

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Psychology, Clinical Psychology (PsyD), August 2016

Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL
APA accredited program

Master of Science, Clinical Psychology, August 2013

Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Bachelor of Science, Psychology, May 2011

Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL

LICENSURE

Licensed Psychologist, Florida, PY 9968, 2017 – present

CURRENT POSITIONS

Director of Internship Training for the South Florida Consortium Internship Program (SFCIP), July 2023 – present

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

The SFCIP offers a 2,000-hour predoctoral internship for qualified doctoral students in clinical psychology. Responsibilities include oversight of day-to-day operations, intern selection, tracking intern hours and leave, intern performance monitoring and progress, partner site contracting and membership management, and managing internship publications (handbook, APPIC directory online, etc.). Additionally, responsibilities include maintaining standards of APA accreditation and APPIC membership by ensuring full compliance with APA's Standards of Accreditation implementing regulations and coordinating and communicating with appropriate credential agencies and maintaining reporting requirements. The Director chairs the SFCIP Executive and Operations Boards to facilitate development and implementation of the internship program. Also, develop and monitor the budget and resources for the internship program and collaborate on management of training calendar and internship test holdings.

Assistant Director, School-related Psychological Assessments and Clinical Interventions (SPACI) Clinic, February 2022 – present

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

The SPACI clinic offers psychotherapy and comprehensive psychological evaluations for school-related academic, behavioral, developmental, and learning problems. Responsibilities include providing supervision to trainees at the specialist, doctoral, intern, and postdoctoral levels; providing crisis coverage; assisting in the overall functioning of the clinic; and ensuring compliance with College, University, and state/federal mandates.

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Licensed Psychologist, October 2017 – January 2022

Student Services Team, Psychological Services, Robert Renick Educational Center, Miami Gardens, FL

Robert Renick Educational Center is a school that provides interventions to children and adolescents with severe emotional and behavioral issues, along with trauma histories. Responsibilities included providing weekly counseling sessions to my caseload, completing psychoeducational evaluations, and offering crisis intervention services as needed. Additionally, consultation and collaboration with a multisystemic team that included social workers, school psychologist, teachers, and administrative personnel, along with coordination and attendance of school-related meetings to address the social-emotional functioning of our students. Finally, provided trauma-focused presentations to the school staff to expand on their trauma-sensitive understanding and skills.

Licensed Psychologist, January 2017 – June 2019

Weston Family Psychology, Weston, FL

Weston Family Psychology is a private practice that provides individual therapy and psychological testing services. Provided individual therapy to a range of younger children to adolescents, along with involving the family system and collaborating with collateral sources.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Psychology Postdoctoral Resident, September 2016 – August 2017

University School and School-related Psychological Assessments and Clinical Interventions (SPACI) Clinic, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisors: Peter Caproni, PhD, and Ralph E. (Gene) Cash, PhD, NCSP

Predominantly at University School (Lower, Middle, and Upper levels), responsibilities included providing direct clinical assessment and intervention services and consultation of school-age population, ranging from pre-school to high school students, as well as working with school administration, teachers, staff, and parents. At SPACI, responsibilities included conducting comprehensive child and adolescent psychological evaluations, providing individual therapy, and coordinating assessment and training experiences. At

both placements, assisted with the supervision of clinical psychology and school psychology graduate students.

Psychology Intern, August 2015 – August 2016

Institute for Child and Family Health, Inc., Miami, FL

Supervisors: Marcelo Esteban, PhD, Mercedes Garcia, PsyD, and Carina Massa, PsyD

Responsibilities included conducting individual, group, and parent training therapy with a diverse client population ranging in age from 5 to 19 years of age. Individual treatment interventions included play therapy, cognitive-behavior therapy, and psychodynamic therapy with an inclusion of positive psychology techniques when warranted. The group treatment intervention encompassed an evidence-based cognitive-behavior treatment that targeted oppositional defiance in young boys. Completed 10 comprehensive child and adolescent psychological evaluations throughout the year utilizing specific measures depending on the individual client, presenting problem, and referral question. Additionally, consulted with parents, teachers, and a variety of mental health professionals; provided supervision to practicum student; presented one seminar topic of interest; and joined in didactic trainings and seminars throughout the year. Completed Continuing Education programs in two topics: The Play Therapy Series and Infant Mental Health.

Psychology Trainee, Elective Practicum, August 2014 – April 2015

Broward Children's Center, Pompano Beach, FL

Supervisor: Michael Carifio, PhD

Responsibilities included Providing interventions at a pediatric nursing facility for children, adolescents, and young adults who were diagnosed with severe medical, physical, and/or developmental disabilities. Interventions for younger residents as well as those with significant cognitive impairment included play therapy. Interventions for higher functioning residents included cognitive behavioral, existential, and positive psychology techniques. Actively participated at the interdisciplinary team level and served as a liaison for social and therapy services.

Psychology Trainee, August 2013 – August 2014

Child and Adolescent Traumatic Stress Program, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Jan Faust, PhD

Responsibilities included conducting therapy for children, adolescents, and families who have been exposed to traumatic events. Treatment interventions included cognitive-behavior therapy, play therapy, family systems therapy, and behavioral parent-training therapy. Administered and scored battery evaluations of social and emotional behaviors for the grant research associated with the practicum. Administered, scored, and wrote an integrated report for a full test battery evaluation of intelligence, neurodevelopment, and achievement dysfunction of a child client.

Psychology Trainee, August 2012 – August 2013

Center for Assessment and Intervention, Human Services Department, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Maribel Del Rio-Roberts, PsyD

Responsibilities included administering, scoring, and writing integrated reports for full test battery evaluations of intelligence, personality, and achievement dysfunction for children, adolescents, and adults. Attended weekly didactic trainings on various intervention and assessment topics, and participated in case conferences where practicum students, interns, and postdoctoral fellows would present on challenging assessment cases. Conducted individual therapy for children, and treatment interventions included social skills training, cognitive-behavior therapy, and play therapy.

ADDITIONAL CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Student Volunteer, June 2014

Humanitarian Trip, Swaziland, South Africa
Supervisor: Stephen Campbell, PhD

Collaborated with Saving Orphans through Healthcare and Outreach (SOHO), a non-profit organization that exists to improve the quality of life and life expectancy of orphans and vulnerable children in Swaziland. Offered psychological education and interventions on topics that included childhood development, domestic violence, suicide prevention, substance use, and HIV/AIDS through lecture, presentations, and individual and group counseling. Provided food and clothing to orphans and caretakers.

Clinic Coordinator, May 2014 – May 2015

Psychological Services for the Emotionally Distressed (PSED), College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Supervisor: Jan Faust, PhD

Conducted screening telephone calls to potential clients and assigned clients to the practicum students. Coordinated weekly meetings with the practicum students that included receiving updates on clients and client chart management. Assisted in management of the Psychological Services for the Emotionally Distressed that included informing practicum students on clinic policies and supervision updates and helping the supervisor on daily tasks.

Student Support Group Facilitator, August 2013 – May 2014

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Supervisor: Barry Nierenberg, PhD, ABPP

Re-established the student support group at Nova Southeastern University. Provided helpful resources to support group attendees (e.g., positive self-talk statements, stress management tips, list of helpful books, and pleasant activity options). Facilitated biweekly support groups, entitled “Care & Share Student Support Group” with Nova students.

Graduate Assistant to the Director of Clinical Training, May 2013 – May 2014

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Advisor: Alan Katell, PhD

Assisted in responsibilities for clinical training that included practicum, internship, and the clinical competency examination. Coordinated the Practicum Fair for the students, professors, and practicum-site supervisors. Created excel spreadsheets and word

documents that aided in the organization of data for clinical training. Assisted Director in tasks such as reviewing documents for students and miscellaneous tasks upon request.

Testing Assistant, May 2012 – June 2012

Child Outcomes Study, Mailman Segal Center, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Elizabeth A. Martinson, MS, MFT

Administered and scored a battery of psychological tests to pre-kindergarten children under a Mailman Segal Center Grant that attempted to evaluate the different early childhood models, funding, and support sources in Palm Beach County as they predict children's developmental and academic success at the completion of preschool and kindergarten.

Testing Assistant, January 2012 – August 2013

Psychological Testing Associates, Plantation, FL

Supervisor: Matthew Simon, PsyD, ABPP

Administered, scored, and helped to formulate integrated reports for a wide range of psychological assessments for ages beginning in early childhood to adulthood. Received ongoing feedback and supervision on assessment measures and report writing.

Testing Assistant, January 2012 – May 2012

Building Literacy Study, Mailman Segal Center, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Nathalie Franco, PhD

Administered and scored a battery of psychological tests to pre-kindergarten children under an Early Reading First Grant that provided support for enhancing preschool age children's early literacy skills, including changes in the classroom, curricular activities, and teacher technical support.

TEACHING/TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor, August 2017 – present

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Responsibilities include teaching within the undergraduate program, online Master's in counseling program, school specialist program, and clinical psychology doctoral program. Taught courses on child-focused and general psychology topics, including diagnosis and treatment of child and adolescent psychopathology, psychological testing for individual evaluation, integrated report writing, and intelligence testing. Additionally, helped create a course for the specialist program in school psychology that focuses on evidence-based treatment of emotional and behavioral disorders of children and adolescents.

Course Facilitator, January 2017 – May 2017

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Instructor: Sarah Valley-Gray, PsyD, ABPP

Evaluated pre- and post-test interviews of the first-year students simulated intake session. Facilitated weekly pre-practicum classes that consist of a topic presentation and simulated patient role plays. Provided feedback to the students after they complete their assigned role play.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, August 2012 – December 2014

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Assisted in reading and scoring written assignments (e.g., essays, reports, online posts), updating online course materials, conducting review sessions for exams, and proctoring and scoring exams for a variety of psychology-topic courses.

LECTURES

- Family Engagement in the School Setting, Hosted by Nova Southeastern University, April 2023
- A Trauma-Sensitive Approach in the School Setting, Hosted by Nova Southeastern University, December 2022
- Mental Health Moment, Week of Wellness, Hosted by Advanced Veterinary Care Center, Davie, FL, September 2022
- Trauma and Resilience, Hosted by Robert Renick Educational Center, Miami-Dade County Public School System, Miami, FL, March 2019
- The Three Pillars of Trauma-Informed Care, Hosted by Robert Renick Educational Center, Miami-Dade County Public School System, Miami, FL, April 2018
- Brief Interventions for School Practice, Hosted by Palm Beach County Public School System, West Palm Beach, FL, August 2017
- The Psychological Impact of Social Media on Children and Adolescents, Hosted by the Institute for Child and Family Health, Inc., Miami, FL, July 2016
- Swaziland, Hosted by NSU Black History Month, Nova Southeastern University, February 2015
- Swaziland Summer 2014, Hosted by the Brown Bag First-Year Meetings, Nova Southeastern University, October 2014
- Interventions for Children with Traumatic Stress, Hosted by College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, March 2014
- Fostering Resiliency in the Neediest Children: An Evidence-Based Approach, Hosted by Professional Development Conference for Miami-Dade County Public School Counselors, Miami, FL, February 2014, July 2014
- Swaziland Humanitarian Trip, Hosted by NSU Black History Month, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, February 2014
- Fostering Resiliency in the Neediest Children: An Evidence-Based Approach, Hosted by Student Services Mini Conference, Miami, FL, February 2014
- Stress Busters: Fostering Stress Management in Undergraduate Population, Hosted by NSU Undergraduate Orientation, Nova Southeastern University, August 2013
- College Survival Workshop for the Take Stock in Children program, Hosted by Health Provisions Building, Nova Southeastern University, May 2013
- Psychological Interventions, Hosted by University School, Nova Southeastern University, May 2013
- Applying to Graduate School, Hosted by PSI CHI Undergraduate Honor Society, Nova Southeastern University, February 2013

CLINICAL PRESENTATIONS

Robinson, Haley, BA, Gallardo-Cooper, Maritza, PhD, NCSP, & **Jimenez, Nicole, PsyD (contributor)**. (2023, February). *Instilling radical hope in traumatized children by optimizing parental Support*. Symposium presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Colorado Springs, CO.

Milano, N., M.S., Guerra, S., B.S., & Zipper, R., M.S. (2015, February). *Fostering resiliency in the neediest children: An evidence-based approach*. Symposium presented at the National Association of School Psychologists Annual Convention, Orlando, FL.

Milano, N., M.S., & Guerra, S., B.S. (2013, October). *Fostering resiliency in the neediest children: An evidence-based approach*. Symposium presented at the Florida Association of School Psychologists Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

Alexandra Trausch, M.S., Juliette Hubbard, Psy.D., **Nicole Jimenez, Psy.D.**, Peter Caproni, Ph.D., Sarah Valley-Gray, Psy.D. (2023). *Facilitating University School Psychology Program and Local School District Partnerships Post-pandemic*. Poster presented at the Trainers of School Psychologists Conference, Denver, CO.

Nicole M. Milano, M.S., Siddika S. Mulchan, M.S., & Michael S. Carifio, Ph.D. (2015). *Assessing Mood Severity and Stability Over Time Among Medically Fragile Youth in a Pediatric Nursing Home Setting*. Poster presented at the Florida Psychological Association 2015 Summer Convention, Orlando, FL.

Milano, N., M.S., Crouch, A., M.S., Jourdain, M., M.S., & Walker, L., Ed.D., ABPP. (2014). *Sexual functioning in incarcerated women who experienced childhood abuse*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association 2014 Convention, Washington, D.C.

Sarah Silverman, M.S., Alexandra Crouch, M.S., Laura Lundell, M.S., Silviana Guerra, B.S., **Nicole Milano, M.S.**, Christina Turcoane, M.S., Catherine O'Neil, B.S., Kristina Samour, B.S., Michelle Vaysman, B.A., Cassie Feldman, B.S., & Barry Nierenberg, Ph.D., ABPP. (2014). *Perceived level of stress among clinical psychology doctoral students*. Poster presented at the Association for Psychological Science 2014 Convention, San Diego, CA.

Crouch, A., B.A., **Milano, N., B.S.**, Kacos, H., B.S., Black, R., Ph.D., Needle, R., Psy.D., & Walker, L., Ed.D., ABPP. (2013). *Body image in incarcerated abused women*. Poster presented at the Florida Psychological Association 2013 Summer Convention, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

Sarah Silverman, B.A., Brittany Grabois, M.S., Silviana Guerra, B.S., **Nicole Milano, B.S.**, Alexandra Crouch, B.A., Daniela Stivelman, M.S., & Barry Nierenberg, Ph.D., ABPP. (2013).

Graduate student stressors. Poster presented at the Florida Psychological Association 2013 Summer Convention, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

Silverman, S., Crouch, A., Guerra, S., Stivelman, D., Tobenas, M., Mergler, S., Grabois, B., **Milano, N.**, Garcia, F., Chan, R., & Nierenberg, B. (2013). *Graduate student stressors*. Poster presented at the Professional Development Institute 2013, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Silverman, S., Guerra, S., Grabois, B., Stivelman, D., Crouch, A., Tobenas, M., Mergler, S., **Milano, N.**, Garcia, F., Chan, R., & Nierenberg, B. (2013). *Promoting a stress-free student body: Students for stress resilience*. Poster presented at the Association for Psychological Science 2013 Convention, Washington, D.C.

Silverman, S., Guerra, S., Crouch, A., **Milano, N.**, Stivelman, D., Grabois, B., Tobenas, M., Mergler, S., Garcia, F., Chan, R., & Nierenberg, B. (2013). *Students for stress resilience: A graduate organization dedicated to anxiety management*. Poster presented at the International Positive Psychology Association Third World Congress on Positive Psychology 2013 Convention, Los Angeles, CA.

Garcia, F., Chan, R., Greenberg, B., Truong, T., Silverman, S., Tobenas, M., Rivera, S., Leydig, S., Crouch, A., **Milano, N.**, Mergler, S., Grabois, B., Grant, B., Byles, M., Stivelman, D., Bissett, D., Guerra, S., & Nierenberg, B. (2012). *Graduate student resilience: Patterns of stressors and stress resilience among graduate students*. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association 2012 Convention, Orlando, FL.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, August 2014 – August 2015

Broward Children's Center, Pompano Beach, FL

Supervisor: Michael Carifio, PhD

Focused on several ongoing research projects, which encompass the effects of various factors such as sexuality, staff burnout, and peer mentoring on the quality of life in patients at a pediatric nursing facility setting. Conducted an extensive literature review on the use of self-report symptom inventories for this specific population. Collaborated with the occupational therapist at the Center to determine the effects of occupational therapy treatments on psychological health.

Graduate Research Assistant, July 2013 – August 2015

Health Professions Division, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Lisa Carbone, EdD

Helped format and revise the initial grant proposal. Screened potential military veterans to determine if the participant can partake in the yoga therapy portion of the study provided through Connected Warriors. The interview battery consisted of a demographic questionnaire, a flexibility screener, and a posttraumatic stress screener. Administered post-assessment measures to participants and collaborated with the research team to enter data and conduct statistical analyses.

Graduate Data Coordinator, August 2012 – August 2014

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Lenore Walker, EdD

Recruited and trained graduate research assistants in data entry and conducting jail interviews for Dr. Walker's Battered Woman Syndrome study. Supervised and organized the data quality check and entry of Battered Woman Syndrome Questionnaire batteries. Assisted as liaison between the Graduate Research Coordinator and the Graduate Jail Coordinator. Revised and submitted the Institutional Review Board (IRB) paperwork for the ongoing research project.

Graduate Research Assistant, December 2011 – May 2012

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Vincent Van Hasselt, PhD

Wrote literature review paper on child neglect and recantation, and law enforcement warning signs of recantation and supportive skills. Literature review paper titled *Child maltreatment and implications for law enforcement* used as an unpublished manuscript tool for law enforcement's education at the FBI Academy located in Quantico, VA.

Graduate Research Assistant, August 2011 – May 2015

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Jan Faust, PhD

Coded communication style between parent and child who both endured traumatic events. Completed follow-up phone calls for a Court Mediation Study; phone call session includes administering self-report measures and parent-report measures. Assisted in recruiting participants for a research project that includes children testifying in court for their parent's divorce and administered questionnaire packets to applicable participants.

Graduate Research Assistant, August 2011 – August 2012

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Lenore Walker, EdD

Administered the Battered Woman Syndrome Questionnaire to incarcerated female inmates at Paul Rein Detention Facility. The Battered Woman Syndrome Questionnaire contains Dr. Walker's assessment on the cycle of domestic abuse and added symptom checklists that cover topics such as posttraumatic stress symptoms, sexual dysfunction, body image, somatization, and attachment style. Quality-checked and entered data in SPSS for completed battery packets.

Undergraduate Research Assistant, August 2010 – May 2011

College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Madhavi Menon, PhD

Recruited participants, collected data, and entered data for analysis for the research project on mother-child relationship effects on social and psychological development and behavior. Contributed ideas for the assessment batteries, recruited participants, and analyzed data on the social development of young adults during emerging adulthood.

OFFICES AND SERVICE IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Treasurer, August 2013 – July 2014

Student Government Association (SGA), College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Supervisor: William Dorfman, PhD, ABPP

Collected, accounted for, and distributed all funds, and approved expenditures of SGA. Participated and acted as a voting member at all Executive Board meetings. Presented the yearly and monthly budgets to the Executive Board, and all other student organizations under SGA. Attended different community volunteer events and SGA events throughout the year. Completed other duties prescribed by the president.

Director of Philanthropy, August 2013 – July 2014

Students for Stress Resilience Organization, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Barry Nierenberg, PhD, ABPP

Represented as a liaison between community volunteer activities and the organization. Provided community service opportunities to organization members that attended bi-monthly meetings. Completed other duties prescribed by the president.

Student Mentor, August 2012 – May 2015

Dean's Leadership Team, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Supervisor: Karen Grosby, EdD

Attended a formal dinner hosted by the Dean where professors and students presented helpful mentorship material. After mentee was assigned, initiated first contact with the incoming student mentee and provided helpful information about expectations and guidelines for the first year of the clinical doctoral program. Assisted at Incoming Students Orientation Day, which consisted of a group meeting to answer questions and group tours of the school campus. Continuously provided mentoring to student mentee throughout the school year in order to update about relevant events and dates such as course scheduling, the research fair, and student organization meetings, and answer any questions or concerns.

Public Relations Representative, August 2012 – July 2013

Student Government Association (SGA), College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University
Supervisor: William Dorfman, PhD, ABPP

Participated and acted as a voting member at all Executive Board meetings. Maintained and updated SGA's website as often as necessary. Advertised events and meetings of SGA. Completed other duties prescribed by the president.

Director of Communications, August 2012 – July 2013

Students for Stress Resilience Organization, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University

Supervisor: Barry Nierenberg, PhD, ABPP

Maintained and coordinated the listserv that delivers messages of organization meeting dates and news. Promptly responded to messages directed to the organization. Advertised events and meetings of the organization. Completed other duties prescribed by the president.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Teacher of the Year Nominee, Robert Renick Educational Center, 2021
- Polly Wilkie Endowed Scholarship Fund, Nova Southeastern University, 2014
- President's Faculty Research and Development Grant, Impact of Yoga on Veterans with PTSD, Co-Investigator, Nova Southeastern University, January 2014 – January 2015
- Leadership Award, Students for Stress Resilience, Nova Southeastern University, 2012, 2013
- Psi Chi National College Honor Society in Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, 2010
- Alpha Chi National College Honor Society, Nova Southeastern University, 2010
- Undergraduate Dean's List, Nova Southeastern University, 2010 – 2011
- Undergraduate Dean's List, Youngstown State University, 2008 – 2009

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Safe Crisis Management M-DCPS Trainer, Miami, FL, August 2018 – January 2022
- Special Olympics Coach, Miami, FL, December 2017 – January 2022
- Broward Children's Center, Pompano Beach, FL, August 2015 – August 2016
- Kick for a Cause, Nova Southeastern University, February 2014
- The Pantry of Broward County Thanksgiving Food Drive, Nova Southeastern University, November 2013
- Toys for Tots, Nova Southeastern University, November 2013
- A Day for Children, Nova Southeastern University, September 2013
- Relay for Life, Nova Southeastern University, April 2013, April 2014
- Oxfam America Hunger Banquet, Nova Southeastern University, March 2013
- Rick and Rita Case Boys and Girls Club of Broward County, Davie, FL, January 2011 – May 2014