led process group for men to share and receive support in managing relationships, mental health concerns, identity formation, and issues related to gender roles and expectations
- Provided presentations on mental health topics as requested by campus community, and facilitated campus activities to decrease stigma, promote mental health, and increase awareness of services
- Participated in group case conferences, crisis disposition meetings, individual supervision, didactic seminars, and provided training seminars

## 08/18–07/19 California State University, Fullerton Counseling and Psychological Services

APA-Accredited Doctoral Internship (2000 hours) Supervisors: Jill Kapil, PsyD and Phi Loan Le, PsyD

- Provided individual, couple, and group psychotherapy to a diverse adult population comprised of undergraduate, graduate, and international students in a public university of 42,000 students
- Utilized brief therapy model (5-10 sessions) to address issues including, but not limited to, depression, anxiety, problems faced by first-generation students, sexual identity formation, eating concerns, substance use, and sexual trauma
- Conducted intakes, reviewed CCAPS assessments, formulated treatment plans, connected students with on-campus resources, consulted with multidisciplinary teams such as the eating disorder task force, and referred students to psychiatric or medical evaluation as needed
- Provided support for students in distress during triage and walk-in crisis hours, assessed for risk, developed safety plans, made referrals for psychiatric support, and managed follow-up care
- Supported the LGBTQ community on campus by serving as liaison to the LGBTQ resource center and co-leading support group for LGBTQ students
- Provided the following outreach services: weekly psychoeducational seminars based on DBT and CBT on stress, sleep, mood, and anxiety; presentations on mental health topics as requested by campus community; sharing about mental health services through tabling at campus events
- Provided peer supervision, participated in case consultation meetings and didactic seminars, presented on cases, and reviewed session recordings in supervision
- · Participated in applicant review and selection process for APA-accredited doctoral internship program

#### 08/17–05/18 University of Southern California Student Counseling Services Clinical Practicum III

Supervisor: Alise Cogger, PhD

- Worked with a motivated and culturally diverse staff to provide psychotherapy to a diverse population of undergraduate, graduate, and international students in a private university of 47,000 students
- Utilized brief therapy model (6-8 sessions) to address issues including, but not limited to, cultural adjustment, substance abuse, self-esteem, sexuality, identity formation, anxiety, and depression
- · Conducted intakes, screened students for selection to groups, determined diagnoses, and formulated treatment plans using an integrative theoretical approach
- · Provided crisis support, assessed risk, stabilized clients, planned for safety, and managed follow-up care
- Co-led two groups: DBT skills group for students experiencing self-harm, high-risk behavior, and pervasive relationship instability; and process group for graduate students experiencing relationship problems
- Participated in regular training events that addressed diversity issues, treatment models, and other topics of clinical relevance such as sexual trauma and substance use
- Participated in individual and group supervision, which included case presentations and review of recorded therapy sessions

#### 09/17-04/18 APU Community Counseling Center Azusa, California Assessment Clerkship

Supervisor: Jenss Chang, PhD

- · Administered and scored full batteries of psychodiagnostic and neuropsychological measures
- Prepared integrative reports and feedback based on assessment findings to provide diagnostic clarification, increase treatment efficacy, and determine appropriate referrals
- · Participated in didactic seminars and supervision for administration and interpretation of measures

## 09/16–06/17 California State University, San Bernardino Counseling and Psychological Services Clinical Practicum II

Supervisor: Julie Simmons, PsyD

- Worked in a busy and dynamic environment, providing individual and couple therapy to a diverse student population in a public university of 21,000 students
- Utilized brief therapy model (5-8 sessions) to address issues including, but not limited to, depression, anxiety, identity formation, trauma, sexual violence, and relationship distress
- · Provided crisis support for students and facilitated hospitalization as needed
- Collaborated with health and academic personnel and made appropriate referrals to address clients' presenting concerns
- · Co-led support group for veterans, skills group for anxiety, and process group for personal growth
- Prepared and presented workshop on depression, and participated in other outreach activities such as suicide prevention awareness for the student community
- · Participated in case consultation meetings, training seminars on relevant evidence-based practices, and individual and group supervision

# 08/15–05/16 Valleydale Elementary School and APU Community Counseling Center Azusa, California

Clinical Practicum I Supervisors: Gisette Uthoff, PsyD and Gina Atencio-Maclean, PsyD

- Provided individual short-term psychotherapy to children aged 5-11 for issues including impulse control, depression, bereavement, anxiety, abuse, and parental divorce, and to adults across the lifespan for issues including marital distress, disordered eating, depression, anxiety, and grief
- Conducted intake interviews with parents and guardians, as needed, to gather collateral information about clients
- Utilized brief self-reported assessment measures, as well as parent-reported and teacher-reported measures, to monitor client progress
- · Consulted and collaborated with teachers, parents, and guardians to formulate effective and sustainable solutions
- · Filed child abuse reports and consulted on legal and ethical issues in cases of suspected child abuse
- · Participated in individual and group supervision and attended weekly didactic seminars

# WORKSHOPS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Alaichamy, S. (October 2020). *Recovering from Relationship Trauma*. Workshop provided for all 7C students. The Claremont Colleges Consortium, Claremont.
- Alaichamy, S. and Reyes, D. (August 2020). *Telecare for the Telestudent: Monitoring and Supporting Students in a Virtually Connected World.* Workshop requested for Resident Assistants. Claremont McKenna College, Claremont.
- Alaichamy, S. (January 2020). Overcoming Shame and Fear: Addressing Intimate Partner Violence in Psychotherapy. Didactic training provided for psychology interns. California State University, Fullerton.
- Alaichamy, S. and Enrique, N. (October 2019). *Peer Support: Providing Support Within Appropriate Boundaries.* Workshop requested for Academic Resource Center Tutors. Keck Graduate Institute, Claremont.
- Alaichamy, S. and Li, M. (August 2019). *Cultural Adjustment: How to Like and (Maybe) Love Living in the U.S.* Seminar requested for freshman orientation. Scripps College, Claremont.
- Vajk, F. and **Alaichamy, S.** (August 2019). *Helping after Sexual Assault.* Training provided for Scripps Advocates for Survivors of Sexual Assault. Scripps College, Claremont.
- Alaichamy, S. (January 2019). *Stress and Resilience*. Workshop on mental health needs of college students, requested by Housing and Residential Engagement. California State University, Fullerton.
- Alaichamy, S. and Maleki, L. (October 2018). *Managing Stress.* Workshop requested by LGBTQ Resource Center. California State University, Fullerton.
- Kapil, J. and **Alaichamy, S.** (August 2018). *Motivational Interviewing*. Training provided for Peer Health Educators. California State University, Fullerton.
- Alaichamy, S. (May 2017). *#depressed #makeitbetter*. Invited presentation for student body on understanding and managing depressive symptoms. California State University, San Bernardino.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- 05/19 Award Outstanding Clinical Competency Presented for attaining high scores on all sections of the PsyD clinical competency exams Azusa Pacific University, California
- 05/19 Award Outstanding Contribution to the Department of Clinical Psychology Presented for making significant contributions as Teaching and Research Assistant, toward advancing the academic, professional, and clinical goals of the APU Department of Clinical Psychology Azusa Pacific University, California

### SELECTED TRAINING

03/20 **TeleMental Health: Ethical, Legal, Clinical, Technological and Practice Considerations** Online course (26 CE), Zur Institute Developers: Roy Huggins, LPC NCC, Keely Kolmes, PsyD, and Ofer Zur, PhD

# 10/19 TransYouth Care

The Claremont Colleges Instructors: Jo Olson-Kennedy, MD, and Aydin Olson-Kennedy, LCSW

- 03/19 Working with Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Clients California State University, Fullerton Instructor: Huong Diep, PsyD
- 03/19 Assessment & Treatment of Eating disorders and Body Image Issues California State University, Fullerton Instructor: Kevin Thomas, PsyD
- 10/18 Men in Therapy: Engaging Men for Successful Outcomes California State University, Fullerton Instructor: Matt Englar-Carlson, PhD
- 07/15 Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA Instructors: Richard Solano and Olivia Sevilla, EdD, LCSW

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

#### 08/20-Present Adjunct Professor

Department of Clinical Psychology Azusa Pacific University, California

- Taught the following courses: *Gerontology (Fall 2020)* PsyD in Clinical Psychology program, APA-Accredited
- Facilitated learning through lectures, small group discussions, and class activities, and effectively modified class materials and activities for online environment during 2020 pandemic
- · Monitored and assessed student progress through journals, research papers and experiential projects

### 08/15–07/18 Dissertation Research

Azusa Pacific University, California Chair: David Brokaw, PhD

- Title: Motivation as Mediating Variable Between Job Discrepancy and Job Satisfaction in Religious Non-Profit Workers
- Quantitative study of religious non-profit workers in foreign countries using Self-Determination Theory to understand how motivation contributes to job satisfaction in the context of unmet job expectations

#### 08/14-06/18 Teaching and Research Assistant

Department of Clinical Psychology Azusa Pacific University, California

- Competitive scholarship position awarded to only two incoming students based on academic excellence and professional goals
- · Delivered guest lectures and graded papers in graduate psychology classes
- Designed and maintained client database at the APU Community Counseling Center to track clinical trends such as mental health needs, treatment modalities, and treatment outcomes
- · Edited and revised faculty publications
- · Assisted in the selection process of applicants to the PsyD program

#### 01/04–04/04, Associate Instructor

02/07–04/07 Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics Dallas International University, Texas

· Co-taught the following courses:

Discourse Analysis (Spring 2004 and Spring 2007) Language and Society (Spring 2004)

• Provided lectures on selected topics, prepared PowerPoint presentations, led discussion groups, met with students individually to facilitate learning, and assessed student progress through exams, applied projects, and research papers

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### 09/09–08/15 Regional Coordinator

Western Indonesia Service Group SIL International

- · Led a unit of 25 expatriate workers carrying out language development work in Indonesia
- · Interviewed potential recruits to assess job fit in terms of personality, skill set, and career interest
- · Conducted orientation workshops for new members to facilitate their cultural and emotional adjustment to living in Indonesia
- Regularly monitored, assessed, and provided feedback on members' emotional health and work performance through self-report surveys and face-to-face meetings
- Debriefed members during crisis situations and referred them to mental health professionals and other resources as needed
- · Led annual team meetings which included discussing and planning for members' mental health needs
- Developed and maintained cross-cultural relationships with local community leaders and partner agencies

#### 08/02–08/09 Field Linguist

SIL International

- Empowered underprivileged minority language groups in multiple cultural contexts in Northeast India and Indonesia through language development
- Formed relationships of trust with local communities and leaders and created a safe space for them to share their concerns regarding sociolinguistic issues
- · Advocated for local language use with community leaders and government officials to develop awareness and to facilitate greater educational and economic opportunities for local communities
- Planned and co-led culturally appropriate workshops for local workers to teach them how to develop written materials in their languages

# **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

01/15–Present American Psychological Association Division 17: Society of Counseling Psychology