

# Mindy L. Dunagan, Ph.D., LPC, NCC

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## **EDUCATION:**

### **University of Mississippi**

Doctor of Philosophy: Counselor Education, May 2018  
Cognate: Play Therapy  
Graduate Dissertation Fellowship Award, 2018

**Oxford, MS**

*CACREP- accredited program*

### **University of North Georgia**

Master of Science: Community Counseling, May 2012

**Dahlonega, GA**

*CACREP- Accredited Program*

### **University of Georgia**

Bachelor of Science: Psychology, May 2009  
Hope Scholarship

**Athens, GA**

### **University of Georgia**

Bachelor of Arts: Sociology, May 2009  
Hope Scholarship

**Athens, GA**

### **Slippery Rock University**

Core curriculum, 2004-2006  
Deans list

**Slippery Rock, PA**

## **LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS:**

Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Georgia Composite Board #LPC010035

National Certified Counselor (NCC) #301605

Registered Play Therapist (RPT) – anticipated spring 2019

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

### **Assistant Professor**

Jan 2018- May 2018     **PYCL 0507 Research and Evaluation for Counselors** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course

Jan 2019- May 2019     **PYCL 0511 Introduction to Counseling Techniques** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course

Jan 2019- May 2019     **PYCL 0612 Substance Abuse** – Nova Southeastern University, Jacksonville, FL – Master’s level course

- Jan 2019-  
May 2019      **PYCL 0680 Counseling Practicum** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course
- Aug 2018-  
Dec 2018      **PYCL 0507 Research and Evaluation for Counselors** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course
- Aug 2018-  
Dec 2018      **PYCL 0512 Human Growth and Development** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course
- Aug 2018-  
Dec 2018      **PYCL 0635 Group Theory and Practice** – Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL – Master’s level course

### **Graduate Teaching Experience**

- May 2015 -  
May 2015      **COUN Expressive Arts** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS  
Master’s level course
- Jan 2015 -  
May 2015      **COUN 610 Addictions Counseling** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS  
Master’s level course
- Aug 2014 -  
Dec 2014      **COUN 621 Assessment** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS  
Master’s level course
- Aug 2014 -  
Dec 2014      **COUN 539 Introduction to Professional Counseling** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS - Master’s level course
- Aug 2014-  
Dec 2014      **COUN 672 Issues and Ethics in Counseling** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS - Master’s level course
- May 2014 -  
Aug 2014      **COUN 605 Research in Counseling** - The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS - Master’s level course
- May 2014 –  
Aug 2014      **COUN 605 Research in Counseling** – The University of Mississippi – Tupelo, Tupelo, MS - Master’s level course
- Aug 2013 –  
Dec 2013      **COUN 690 Counseling Skills** – The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS  
Master’s level course
- November  
2011              North Georgia College and State University, Dahlonega, GA  
*Guest Lecturer* – Master’s level course  
Provided a short lecture focused on expressive art to a graduate level counseling theories class. The lecture focused on how expressive art can be interpreted and how it is applicable in a variety of counseling settings.

### **Supervision Experience**

- 2013- present      Doctoral Supervisor  
                                 COUN 690 Counseling Skills

COUN 688 Organization, Administration, and Consultation in School Counseling  
COUN 695 Internship – Play Therapy  
COUN 695 Internship – Clinical Mental Health  
COUN 693 Practicum – School Counseling  
COUN 693 Practicum – Clinical Mental Health

## Experience

August 2017- **University of Mississippi - Department of Leadership and Counselor Education**, Oxford, MS

*Department Graduate Assistant*

Helped prepare for the CACREP site visit. Engaged in administrative duties.

Assisted with the design of online classes. Assisted with the department's collection of data.

August 2015- **The University Counseling Center – Desoto Center – The University of Mississippi**, Southaven, MS

*Graduate Assistant Clinical Therapist*

Provided individual counseling services to college students. The clients consisted of undergraduate students, transfer students, and non-traditional students. Various treatment modalities were employed.

January 2015- **Child Advocacy and Play Therapy Institute – The University of Mississippi**,  
July 2015 Oxford, MS

*Clinical Therapist*

Provided individual play therapy to children and individual counseling to adolescents and adults. Held parent consultations and psychologist consultations. Worked with lawyers on court cases pertaining to clients.

August 2013- **The University Counseling Center – The University of Mississippi**, Oxford,  
May 2015 MS

*Graduate Assistant Clinical Therapist*

Worked with undergraduate and graduate college students and provided individual and group counseling services. Groups focused on anxiety, depression, relationships, and social isolation. Individual session topics were diverse. Various treatment modalities were employed.

Feb 2013 - **Laurelwood – Northeast Georgia Hospital**, Gainesville, GA

August 2013 *Intake Specialist*

Provided intake assessments in the inpatient facility, the Emergency Room (ER), and the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). Facilitated inpatient behavior health groups and verified insurance for proper client care.

April 2012- **Turning Point – Golden Care**, Cumming/Dahlonega, GA

Oct 2012 *Program Therapist*

Provided group therapy for groups of culturally diverse adult clients in an intensive outpatient setting. Types of cases seen, but not limited to, included schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depressive disorder, personality disorders,

anxiety disorders, and substance use disorders. Various treatment modalities that were employed included cognitive therapies, person-centered, reality, solution-focused, expressive therapy, psych-educational, and basic living skills training. In addition to facilitating groups, responsibilities included intake assessments and treatment plans.

Aug 2011-  
April 2012     **Turning Point – Golden Care, Dahlonega/Cumming, GA**  
*Intern – Behavioral Health Services*  
Provided group and individual therapy for groups of culturally diverse adult clients in an intensive outpatient setting. Types of cases seen, but not limited to, included schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depressive disorder, personality disorders, anxiety disorders, and substance use disorders. Various treatment modalities that were employed included cognitive therapies, person-centered, reality, solution-focused, expressive therapy, psych-educational, and basic living skills training. In addition to facilitating groups, responsibilities included intake assessments and treatment plans.

2008           **Decisions Lab, University of Georgia, Athens, GA**  
*Research Assistant*  
Dr. Adam Goodie, Department of Psychology  
Duties included explaining and obtaining informed consent from participants and assisting participants to prepare for and to complete their involvement in various experiments that related to gambling behaviors and decision-making. In addition, became familiar with the relevant research literature on decision making and gambling and became familiar with interpreting data.

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

### **Dissertation**

**Dunagan, M. L.** (2018). *The effect of a second-order factor wellness intervention on the total wellness of female collegiate athletes.*

### **Referred**

Perryman, M. L., **Dunagan, M. L.**, & Winburn, A. M. (2015). The problem with passion. *Play Therapy Magazine.*

Gilstrap, D., **Dunagan, M. L.**, & Parker, L. (2015). Multiple family therapy. *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Marriage, Family, and Couples Counseling.*

Gilstrap, D., **Dunagan, M. L.**, & Parker, L. (2015). Scales for children. *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Marriage, Family, and Couples Counseling.*

## **LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

### **Chi Sigma Iota International Honor Society**

2013 –           **Epsilon Mu Chapter: The University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS**

present            President (May 2014 – 2016)  
                         Newsletter Committee Co-Chair (August 2015- 2016)

2011 – 2012    **Gamma Gamma Epsilon Chapter:** North Georgia College & State University,  
                         Dahlonega, GA  
                         Treasurer (June 2011- May 2012)

### **Service**

Jan 2015 –      **Graduate Student CACREP Study Team:** The University of Mississippi,  
May 2015      Oxford, MS

Aug 2011 –    **Graduate Student Senate, Senator:** North Georgia College and State  
May 2012      University, Dahlonega, GA

Aug 2008 –    **Bulldog Bigs, Mentor:** The University of Georgia, Athens, GA  
May 2009

### **HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Graduate Dissertation Fellowship Award, 2018

Chi Sigma Iota International Honor Society, Inducted 2011

Hope Scholarship, Awarded each semester 2007, 2008, 2009

### **PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **National**

Matthews, K., Gilstrap, D., **Dunagan, M.**, Strickland, J., & Parker, L. (2015). *Facilitating culturally sensitive professional identity expression of counselor education doctoral students*. Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

Strickland, J., Parker, L., **Dunagan, M.**, Matthews, K., & Gilstrap, D. (2015). *Developing multicultural competence in spiritual education*. Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

#### **Regional**

Noor, A. M., & **Dunagan, M.** (2014). *Paradigm shift of counseling student from lecture-based-learning toward problem-based learning*. Presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference. Birmingham, AL.

#### **State**

**Dunagan, M.**, & Seifer, R. (2018). *Distinguished alumni award winner: Dwight Hollier*. Presentation panel with NSU faculty. Nova Southeastern University. Fort Lauderdale, FL.

**Dunagan, M., & Seifer, R.** (2018). *Distinguished alumni award winner: Dwight Hollier*. University School Athletics Presentation. NSU University School. Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Perryman, M. L., & **Dunagan, M.** (2015). *Compassion fatigue and wellness*. Presented at the Delta State Conference. Cleveland, MS.

Strickland, J., Main, J., & **Dunagan, M.** (2015). *Securing the attachment from a neurobiology perspective*. Presented at the Mississippi Counseling Association Conference. Jackson, MS.

**Dunagan, M.** (2014). *Facilitating personal growth groups: A PhD's perspective*. Presented at the Mississippi Counseling Association Conference. Jackson, MS.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

### **International Organizations**

Chi Sigma Iota International Honor Society

### **National Organizations**

American Counseling Association

Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

Association for Play Therapy

Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

### **State Organizations**

Mississippi Counseling Association

Mississippi Graduate Student Counselor Association

Ole Miss Allies

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) Oxford/North Mississippi