

Patrice J. Leopold, PhD, LMHC, NCC

Education

- May 2020 **University of Florida**
Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling and Counselor Education
CACREP Accredited || Specialization: Marriage & Family Counseling

Dissertation Title: *Examining empathy, resilience, & parental attachment as mediators for intergenerational transmission of conflict in dyadic romantic relationships*
- December 2016 **University of Central Florida (UCF)**
Master of Arts in Counselor Education: Marriage, Couple, & Family Therapy
CACREP Accredited
- May 2013 **University of Florida (UF)**
Bachelor of Science in Family Youth & Community Sciences
Specialization: Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) || Cum Laude

Academic Positions

- Summer 2021 –
Current **Assistant Professor**
Nova Southeastern University
Teach graduate counselor education courses (4/4 teaching load)
- Spring 2021 **Visiting Assistant Professor**
Barry University
Teach graduate counselor education courses (3/3 teaching load)
- Fall 2020 **Adjunct Faculty**
Barry University
Taught graduate counselor education courses (3/3 teaching load)
- Fall 2017 –
Spring 2020 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
University of Florida
Taught an undergraduate online course

Professional Licensure and Certification

- Licensure: **Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC)**
Florida Department of Health (MH17612)
- Certification: **National Certified Counselor (NCC)**
National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC)
- Prepare/Enrich Facilitator**
Prepare/Enrich (couples training organization)
- United Marriage Enhancement Training Instructor**
United Marriage Enhancement Training (couples training organization)

Research and Scholarship

Publications in Refereed Journals

1. **Leopold, P.J.**, & Swank, J.M. (2019). Strengthening couples from a single-parent household using relational cultural therapy. *Journal of Creativity in Mental Health*.

Book Chapters

2. Swank, J.M., **Leopold, P.J.**, & Weaver, J.L. (in review). Creativity: Art, Music, Nature, and Moving Beyond Talk. In R. Fulmer (Eds.), *Counseling theories*.

1. Swank, J.M., Weaver, J.L., & **Leopold, P.J.** (in review). Creativity. In S. K. Butler, J. Filmore, & A. Flores Locke (Eds.), *Introduction to counseling book from a multicultural and social justice perspective*.

National/Regional Presentations

7. **Leopold, P.J.** (2020, January). *Mediators for couples of intergenerational transmission of conflict*. Presentation presented at the International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.
6. Medyk, N., **Leopold, P.J.**, Weaver, J.L., VanAusdale, S., & Myers, K. (2019, October). *Tidying up your academic research and writing: The KonMari™ method*. Presentation presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference in Seattle, Washington.
5. **Leopold, P.J.** (2019, March). *Stay woke: Counseling the marginalized in our current political/cultural climate*. Presentation presented at the American Counseling Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.
4. **Leopold, P.J.** (2019, March). *Racial identity, racism related stress, and self-esteem in the black girl magic era*. Presentation presented at the American Counseling Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.
3. **Leopold, P.J.** (2019, February). *Strengthening couples from a single-parent and/or divorced household*. Presentation presented at the International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.
2. **Leopold, P.J.** & VanAusdale, S. (2018, October). *Are you a woke supervisor?: A relational-cultural and solution-focused approach to supervision*. Presentation presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.
1. VanAusdale, S. & **Leopold, P.J.** (2018, October). *Infusing trauma treatment in counselor education*. Presentation presented at the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

State/Local Presentations

2. **Leopold, P.J.** (2018, October). *Beating the 'generational divorce' odds: Imago relationship therapy with couples from a divorced upbringing*. Presentation presented at the Florida Counseling Association Conference in Tampa, FL.
1. McNeil, V., Rivera-Velazquez, S., Geils, H., **Leopold, P.J.** (2016, January). *Multicultural and*

multiracial children: A self-esteem issue in today's society. Presentation presented at the University of Central Florida's Counseling Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Research Teams

February 2016 – **Research Member**
July 2017 **HIV Education, Awareness, and Research Team (HEART)**
Professors and students at UCF who are dedicated to addressing the multiple/complex effects of the HIV/AIDS epidemic locally and nationally

Teaching Experience

Barry University

CSL 763: Advanced Family Systems Theory (PhD course)

Designed to review and analyzes contemporary theories and research that impacts the practice of couples and family counseling and therapy.

Spring 2020

CSL 689: Issues in Marriage and Family Counseling

Designed to provide discuss the latest trends and issues affecting marital and family systems.

Spring 2020

CSL 621: Psychological Measurements

Designed to provide foundational information about psychological measurements, which includes an overview of the various methods and sources of assessment information as well as basic principles of measurement.

Fall 2020 | Spring 2020

CSL 680: Family Counseling

Designed to provide an introduction and overview of theories and methods of family counseling.

Fall 2020

CSL 501: Orientation to the Counseling Profession

Designed to provide an introduction and overview of the counseling profession and related theories and concepts.

Fall 2020

University of Florida (Taught or Co-Taught)

SDS3482: Stress & Anxiety Management (Online)

Designed to provide an overview of theories and methods of stress & anxiety control and reduction.

Fall 2017, 2018, 2019 | Spring 2018, 2019, 2020 | Summer 2018, 2019

MHS6428: Multicultural Counseling

Designed to provide an overview on multicultural identities and issues and their application in counseling.

Spring 2019

MHS6500: Group Counseling, Theory & Process

Designed to provide an overview on group development, dynamics, counseling theories, and facilitation.

Spring 2019

MHS6440: Marriage & Couples Counseling

Designed to provide an overview of theories and methods of marriage & couples counseling.

Fall 2018

MHS7431: Advanced Family Counseling

Designed to provide an overview of theories and methods of advanced family counseling.

Spring 2018 | Fall 2018

Orange County Public Schools

August 2015 –
June 2016

**Second Grade Paraprofessional
Aspire Charter Academy**

Assist the classroom teacher in teaching second grade students reading, math, language arts, science, and social studies based on a second-grade curriculum and the Florida standards

August 2014 –
June 2015

**Third Grade Teacher
Ivey Lane Elementary**

Taught third grade students reading, math, language arts, science, and social studies based on a third-grade curriculum and the Florida standards

Supervision Experience

University of Florida

Group & Triadic Supervision

Supervise a group of master practicum counseling students for group and triadic supervision

Spring 2019

Live & Triadic Supervision: Advanced Family Counseling Clinic

Supervise a group of masters leveled marriage, couples, and family therapy practicum students for live and triadic supervision of couples and families

Spring 2018 | Fall 2018

Individual Supervision

Supervise one masters leveled marriage, couples, and family therapy practicum student

Fall 2017

Clinical Experience

August 2017 –
August 2019

**Emergency Screener
Meridian Behavioral Healthcare**

Provided crisis stabilization as needed in an inpatient acute psychiatric treatment hospital for client's that present with lethality and/or inability to care for themselves according to the Baker Act criteria

May 2018 –
December 2018

**Doctoral Student Intern
PACE Center for Girls**

Provided individual, family, and group counseling services to adolescent students in navigating their presenting concerns and obtaining wellness

August 2016 –
July 2017

**Assessment Specialist I & II
Aspire Health Partners: Access & Central Receiving Center**

Provided crisis stabilization as needed in an inpatient acute psychiatric treatment hospital for client's that present with lethality and/or inability to care for themselves according to the Baker Act criteria

- May 2016 –
December 2016 **Graduate Student Intern**
Aspire Health Partners: Men's Residential Recovery Program
Provided individual, family, and group counseling services to adult male residents with alcohol or drug dependency and co-occurring mental health disorders in an effort to obtain/maintain sobriety and wellness in an inpatient residential setting
- August 2015 –
April 2016 **Graduate Student Practicum**
UCF's Community Counseling and Research Center
Provided individuals, couples, families, and a group of elementary students in navigating their presenting concerns and obtaining wellness
- June 2013 –
July 2014 **Family Care Counselor: Case Manager**
Devereux Florida
Managed and monitored cases within Florida's Department of Children & Families by assessing danger threats, child vulnerabilities, and caregiver protective capacities to ensure that each assigned child achieved safety, well-being, and permanency
- December 2012 –
June 2013 **Undergraduate Student Intern**
Children's Home Society
Completed and assembled child studies, home studies, and subsidy packets
- September 2011 –
December 2011 **Assistant Youth Care Worker: Undergraduate Volunteer**
Interface Youth Shelter Program
Helped at risk youth in character and self-esteem building

Leadership & Service Experience

- November 2018 –
May 2020 **Multicultural Initiatives Committee**
Assist in developing and organizing meetings for "Multicultural Initiatives" workshops which is purposed with fostering unity and multicultural competence among counseling professors and students within UF's College of Education
- January 2018 –
May 2020 **Mentor for Instruction and Template Course Design Team**
Assist novice instructors of record on course delivery and ongoing course design/updates for Stress & Anxiety Management
- January 2019 **UF Counselor Education's Doctoral Interviews**
Assisted with facilitating doctoral interview process and recommending potential student candidates for the program
- May 2016 –
July 2017 **Multicultural Partnership of Organizers Working for Equity & Resilience (M-POWER)**
Cultural Encounter Development Committee Lead, RSO Committee Member, & General Member
Oversaw and organized committee members to develop "Cultural Encounter" workshops which is purposed with the fostering greater cultural competence for counseling students and other students within UCF's College of Education

Honors

January 2018 –
Current **American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE)**
Holmes Scholar
Mentorship and leadership program minority students

August 2017 –
May 2020 **Grinter Fellow**
Academic teaching assistantship

Professional Memberships

American Counseling Association (ACA): *August 2015 – Current*

Florida Counseling Association (FCA): *September 2016 – Current*

American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE): *January 2018 – Current*

American Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES): *February 2018 – Current*

Southern American Counselor Education and Supervision (SACES): *February 2018 – Current*

International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors (IAMFC): *June 2018 – Current*

Languages

English: *Native proficiency*

Haitian Creole: *Professional working proficiency*

French: *Limited working proficiency*