

# Curriculum Vitae MIRANDA DEWITTE, PSY.D.

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#### **EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Psychology, Clinical Forensic Psychology** 

California School of Forensic Studies (CSFS) Alliant International University, Los Angeles, CA

Master of Arts, Forensic Psychology

Argosy University, Online Programs

**Bachelor of Science, Psychology** 

Illinois State University, Normal, IL

Conferred June 2011

**Conferred July 2016** 

**Conferred May 2003** 

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **VIVO Clinical Forensic Psychological Services**

Forensic Evaluator July 2024 - Present

Colorado Office of Civil and Forensic Mental Health - Forensic Services Division

• Performs evaluations pursuant to PC 1368 (competency to stand trial)

## **Court-Appointed Evaluator**

July 2024 - Present

Superior Court of California, San Francisco County

Performs PC 1368 (competency to stand trial) and PC 1001.36 (mental health diversion) evaluations

## **Court-Appointed Evaluator**

June 2023 - Present

Superior Court of California, Alameda County

• Performs PC 1368 (competency to stand trial) and PC 1001.36 (mental health diversion) evaluations

#### **Privately Retained Forensic Evaluator and Expert Witness**

June 2023 - Present

- Performs psychodiagnostic and neuropsychological testing for civil and criminal proceedings.
- Conducts evaluations to assess competency to stand trial, malingering, not guilty by reason of insanity, risk of violence/sexual recidivism, fitness for duty/work, and mental health diversion eligibility.

## Napa State Hospital, Napa, CA

Oct 2022 – Present

#### Senior Psychologist Specialist, Forensic

Primary Supervisor: Camille Morgan, Psy.D.

- Performs evaluations for patients deemed Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity, pursuant to Penal Codes 1026.2, 1026.5, and 1603; and Offenders with Mental Disorder (OMD) pursuant to PC 2972.
- Performs routine risk assessment with the use of actuarial instruments and structured professional judgment (SPJ): HCR-20, PCL-R, Static-99, STABLE, and START with annual training
- Provides expert testimony for the Superior Courts of California.
- Provides forensic consultation to DSH-Napa treatment teams and collaborates with CONREP.

## **Staff Psychologist**

Mar 2017 – Sept 2022

Primary Supervisor: Anne Marie Paclebar-Mahoney, Psy.D.

- Conducted competency assessment and restoration treatment pursuant to PC 1370
- Assessed malingering and poor effort through the use of performance validity and malingering tests
- 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 treatment for severely mentally ill adult patients in a private inpatient psychiatric hospital and three community outpatient settings.
- Performed safety/behavior contracting for suicidal and homicidal patients in crisis.
- Conducted full-battery cognitive, intelligence, and personality assessments with occasional use of select neuropsychological instruments to determine cognitive and intellectual impairment, differential diagnosis, performance validity, and treatment 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)**

**June 2014 – June 2015** 

# Transitional-Aged Youth Services (TAYS), Simi Valley, CA Practicum Psy.D. Intern

Primary Supervisor: Michael Morrow, Psy.D.

- Provided crisis counseling and individual/group treatment for Transitional-Aged Youth (TAY) in a community outpatient setting.
- Conducted full-battery cognitive, intelligence, and personality assessments with occasional use of select neuropsychological instruments to determine cognitive and intellectual impairment, differential diagnosis, performance validity, and treatment planning.
- \*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**

Feb 2015 – May 2015

Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA

Supervisor: Annette Ermshar, Ph.D.

#### **Projective Assessment – FOR 7705**

June 2014 – Aug 2014

Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA

Supervisor: Jody Leach, Ph.D.

#### 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

#### 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

#### **Annual DSH Forensic Services Training**

April/May 2022 - Present

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

## **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 risk of dangerousness, competency to stand trial, malingering, insanity, etc.

# **HCR-20v.3 Advanced Training**

April 10-11, 2024

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

#### STABLE 2007/ACUTE 2007 Training and Certification

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**

May 16-17, 2023

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

# **DSH Forensic Services Annual Training**

May 1-5, 2023

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

Incompetent to Stand Trial, Offenders with Mental Disorder, and Sexually Violent Predator

#### **STATIC-99R Training and Certification**

**April 25-26, 2023** 

Sponsored by he Department of State Hospitals and

State Authorized Risk Assessment Tool for Sex Offenders, (SARATSO), Sacramento, CA

#### Fairness and Bias in Violence Risk Assessment

June 16, 2021

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Sacramento, CA

**Short-Term Assessment of Risk and Treatability (START)** 

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA

November 11-20, 2019

June 2 and 9-10, 2020

Introducing the MMPI-2-RF® to Forensic Mental Health Practitioners

Sponsored by the Department of State Hospitals, Napa, CA

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** 

September 13-14, 2014

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.

Addiction: Integrating Neurobiology, Psychopharmacology, and Psychotherapy February 21-22, 2014

Sponsored by the California Psychological Association, Pasadena, CA

Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS) Workshop

January 23-26, 2014

Sponsored by Alliant International University, San Francisco, CA

2013 Annual Conference of the American Psychology-Law Society

March 7-9, 2013

Portland, OR

**Introduction to the MMPI-2-RF®** 

February 14-15, 2013

Alliant International University, CSFS, Los Angeles, CA

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS, HONORS AND AWARDS

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	