



Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Psychology, Clinical Forensic Psychology California School of Forensic Studies (CSFS) Alliant International University, Los Angeles, CA	Conferred July 2016
Master of Arts, Forensic Psychology Argosy University, Online Programs	Conferred June 2011
Bachelor of Science, Psychology Illinois State University, Normal, IL	Conferred May 2003
Associate of Science, Psychology Heartland Community College, Normal, IL	Conferred Dec 2000

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Forensic Evaluator Colorado Office of Civil and Forensic Mental Health - Forensic Services Division	July 2024 - Present
Court-Appointed Evaluator Superior Court of California, San Francisco County	July 2024 - Present
Court-Appointed Evaluator Superior Court of California, Alameda County	June 2023 - Present
Napa State Hospital, Napa, CA Senior Psychologist Specialist, Forensic Primary Supervisor: Camille Morgan, Psy.D.	Oct 2022 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Performs forensic evaluations for patients deemed Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity, pursuant to Penal Codes 1026.2, 1026.5, 2972, and 1603. ● Performs risk assessment with the use of actuarial instruments and structured professional judgment (SPJ): HCR-20, PCL-R, Female Additional Manual (FAM), Static-99, STABLE, etc. ● Provides expert testimony for the Superior Courts of California. ● Provides forensic consultation to DSH-Napa treatment teams and collaborates with CONREP. ● Formally trained in HCR-20 (Version 3), Static-99R, STABLE 2007, Hares Psychopathy Checklist-Revised (PCL-R), and Short-Term Assessment of Risk and Treatability (START). 	
Napa State Hospital, Napa, CA Staff Psychologist Primary Supervisor: Anne Marie Paclebar-Mahoney, Psy.D.	Mar 2017 – Sept 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conducted competency assessments and ongoing evaluation, pursuant to Penal Code 1370 ● Assessed the possible presence of Malingering (feigned psychiatric disorder) and poor effort through the use of appropriate and valid performance validity and malingering tests/measures ● Provided ongoing assessment of violence and suicide risk. ● Provided patients individual and group competency-restoration treatment. ● Administered and interpreted full-battery cognitive, intelligence, personality, and malingering assessments to determine differential diagnosis, cognitive functioning, and possible malingering. 	

Alvarado Parkway Institute Behavioral Health System, San Diego, CA
Pre-doctoral Intern

July 2015 – June 2016

Primary Supervisor: Andrew Noorollah, Ph.D.

- Provided individual and group psychotherapy for severely mentally ill patients in a private inpatient psychiatric hospital and three community outpatient settings.
- Provided individual psychotherapy and psychological assessment for adult in-patient forensic patients awaiting deportation with severe mental illness, substance use.
- Performed safety/behavior contracting for suicidal and homicidal patients in crisis.
- Conducted full-battery cognitive, intelligence, personality, and malingering assessments to assess level of functioning, cognitive and intellectual impairment, differential diagnosis, and possible malingering to inform treatment and medication planning.
- Provided didactic training to predoctoral interns: Performance Validity Testing (PVT), Threat Assessment, Competence to Stand Trial, and Mental State at Time of Offense.

Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH)
Transitional-Aged Youth Services (TAYS), Simi Valley, CA
Practicum Psy.D. Intern

June 2014 – June 2015

Primary Supervisor: Michael Morrow, Psy.D.

- Provided individual/group therapy for Transitional-Aged Youth (TAY) in a community outpatient setting.
- Provided crisis counseling for self-injurious and suicidal clients.
- Conducted full-battery cognitive, intelligence, and personality assessments with the use of select neuropsychological instruments to determine cognitive and intellectual impairment, differential diagnosis, performance validity, and treatment plan.
- Development of annual treatment plans to be approved by VCBH and Medi-Cal.
- ***Psychometric Training and Consultation** - Participated in a weekly forum which invited all psychologists and doctoral students from Ventura County to participate in the presentation of testing dilemmas, the scoring of County clients' Rorschach protocols, and the training and practice administration of intelligence, personality, cognitive, and neuropsychological testing measures.

Landmark Medical Center (IMD), Pomona, CA
Practicum Psy.D. Intern

Sept 2013 – May 2014
April 2013 – July 2013

Primary supervisor: Phillip Snyder, Ph.D.

- Provided individual and group therapy for dual-diagnosed, severely mentally ill adults on Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Conservatorship in a locked residential hospital.
- Rapid stabilization and crisis counseling for suicidal, homicidal, and violent residents.
- Conducted and reported full-battery cognitive, intelligence, personality, and malingering assessments to determine differential diagnosis and discharge eligibility.
- Prepared and delivered in-service presentations and seminars.

STUDENT TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Biological Bases of Behavior
Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA
Supervisor: Annette Ermshar, Ph.D.

Feb 2015 – May 2015

Projective Assessment – FOR 7705
Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA
Supervisor: Jody Leach, Ph.D.

June 2014 – Aug 2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Dissertation **Sept 2013 - July 2016**
"Assessing the 'Evolving Standards of Decency': Public
Opinion of Capital Punishment for Developmentally Disabled Offenders"
Chair: Deborah S. Miora, Ph.D., Committee Member: Tracy L. Fass, J.D., Ph.D.

Research Lab of Annette Ermshar, Ph.D., ABPP **May 2014 - June 2015**
"SAVRY-Juvenile Risk and Protective Factors Predictive of Recidivism"
Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA
Research Assistant

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

California Highway Patrol, El Cajon, CA **January 21, 2016**
Presentation Title: *The California Highway Patrol Presentation*
Co-presented a half-day workshop for law enforcement officers discussing common types of mental illness, differentiation, and effective strategies for the de-escalation and crisis management of mentally ill populations.

Ventura County Behavioral Health, Simi Valley, CA **November 12, 2014**
Presentation Title: *Effort Testing: Malingering and Performance Validity Assessment*
Provided a two-hour APA-Accredited presentation discussing Performance Validity Tests (PVT), practice guidelines, and measures for assessing performance: personality (MMPI-2/RF validity scales), cognitive (Rey-Osterrieth Complex Figure, Rey Word Recognition, Warrington's Recognition Memory Test, Rey 15-item, b-test, Dot Counting, TOMM), and psychosis (M-FAST, SIRS, SIMS).

Aurora Charter Oak Hospital, West Covina, CA **May 28, 2014**
Presentation Title: *What is Malingering?*
Provided a one-hour presentation to Ph.D. graduate students regarding some of the types of Performance Validity Assessment (PVT): personality, cognitive, and malingered psychosis.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES/CERTIFICATIONS

Charles Scott, M.D. Forensic Training Series **March 2017 - Present**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA
Ongoing forensic training that explores common forensic issues related to the assessment of risk for dangerousness, competency to stand trial, malingering, not guilty by reason of insanity, substance use disorders, etc.

DSH Forensic Services Annual Training **May 6–10, 2024**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

STABLE 2007/ACUTE 2007 Training **May 1–2, 2024**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA and
State Authorized Risk Assessment Tool for Sex Offenders, (SARATSO)

PCL-R – Clinical and Forensic Applications of the Hare PCL-R and PCL: SV **February 27-28, 2024**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA and Protect International
Risk and Safety Services, Presented by Kevin S. Douglas, LLB, PhD

Judicial Council Training on Competency to Stand Trial Evaluations **November 16, 2023**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA

Patton State Hospital Annual Training Series **November 1–2, 2023**
Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Patton, CA

HCR-20v.3 Foundational Basis Training Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA	May 16-17, 2023
DSH Forensic Services Annual Training Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA Incompetent to Stand Trial, Offenders with Mental Disorder, and Sexually Violent Predator	May 1–5, 2023
STATIC-99R Training and Certification Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals and State Authorized Risk Assessment Tool for Sex Offenders, (SARATSO), Sacramento, CA	April 25-26, 2023
Fairness and Bias in Violence Risk Assessment Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA	June 16, 2021
Short-Term Assessment of Risk and Treatability (START) Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA	June 2 and 9-10, 2020
Introducing the MMPI-2-RF® to Forensic Mental Health Practitioners: Translating Empirical Evidence into Practice Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA	November 11-20, 2019
Mid-Winter Conference on Psychopharmacology Sponsored by the California Psychological Association, San Diego, CA	March 5-6, 2016
Psychopharmacology Conference Sponsored by PESI Healthcare, San Diego, CA	December 9-10, 2015
Symptom Validity Assessment Sponsored by the American College of Professional Neuropsychology, Seal Beach, CA Presenters: Jeffrey Webster, Ph.D., Paul Green, Ph.D., and Paul Gervais, Ph.D.	September 13-14, 2014
Addiction: Integrating Neurobiology, Psychopharmacology, and Psychotherapy Sponsored by the California Psychological Association, Pasadena, CA	February 21-22, 2014
Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS) Workshop Sponsored by Alliant International University, San Francisco, CA	January 23-26, 2014
2013 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society Portland, OR Paul J. Frick, PhD: <i>Developmental Pathways to Conduct Disorder: Implications for Understanding and Treating Severely Aggressive and Antisocial Youth.</i>	March 7-9, 2013
Introduction to the MMPI-2-RF® Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA	February 14-15, 2013

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, HONORS AND AWARDS

San Francisco Psychological Association (SFPA)	2024-Present
American Psychological Association (APA)	2012-Present
American Psychological-Law Society (AP-LS)	2012-Present
California Psychological Association (CPA)	2012-Present
Psi Chi Honor Society, Alliant International University, Los Angeles Chapter	2016-Present
Dean's Academic Merit Scholarship, Alliant International University	2012-2016
CSFS Incentive Scholarship, Alliant International University	2012-2016
Dean's List, Illinois State University	2001-2003
Golden Key Honor Society, Illinois State University	2001-2003