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EDUCATION

University of North Texas, Denton, TX Ph. D., Counselor Education Specialization: Play Therapy, Filial Therapy, Activity Therapy, & Counselor Supervision	2004
Texas State University, San Marcos, TX M.A., Counseling	1999
University of Texas, Austin, TX B. A., Psychology Minor: Child Development	1995

LICENSURE and CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Professional Counselor (Louisiana)
 Board Certified Licensed Supervisor (Louisiana)
 Registered Play Therapist (RPT) (International Certification: Association for Play Therapy)
 Certified Play Therapy Supervisor (International Certification: Association for Play Therapy)
 Certified Child Centered Play Therapist & Supervisor (International Certification, Center for Play Therapy)
 Approved Provider: Play therapy Education (International Certification: Association for Play Therapy)

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Loyola University New Orleans, Department of Counseling Associate Professor Assistant Professor Department Chair (elected-two-term/ maximum) Mimi & Odom Heebe Endowed Play Therapy Center CEU program Grant Project (Awarded in Fall, 2015) Developing a CEU program for Play Therapy and Counseling March (2017), 3 Hour CEU at Loyola November (2017), 6 hour CEU at Loyola	2005-present 2012-present 2005-2012 2008-2013 2016-present
Play Therapy Center Founder & Director Endowed Association for Play Therapy Approved Center (Author) Association for Play Therapy Approved Provider of Education (Author)	2009-present 2015 2009, 2012, 2015, 2008, 2011, 2014

Developed a Play Therapy Library, housed in the Monroe Library
<http://researchguides.loyno.edu/playtherapy>
CACREP Accreditation Coordinator **2011-present**
CACREP (2017) Mid-Cycle Report (Co-Author)
Outcome Report (2016-2017) (Lead Author)
Outcome Report (2017-2018) (Lead Author)
CACREP (2018) Self Study (Second Author)
CACREP (2012) Self Study (Co-Author)
CACREP Addendum (2013) I (Lead Author)
CACREP Assessment Plan (2013) (Lead Author)
Built the Assessment SLO-Data Collection and Storage System
Rubric Designer
Created the Implementation Timeline/ Assessment Calendar

Private Counseling Practice, Old Metairie **2006-present**
 Work with children, parents, and families in counseling practice to facilitate positive growth, positive parenting practices, cooperation in school and home environments, and family cohesion

Sam Houston State University **2004**
Visiting Professor
 Taught three graduate level counseling courses. Supervised practicum and internship students as well as the Human Growth and Development course lecturer. Presented with the faculty at the Texas Counseling Association conference.

University of North Texas Denton **2001-2004**
Clinical Coordinator, Dallas Counseling Clinic
 Assist the Clinic Director in all clinical and administrative decisions related to the Dallas Clinic in an autonomous environment. Create clinic protocol. Ensure the practicum clinic is adhering to CACPREP standards, as well as HIPPA standards and ethical standards.

University of North Texas Denton **2000-2004**
Clinical Coordinator, Counseling and Human Development Center
 Assist the Clinic Director. In charge of re-writing and updating (every semester) the Master's Practicum Manual. Create clinic protocol. Create clinic forms (administrative and clinical). Ensure the practicum clinic is adhering to CACREP, HIPPA, and ethical standards.

Intern Site Supervisor **2001**
Doctoral Intern Counselor **2000-2002**
 The Child and Family Resource Center, Denton

AREAS OF EXPERTISE AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Play Therapy/ Child Counseling	Counseling Theories
Filial Therapy/ Parent Training	Group Counseling
Child & Adolescent Assessment	Counselor Supervision
Group Play Therapy	Counseling Practicum
Activity Therapy/ Pre-Adolescent	Introduction to Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Family Therapy	Counseling Ethics

MEDIA EXPERT

WWL Radio Interview

Has play changed in children? the impact of digital toys.

September. 2017

WGNO-TV the 411 with Ann Cutler

*Play Therapy Training helps families in need
(Odom and Mime Heebe Endowment Spotlight)*

February, 2016

WDSU6 Sula Kim Interview

*Play therapy helps young children cope
with psychological, behavior, development issues*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZuYnED3s3k>

April, 2014

Association for Play Therapy Magazine

APT and Universities Link to Advance Play Therapy!

September 2009

NPR Philadelphia

Kids Corner Project/ Therapeutic Play Camp

August, 2006

Psychotherapy Networker

*Katrina Kids
Garry Cooper Article Pg. 21-22*

July/August, 2006

Parenting and the Extension of Adolescence

Don Aimes Morning Show

January, 17, 2005

PUBLICATIONS

Book:

Steen, R.L. (Ed.) (2017). Emerging Research in Play Therapy, Child Counseling, and Consultation. IGI-Publishing, Hershey, PA.

Peer Reviewed Research articles/ chapters:

Brumfield, K., Steen, R.L., Owen, C., Floer, R. (2017). *Multicultural Considerations in Caregiver Consultation in Play Therapy*. In Steen, R.L. (ed) Emerging Research in Play Therapy, Child Counseling & Consultation. IGI Publishing, Hershey, PA.

Foster, T., Steen, L., O’Ryan, L. & Nelson, J (2016). Examining how the Adlerian life tasks predict anxiety in first-year counseling students. *Journal of Individual Psychology*, 72(2), 104-120.

Foster, T., Levitov, J., DePartout, M. L., & Steen, R. L. (2013). Relating wellness to clinical variables in middle and later life, *Journal of Counseling Practice*, 4, 1-21.

Ebrahim, C. & Steen, R.L. (2012). Overcoming school counselors’ barriers to play therapy. *International Journal of Play Therapy*. Volume 21 (4). 202-214.

Steen, R.L. (2010). *Parent consultation: Beyond engagement*. Association for Play Therapy October Mining Report. Published October, 10, 2010. www.a4pt.org

Steen, R.L., Engels, D., Thweatt, W. T. (2006). Ethical aspects of spirituality in counseling. *Counseling and Values*, 50, 108-118

Invited Book Chapters:

Rogers, S., Steen, R. L., & McGregger, K. (2013) *Acceptance. Spiritually Oriented Interventions in Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy*. Walker & Hathoway (Eds). American Psychological Association Publishing

Steen R.L, Ebrahim C.H. (2013) *Balancing Personal Life and Career. Women's Retreat: Sharing Voices of Female Faculty in Counselor Education*. Seto & Bruce (Eds). University Press of America.

Steen, R.L., Helm, H., Johnson, L. (2007). "*But he needs me*": *Responding to a child's catastrophic illness. Critical Incidents in Working with Children*. Dugger, S. & Carlson (Eds.). American Counseling Association: Alexandria, VA. Pgs. 277-292

Steen, R.L. (2008). *Supervision in expressive arts therapies. Critical Incidents in Clinical Supervision*. Harrington (Ed). American Counseling Association: Alexandria: VA

Magazine Articles:

Steen, R.L., Foster, T. (2011). *You are never too old to play: Combining play therapy and reminiscence therapy when working with older adults*. Play Therapy Magazine. March 2011

Steen, R. L., Gipson, L., Ryan, M. (2007). *Responding to natural disaster: Developing a therapeutic play camp to deal with traumatic events in New Orleans*. Play Therapy Magazine. June 2007 edition

Service Publications:

Steen, R. L. & Nachampassak (2017). *Coping with Breast Cancer*. Handout. Touro Hospital.

Steen, R. L. (2014). *Sometimes parenting in counter-intuitive*. Bayou Bulletin Express: The newsletter of the 159th Fighter Wings, Louisiana Air National Guard.

SCHOLARLY PAPER PRESENTATIONS

International & National

Steen, R. L. (2017, October). Gatekeeping in Play Therapy Education & Supervision. Association for Play Therapy National Conference. Advanced Discussion Group. (sold out) Minneapolis, MN.

Steen, R. L. (2017, October). Gatekeeping and Spirituality in Counselor Education & Supervision. Association for Counselor Education & Supervision National Conference. Chicago, IL., Podium Presentation

Schultz, C. Lopez, A. & Steen, R.L. (supervising professor) (2016, October). *Play Therapy & Anxiety*. Association for Play Therapy National Conference. Louisville, Kentucky.

Evans, A., Foster, T., Pignato, L. & Steen, R.L. (2016, March). *Betrayal Trauma Young Adults*. American Counseling Association (ACA) International Conference. Montreal, Canada. Podium Presentation

Steen, R.L. & Pignato, L. (2015, October). *Gatekeeping in Counselor Education & Getting Sued!!* Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES) National Conference. Pittsburg, PA. Podium Presentation

Centanni, K., Schultz, M. & Steen, R.L.(supervising professor) (2015, October). *Using Child Parent Relationship therapy with Military Families throughout Deployment Cycle*. Association for Play Therapy National Conference. Atlanta, GA.

Steen, R.L. & Foster, T. (2014, November). *Working with the Caregivers in the Play Therapy and Child Counseling*. Washington Counseling Association (WCA). Seattle, Washington. Podium Presentation

Steen, R. L. & Ebrahim, C. (2013, October). *Supervising Youthful Appearing Counselors*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). Denver, CO. Podium Presentation

Steen, R. L. & Ebrahim, C. (2013, October). *Consulting in Child Counseling and Play Therapy*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). Denver, CO. Podium Presentation

Regional

Steen, R. L. (2017, March). *Working with Oppositional Defiant Disorder and other Aggressive Children in Play Therapy: Limit Setting, Neurological Impact, and the Relationship*. Loyola University Play Therapy Center CEU, New Orleans, LA.

Steen, R.L., Fleur, R. (2016, September). *Legal and Ethical Aspects in Spirituality and Religion & Counseling*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA. Podium Presentation

Steen (2016, September). *Implementing Child Parent Relationship Therapy: Part 4 of the Loyola 5 part series*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA Podium Presentation

Steen, R. L. (2016, February) Ecosystemic Considerations in Play Therapy & Consultation.” Louisiana Association for Play Therapy, Loyola University. New Orleans, LA. Podium Presentation

Steen, R. L. (2016, February). Foundations in Play Therapy Part I.” Louisiana Association for Play Therapy, Loyola University. New Orleans, LA. Podium Presentation

Steen, R. L. (2016, February). Foundations in Play Therapy Part II.” Louisiana Association for Play Therapy, Loyola University. New Orleans, LA. Podium Presentation

Steen, R.L. (2015). *Family Play Therapy*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. February, Loyola University, New Orleans.

Steen, R.L. (2013, September). *Child Parent Relationship Training*. Louisiana Counseling Association. New Orleans, LA. Podium Presentation

- Steen, R.L. (2012, March). *Using Sandtray in Play Therapy*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L., & Martin, E. (2012, March). *Becoming a Play Therapy Professional*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, Martin, Lolan & Gold (2011, February). *Play Therapy Tools for Caregivers: Specifics on Parent Consultation*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA Podium Presentation
- Steen, L. (2011, September). *Introduction to Play Therapy*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA., Podium Presentation
- Steen, Martin, Lolan & Gold (2011, September). *Play Therapy Tools for Caregivers: Specifics on Parent Consultation*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA., Podium Presentation
- Steen, Martin, Lolan & Gold (2011, October). *Play Therapy Tools for Caregivers: Specifics on Parent Consultation*. Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. Sacramento, CA Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Ebrahim, C. & Steen, R.L. (2011, October). *Helping Female Counselor Educators: Balancing Career & Personal Life*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Nashville, TN. Refereed
- Steen, R.L., Shorts, S. & Ducros, S. (2010). *Adapting Filial Therapy: Pediatric Oncology and Chronic Hospitalization*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA., Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. & Foster, T. (2010). *You are never too old to play: Using play therapy with older adults*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L., & Dugan, E. (2010). *Supervising Beginning Play Therapists*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R. L., Foster, T. (2010). *You are never too old to play: Using play therapy with older adults*. Association for Play Therapy (APT) annual conference. Louisville, KY. Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Foster, T., Steen, R.L. & Wieck, R. (2010). *A Wellness Model for working with Masters Level Counselors in Training*. American Counseling Association (ACA). Pittsburg, PA. Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. & Wieck, R. (2009). *Supervising Youthful Counselors: Counselor Anxiety, Ageism, and Diversity*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). San Diego, CA. Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Foster, T., Steen, R.L. & Wieck, R. (2009). *A Wellness Model for working with Masters Level Counselors in Training*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). San Diego, CA. Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. & Foster, T. (2009). *You are never too old to play: Using play therapy with older adults*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA, Podium Presentation

- Foster, T., Steen, R.L. & Wieck, R. (2009). *A Wellness Model for Masters Level Supervisees*. Louisiana Counseling Association. Baton Rouge, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2009) *Theories and Play Therapy*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2009) *Playing away the Blues: Play Therapy for Grieving Children and Families*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2009) *Therapeutic Limit Setting in Play Therapy*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2008). *Natural and Man Made Disasters: Counter transference, Supervision, and the Parallel Process*. Rocky Mountain Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Breckenridge, CO. Refereed, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2008). *Supervising beginning play therapists*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2008). *Adapting Filial Therapy: Pediatric Oncology and Chronic Hospitalization*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R. L., Gipson, L., Ryan, M. (2007). *Natural and Man Made Disaster: Developing a Therapeutic Play Camp after Katrina*. Louisiana Association for Play Therapy. New Orleans, LA, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L., Levitov, J., & Fall, K. (2006). *Natural and Man Made Disasters: Counter transference, Supervision, and the Parallel Process*. Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision. Orlando, FL, Podium Presentation
- Steen, R.L. (2005). *Pitfalls of a Junior Faculty Person*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). Pittsburg, PA. Refereed
- Kern, C., Steen, R. L., Donaghey, M., & Reese, B. (2005). *Counseling Clinic: Supervision and Management*. Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). Pittsburg, PA. Refereed
- Steen, R.L., (2005). *Adapting Filial Therapy for Families who have a Child with a Life-Threatening Illness*. Texas Association of Play Therapy, Houston, TX, Podium Presentation
- De Trude, J., Nichtor, M., De France, E., Li, C., Bruhn, R., Parker, C., Steen, R.L., Wiesner, V. (2004). *A Perfect match: Expressive Arts and Clinical Success*. Texas Counseling Association, Ft. Worth, TX. Refereed
- Kern, C., Steen, R.L., & Donaghey, M. (2004). *Counseling Clinic: Supervision and Management*. Rocky Mountain Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Breckenridge, CO
- Steen, R.L., (2003). *Adapting Filial Therapy for Families who have a Child with a Life-Threatening Illness*. Association of Play Therapy, Norfolk, VA. Refereed/ Panelist

Steen, R.L., & Ray, D. (2003). *A Presentation: On How to do a Presentation*. Texas Counseling Association, Galveston, TX. Refereed

Steen, R.L. (2003). *Activity Group Therapy: A Developmental Approach to Play Therapy with Middle School Age Children*. Texas Association for Play Therapy, Austin, TX. Refereed

Able, K. & Steen, R.L. (2003). *Virtual Bridges: The Effects of Computer/ Internet Education in Promoting Health Education in Adolescent Latino Girls*. FERA, San Antonio, TX. Refereed

Steen, R.L., & Joiner, K. (2002) *On Becoming a Counselor*. American Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, poster session, Park City, UT. Refereed.

Steen, R.L., & Joiner, K. (2002). *Activity Group Counseling*. Texas Counseling Association, poster session, Austin, TX

Joiner, K. & Steen, R. L. (2002). *On Becoming a Counselor*. Texas Counseling Association, poster session, Austin, TX

Steen, R.L., & Danger, S. (2002). *On Becoming a Counselor*. Texas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Belton, TX. Refereed

Steen, R.L., & Joiner, K. (2002). *Supervising Counselors of Adolescents; Activity Group Therapy*. . Texas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Belton, TX. Refereed

Steen, R.L., & Joiner, K. (2001). *Activity Group Therapy: A Developmental Approach to Practical Counseling with Middle School Age Children*. Texas Counseling Association, Dallas, TX. Refereed

Book Reviews

(2015) *Expressive Therapy with Troubled Children*, 2nd Edition

Author: P. Gussie Klorer

Publisher: R & L Publishing, Maryland, ME

(Proposal Review)

Integrating Play Techniques in Comprehensive School Counseling

Author: Laura Fazio-Griffith & Jennifer Curry

Publisher: Jessica Kingsley Publishing, Long

DATA COLLECTION

Effectiveness in Teaching Child Parent Relationship Therapy: Practical Perspectives 2011-2017

Primary Researcher, Loyola IRB Approval Granted Spring 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Wellness in Graduate Counseling Students

2009-2014

Longitudinal Study: Collaborating with several counseling departments nationally

Secondary Researcher, Loyola IRB Approval Granted Spring 2009

Article completed and published in 2016

Parent Consults: Beyond Engagement

2009-present

Adapting Filial Therapy for Families who have a Child with a Life-Threatening Illness 2003-2004
Doctoral Dissertation Research
University of North Texas

Virtual Bridges: The effects computer/internet education in promoting health education in adolescent Latino girls 2003
Research Assistant
University of North Texas Denton
Department of Women Studies

Partners and Parents: The intergenerational transmission of attachment patterns in first time parents 1993-1995
Research Assistant
University of Texas, Austin
Department of Child Development

GRANTS & FUNDRAISING

Steen, R.L. (2015). Facilitated a \$50,000 grant from the Mimi Heebe foundation at Touro Hospital. Including a \$25,000 endowment for the Loyola University Play Therapy Center, \$15000 seed money to start CEU workshops, \$5000 for the Monroe Library to build an online play therapy catalogue, and \$5000 for workshop scholarships for future participants.

Steen, R.L. & Hotard (2010). Facilitated the endowment (\$20,000) of the Counseling Honors Award by working with the Gina Oehmig family & Institutional Advancement to create the Gina Oehmig Excellence in Counseling Award. Endowment \$20,000; annual student recipient receives \$500

Steen R.L. (2010). Received a donation of \$250 from the Huete Family (Members of the Visiting Committee) for the LUNO Play Therapy Center after a visiting committee meeting.

Steen R.L. (2006). Rodenfels Family Foundation Community Educational Support Grant awarded to Mount Carmel Tutorial and Community Development Corporation to support rebuilding efforts. \$600

Steen, R. L. (2005). International Association of Play Therapy. *Using Filial Therapy as a Re-Integration Strategy for Parents Returning from Military Deployment: A Quantitative Research Based Study*. \$1500. October 2005-November 2006. Return due to Katrina

Steen, R.L. (2002-2003). *Adapting Filial Therapy for Families Who Have a Child With a Life Threatening Illness*. Faculty Research Grant, University of North Texas, Denton-\$4000

Steen, R.L. (2003-2003). *Adapting Filial Therapy for Families Who Have a Child With a Life Threatening Illness*. Texas Association for Play Therapy Research Grant- \$500

Steen, R.L. (2002). *On Becoming a Counselor: Using Person-Centered Supervision With Practicum Counselors*. University of North Texas, Travel Grant- \$400.

Steen, R.L. (2002) Texas Counseling Association Graduate Student Research Award- Conference Grant- \$150

CONSULTING & INVITED SPEAKER (Non-Profit)

Communities in Schools <i>Play Therapy Skills Workshop</i> <i>Benefits of Play Therapy & Training</i>	March, 2018
Plaquemines Care Center <i>Play Therapy Skills Workshop</i> <i>Working with Tweens</i>	April 2017
Family Services <i>Play Therapy & Parent/ Caregiver Consultation Group</i> New Orleans, LA. 70121	April 2015
Trinity Counseling and Training Center <i>Play Therapy Consultation Group</i> New Orleans, LA	September 2013
Trinity Counseling and Training Center <i>Working with Caregivers in Play Therapy</i> New Orleans, LA.	November 2013
Fleur de Lis Project <i>Play Therapy Skills Workshop</i> <i>& Limit Setting in Play Therapy</i> New Orleans, LA	January 2013
Plaquemines Care Center <i>Play Therapy Skills Workshop</i> <i>& Play Therapy Consultation with Caregivers</i> Plaquemines, LA	May 2012
Family Services Greater New Orleans <i>Play Therapy Consultation with Caregivers</i> Harrahan, LA	May, 2011
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) <i>Play Therapy and Limit Setting</i> New Orleans, LA	July 2011
Odyssey House <i>Implementing Parenting & Play Therapy Programs</i> New Orleans, LA	June 2010

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) <i>Developmental and Cultural Understanding: Children</i> New Orleans, LA	November 2009
New Orleans Women's Shelter <i>Developing a Play Room</i> New Orleans, LA	April 2008
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center <i>Supervision in Play Therapy</i> New Orleans, LA. Invited, Keynote	July 2008
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center <i>Play Therapy through the Lifespan</i> New Orleans, LA. Invited, Keynote	June 2008
Play Therapy Works, LLC <i>Child Centered Play Therapy</i> Baton Rouge, LA. Invited Keynote	July 2008
St Bernard Housing Project <i>Developing a Community Counseling Clinic</i> St. Bernard, LA	May 2008
Child and Family Resource Clinic <i>Grief and Loss Recovery Counseling</i> Denton, TX	March 2002
Loyola University New Orleans <i>Using Play Therapy in School Counseling</i> Graduate School Counseling Course	July 2011
<i>Multicultural Considerations when working with Children</i> Graduate Multicultural Counseling Course	July 2010
<i>Filial Family Therapy</i> Graduate Counseling Course	July 2007
<i>Counseling & Play Therapy</i> Undergraduate Psychology Course	July 2007
American Psychology Association: Society for Peace <i>Effects of Katrina in Counseling and Psychotherapy</i> New Orleans, LA	August 2006
Our Lady of Holy Cross College <i>Activities & Games in Play Therapy</i> Play Therapy Weekend Workshops Series Algiers, LA	July, 2005

Louisiana Association for Play Therapy**June, 2005**

*Activity Group Therapy: A Developmental Approach to Play Therapy
with Middle School Aged Children
Monroe, LA*

Thesis & Doctoral Dissertation Services**Thesis Services****Committee member**

(Heather Vincinty) Loyola University Music Therapy Masters student 2016
Survey of Music Therapist's training and use of expressive arts and Play Modalities

Doctoral Services:**Expert Panelist**

(Bert Brennan, PI)

Informing Parental and Caregiver Collaboration Through Expert Consensus 2015

(Rachel Wieck, PI)

Counselors' Comfort and Willingness to Discuss Sexual Issues with Couples 2009

SERVICE: UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, & DEPARTMENT**University**

University Senate 2016-present

University Sustainability Committee 2017-present

University Graduate Council 2009-2013

Graduate Student Research Symposium Committee

University Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP) & Faculty Development Committee 2006-2009

College & Department

College Rank & Tenure Committee 2014-2017

Department Accreditation CACREP Liaison 2012-present

Department Assessment Committee, Chair 2013-present

Department Protocol: Scholarship & Peer Teaching Evaluation 2013-2014

College Re-organization Committee 2013-2014

Chair, Department of Counseling 2008-2013

CSS Chairs & Directors Committee 2008-2013

CSS Curriculum Committee 2006-2010

Chi Sigma Iota: Faculty Advisor (International Student Honors Society) 2007-2009

Search Committee, Department of Counseling 2010-2011

Extraordinary Assistant Professor Position

Search Committee Chair, Department of Counseling 2008-2009

Assistant Professor Position

Search Committee Chair, Department of Counseling 2008-2009

Assistant Professor & Associate Professor Positions

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Louisiana Association for Play Therapy

Past President	2015-2017
President	2013-2015
President Elect	2011-2013
Membership Chair	2005-2011
Conference Co-Coordinator	2007-present

National Association for Play Therapy

Approved Provider of Play Therapy Education (CEU)	2010-present
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National Association for Play Therapy

Created the Loyola University Approved Play Therapy Center Third Designated Center for Play Therapy in the United States The only Approved Play Therapy Center in Louisiana	2009-present
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National Association for Play Therapy

Leadership Academy Graduate	2011
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National Association for Play Therapy

Chair , University and Education Committee	2017-present
University and Education Committee	2008-present
Conference Committee	2016
Nominations Committee	2011, 2016
Public Awareness Task Force	2013

New Orleans Women's Shelter

<i>Volunteer</i>	2015-2016
<i>Facilitated Philanthropic Connection with Nyxettes Dance Team</i>	2015
<i>Staff Training</i>	2007-2008
<i>Parenting Seminars-Bi Monthly Discussion Topics</i>	2007-2008

Kids Corner: Therapeutic Play Camp

Coordinator-Disaster Relief Team Created & Supervised a therapeutic play camp in the ninth ward of New Orleans to facilitate re-integration of children & their parents/ families following Katrina. <u>Community Project Partners:</u> <i>Common Ground Collective</i> <i>Mount Carmel Baptist Church (Pastor Johnson)</i> <i>SavetheChildren.org</i>	Summer 2006
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Board Service

Trinity counseling and Training Center

2007-2014

Board of Directors

Non-profit counseling center in New Orleans

Chair (2011-2013)

Strategic Planning Committee, Chair (2011-present)

Nominations Committee (2012-present)

Development Committee, Chair (2009-2010)

Clinical Committee (2007-2009)

University Committee (2007-2013)

Transition/ Search Committee (2007-2008)

Louisiana Association for Play Therapy

2006-2017

Board of Directors

Past president (2015-2017)

President (2013-2015)

President Elect (2011-2013)

Membership Chair (2006-2011)

Annual Conference Committee (2007-present)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017

Fall Child Counseling: Play Therapy
Intro to Clinical Mental Health
Intro to Clinical Mental Health Lab
Writing Lab

Spring Child Parent Relationship Training
Internship
Lifespan Development

2016

Spring Intro to Play Therapy
Child Parent Relationship Therapy
Internship

Summer Activity & Group Play Therapy

Fall Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Laboratory Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Internship

2015

Spring Intro to Play Therapy
Child Parent Relationship Therapy
Internship

Summer	Advanced Play Therapy (intensive format)
Fall	Sabbatical
2014	
Spring	Intro to Play Therapy Child Parent Relationship Therapy Practicum
Fall	Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling Laboratory Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling
2013	
Spring	Intro to Play Therapy Child Parent Relationship Therapy
Fall	Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling Intro to Clinical Mental Health Counseling Practicum
2012	
Spring	Child Parent Relationship Therapy Adult Diagnosis
Summer	Play Therapy Activity group Therapy
Fall	Counseling Practice (CMHC) Child Diagnosis
2011	
Spring	Intro to Play Therapy Child Parent Relationship Therapy
Summer	Play Therapy Counseling Practicum Internship
Fall	Theories of Play Therapy Counseling Practice
2010	
Spring	Intro to Play Therapy Developmental Psych
Summer	Play Therapy Internship
Fall	Practice Developmental Psych
2009	
Spring	Internship

Summer	Intro to Play Therapy Developmental Psych
Fall	Intro to Play Therapy Counseling Practice Practice Lab Counseling Practicum
2008	
Spring	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Intro to Play Therapy
Summer	Intro to Play Therapy Advanced Play Therapy (Experimental Course) Internship
Fall	Hospitalization/ Maternity Leave
2007	
Fall	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Human Growth and Development Measurement and Assessment
Summer	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Introduction to Child Counseling: Play Therapy
Spring	Maternity Leave
2006	
Fall	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Human Growth and Development Measurement and Assessment
Summer	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Introduction to Child Counseling: Play Therapy Measurement and Assessment
Spring	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Human Growth and Development Vocational Counseling
2005	
Fall	Semester Cancelled due to Hurricane Katrina Supervised a Displaced Loyola Student in Internship Austin, TX.
Summer	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Intro to Play Therapy Substance Abuse Counseling
Spring	Supervised Practicum in Counseling Human Growth and Development Vocational Counseling (RENOVATED)

Innovative Course Development & Renovation

2010 Usee volunteer parents in the Child Parent Relationship Therapy course to demonstrate parent psycho-education curriculum. Allow students to take turns teaching parent education, or observing live.

2009 founded the Play Therapy Center for Education and Research

Spring 2009 Curriculum Development (proposed and passed) (implemented 2011)

Child Diagnosis

Fundamentals of Practicum

Practice Lab

Summer 2005 Curriculum Development (proposed and passed) (implemented 2011)

Child Parent Relationship Therapy

Activity Group Play Therapy

Theories in Play Therapy

Spring semester 2005 & 2006

Vocational Counseling

Created opportunities for students to have practical experiences by partnering with ‘Hire Tulane’ & creating an assignment where students worked on Tulane campus with undergraduate students seeking career development through resume instruction and advice . Tulane offered special training to our students for free in exchange for their services at the “Resume Doctor” day at Tulane.

Summer 2005

Child Counseling: Play Therapy

Had Play Therapy added to the title of the course to facilitate post masters certification for students interested in play therapy. Create a micro-practicum experience where students practice their skills while being videotaped and observed by other students in the course. Recruited children from the Whelan Center (with parental permission) to participate as volunteers and facilitate the development of counseling students interested in working with children.

HIGHLIGHTS/ AWARDS:

Play Therapist of the Year (2017) for Lifetime Achievement.

Awarded by the Louisiana Association for Play Therapy at the Annual Conference

Lead role in CACREP Re-accreditation. Lead author on the Self Study, Assessment Plan & Calendar.

Facilitated the movement of the Department of Counseling from a 48 hour degree program to a 60 hour degree program including writing the proposal, writing much of the curriculum, developing the vision, and walking the proposal through all of the committees on campus for approval

Sabbatical (2015) to work on and Edited Book Project, Emerging Research in Play Therapy, Child Counselling, & Consultation, Published 2017, IGI Global

Created the Loyola University Approved Play Therapy Center: Third Designated Center for Play Therapy in the United States (2009) which included taking the application for Center status through all of the appropriate committees on campus for approval

Received an Endowment and Grant totaling \$50,000 (2015) for the center to create a longstanding legacy at of Play therapy Education at Loyola.

Approved Provider of Play Therapy continuing education (2010-present)

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Certificate of Appreciation (December 2009; April 2010)

Awarded Association for Play Therapy Membership Campaign Honor 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

Awarded the Association of Play Therapy 2005 Research Grant

Graduate Student Research Award, 2002, Texas Association for Play Therapy

Graduate Student Research Award, 2002, Texas Counseling Association

Awarded a Scholarship to present and attend the 2002 Texas Counseling Association Conference.

Awarded Faculty Research Grant for my dissertation study, "Filial / Family Play Therapy for Families who Have a Child With a Life Threatening Illness"

Awarded Graduate Student Research Grant- Texas Association for Play Therapy for dissertation study

Professional Affiliations

2005-present	Louisiana Association for Play Therapy
2001- present	Texas Association for College Counselors
2001- present	Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
1999- present	Association for Play Therapy
1999- present	American Counseling Association
2000- present	Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling
1998-2005	Texas Counseling Association
1999-2005	Texas Association for Play Therapy
2000-2004	Texas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

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