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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy. University of Florida College of Education, Department of Special Education. Major Area: Transition. Concentration: Rehabilitation Counseling. May 1999.

Master of Health Science, Rehabilitation Counseling. University of Florida College of Health Related Professions, Department of Rehabilitation Counseling. August 1987.

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. University of Florida College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, June 1980.

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor

Certified Life Care Planner

Registered Mental Health Counselor Intern, State of Florida

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Clinical Assistant Professor – September 2005 – Present

Department of Behavioral Science and Community Health

Division of Rehabilitation Counseling

College of Public Health and Health Professions, University of Florida.

Assistant In – 2003 – 2005; Professional – 1998 – 2003; Consultant – 1997-1998

Department of Rehabilitation Counseling

Assignments include providing academic instruction and clinical services.

Responsibilities include teaching graduate and undergraduate courses; coordinating practicum and internship courses and activities; developing constructing and maintaining Department's web presence; coordinating the Department's CORE accreditation activities.

Courses Taught:

Primary Instructor

- Rehabilitation Counseling Theories and Practice (Graduate)
- Group Counseling Theory and Process in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Diagnosis and Treatment of Mental Disorders (Graduate)
- Substance Abuse and Disability in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Advanced Case Management and Consultation in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Practicum and Advanced Practicum in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Internship in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Clinical Observation and Independent Study (Graduate and Undergraduate)

- Rehabilitation Aspects of Substance Abuse (Undergraduate)
- Therapeutic Communications Skills Lab (Undergraduate)
- Disability Management (Undergraduate)
- Critical Thinking Skills Lab (Undergraduate)
- Human Services Practicum in Rehabilitation (Undergraduate)

Distance Education

- Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate) - State CSPD program in cooperation with Florida State University and Florida Atlantic University. Fall 1999 and Spring 2000.
- Interpersonal Communication within the Aging Network (Graduate and Undergraduate). University of Florida Division of Continuing Education Geriatric Care Management Certificate Program. Summer 2008

Assisting Instructor

- Advanced Case Management and Consultation (Graduate)
- Group Process and Theory in Rehabilitation Counseling (Graduate)
- Critical Thinking in Health Care (Undergraduate)
- Psychosocial Aspects of Disability (Undergraduate)

Interim Assistant Director

Florida Network: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs. Department of Special Education, College of Education, University of Florida. January 1999 – August 1999.

Primary responsibilities entailed preparation and editing of publications for distribution by the State Department of Education. Additional activities included consultation on projects prepared by graduate assistants.

Academic Advisor

Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida. May 1994 – February 1997. Associate of Arts transfer degree advisor. Assisted students with degree planning, course selection, registration, and matriculation. Conducted information sessions during new student orientation. Presented lectures on effecting transfer to upper division universities. Participated in Student Counseling Service personal development workshop series (Task Management).

Graduate Assistant

Florida Network: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs. A funded project of the Department of Special Education, College of Education, University of Florida. August 1992 – May 1994. Duties varied with project needs. Responsibilities included:

Resource Center Coordinator: Collected, organized, and disseminated information on transition and dropout prevention to professionals in education and related fields, and to parents, consumers, and preservice educators.

Research Assistant: Conducted and analyzed research in transition and dropout prevention issues; prepared reports, presentations, and publications based on research activities. Presented topical papers at state and regional conferences. Assisted 1993-1994 President of the Division on Career Development and Transition, Council on Exceptional Children.

Teaching Assistant: EEX 4280 – Career and Vocational Education for Handicapped Students. Fall 1993. Collaborated in developing course materials; prepared and presented lectures and coordinated laboratory experiences related to transition of students with disabilities for preservice special education teachers.

Instructor

Department of Rehabilitation Counseling, College of Health Related Professions, University of Florida. January 1990 – August 1992.

Provided rehabilitation services including vocational evaluation and vocational counseling to department clients; administered accounts for department clinic; guest lecturer.

COUNSELING AND CONSULTATION

Mental Health Counseling Internship

Provide counseling and consultation in Family Stress Clinic affiliate of Family Practice Medical Group, University of Florida College of Medicine. May 2008 – Present.

Geriatric Care Management

Provide care management for individual with mild traumatic brain injury and spinal cord injury. Rehabilitation placement; care planning and medical management; records management; financial monitoring; family intervention. January 2003 – Present.

Provide consultation in counseling and care management. Aging Resources and Care Management, Ocala, Florida. 2005 – Present.

Life Care Planning

September 1990 – Present.

Research and develop Life Care Plans and assist with development of plans for individuals with catastrophic injuries. Provide vocational capacity analyses for individuals with work-related or other acquired injuries and disabilities.

Therapeutic Communication Skills Training, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Florida

October 2008.

Consultation and training with veterinary students preparing to enter clinical experiences.

Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator

Administer, interpret, and provide individual consultation or lead group activities.

Inservice training. Alachua County Metamorphosis substance abuse treatment facility. Gainesville, FL. September 2007

Transition

January 1990-Present.

Consultation with Gainesville and Rural Alachua County High School/High Tech programs for high school students with disabilities: provide career exploration workshops and programming consultation.

Adolescent Behavior Management

Social Skills and Academic Success Groups. School Board of Alachua County, Gainesville High School and Buchholz High School. Spring 2003, Spring 2004.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Rehabilitation Consultant

Private Practice. Gainesville and surrounding region. October – December 1989. Provided return-to-work and case management services to individuals with work-related injuries.

Cognitive Rehabilitation Specialist

Private Practice. August 1987 – October 1989. Provided community reentry experiences, family adjustment counseling, vocational services, and job coaching for adults with traumatic head injury.

Counselor Aide

Displaced Homemaker Program, Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida. July 1983 – July 1984. Assisted staff and participants in meeting program goals in career exploration and personal development program.

Admissions Assistant

Office of Admissions, Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida. January 1983 – July 1983. Provided admissions counseling for entering students; assisted in administration of entrance and exit examinations.

Peer Tutor/Counselor

Office of Special Services, Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida. July 1982 – January 1983. Provided academic tutoring and support services for students with disabilities; facilitated accommodations and accessibility; assisted program administrator with grant preparation.

Teaching Assistant

Human Services Program/University Year for ACTION (UYA). Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida. April 1981 – July 1982. Instructed nontraditional students participating in community oriented service-learning certificate program. Courses included General Psychology, General Sociology, Skilled Helping, and Communications Skills. Developed self-paced modular learning materials for psychology and personal growth courses.

AFFILIATIONS

American Counseling Association (ACA)

American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (ARCA)
Association for Specialists in Group Work (ASGW)
Association for Creativity in Mental Health

Council on Exceptional Children (CEC)

Division on Career Development and Transition (DCDT)

International Association of Life Care Planners (IALCP)

International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP)

Division on Case Management

National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE)

National Rehabilitation Counselor Association (NRCA)

Offices Held

Florida Representative, Southeast Region,
National Rehabilitation Association (SERNRA), 1993-1994.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS, CONSULTATIONS, AND GUEST LECTURES

“Life care planning: overview and information.” Presenter and facilitator, Brain Injury Foundation of Florida Jamboree Family Forum, 2008. Oveido, FL, June 2008.

“Orientation to Internship.” Presenter and co-facilitator. Gainesville High School/High Tech Program. Gainesville High School. Spring 2008.

“Transition Issues for Adolescents with Special Needs.” Guest lecture. Case Management in Rehabilitation Counseling. Rehabilitation Counseling Program, Spring 2008.

“Personality Assessment.” Guest lecture. Vocational Services in Health, Rehabilitation, and Human Services, Rehabilitation Services Program. Spring 2008.

Medical aspects of digestive diseases.” Medical and Psychosocial Aspects of Disability, Rehabilitation Counseling Program. Fall 2007.

“Orientation to Internship.” Presenter and co-facilitator. Gainesville High School/High Tech Program. Gainesville High School. Spring 2006.

“Onward and Upward: Planning for Postsecondary Study.” Marion County High School/High Tech Kickoff and Training. Ocala, Florida. December 2005.

“Health Care Transition: Implications for vocational outcomes in individuals with chronic illness and disability.” Southeast Region of the National Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Tampa, Florida. With Pamela Leibach Cohen, Graduate Rehabilitation Counseling Student. May 2005.

“Transition Issues and Rehabilitation Services.” Florida Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Gainesville, Florida. September 2003.

“Single-Subject Research Design.” Guest Lecturer, Research Methods and Issues in Health Science. Health Science Program, College of Public Health and Health Professions. Spring 2003.

“Career Counseling and the Gainesville/Alachua County High School High Tech Program.” Regional Training, Florida High School High Tech. Gainesville, Florida. August 2003.

“Promising Practices in Dropout Prevention and Transition for Students with Mild Disabilities.” Florida Federation of the Council for Exceptional Children Conference. Tampa, Florida. October 1994.

“Collaboration to Help Students with Mild Disabilities At Risk for Dropping Out.” Conference/training for professionals from Florida in Dropout Prevention and/or Transition. Tampa, Florida. June 1994.

“The Florida Network: Linking Training, Research, and Services for Individuals with Disabilities.” Joint Conference of the Florida Federation of Career Development and Transition and the Florida Special Needs Association Division of the Florida Vocational Association. Orlando, Florida. February 1994.

“The Florida Network: Information and Services for Adolescents and Adults with Special Needs.” Florida Rehabilitation Association Annual Training Conference. Daytona Beach, Florida. September 1993.

“Vocational Aspects of Transition Programming.” Guest speaker. Preservice training seminar, Dept. of Special Education, University of Florida. April 1993.

“Career Development and Issues for Transition.” Guest speaker. Graduate seminar for special education teachers, Florida Southern University. Ocala, Florida. March 1993 and March 1994.

“The Vocational Evaluation Process.” Guest speaker. Preservice training seminar, Department of Special Education, University of Florida. October 1992.

PUBLICATIONS

Florida Department of Education. (1999). *Dare to dream: a guide to planning your future (revised)*. L. J. Perry, Ed. Tallahassee, FL: Division of Public Schools, Bureau of Instructional Support and Community Education.

- Repetto, J. B., Pankaskie, S. C., De Palma-Hankins, A. Schwartz, S. E., & **Perry, L.** (1997). *Promising practices in dropout prevention and transition for students with mild disabilities*. **Journal of At-Risk Issues**. Sum-Fall, (4) 1, 19-29.
- Perry, L. J.**, Repetto, J. B., and Schwartz, S. E. (1994). **Promising practices in the State of Florida for dropout prevention and transition for students with special needs**. Tallahassee: Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Student Services and Exceptional Education.
- Perry, L. J.** (1993, Spring). *Tacachale: A six-star center of excellence*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 12-17. (Out of print.)
- Perry, L. J.** (1993). *Tacachale: Vocational activities*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 20-22. (Out of print.)
- Perry, L. J.** (1993). *Blueprint for Career Preparation*. In L. J. Perry (Ed.) **Project LITE: Leaders in Transition Education Topical Meeting Series, Monograph #1**, 23-26. (Out of print.)