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## **ACADEMIC TRAINING**

**Adelphi University**, Garden City, New York

Gordon F. Derner Institute for Advanced Psychological Studies  
Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology; School Psychology Certification 1989

*Clinical Internship: **Queens Children's Psychiatric Center**,  
Adolescent Unit, Bellerose Queens, New York (9/87-9/88)*

*Third Year Teaching Assistantship: General Studies Program,  
**University College, Adelphi University***

*Second Year Psychodiagnostic Clerkship: **St. John's Hospital**,  
Adult Inpatient Psychiatric Unit, Smithtown New York*

*First Year Clinical Practicum: **Maryhaven Therapeutic Preschool**,  
Mt. Sinai, New York*

**West Georgia College**, Carrollton, Georgia

M.A. in Psychology, 1976

*Clinical Practicum: Children's Residential Treatment*

**Hamilton County Welfare Department**, Cincinnati Ohio

**Xavier University**, Cincinnati, Ohio

B.S. Magna Cum Laude, In Psychology, 1974

Magdalena Strobl-Link Senior Psychology Award

Psi Chi & Alpha Sigma Nu honors societies

## **RESEARCH**

*Dissertation: Sandplay: Window on the Child's Representational World  
Copyright 1988, Adelphi University, Derner Institute*

*Research Award: Kalike Award for Excellence in Dissertation Research  
in Developmental Psychology; Derner Institute, 5/21/89*

*Research Coordinator: **Transition to Independence Process  
Demonstration Site**, Robert Morgan Ed. Center, 1999-2004*

*Research Consultant: **FLDOE Service Learning Grant**, 2004-2007*

*Research Site Coordinator, **NSU Parent Training Study**, 2010*

## **LICENSES**

Florida Psychology License PY#0004292, 6/13/90

Florida School Psychology Certificate, 6/29/89

Florida Clinical Educator Training Certificate 11/95

Florida Qualified Supervisor Training Certificate 6/20/02

## EMPLOYMENT

- 4/12-present                    **Assistant Professor**, Nova Southeastern University, Center for Psychological Studies (School Psychology) & University School
- 7/89 to 3/12                    **School Psychologist** with Miami-Dade County Public Schools  
*Preschool psychodiagnostician*, FDLRS-South, 7/89-7/90  
*SED Clinician/Coordinator*, M-DCPS, 7/90-8/04  
*Miami-Dade/Monroe TIP Project Co-Coordinator*, 11/99-8/04  
*School Psychologist*, MacArthur South Senior, 8/04-3/12  
*Sexual Minority Network Representative*, 8/04-8/09  
*Co-Chair, Positive Behavior Support Project*, 10/05-6/08  
*Coordinator, Project10 Transition Education Grant* 2009-2011
- 10/89 to present                **Clinical Psychologist** in Private Practice; Miami Lakes, Florida, serving children, adolescents, adults, and families
- 8/08 to 11/08                    **Adjunct Professor**, Nova Southeastern University, Fischler School of Education and Human Services; "**Inclusive Education for Exceptional Students**" (online graduate level course)
- 11/08-3/12                    **Adjunct Professor**, Nova Southeastern University, Center for Psychological Studies, Specialist in School Psychology program  
**"Organization and Operation of Schools"**  
**"Projective and Objective Assessment of Personality"**
- 9/96 to 8/98                    **Adjunct Professor**, Miami Institute of Psychology, Miami, Florida  
**"Play Therapy Seminar"**, introduction to Child Psychotherapy
- 9/97 to 8/98                    **Clinical Supervisor**, Goodman Clinic, Miami Institute of Psychology
- 1/89-7/89                    **School Psychologist**, Nassau County Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Westbury, New York  
*Clinical responsibilities*: Consultation, psychotherapy, and screening of handicapped high school vocational students  
*Teaching Responsibilities*: Created and taught 15 hour in-service course entitled "**Classroom Management Strategies for the Emotionally Handicapped Student**"
- 9/88-7/89                    **Adjunct Professor**, Adelphi University, Garden City, New York  
University College ABLE program; "**Abnormal Personality**"
- 9/88-12/88                    **Clinical Psychologist**, Queens Children's Psychiatric Center Mobile Mental Health Team  
*Clinical Responsibilities*: Consultation, psychotherapy, psychological assessment with delinquent adolescents  
*Teaching Responsibilities*: "**Group Therapy**" in-service training
- 9/87-9/88                    **Clinical Psychology Intern**, Queens Children's Psychiatric Center  
*Clinical Responsibilities*: Psychotherapy and psychological assessment with Adolescent unit and Juvenile Offenders Unit

- 6/87-6/89      **School Psychologist**, New York City Board of Education, District 4  
Committee on Special Education 6/87-8/87 summer, full time;  
11/87-6/88 and 2/89-6/89 part time  
Psychological evaluations for NYC students ages 5 to 19
- 6/85-2/87      **School Psychologist**, Maryhaven Therapeutic Preschool, Mt. Sinai NY  
Play therapy, family therapy, parent group therapy, classroom  
consultation, and psychological assessment; part time
- 2/82-8/84      **Clinical Psychologist**, Rebecca Gratz Center, Philadelphia, PA  
Clinician at female adolescent residential treatment center
- 1/80-1/82      **Director**, Whitmarsh Youth Program, Conshohocken PA  
Direct service; supervision; liaison; grantsmanship
- 9/79-1/80      **Counselor**, South Philadelphia Community Center, Crime Prevention  
Association; counseling adolescents; liaison with juvenile court
- 10/76-8/79      **Therapist/Coordinator**, Northern Kentucky Comprehensive Care  
Center, Adolescent Unit, Newport Kentucky  
Clinician/coordinator of partial hospitalization unit; supervision

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **Trainers of School Psychologists Annual Conference 2015**

#### **Orlando FL**

*Participant*

### **National Association of School Psychologists' Annual Conference 2015, Orlando FL**

*Participant and Presenter:*

*"From the Field to the Ivory Tower"*

*"Belonging and Achievement Among Culturally Diverse  
Students" (poster)*

### **Florida Association of School Psychologists' Annual Conference 2014**

*Participant and Presenter:*

*"Mindfulness and Stress Management"*

*"Legislative Update"*

### **Brief Solution-Focused Counseling in Schools-Dr. John Murphy**

1/29/14 - 1/31/14, Miami-Dade Public Schools/Dade Association of  
School Psychologists/NSU; *Workshop Organizer*

**Florida Association of School Psychologists' Annual Conference** 10/30-11/1/13, Orlando Florida

*Participant and Presenter:*

*"Current Research on Psychological Assessment as Therapeutic Intervention"*

*"Projective Assessment: Is it Worth the Trouble?"*

*"Legislative Update"*

**Florida Association of School Psychologists' Annual Conference** 10/30-11/1/12, Orlando Florida

*Participant and Presenter:*

*"Projective Techniques: Why Bother?"* and

*"Advocacy in School Psychology"*

**Linking Forces XVII Conference on Children's Mental Health**

*Conference and Program Committee Member, Miami Florida 5/12*

**Student Advocacy and Family Support: An Interdisciplinary Symposium**

Robert Morgan Educational Center, Miami FL

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, 10/28/11*

**Psychological Intervention Summit: An Interdisciplinary Symposium**

Nova Southeastern University, North Miami Beach FL

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, 3/4/11*

**Bullying Prevention and Critical Incident Response**

Interactive Professional Development In-service Training

*Presented to MacArthur-South Faculty and Administrators, 9/23/10*

**Linking Forces XVI Conference on Children's Mental Health**

*Conference and Program Committee Member, Miami Florida 4/8, 4/9/10*

*Presented "Youth in Transition at the Mac":*

*Putting the Pieces Together in a Relational Framework*

**Teaching Our Kids to Make Good Choices: Parent Training**

Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic School 1/10, 3/11, 4/11, 2/12, 4/12

**Fostering Resilient Children and Families in Trying Times:**

**An Interdisciplinary Symposium** Barry University

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, 9/25/09*

**Team Problem Solving and Response to Intervention**

**at YMAACD-MacArthur-South** Presentation to Alternative

Education School Administrators 8/7/09

**Current Topics in School Mental Health: An Interdisciplinary**

**Symposium:** *Conference Organizer & Moderator,*

Nova Southeastern University, North Miami Beach FL 11/13, 11/14/08

**Understanding Psycho-Educational Evaluations**

Florida International University School of Law, 10/14/08

**Linking Forces XV Conference on Children's Mental Health**

*Conference and Program Committee Member, Miami Florida 5/08*

**Currents In School Mental Health: An Interdisciplinary Symposium**

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, Miami Florida, 3/16/07*

**Parent and Community Involvement at an Alternative High School**

*Linking Forces XIV Conference on Children's Mental Health*

*Miami Florida, 5/05*

**Changing Roles in School Psychology Panel**

*Linking Forces XIII Conference on Children's Mental Health*

*Miami Florida, 5/04*

**Transitioning Young People with Disabilities Panel**

*Moderator Linking Families Conference, Miami Florida, 10/03*

**Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Anxiety in Children and Adolescents Symposium**

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, Barry University, Miami Florida, 11/03*

**Vocational Training: The 'Magic Potion' for Transitioning Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disorders**

*International CEC Conference on Children and Adolescents*

*Miami Florida, 10/02*

**Interdisciplinary Perspectives on the Diagnosis and Treatment Of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Symposium**

*Conference Organizer and Moderator, Miami Florida, 11/01*

**Countertransference and Resilience in Working with Transitioning Students with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder**

*Interdisciplinary Perspectives: Diagnosis & Treatment of ADHD*

*Miami Florida 11/01*

## **SUPERVISION**

For 22 years, in private practice and through Miami-Dade County Public Schools, I supervised graduate-level practicum and internship students in Clinical Psychology, School Psychology, Mental Health Counseling, Counseling Psychology, and Clinical Social Work. Since August of 2012, I have supervised doctoral students in School and Clinical Psychology for their practicum placements at University School and SPACI, as well as a post-doctoral resident in Clinical Psychology.

## **GRANT AWARDS**

Authored Project10 Transition Educational Grant:  
**TIGER Project** (Transition to Independence via Guided Entrepreneurial ExpeRience) **Award: \$2,000** March 2010  
Young Men's Academy at Macarthur South, M-DCPS

**Co-authored “WITHIT”** (Workforce Integration Through Highly Individualized Transition services), a grant designed to provide enhanced transition services to M-DCPS youth with serious emotional disturbance. **Award: \$146,000**, 7/1/04, from the Alliance for Human Services of Miami-Dade County

**Authored annual TIP Mini-grant** applications to the USF-based TIP (Transition to Independence Process) Project 1998-2004: **Total Award: \$22,000**

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Caproni, P.M. & Fletcher, J. (2015) Technical Assistance Brief (NASP website) on “Guidelines for School Psychology Graduate Programs in the Provision of Continuing Professional Development”

Karpur, A., Clark, H. B., Caproni, P., & Sterner, H. (2005). Transition to Adult Roles for Students With Emotional/Behavioral Disturbances A Follow-Up Study of Student Exiters From Steps-to-Success. *Career Development for Exceptional Individuals*, 28(1), 36-46.

Karpur, A., Caproni, P, Sterner, H., Whitfield, D., Clark, H.B. (2003). Transition to adult roles for students with EBD: A follow-up study of student exiters from a transition program - extranet.dhss.alaska.gov

Clark, H. B., Belkin, M. T., Obradovich, L. D., Casey, R. E., Gagnon, R. Caproni, P., & Deschenes, N. (2002). Transition from school to community: Navigating rough waters, in KL Lane, FM Gresham, TE O'Shaughnessy - 2002 - *Interventions for children with or at risk for emotional and behavioral disorders*, 299-316

Caproni, P. M. (1988). *Sandplay-Window on the Representational World: A Projective Adaptation of Lowenfeld's World Technique* (Doctoral dissertation, Adelphi University).

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES, ADVOCACY, & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

**National Association of School Psychologists, Member**  
**Florida Association of School Psychologists, Member**  
**Dade Association of School Psychologists**

Past President, 2001-2002

Executive Board Member, 1990-2015

Chair, Professional Development Committee, 2001-present

Member, Legislative Committee\*, 1999-present

DASP Representative to Tri-County Consortium, 2010-12

**Participated in Coalition for the Education of Exceptional Students (CEES) Training & Advocacy**; 3/14, Tallahassee, Florida

**Presentation: “Meeting the Challenges of Middle School”** 8/14 Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic School, Miami Lakes, Florida

**Presentation: “Bullying Awareness”** 9/13/13 with Dr. Vivian Perez-Caproni, to 175 Parents and Teachers, Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic School, Miami Lakes, FL

**Participated in Coalition for the Education of Exceptional Students (CEES) Training & Advocacy**; 3/13, Tallahassee, Florida

**Participated in Coalition for the Education of Exceptional Students (CEES) Training & Advocacy**; 1/12, Tallahassee Florida

**Organized DASP Pro-Bono Counseling Program** in collaboration with the Haitian-American Organization of Women (HOW) to aid victims of the Haitian earthquake (January-June 2010)

**School Consultative Board Member, January 2009-present**  
Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic School

**Co-authored DASP Position Statement** regarding Florida State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.03018, Exceptional Education Eligibility for Students with Specific Learning Disabilities (10/08)

**Co-authored DASP Position Statements and Advocacy Strategy** regarding Miami-Dade County Public Schools decision to lay off 41 School Psychologists. All positions were restored. (Spring, 2008)