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HIGHER EDUCATION

Institutional

2001 Ph.D., Clinical Child Psychology, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
1998 M.A., Clinical Psychology- Child, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
1994 B.A., Psychology, Florida International University, Miami, FL

License

2010 Florida Licensed Psychologist – PY 8166

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Suarez-Morales, L., & Beitra, D. (2013). Assessing substance-related disorders in Hispanic clients. In L. T. Benuto (Ed.), *Guide to Psychological Assessment with Hispanics*. (pp. 163-182). New York, NY: Springer

Santisteban, D. A., Mena, M. P., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2006). Integrating ethnicity-related factors in the treatment of Hispanic adolescents and families. In H. Liddle & C. Rowe (Eds.), *Treating Adolescent Substance Abuse: State of the Science*. Cambridge University Press.

Horigian, V., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Robbins, M. S., Zarate, M., Mayorga, C. C., Mitrani, V. B., & Szapocznik, J. (2005). Brief Strategic Family Therapy for Adolescents with Behavior Problems. In J. L. Lebow (Ed.), *Handbook of Clinical Family Therapy*. Hoboken, New Jersey: Wiley & Sons.

Lopez, C., Lopez, V., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, & Castro, F. (2005). Cultural Variation among Hispanic-American Youth: Critical Issues and Promotion of Adaptive Adjustment. In C. L. Frisby & C. Reynolds (Eds.), *Handbook of Multicultural School Psychology*.

Bell-Dolan, D., & **Suarez, L.** (2001). Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. In H. Orvaschel, J. Faust, & M. Hersen (Eds.), *Handbook of Conceptualization and Treatment of Child Psychopathology*. (pp. 267-287). Amsterdam: Pergamon/Elsevier Science, Inc.

Refereed Journal Articles

Suarez-Morales, L. & Jacobson, J. (2018). Relationship of coping responses and anxiety symptoms in Hispanic youth. *Acta Psychopathologica*, 4, 1-10. DOI: 10.4172/2469-6676.100147

Suarez-Morales, L., Mena, M., Schlaudt, V., & Santisteban, D. (2017). Trauma in Hispanic youth with psychiatric symptoms: Investigating gender and family effects. *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice and Policy*, 9 (3), 334-343. DOI:10.1037/tra0000216

Bellini, S., Pereda, V., Cordero, N. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2016). Developing multicultural awareness in preschool children: A pilot intervention. *Journal of Social Sciences*, 4, 182-189. DOI: 10.4236/jss.2016.47028

Guo, X., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Schwartz, S., & Szapocznik, J. (2012). Some evidence for multidimensional biculturalism: Confirmatory factor analysis and measurement invariance analysis on the Bicultural Involvement Questionnaire-Short Version. *Journal of Latino(a) Psychology*, 1(S), 52-65. DOI: 10.1037/2168-1678.1.S.52

Zeng, G., Fu, P., May, H., Lopez, B., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Volkle, M. C., Wang, C., & Boruch, R. F. (2012). America's youngest kindergarteners' elevated levels of internalizing problems at school entry and beyond: Evidence from the Early Childhood Longitudinal Study (ECLS). *School Mental Health*, 4, 129-142. DOI: 10.1007/s12310-012-9077-x

Burlew, K., Larios, S., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Holmes, B., & Venner, K., & Chavez, R. (2011). Increasing ethnic minority participation in substance abuse clinical trials: Lessons learned in the National Institute on Drug Abuse's Clinical Trial Network. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology*, 17 (4), 345-356.

Bamatter, W., Carroll, K. M., Añez, L. M., Paris, M., Ball, S. A., Nich, C., Frankforter, T. L., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Szapocznik, J., & Martino, S. (2010). Informal discussions in substance abuse treatment sessions with Spanish-speaking clients. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 39, 353-363.

Suarez-Morales, L., Martino, S., Bedregal, L., McCabe, B. E., Cuzmar, I., Paris, M., Feaster, D. J., Carroll, K. M., & Szapocznik, J. (2010). Do therapist cultural characteristics influence the outcome of substance abuse treatment for Spanish-speaking adults? *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology*, 16, 199-205.

Hien, D. A., Jiang, H., Campbell, A. N. C., Hu, M., Miele, G. M.; Cohen, L. R., Brigham, G. S., Capstick, C., Kulaga, A., Robinson, J., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, & Nuñez, E. V. (2010). Do treatment improvements in PTSD severity affect substance use outcomes? A secondary analysis from a randomized clinical trial in NIDA's Clinical Trials Network. *The American Journal of Psychiatry*, 167, 95-101.

Carroll, K. M., Martino, S., Ball, S. A., Nich, C., Frankforter, T. L., Anez-Nava, L., Paris, M., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Szapocznik, J., Miller, W. M., Rosa, C., Matthews, J., & Farentinos, C., (2009). A multisite randomized effectiveness trial of motivational enhancement therapy for Spanish-speaking Substance Users. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 77, 993-999.

Hien, D.A., Wells, E.A., Jiang, H., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Campbell, A.N.C., Cohen, L.R., Miele, G.M., Killeen, T., Brigham, G.S., Zhang, Y., Hansen, C., Hodgkins, C., Hatch-Maillette, M., Brown, C., Kulaga, A., Kristman-Valente, A., Chu, M., Sage, R., Robinson, J.A., Liu, D., & Nunez, E. V. (2009). Multisite randomized trial of behavioral interventions for women with co-occurring PTSD and substance use disorders. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, 77*, 607-619.

Suarez-Morales, L., & Lopez, B. (2009). Impact of acculturative stress and daily hassles on pre-adolescent psychological adjustment: Examining anxiety symptoms. *The Journal of Primary Prevention, 3*, 335-349.

Santa Ana, E. J., Carroll, K. M., Anez, L., Paris, M., Ball, S. A., Nich, C., Frankforter, T. L., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Szapocznik, S., & Martino, S. (2009). Evaluating Motivational Enhancement Therapy adherence and competence among Spanish-speaking therapists. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 103*, 44-51.

Guo, X., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Schwartz, S., & Szapocznik, J. (2009). Some evidence for multidimensional biculturalism: Confirmatory factor analysis and measurement invariance analysis on the Bicultural Involvement Questionnaire-Short Version. *Psychological Assessment, 21*, 22-31.

Kileen, T., Hein, D., Campbell, A., Brown, C., Hansen, C., Jaing, H., Kristman-Valente, A., Neuenfeldt, C., Rocz, N., Sampson, R., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Wells, E., & Brigham, G., & Nunes, E. (2008). Adverse events in an integrated trauma-focused intervention for women in community substance abuse treatment. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment, 35*, 304-311.

Suarez-Morales, L., Dillon, F., & Szapocznik, J. (2007). Validation of the Acculturative Stress Inventory for Children. *Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology, 13*(3), 213-224.

Suarez-Morales, L., Matthews, J., Martino, S., Ball, S., Rosa, C., Farentinos, C., Szapocznik, J., & Carroll, K. (2007). Issues in designing and implementing a Spanish-language multisite clinical trial. *American Journal on Addictions, 16*(3), 206-215.

Suarez-Morales, L. & Bell, D. (2006). Relation of childhood worry to information processing factors in an ethnically diverse community sample. *Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology, 35*, 136-147.

Santisteban, D. A., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Robbins, M. S., & Szapocznik, J. (2006). Brief Strategic Family Therapy: Lessons learned in efficacy research and challenges to blending research and practice. *Family Process, 45* (2), 259-271.

Santisteban, D., Vega, R. R., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2006). Utilizing dissemination findings to help understand and bridge the research and practice gap in the treatment of substance abuse disorders in Hispanic populations. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 84 Supplemental*, S94-S101.

Suarez, L., & Bell-Dolan, D. (2001). The relationship of childhood worry to cognitive biases: Threat interpretation and likelihood of event occurrence. *Behavior Therapy, 32*, 425-442.

Kashani, J. H., **Suarez, L.**, Jones, M. R., & Reid, J. C. (1999). Perceived family characteristic differences between depressed and anxious children and adolescents. *Journal of Affective Disorders*, 52, 269-274.

Kashani, J. H., **Suarez, L.**, Luchene, L., & Reid, J. C. (1998). Family characteristics and behavior problems of suicidal and non-suicidal children and adolescents. *Child Psychiatry and Human Development*, 29, 157-168.

Kashani, J. H., **Suarez, L.**, Allan, W., & Reid, J. C. (1997). Hopelessness in inpatient youths: A closer look at behavior, emotional expression, and social support. *Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry*, 36, 1625-1631.

Morris, E., **Suarez, L.**, & Reid, J. C. (1997). Behavioral outcomes of home-based services for children and adolescents with serious emotional disorders. *Family Preservation Journal*, 2, 21-32.

Grant Experience

Co-Principal Investigator: Unaccompanied, but not alone: Efforts to engage communities around the needs of unaccompanied immigrant minors. NSU's President's Faculty Research & Development Grant, Track #2, (Co-PIs Diana Formoso & Michelle Fernandez). \$3,000, 2018-2019.

Principal Investigator: "Cognitive Processes in Anxiety and Depression in an Ethnically Diverse Sample". NSU's President's Faculty Research & Development Grant", \$10,000, 2013-2015.

Co-investigator: "Preventing Health Disparities in Hispanic Youth: Changing Trajectories" within Clinical Research Centers (P60) grant "El Centro", Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Daniel Santisteban, Principal Investigator, \$1.6 million, 2007-2012.

Principal Investigator, "Minority Research Supplement Grant", National Institute on Drug Abuse, Florida Node of the Drug Abuse Clinical Trials Network (PI: José Szapocznik, Ph.D., Grant #1U10DA 13720: \$252,080), 2002-2005.

Scientific Presentations

Suarez-Morales, L. & Kahn, G. (2018, November). *Acculturative Stress: What Role does it play in the Relationship between Threat Interpretation Bias and Anxiety?* Poster presented at 52nd Annual Annual Convention of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Washington, DC.

Kahn, G. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2018, November). *Integrating Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Processes with Information-Processing Theory in Anxious Early Adolescents.* Poster presented at 52nd Annual Annual Convention of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Washington, DC.

Formoso, D., **Suarez-Morales, L.** & Fernandez, M. C. (2018, October). *Unaccompanied, but not alone: Efforts to engage communities around the needs of unaccompanied immigrant minors.* Roundtable presented at National Latina/o Psychological Association, San Diego, CA

Belfer, J. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2018, October). *Expression of anxiety disorders in Latino youth.* Poster presented at National Latina/o Psychological Association, San Diego, CA

Holiner, C., Cabrera C., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2018, October). *Decreasing parental accommodations with anxious children: Adaptation for Hispanic families.* Poster presented at National Latina/o Psychological Association, San Diego, CA

Sosu, R. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2018, August). *Cross-cultural model of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder following a natural disaster.* Poster presented at the 126th annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, CA

Belfer, J., Kahn, G., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2017, November). *The impact of parental overprotection on the relationship between co-rumination and anxiety in Hispanic children.* Poster presented at the 51st Annual Convention of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, San Diego, CA

Schlaudt, V., McCaffrey, S., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2017, August). *Age, gender, and the mindfulness level of Hispanic youth.* Poster presented at the 125th annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Jacobson, J. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2017, August). *Examination of coping and anxiety symptoms in Hispanic youth.* Poster presented at the 125th annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC. **Received an award from Division 53, Society of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology**

Suarez-Morales, L. (May, 2017). *What to do when you feel stuck when working with child anxiety disorders: Review of clinical practices that work and others that show promise.* Presentation provided at Nova Southeastern University's College of Psychology Doctoral Program Didactics.

Kahn, G., Cabrera, S., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2017, February). *Cultural considerations of the association between parental overprotection and paranoia.* Poster presented at the Miami International Child and Adolescent Mental Health Conference, Miami, FL.

Schlaudt, V., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2016, October). *Exploring mediators and moderators in the relationship of acculturative stress and internalizing symptoms in Hispanic youth.* Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, New York City, NY.

Schlaudt, V., Shemony, A., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2016, August). *Mental health of US-born and immigrant children in South Florida.* Poster presented at the 124th annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Freile, M. P., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Kahn, G., Pérez Miranda, L., & Schlaudt, V. (2016, August). *How stress affects parenting in Hispanic families.* Poster presented at the 124th annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Schlaudt, V. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2016, May). *Validation of the Brief Adolescent Daily Hassles Scale in Hispanic youth.* Panel presentation at 7th Intercontinental Convention on Psychology "Hominis 2016", Havana, Cuba.

Suarez-Morales, L., Tobin, M., Schlaudt, V., & Guerra, S. (2015, November). *Threat interpretation and response selection biases associated with anxiety and depression symptoms in Hispanic youth*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Schlaudt, V., Bernadel, R., Steckler, A., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, November). *Automatic Thoughts as a Mediator of Stress and Anxiety*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Schlaudt, V., Beck, A., Tidwell, L., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, November). *Predictors of Negative Automatic Thoughts in Hispanic Middle School-Aged Youth*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Kahn, G., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Schlaudt, V., Perez-Miranda, L., Freile, M. P. (2015, November). *Does Co-Rumination Explain the Association between Parent Immigration Stress and Child Internalizing Symptoms in Hispanic Families?* Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Kahn, G., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Freile, M. P., & Perez-Miranda, L. (2015, November). *Associations between Parent-Child Co-Rumination and Psychopathological Symptoms*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Perez Miranda, L., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Kahn, G., Freile, M. P., & Schlaudt, V. (2015, November). *Correlates of Parent-Child Discrepancies in Reports of Internalizing Symptoms*. Poster presented at the Hispanic Special Interest Group at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

Schlaudt, V., McCaffrey, S., Guerra, S. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, August). *Mindfulness and Acculturative Stress in Middle-School Aged Children*. Poster presented at the 123rd annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.

Schlaudt, V., Betancourt, C., Brenes, M., Seidl, M., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, August). *Cognitive Distortions across Subtypes of Anxiety in Hispanic Youth: Transdiagnosis or Content-Specificity?* Poster presented at the 123rd annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.

Suarez-Morales, L., Schlaudt, V., Gulliver, K., & Tobin, M. (2015, April). *Distortions associated with Anxiety and Depression Symptoms in Hispanic Children*. Poster presented at the 35th Annual Conference of the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, Miami, FL.

McCaffrey, S., Schlaudt, V., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, February). *Validation of the Revised Children's Anxiety and Depression Scale (RCADS) in a Hispanic Sample of Middle School Youth*. Poster presented at the 8th Biannual Niagara in Miami Conference, North Miami Beach, FL.

Guerra, S. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2015, January). *Use of Positive Psychology Interventions for Children: A Discussion of Effectiveness and Cultural Considerations*. Poster presented at the National Multicultural Conference and Summit, Atlanta, GA.

McGregor, S., Schlaudt, S., Guerra, S., DeArmas, C., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2014, November). *The relationship between mindfulness and internalizing symptoms in Hispanic middle-school youth*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.

McGregor, S., Schlaudt, S., Guerra, S., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2014, November). *Validation of the Child and Adolescent Mindfulness Measure (CAMM) with Ethnically Diverse Youth*. Poster presented at the National Conference of the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia, PA.

Morgaman, S., Pereda, V., Yehudai, N., Cordero, N., & **Suarez-Morales, M.** (2014, October). *Multicultural Awareness in Preschool: Evaluation of a Pilot Intervention*. Poster presented at National Clinical Child and Adolescent Conference (Division 53), Lawrence, KS.

Audibert, F. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2014, October). *Acculturative Stress and the Prevalence of Suicide Behaviors in Latino Youth*. Poster presented at the Biennial National Latino/a Psychological Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Morgaman, S., Pereda, V., Yehudai, N., Cordero, N., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2014, August). *Social Preference and Multicultural Awareness in Preschool*. Poster presented at 122nd annual national convention of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.

Audibert, F., Losada, T., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2014, June). *Acculturative Stress and the Prevalence of Psychological Disorders among Immigrant Hispanic Youth*. Poster presented at the third biennial Conference of the APA Society for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues (Division 45). Eugene, OR.

De Armas, C. & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2013, October). *Teacher Involvement in the Treatment of Childhood Anxiety*. Poster presented at the 40th Annual Conference of the Florida Association of School Psychologists, Orlando, FL.

Suarez-Morales, L. & Lopez, B. (2012, August). *A Test of the Information Processing Model and its Relationship to Anxiety*. Poster presented at the 120th national convention of the American Psychological Association, Orlando, FL.

Szapocznik, J., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2008, June). *Designing and Implementing a Spanish-language multi-site MET (Motivational Enhancement Treatment to Improve Treatment Engagement and Outcome for Spanish-Speaking Individuals Seeking Treatment for Substance Abuse) randomized clinical trial*. Invited presentation as part of the workshop on “Motivational Interventions with Special Populations” (Antoine Douaihy, Chair) at the National Institute on Drug Abuse Meeting on “Blending Science and Treatment: The Impact of Evidence-Based Practices on Individuals, Families and Communities”, Cincinnati, OH.

Suarez-Morales, L., Matthews, J., Martino, S., Ball, S. A., Rosa, C., Farentinos, C., Szapocznik, J., & Carroll, K. M. (2007, September). *Issues in Designing and Implementing a Spanish-Language Multisite Clinical Trial*. Poster presented at the 7th annual conference of the National Institute on Drug Abuse’s National Hispanic Science Network, Miami Beach, FL.

Carroll, K. C., Martino, S., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Ball, S. A., Miller, W. A., Rosa, C., Anez-Nava, L., Paris, M., & Nich, C. Frankforter, T. L., Matthews, J., Farentinos, C. & Szapocznik, J. (2007, September). *A Multisite Randomized Controlled Effectiveness Trial of Motivational Enhancement for Spanish-Speaking Substance Users*. Poster presented at the 7th annual conference of the National Institute on Drug Abuse's National Hispanic Science Network, Miami Beach, FL.

Suarez-Morales, L., Matthews, J., Kunkel, L., & Rosa, C. (2005, October). *CTN-0021 Motivational Enhancement Therapy with Spanish Speakers: Issues with Study Preparation and Implementation*. Paper presented during the simposia "NIDA National Treatment Clinical Trials Network: Experience with Hispanics" at the NIDA's Bridging Science and Culture to Improve Drug Abuse Research with Minority Communities, Atlanta, GA.

Jane, D. M., de Dios, M. A., **Suarez-Morales, L.** & Dillon, F. (2004, November). *Reliability and validity of the Societal, Attitudinal, Familial, and Environmental, Acculturative Stress Scale for Children-Revised*. Poster presented at The National Latino Psychological Association Conference, Scottsdale, AZ.

Magruder, K., Tilley, B., Brady, K., Miller, S., Brown, C., **Suarez-Morales, L.**, Amaro, H., Carter, R., & Haynes, L. (2004, October). *Program influences on recruitment and retention of minority participants in addictions treatment research*. Paper presented at a CTN Symposium at the Addictions Services Research Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Schreiber, N., Esposito, K., & **Suarez-Morales, L.** (2004, June). *Inconsistencies in self-report of substance use and risk behaviors: A conceptual framework*. Poster presented at the annual conference of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Suarez-Morales, L. (2003, April). *Relationship of childhood worry and information-processing: Multi-ethnic/cultural comparison*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, FL.

Suarez, L., & Bell-Dolan, D. (2000, November). *Relationship between stressful experiences and anxiety in children: A multicultural comparison*. Poster presented at the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, New Orleans, LS.

Suarez, L., Fricker, A. E., deArellano, M.A., Saunders, B. E., Kilpatrick, D.G., Resnick, H. S., & Best, C. L. (2000, November). *Ethnic differences in witnessing violence and related mental health problems: Results from the National Survey of Adolescents*. Poster presented at Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, New Orleans, LS.

Fricker, A. E., **Suarez, L.**, deArellano, M.A., Smith, D. W., Saunders, B. E., Kilpatrick, D. G., Resnick, H. S., & Best, C. L. (2000, November). *Psychological and psychosocial outcomes in a national sample of sexually abused adolescents: Comparisons across race/ethnicity*. Poster presented at the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, New Orleans, LS.

Bell-Dolan, D., Allan, W. D., & **Suarez, L.** (1998, November). *Understanding children's social anxiety: Relative contributions of cognitive and behavioral functioning*. Poster presented at the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Washington, D.C.

Suarez, L., & Bell-Dolan, D. (1998, October). *Reliability and validity of the Penn-State Worry Questionnaire for Children*. Poster presented at the Kansas Conference, Lawrence, KS.

Suarez, L. & Bell-Dolan, D. (1997, November). *The relationship of children's worry to interpretations of threat and event occurrence likelihood*. Poster presented at the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Miami Beach, FL.

Kashani, J., **Suarez, L.**, Allan, W., & Reid, J. C. (1997, November). *Hopelessness in inpatient youths: A closer look at behavior, emotional expression, and social support*. Poster presented at Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Miami Beach, FL.

Bell-Dolan, D. & **Suarez, L.** (1997, April). *Anxious Children's Social Perceptions: Responses to Provocation, Peer Group Entry, and Social Failure Situations*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, D.C.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic Experience

- 2017 - Associate Professor, College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Strengths and Needs Assessment for Unaccompanied Minors
Parental Factors Associated with Internalizing Symptoms in Children of Hispanic Families
- Instructor for PSY-2604- Clinical Interventions for Child and Adolescents (4 sections)
 - Instructor for PSY-1408-Child and Adolescent Psychopathology (2 sections)
 - Intensive Clinical Supervisor on child-related practica (6 students yearly)
- 2011- 2017 Assistant Professor, Center for Psychological Studies, Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Cognitive Processes in Anxiety and Depression in an Ethnically Diverse Sample
- Instructor for PSY-2604- Clinical Interventions for Child and Adolescents (3-4 sections a semester)
 - Instructor for PSY-1501-Assessment: Intelligence Testing with Lab (1 section)
 - Instructor for PSY-1408-Child and Adolescent Psychopathology (2 sections)
 - Instructor for PSY-4623-Cognitive Behavioral Case Conceptualization (1 section)
 - Intensive Clinical Supervisor on child-related practica (6 students yearly)
 - Research on cultural issues regarding assessment and treatment of Hispanic ethnic minorities
- 2009- 2012 Voluntary Assistant Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Educational and Psychological Studies, University of Miami, Miami, FL
- 2001–2009 Research Assistant Professor, Center for Family Studies, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Studies, University of Miami School of Medicine.

- Co-investigator, “Motivational Enhancement Treatment to Improve Treatment Engagement and Outcome for Spanish-speaking Individuals Seeking Treatment for Substance Abuse” (NIDA)
- Local Principal Investigator, Women’s Treatment for Trauma and Substance Use Disorders: A Randomized Clinical Trial (NIDA).
- Local Principal Investigator, Characteristics of Screening, Evaluation, and Treatment of HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C Viral Infection, and Sexually Transmitted Infections in Substance Abuse Treatment Programs (NIDA)
- Clinical Supervisor, Smoking Cessation Treatment with Transdermal Nicotine Replacement Therapy in Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Programs (NIDA)
- Director of Translations for NIDA’s Clinical Trials Network. Spanish translation of research materials (e.g., instruments, consent forms) for CTN protocols, CTN-0021 and CTN-0014.

Clinical Experience

- 2010 Assistant Clinical Coordinator, Citrus Health Network, Inc., Children and Adolescent Treatment Services, State Inpatient Program, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2009-2010 Psychology Resident, Citrus Health Network, Inc., Children and Adolescent Treatment Services, State Inpatient Program, Pembroke Pines, FL
- Provide individual, group, and family psychotherapeutic services to adolescents with severe mental health disorders in a residential setting
- 2000–2001 Psychology Intern, Charleston Consortium Internship Program, Medical University of South Carolina (Charleston, SC).
National Crime Victims Research and Treatment Center - Assessment and treatment of child and adult victims of sexual and physical abuse
Department of Developmental Pediatrics – Liaison between psychology, neurology, and oncology clinics, psychoeducational assessment of children and adolescents
Family Services Research Center – Community-based multisystemic family therapy for at-risk minority youth
Conducted research on child victimization and related psychopathology.
- 2000 Therapist, Children’s Psychiatric Center (Miami, FL).
Community-based psychological services for children and their families.
- 1999–2000 Clinician, Child Phobia and Anxiety Program (Miami, FL).
Individual treatment of child anxiety disorders with Hispanic children.

Other Professional Experiences

- 2009 Instructor, Educational & Psychological Studies, University of Miami.
EPS623 Substance Abuse: Theories & Counseling. Mental Health Counseling (25 students)
- 2004 Guest Lecturer, School of Social Work, Florida International University, Miami, FL
“Treatment study on Motivational Enhancement Treatment for Hispanic adults.” Graduate
Course (30 students); Mario de la Rosa, Ph.D., Instructor.
- 2003 Guest Lecturer, Psychology Department, Florida International University, Miami, FL
“Behavioral Treatments for Substance Abuse and Dependence Disorders” Undergraduate
Course (50 students); Barbara Lopez, M.A., Instructor.
- 2002-2003 Training and Supervision of Therapists in Clinical Trial, University of Miami, FL. Duties:
Train, certify, and supervise implementation of cognitive behavioral therapy for smoking
cessation in two Florida community treatment agencies participating in national multi-site
clinical trial.
- 2002-2006 Supervision of Undergraduate and Graduate Level Research Assistants, University of
Miami. Supervise research-related activities, including data entry and coding, literature
searches, manuscript preparation of 3 undergraduate and 3 graduate research assistants.
- 2000-2001 Supervision of Research Assistants for Dissertation project. University of Missouri-
Columbia. Duties: Train in various coding systems, 5 research assistants.
- 1999 Guest Lecturer, University of Missouri-Columbia, Psychology 170, Child Development
(350 students). Wesley Allan, Ph.D., Instructor. Topics: Eating disorders, adolescent
physical development.
- 1995–1999 Research Assistant, University of Missouri-Columbia, Department of Psychology.
Community-based research on social and cognitive factors associated with anxiety.
- 1998-1999 Multisystemic Therapist, Missouri Delinquency Project (Columbia, MO).
Home-based and community-based clinical services for children and adolescents involved in
the juvenile justice system. Collected clinical data for MST intervention studies.
- 1997-1998 Graduate Research Assistant, Mother-Kid Trial (Columbia, MO).
Collected data for a preventive treatment program for mothers at risk for physical abuse.
- 1997-1998 Supervision of Research Assistants for Thesis Project, University of Missouri-Columbia
Duties: Training in phone recruitment, administration of assessment battery, data
management, coding, and entry, 5 research assistants.
- 1996-1998 Staff Clinician, Psychological Service Clinic (Columbia, MO).
Outpatient services for youth and adults with various psychological disorders.

- 1996-1997 Research Worker, Mid-Missouri Mental Health Center (Columbia, MO). Conducted studies with youth inpatient population on internalizing-type of psychiatric disorders and family functioning.
- 1995-1996 Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Missouri-Columbia
Courses: Introduction to Social Psychology (300 students), Dr. Doug Krull., Instructor. Emotional Disorders of Childhood and Adolescence (30 students), Dr. Debora Bell-Dolan, Instructor. Duties: Make up test questions, grade papers, guess lecture, and maintain office hours. Topics of Lectures: Child Anxiety Disorders; Social Compliance.
- 1992-1994 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Child Phobia and Anxiety Laboratories, Florida International University (Miami, FL). Treatment outcome study for Cognitive Behavioral Treatment for youth with anxiety disorders.

PROFESSIONAL

Editorial Responsibilities

Reviewer, Journal of Latina/o Psychology	2016 - 18
Reviewer, Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology	2006, 2007, 2011-17
Reviewer, Mindfulness	2016
Reviewer, Journal of Behavior Therapy and Experimental Psychiatry	2012
Reviewer, Journal of Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology	2005
Reviewer, Cultural Diversity & Ethnic Minority Psychology	2004
Ad hoc Reviewer, Society for Prevention Research	2002
Reviewer of Guidelines for Multicultural Psychology	2001
Reviewer, Journal of Traumatic Stress	2000
Ad hoc Reviewer, Journal of Abnormal Psychology	1997, 1999

Professional and Honorary Organizations

American Psychological Association
Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies
National Latinx Psychological Association
Anxiety and Depression Association of America
National Hispanic Science Network – National Institute on Drug Abuse

Honors and Awards

- NIDA Minority Research Supplement for Florida Node of the Drug Abuse Clinical Trials Network (Grant # 1 U10 DA 13720-01), 2000
- AABT's Circle of Achievement Award, 2000

- Gus T. Ridgel Fellowship, University of Missouri-Columbia, 1995-1999
- Psychology Department Thesis Research Grant, University of Missouri-Columbia, 1997
- American Psychological Association's Minority Undergraduate Student of Excellence, 1994
- Dean's Honor List, Florida International University, 1990-1994

Student Mentoring

Ph.D. Students

Schlaud, Victoria. Dissertation title: *Exploring mediators and moderators in the relationship of acculturative stress and internalizing symptoms in Hispanic youth.*

Kahn, Gilly. Major paper title: *Integrating Acceptance and Commitment Therapy processes with Information-Processing Theory in anxious early adolescents.*

Psy.D. Students

De Armas, Cristina (2013-2014). Literature review, Title: *Review of Individual and Environmental Factors Involved in Childhood Anxiety: Extending the Findings to Hispanic Populations.*

Audibert, Fabiola (2013-2014). Literature review, Title: *Acculturation related variables and their relationship to psychological disorders among Latino youth.*

Mehta, Bhumi (2013-2014). Literature review, Title: *Etiology of the child sexual offense definitions, theory, and treatment.*

Morgaman, Samantha (2012-2014). Empirical study, Title: *Multicultural awareness in preschool children: A pilot intervention.*

Guerra, Silviana (2013-2014). Literature review, Title: *Use of positive psychology interventions for children: A discussion of effectiveness and cultural considerations.*

Perez-Miranda, Leticia (2014-2015). Empirical study, Title: *Correlates of parent-child discrepancies in report of internalizing symptoms.*

Freile, Maria Pia (2014-2015). Empirical study. Title: *How stress affects parenting in Hispanic families of children with anxiety.*

Cordero, Nicole (2014-2015). Development of treatment manual, Title: *Manualized treatment for comorbid anxiety and depression in Hispanic youth.*

Jacobson, Jennifer (2015-2016). Empirical study, Title: *Examination of coping responses and anxiety symptoms in a nonclinical minority youth sample.*

Betancourt, Caroline (2015-2016). Literature review, Title: *Parental factors and their association with childhood depression among Hispanic populations.*

Cabrera, Sofia (2016-2017). Literature review, Title: *Parental accommodation in childhood anxiety: Extrapolating to Hispanic populations.*

Bernadel, Rachelle (2016-2017). Literature review, Title: *A Cross-cultural model of Post-traumatic Stress Disorder following a natural disaster.*

Weisner, Briana (2016-2017). Literature review, Title: *Eating disorder and eating pathology in the Hispanic population: A literature review.*

Holiner, Camille (2017-2018). Development of treatment manual, Title: *AYUDA Treatment Manual: Anxiety in Hispanic Youth by Undoing Debilitating Accommodations.*

Muguira, Stephanie (2017-2018). Literature review, Title: *Examining the Efficacy of Mindfulness Trials with Youth in the Community.*

Belfer, Julia (2017-2018). Literature review, Title: *Cultural Considerations in the Expression of Anxiety Symptoms in Latino Youth.*

Chen, Ya-Chi (2017-2018). Literature review, Title: *Investigating the Relationship between Mood and Social Acceptance with Social Anxiety.*