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### **EDUCATION**

- 1987 - 1992      **Indiana University of Pennsylvania**  
Degree: Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)  
Emphasis: Clinical Psychology  
Special Proficiency: Family Therapy  
A.P.A. Accreditation: Full
- 1981 - 1982      **Duquesne University**, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Degree: Master of Arts: Psychology
- 1978 - 1981      **Wilkes College**, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.  
Degrees: Bachelor of Arts: Psychology  
Bachelor of Arts: Sociology
- 1977 - 1978      **Pennsylvania State University**, Worthington Scranton Campus

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

January 2026 – Present

#### Clinical Professor of Clinical Psychology

*Nova Southeastern University, College of Psychology, Department of Clinical Psychology.*

Preparation and teaching of courses in the Ph.D. and Psy. D. degree programs in the Department Clinical Psychology. Supervision of clinical practica students, as well as service on department and ell as University level committees, dissertation advising and chairing, and other related duties, activities and committee service.

July 2020 – December 2025

#### Associate Professor of Human Relationship Systems

*Nova Southeastern University, Kiran Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine, Department of Family Therapy.*

Preparation and teaching of courses in the Master of Science, DMFT, and Ph.D. degree programs in the Department of Family Therapy. Supervision of clinical practica,

service on department as well as University level committees, dissertation advising and chairing, and other related duties, activities and committee service.

2006 September – July 2020

Associate Professor of Human Relationship Systems

*Nova Southeastern University, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Department of Family Therapy.*

Preparation and teaching of courses in both the Masters and Doctoral degree programs in the Department of Family Therapy and the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution. Supervision of clinical practica, service on department as well as University level committees, dissertation advising and chairing, and other related duties and activities.

1993 August – August 2006

Assistant Professor of Family Therapy

Nova Southeastern University, The Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences.

July 2001 – April 2005: Director of Doctoral Programs, Marriage and Family Therapy

*Administrative Responsibilities* include: recruitment, admissions, and supervision of the academic progress of doctoral students, develop and monitor academic programs and procedures, assist in faculty selection and evaluation, provide support for faculty educational and scholarly activities, help to build and maintain an adjunct faculty team, maintain and supervise appropriate records, organize staff and student evaluations and facilitate grievances and discipline processes, initiate and facilitate student and staff reward/recognition processes, assist in the development of new programs for the school, maintain and revise the university strategic and accreditation plans for the department, ensure compliance with university policies and procedures, county and state and federal regulations, and accreditation requirements.

*Teaching Responsibilities* include: teaching and clinical supervision of M.S. and Ph.D. level graduate students in the School's departments of both Family Therapy and Conflict Analysis and Resolution. Other responsibilities also include directing doctoral dissertation projects in the Ph.D. program, doctoral applied clinical projects in the DMFT program, membership on dissertation and applied clinical project committees, supervision of general student research, grant application writing, as well as standing and ad-hoc committee work within both the School and University.

2002 October – December 2003

Students United with Parents and Educators to Resolve Bullying (SUPERB)

Project Manager

I served as the initial contact, cultivator, and then project manager for SHSS's first and only targeted philanthropic development gift. After meeting with the primary donor and his wife, I was primarily responsible for the management and oversight of a 1 year, \$100,000 project to develop a viable pilot program aimed at the prevention of school bullying. The project was successful not only in researching and developing a program curriculum, it also allowed for the creation of 2 doctoral Research Assistantship opportunities within the school (1 in DFT and 1 in DCAR) as well as the hiring of a fellow faculty colleague (Dr. Anne Rambo) who continues to develop and refine the program even after the initial contract was fulfilled.

1997 May - Present

President, Burnett Human Systems Consulting, Inc.

Offering organizational consulting services to a variety of organizations, which have included family businesses, health care institutions, governments, corporations, and academic departments. These consultation services are geared around a human systems perspective, and focus on achieving successful management of complex human relationship systems, at the micro through the macro levels of an organization. Consultations range from intervention at the human resources level, the middle manager level, and the upper management/board of directors levels. Consultation services available also include individual executive coaching.

1991 October - July 1993

Staff Psychologist

Altoona Hospital, Center for Medicine, Outpatient Department, Altoona Pa. Provided outpatient psychological services to a caseload that consisted of approximately 60% child and adolescent cases, and 40% adult family and marital cases. Additional responsibilities included psychological testing and assessment services, as well as consultation services, to other hospital staff and community agencies, including the Altoona area school district. Supervisor for Licensure: Scott Lambert, M.A.  
Supervised Hours: 1800

Clinical Internship

1990 September – 1991 August

Psychology Intern: Family Therapy Track

Harlem Valley Psychiatric Center, Wingdale, N.Y.

This facility was a fully A.P.A. approved internship cite, which also provided a family therapy specialty and A.A.M.F.T. approved supervision. Duties included services to, and supervision in, family therapy cases at the Peekskill outpatient clinic of H.V.P.C. two days a week. I also participated as a member of a live treatment team, under the supervision of an A.A.M.F.T. approved supervisor, who was a licensed psychologist as well. Two days a week I provided supervised inpatient services at the main hospital in Wingdale, where I was supervised by two licensed psychologists. One day of the week I was involved in ongoing year-long professional seminars, taught by the psychology staff. The core of these seminars were in the areas of family and behavior therapy, but there were a number of other shorter term modules, including professional ethics, DSM-III-R, psychological testing, neuropsychological testing, psychopharmacology, and a general readings seminar throughout the year as well.

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Internship Director: Paul Margolies, Ph.D.; Licensed Supervisors: Glenn Bronley, Ph.D. (AAMFT Approved), Henry Glickman, Ph.D., John George, Ph.D. Supervised Hours: 1600. A.A.M.F.T. Hours: 800

1989 September - June 1990

Center for Applied Psychology, I.U.P. School/Family Consultant  
Purchase Line School District, Purchase Line, Pa.

As part of a pilot program funded by the County Commissioners of Indiana County, involvement included the formulation, presentation, and implementing an innovative school intervention program. The program targets "at risk" students in a rural Jr./ Sr. High School. Interventions / Consultations included identified students as well as parents, teachers, counselors and administrators, depending on the assessment of each individual case. Presentations of workshops, as well as in-home interventions were also part of the original grant.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.  
AAMFT Supervised Hours: 300

1989 September - 1990 May

Part-Time Faculty

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Kittanning Campus. Instructor of three sections (1 Fall, 2 Spring) of a General Psychology class of 50 students each. Course covered basic core areas of knowledge in the field, ranging from the biological to the social to the psychotherapeutic.

1988 January - June 1990

Psychological Services Associate II

Kittanning Family Counseling Center, Outpatient Services Department, Kittanning, Pa. I provided psychotherapeutic services to adults, children, geriatrics, and families on an outpatient basis. Duties and responsibilities of the position included providing family, marital, play, and individual therapy, treatment planning, and case management. Supervision weekly by a licensed psychologist. 15 hours per week.

Supervisor: Joyce Kirkpatrick-Smith, Psy.D  
Licensed Supervised Hours: 1080

1987 December - 1989 August

Psychological Services Associate II

Indiana County Guidance Center, Family and Social Living Services Department, Indiana, Pa. I provided the same type of services, with the same population as described above. A licensed psychologist supervised me on a weekly basis. 8 hours per week.

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Supervisor: Ralph M. May, Psy.D. Licensed Supervised hours: 670.

1983 April - 1987 August

Psychological Services Associate I

Irene Stacy Community Mental Health Center, Butler, Pa. Adult/Geriatric Outpatient Services. The duties and responsibilities of my position included providing individual, family, marital and group psychotherapy on an outpatient basis for clients 18 years of age and older. I also conducted intake interviews in conjunction with the Base Service Unit at the Center, and provided case management services to a portion of a caseload that averaged between 120-150 clients. Additionally, I also served as chairman of the Center's Peer Review Committee.

Supervisors: James B. Smith, M.A.; Andrew Kaufman, Ph.D.

Graduate Practicum Experiences

1989 September - December 1989

Assessment Clinic

Indiana University of Pa., Indiana, Pa.

Students are exposed to a broad range of psychological assessment situations, including Children & Youth Services evaluations, Learning Disability evaluations, Probation Office evaluations, and Police Academy evaluations. Experience with a range of cognitive, personality, and family assessment instruments was gained at this cite.

Supervisor: Marsali Hansen, Ph.D.

Licensed Supervised Hours: 60

1989 June - August

Student Supervisor

Family and Couples Clinic

Indiana University of Pa., Indiana, Pa.

Duties included being primarily responsible for the live supervision of practicum students in family therapy, using a team therapy approach, as well as providing additional supervision time outside of clinic hours to all team members. This supervision consisted of activities such as case conferences, review of videotapes, proper usage of assessment instruments, and treatment planning. I was in turn supervised in the supervision on an individual basis weekly.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

AAMFT Supervised hours: 100 hours.

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1989 January - May

Student Supervisor - Family and Couples Clinic

Duties and supervision were the same as described above, but over the course of a full semester.

Supervisor: Dr. Richard Magee, Ph.D.

AAMFT Supervised hours: 200

1988 September - December

Student Supervisor - Family and Couples Clinic

Duties were identical with the above description.

Supervisor: Dr. Richard Magee, Ph.D.

AAMFT Supervised hours: 200

1988 June - August

Family and Couples Clinic

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

Participated in a team and live supervision approach to family therapy. As a student participant I administered and scored family and couples assessments, and conducted family/couples interventions. Post session supervision included reviews of video tape, case conceptualization, and treatment planning for both long and short term goals.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

AAMFT Supervised therapy hours: 100

1988 January - May

Family and Couples Clinic

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

A continuation of the experiences of the semester before, while participating on a different therapy team. Engaged in Structural/Strategic approaches to families, with live supervision.

Supervisor: James C. Maloni, Ph.D.

AAMFT Supervised therapy hours: 150.

1988 September - December

Assessment III - Clinical Assessment Requirement

A class requirement was that each student complete two "live" clinical assessments. To fulfill the requirement I conducted two assessments where I gave the Wide Range Achievement Test-Revised (WRAT-R), the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory (MMPI), the Million Clinical Multi-axial Inventory (MCMI), as well as structured clinical interviews.

Instructor: Leon VandeCreek, Ph.D.

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1988 January - May

Intervention II Practicum Requirement

A two-credit practicum requirement in addition to the course work. This practicum involved the use of "pseudo-clients" from the department subject pool, who were seen for individual sessions over the course of the semester. Innovative individual therapy techniques like empty chair exercises, focusing techniques, relaxation training, and cognitive restructuring were practiced either with the pseudo-clients or in role play situations with other members of the class.

Supervisor: Alexander Rich, Ph.D. Licensed Supervised Hours: 100

1982 January - May

Psychological Testing and Assessment Field Placement

Harmarville Rehabilitation Center provided the clinical setting for experience in the administration and scoring of both I.Q. (WAIS-R) and projective/diagnostic tests (Bender-Gestalt) for the purpose of psychological reports and assessments. Contributions and suggestions for learning came from both the Center's psychology staff and Duquesne University graduate faculty and students.

Instructor: Constance T. Fischer, Ph.D.

1981 September - May

Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Individual and Group Psychotherapeutics

As an ongoing process throughout the course of my graduate training, I was exposed to the fundamental theoretical concepts that lay the groundwork of psychotherapy. I was simultaneously given the opportunity to exercise and explore these concepts in peer counseling situations and consultation groups. I also participated in two separate group therapy situations, one in which I was a permanent member, and one in which I participated as a co-leader.

Instructors: Charles Maes, Ph.D., Anthony Barton, Ph.D.

1980 May - August

Undergraduate Student Practicum

I was introduced to basic individual, group, and milieu therapy techniques as they were applied to the unique population of maximum security patients at Farview State Hospital. This experience also served as the pilot study for my future research at the hospital.

Instructor: John T. Natzke, Ph.D.

Clinic Supervisor: Eldon E. Shields, Ed.D.

Practicum hours: 500

Graduate Research Experience

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1990 March - 1991 December

Doctoral Dissertation Project

"Differentiation of Self: An Assessment of Bowen Family Systems Theory in Practice". The project combined both qualitative and quantitative methods to gather empirical information on how clinicians who are trained in Bowen Family Systems theory have actually come to implement the key concept of differentiation of self in their clinical practice. The study employs the Delphi technique to allow for descriptive and more complex data analysis.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

1989 January - 1989 September

Family Clinic Student Supervisor

In collaboration with the data collection aspects of the doctoral dissertation of a colleague, William Harrar, I was responsible for overseeing that the randomization of conditions, as well as the standardization of administration, takes place according to specifications.

1988 June - August

Graduate Assistant

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

Participated with and assisted another graduate student in the generation of reports from the computer database of the Family and Couples Clinic in the department. The reports answered questions both of a general demographic nature, as well as more pointed inquiries, such as outcomes reported according to the number of sessions. Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

1988 June - July

Graduate Assistant

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

Served as a trained, unbiased rater of respondents' answers in the doctoral dissertation project of an advanced graduate student, Walter Gray.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

1988 February - July

Graduate Assistant

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

With another colleague, William Harrar, assisted in the conceptualization, planning, and data entry process of creating a functional microcomputer database for the Family and Couples Clinic.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

1988 February - April

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Graduate Assistant

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

Assisted in the qualitative analysis of data from the doctoral dissertation of another graduate student, Raphael Salas.

Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

1987 October - November

Graduate Assistant

Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Pa.

Assisted in the collection and qualitative analysis of follow up data from the doctoral dissertation of another graduate student, Maria Serra. Supervisor: Richard D. Magee, Ph.D.

May - August

Independent Field Research

At Farview State Hospital, Pennsylvania's only maximum-security forensic hospital, I designed and carried out a descriptive investigation of the institutionally iatrogenic processes between the hospital and the State's correctional system. The results were documented in an unpublished paper, which was presented in the Social Psychology class I attended at Duquesne University.

**Graduate Courses Taught**

*Department of Clinical Psychology*

PSY 1401 History and Systems of Psychology

PSY 3403 Social Aspects of Behavior

*Department of Family Therapy*

SFTD 5001 Doctoral Seminar I (Residential / Online Hybrid)

SFTD 5002 Doctoral Seminar II (Residential / Online Hybrid)

SFTD 5003 Doctoral Seminar III (Residential / Online Hybrid)

SFTD 5410 Introduction to the Logic and Methods of Research  
(Later reformulated as Quantitative Research Methods I)

SFTD 6410 Quantitative Research Methods II

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- SFTD 6430 Research Strategies II
- SFTD 5007 Research in Marriage and Family Therapy (in both Residential and Cluster program weekend format).
- FSHC 5200 Research in Medical Family Therapy
- SFTD 5010 Systemic Family Therapy I / (Later re-titled F.T. III)
- SFTD 6540/ Bowen Family Systems Theory  
SFTM 5540
- SFTD 6530 Advanced Bowen Family Systems Seminar
- SFTM 5320 Introduction to Marriage and Family Therapy
- SFTM 6340 Legal, Ethical, and Professional Issues in MFT
- SFTD 6520/ Diversity in Human and Family Development  
SFTM 6331
- SFTM 5321 Theories of Marriage and Family Therapy (in both Residential and Cluster program weekend format).
- SFTD 7301/ Assessment in Marriage and Family Therapy  
SFTM 6320
- SFTD 7310 Independent Study
- Family Systems Health Care*
- FSHC 5200 Human Systems in Health Care Settings (Residential and On-Line)
- FSHC 5500 Politics and Economics of Health Care (Residential and On-Line)
- Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution*
- DCAR 6000 Organizational Conflict (Previously titled Consultation)
- CARD 7090 Quantitative Research: Methods and Tools

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Total Number of Academic Graduate Courses Taught: 20

**Clinical Practicum Supervision**

Doctoral

SFTD 5210 Practicum I  
SFTD 6210 Practicum III  
SFTD 6230 Practicum V  
SFTD 6240 Practicum VI  
SFTD 7410 Clinical Internship

Masters

SFTM 5360 Practicum I  
SFTM 6360 Practicum II  
SFTM 6361 Practicum III  
SFTM 6362 Practicum IV (Standard and Family Systems Health Care Tracks)

**University Committee Service**

- 2026 Artificial Intelligence Committee, College of Psychology
- 2025 KPCOM Faculty and Staff Retention Committee, Couples and Family Therapy Admissions Committee, Program Curriculum Review Committee (Doctoral Degree Programs).
- 2024 KPCOM Faculty and Staff Retention Committee, Couples and Family Therapy Admissions Committee, Program Curriculum Review Committee (Master Degree Program).
- 2023 KPCOM Faculty and Staff Retention Committee, Couples and Family Therapy Admissions Program Curriculum Review Committee (Master Degree Program).
- 2022 NSU Brief Therapy Faculty Oversight Committee.  
Dissertation and ACP Committee Service (Chair only): Cassandra Cacase, Kristi Green, Shirley Lora Reyes, Tameka Thomas.
- 2021 M.S. program Internal Review Process, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee, Doctoral Program Curriculum Review Committee, Dissertation and ACP Committee Service (Chair only): Ricania Florek, Franchesca Fontus, Jessica Gomez, Giancarlo Simpson, Julie Vinci, Kristian Fics, Audra Mets, Kyana Hall-Toney, Paul Healy, Alexandra Foglia.

2020

NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee, Dissertation and ACP Committee Service: Portiaatrice Morse, Ruth Compere, Kathy Puentes, Venetia Bennett, Raven Allen, Alicia Theus, Cecelia Tarnoki, Sophia Rose-Lyn, Solomon Udo, Nadia Farsinezhad.

2019

NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, DCRS Faculty Search Committee Member, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee, *Dissertation and Applied Clinical Project Committee Service: (Chair)* Joshua Hernandez, Claire Loucka, Tunicia Davis, Devon Dunn, Christine Donalds-Rose, Tuyet Nueyn, Jetlexis Carlos.

2018

NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee, *Dissertation and ACP Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.:* Angela Hood, Markdeline Johnson, Daphne Pozo, Claudia Gomez-Walsh, Jauek Shin, Mary Apio Musaka, Yalie Nicolas, Alexis Mercado.

2017

NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee, *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.:* Helen Reynolds, Michael Rolleston, Chrissy Justilien, Justin Cummings, Melina Rodriguez, Katia Tikharonova,

2016 CAHSS SACS Accreditation Review Committee Member for New Program Review Policies and Procedures, NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution Faculty Search Committee, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, NSU Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.:* Daphney Lundy, Alexa Snyder, Rachael Hernandez, Maria Davis-Pierre.

2015 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution Faculty Search Committee, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.:* Sunny Khatchatryan, Vardene Simeus, Maria Mejia, Nicole Gordon, Emily Lake, Celeste Catania.

- 2014 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution Faculty Search Committee, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.: Elisa Leeder, Tracy-Ann Spencer, Tracy Oliver.*
- 2013 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution Faculty Search Committee, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.: Marcheley Adam, Melissa Bridges.*
- 2012 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, Confidential NSU Faculty Contract Renewal Appeal Committee (Chair of the Faculty Review Panel), Brief therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.: Yolle Deville, Juliana Deans, Meagan Smart, Jamie Broadarick, Jameson Mercier, Ilene Strauss, Paulette Edwards. (Reader) Tequila Lynn Hill, Luann Rodriguez, Gary Forrest; DCAR; Judith Roberts, Jenny Chang*
- 2011 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Institutional Internal Review Committee (Member) for the Doctor of Marriage and Family Therapy (DMFT) Degree in MFT Program review, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee, Brief Therapy Institute Faculty Oversight Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.: Lisa Alleva, Kathrine Campbell, Maelouise Tenant; DMFT: Laura Mantell, Ayala Weiner. (Reader) Jewell Bexley, Annette Guitierrez- Hersh, Katie Lundin-Zemnovich, Susan Ofstein, Edrica Richardson, Cynthia Somers, Aurelia Malouff, Babette Rosabal.*
- 2010 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Curriculum Review Committee (Chair), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Institutional Internal Review Committee (Member) for the Masters Degree in MFT Program review, NSU Institutional Peer Review Credential Review Committee. *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Ph.D.: Melanie Pincus-Smith, Vardene Simeus; DMFT: Viviana Coles, Gina Marchando. (Reader) Randy Heller, Kristey Dascoli-Munroe,*
- 2009 NSU New Program Review Committee (Member), Family Therapy Curriculum Review Committee (Chair), Family Therapy Faculty Search Committee (Member), Institutional Review Committee

(Member). *Dissertation Committee Service: (Chair) Robert Otto, Celia Moreno, Martine Ceasare-Franciose: (Reader) Jewell Bexley, Victoria Durland, Maud Pasquatte.*

- 2008 NSU New Program Review Committee, Family Therapy Curriculum Review Committee (Ad Hoc Member) Online Doctoral Program Development Committee (*Chair*), Institutional Review Board (IRB) backup representative for SHSS. *Dissertation Committee Service (Chair): Sparkle Callender.*
- 2007 NSU New Program Review Committee, Family Therapy Curriculum Review Committee (Ad Hoc Member) Online Doctoral Program Development Committee (*Chair*), Institutional Review Board (IRB) backup representative for SHSS, *Dissertation Committee Service (Chair): Carlyn Jaques, Sparkle Callender, Corrine Scholtz*, Applied Clinical Project Committee Chair; Viviana Arrango, Gina Marchando
- 2006 NSU New Program Review Committee, Family Therapy Curriculum Review Committee (Ad Hoc Member) Online Doctoral Program Development Committee (*Chair*), Institutional Review Board (IRB) backup representative for SHSS, *Dissertation Committee Service (Chair): Debra Marcelle-Coney.* Applied Clinical Project Committee Chair: Shatatvia Alexander
- 2005 NSU New Program Review Committee, Organizational Psychology Program Exploratory Committee, SHSS Spirituality in Counseling Graduate Certificate Development Committee, Institutional Review Board (IRB) backup representative for SHSS. *Dissertation Committee Service (Chair): LisaRene Reynolds.* Applied Clinical Project Committee (*Chair*): Mia Hall
- 2004 NSU New Program Review Committee, Student Life Research Committee, Internal Review Committee (Communications Studies Program). *Dissertation Committee Service (Chair): Charmaine Borda, Jennifer Silverman, Craig Kerns.*
- 2003 NSU New Program Review Committee, SHSS Online Initiatives Committee, SHSS Applied Family Systems Program Committee (Chair), SHSS 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Committee, NSU Special Personnel Review Hearing Board (Chair), SHSS Annual Internship Fair Committee. -*Dissertation Committee Service(Chair): Mary Neal, Robert Otto, Paola Aghlaghanian.* *Applied Clinical Project Service: Debbie Swayman (Chair, 1<sup>st</sup> program graduate ever), Mary Kammerman.*
- 2002 NSU New Program Review Committee, Doctor of Marriage and Family Therapy Degree Program Development Committee (Chair), SHSS Donor Development Committee (Chair),

- 2001 NSU Graduate Program in Public Policy Exploratory Committee, an SSSS–Farquahar Undergraduate School joint initiative. -*School of Social and Systemic Studies*: New Program Review Committee, Clinic Committee, Marketing Coordinator Search Committee, SHSS Leadership Team -*Dissertation Committee Service (Chair)*: Elizabeth Bradshaw, Judith Adelson,
- 2000 -*University Service*: University Wide Marketing Committee -*School of Social and Systemic Studies*: Distance Education Committee  
-*Dissertation Committee Service (Chair)*: Suzanne Waterson-Gustella, Irma Barron
- 1999 *University Service*: New Degree Programs Committee, Alliance for Healthy Communities Advisory Committee, Cranial-Facial Anomalies Camp Committee, Strategic Planning and Implementation Committee. *School of Social and Systemic Studies*: Distance Education Committee, Marketing Committee, Civility in Government Project Committee  
*Dissertation Committee Service (Chair)*: Chair: Joseph Joiner
- 1998 *University Service*: -NSU Faculty Charet Participant/Small Group Leader, Advisory Council Member-Office of Continuing Education and Collaboration  
-*School of Social and Systemic Studies*: Board of Governors Development Committee  
-*Dissertation Committee Service*: Chair: Tommie V. Boyd, Brian Rosenberg, Marcia Sapoznick
- 1997/8 --*School of Social and Systemic Studies*: Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Family Therapy
- 1997 -*University Service*: Collaboration Clearinghouse Council, an initiative of the office of the NSU President to promote cross-center collaboration on a wide scale.  
-*Dissertation Committee Service*: Chair; Mary Naples, Manny Gonzalez-Abreu.
- 1996 *University Service*: Institutional Review Board for Human Subjects Research, School of Social and Systemic Studies Center-wide representative, Advising and Career Planning Personnel Committee, SACS Review team. -*Dissertation Committee Service*: Chair; Jane Dye, Mary Naples, Suzanne Gustella.
- 1995 *School of Social and Systemic Studies*: Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy. Accreditation Commission site visitor, Human Subjects Research Committee, (Chair) Faculty Productivity Evaluation Committee, (Chair) Committee to Develop Peer Mentoring program, Supervision Committee

*-Dissertation Committee Service:* Reader: Douglas Nau, Helene Van Heden, Mark Combs, Laurie Hernandez, Jill Becker.

- 1994 *University Service:* Inter-Center Project to Explore the Development of a Master of Science degree in School Psychology.  
*School of Social and Systemic Studies:* Dissertation Guidelines Revisions Committee, Clinical Database Revisions Committee, Clinical Services Expansion Committee, Clinical Services Provision Committee (Family Business Institute).  
*-Dissertation Committee Service:* Reader: Kelleen Linden, Marcie Tinsley

### **Grant Applications**

- 2010 Chancellor's Faculty Research and Development Grant, Nova Southeastern University. A Qualitative Inquiry into Both How and What Students Learn during Clinical Practicum courses. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Paul Gallant, Ph.D., and Tommie V. Boyd, Ph.D.
- 2006 4<sup>th</sup> Annual NSU/CCB Quality of Life Faculty Community Based Applied Research Grant. *Jumpstart to Permanency: Researching the Effectiveness of an Ongoing Systemic Approach to Permanency Placement in Broward County. Award Granted.*
- 2003 Children's Services Council of Broward County – Reach Our Kids Now (ROK'N) Grant. Submitted October 24, 2003.
- 2001 Institute for Community Systems – Co-Author with Honggang Yang, Thomas Gustaffson, and James Hibel. Application submitted to the Florida Attorney General's Office, Tallahassee, FL. December.
- 2001 The Broward Alliance - Assessment of the "Digital Ecology" of Broward County. Co-Principle Investigator with Honggang Yang, Ph.D. Submitted March, 2001
- 2000 Faculty Development Grant, Nova Southeastern University: Assessment of Collaboration Readiness at NSU. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.
- 1999 Dissertation Research Support Grant. Department of Housing and Urban Development, No. DD-99-HUD. The Human Architecture of Community Building: A Sustained Application of Systemic Consultation. Authors: Brian Rosenberg, M.S., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.
- 1997 National Research Service Award, PHS 416-1, National Institutes for Mental Health. Title: The

Relational Effects of HIV Positive Status in One Partner in Homosexual Couples. Authors: Suzanne Waterson Gustella, M.S., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

1994 Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Bureau of Children's Services. New Services Grant. Submission Title: Managing Conflict for the Sake of the Children. Program proposed would provide a combination of didactic and psychotherapeutic services for families at any stage of conflict, from pre-marital to post-divorce. (Co-author Sharon Boesl, M.S.)

1993 Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Bureau of Children's Services. New Services Grant. Submission Title: Family Agency Consultation Project. Program was designed to establish a more coordinated network of agencies and services to adjudicated adolescents, and to increase the level of family involvement with the various service agencies at each level of intervention. (Co-authors Kristin Wright, Doris Harrold, Julio Vigil)

Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Bureau of Children's Services. Continuing Services Grant. Submission Title: Home based Intensive Counseling. Designed to provide help to children at risk (ages 0-18) utilizing the resources they have available at home. (Co-authors Sharon Boesl and Douglas Flemons)

Broward County Board of County Commissioners, Bureau of Children's Services. Continuing Services Grant. Submission Title: Short Term Intensive Counseling. Provided brief family therapy services for children (0-18), usually within a framework of a 10 session maximum therapeutic model. (Co-authors Sharon Boesl and Douglas Flemons)

### **Targeted Gifts**

2003 Cultivated, received, and administrated a \$100,000.00 targeted gift from a first time University donor for the creation of SUPERB (Students United with Parents and Educators to Resolve Bullying). The gift led to the creation of a pilot program that created 2 graduate assistantship positions, as well as overload compensation for two faculty members.

### **Awards and Activities**

1997-8 Faculty Advisor, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual AAMFT Minority Internship Award Recipient, Fanya Jabouin-Monnay

- 1997 Faculty Director, Outstanding Graduate Research Award, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy. Award Recipient: Jane Dye. Research Title: The Impact of Validation Therapy on Family Caregivers of Cognitively Impaired Older Adults.
- 1992 Graduate Student Outstanding Research Award. Indiana University of Pa. Selected as one of five outstanding graduate research projects at the University. Award: \$100.00
- 1989 Graduate Research Award. Granted \$300.00 by the Graduate School of Indiana University of Pa. to further my work "Toward the Construction of a Differentiation of Self Scale".
- 1988/9 Awarded a Graduate Assistantship in the Family and Couples Clinic of the Center for Applied Psychology.
- 1988 Elected as the single graduate student representative to the faculty of the Psychology Department.
- 1987/8 Awarded a Graduate Assistantship in the Family and Couples Clinic.
- 1987 Elected as one of two Psychology department representatives to serve in the Graduate Student Assembly. Served on both the Academic and Activities Committees.
- 1987/8 An active member of the Family and Children's Research Group, which met biweekly to discuss issues in the field as well as the relevant work being done by both graduate students and faculty within the psychology department.

**Community Consultation Services / Projects**

***-Vision 2010: Broward's Millennium Summit:*** Lead facilitator of a unique, civil approach to community involvement in government. Sponsored by the Broward Charter Review Commission, I was responsible for the creation of a format to bring together 250 citizens and political leaders from across the county to share ideas and create a shared vision for the county over the coming decade. I was responsible for training and overseeing the team of 20 professional facilitators before and during the Summit, and for collecting data from the meetings, and writing up the final report.

***-The Civility Project:*** A project to introduce systems thinking into the areas of government, business, and health care, in order to facilitate improved human relationships, and hence functioning, in each of these respective domains. Lectures, training, and information sharing have been provided to a number of agencies who wish to learn how to improve their human systems effectiveness.

***-WAGES*** (Work and Gain Economic Self-Sufficiency) Coalition, Parents Information and

Resources Center Staffing Multidisciplinary Team Member

-Organizational Consultant to Planned Parenthood of Palm Beach County. Offered organizational and Management Consulting Services to the Executive Director and her management team around issues of employee satisfaction, morale, turnover, and communication skills.

-Consultant to Children's Home Services, West Palm Beach, FL. Clinical consultant to the therapeutic staff of a multi-service, community based, adolescent inpatient and outpatient family outreach program.

-School Consultation/Services Project Team. Consultation work in the formation, planning, and implementation of a nationally recognized, multi disciplinary, school consultation team, culled from the skills of the faculty and staff of Nova Southeastern University. Worked with Michelle McGuire, Anthony DeNapoli, and Martha Smith-Singleton.

-Consultant to the Broward chapter of the Y.M.C.A. Worked closely with Ms. Irene Butcher, the director of Children's Services/Community Development, in putting together an evaluation protocol to assess the effectiveness of after-school programming sponsored by the Broward Y.M.C.A.'s.

-Consultant to K2. A local, non-profit organization dedicated to providing after-school learning and activities to members of the Weston community in Broward County. Consulting with them about ways to submit grants, evaluate effectiveness, and expand programming. Contact Person: Ms. Scott Valdez.

-Consultant to the Pain Management Team at Hollywood Medical Center, Hollywood FL. Providing consultations as to the psychological components of chronic pain patients in conjunction with a multi-disciplinary medical treatment team. Team Leader: Ira Posner, M.D.

-Consultant to the We Care volunteer services program at Kings Point retirement community in Delray Beach FL. Offer special psychological consultation services to the volunteer members of the We Care organization, especially around issues of bereavement, psychological aspects of aging, family relationships, and psychotherapy. Contact Person: Maime Levine.

-Consultant to the Family, Work, and Business Program, School of Social and Systemic Studies. Acting as project director for the "Corporate Emotionality Project", working with faculty and students to explore and understand how the concepts of Bowen Family Systems thinking can be applied in corporate and business settings.

**Professional Juried Presentations**

The Qualitative Report Annual Conference, March 23-25, Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. *Cultivating Systemic Vision: Autoethnography and Bowen Family Systems Theory in a Domestic Violence Treatment Center*. Nailin Morera, M. S., and Christopher Burnett, Psy. D.

The Qualitative Report Annual Conference, March 23-25, Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. *Seeing the System Through the Self: Autoethnography in Clinical Practice*. Abigail Thomas, M. S., and Christopher Burnett, Psy. D.

Western Pennsylvania Family Center Annual Conference, October 17-18, 2025, Pittsburgh, Pa. *Family Systems Physics: Energy, Anxiety, and the Structures of Human Relationship Systems*.

The Bowen Center, Washington D. C. Invited Course Instructor for the Differentiation of Self at Work Program. Course offering titled *Differentiation of Self at Work; An Energy Exchange Approach to Understanding Human Relationship Systems*. January 20, 2025, offered via Zoom.

Western Pennsylvania Family Center Spring Conference. Invited Featured Speaker. *Bowen Family Systems Theory in the Academy: A 30 Year Journey of Exploration and Discovery*. June 14, 2024, Pittsburgh, Pa.

4<sup>th</sup> International Bowen Family Systems Conference. *Relationship Systems as Natural Science: Reconsidering the Emotional Systems through a Lens of Physics*. Christopher Burnett, Psy. D. Miami, Florida. February 22-24, 2024.

Florida Family Research Network Annual Bowen Theory Conference: *Smart Parenting: The Vital Balance: Togetherness, Individuality, and Family*. Presenter: Daniel V. Papero, Ph. D. Invited Conference Moderator: Christopher Burnett, Psy. D. February 25, 2023.

Western Pennsylvania Family Center Annual Conference, October 14-15, 2022, Pittsburgh, Pa. *Understanding and Working with Triangles: A Challenge in Applying Family Systems Theory*. Section Moderator and Discussant in the NSU dedicated portion of the conference, where 8 NSU/CFT doctoral students presented their dissertation and ACP based research.

Florida Family Research Network Annual Bowen Theory Conference: *Smart Parenting: Creating Effective Families*. Presenters: Carrie Collier, Ph. D., and Walter Smith Jr., Ph. D. Invited Conference Moderator: Christopher Burnett, Psy. D. February 26, 2022.

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*Applying Bowen Family Systems Theory in a Conventional World: 42nd Pittsburgh Family Systems Conference & Symposium: Invited Guest Moderator, Christopher Burnett, Psy. D. Student Co-Presenters and Topics: Ms. Georgieann Neil; Privileging my voice: Applying Bowen Family Systems Thinking in a Medical School setting as a member of the Student Government. Ms. Kristi Green; Tracking Anxiety Through Multiple Institutions: Applying Bowen Family Systems Thinking to a Medically Mandated Case in a University Setting Ms. Jessica Elliot and Ms. Brittany Gray; Applying Bowen Family Systems Theory in a Brief Therapy Clinic; A Case Example.* Presented October 23, 2021; Pittsburgh, Pa. via Zoom.

Florida Family Research Network Annual Bowen Theory Conference:  
*Can't Live Without It: Anxiety and Adaptation in Evolution and the Family with Victoria Harrison.* Invited Conference Moderator, Christopher Burnett, Psy. D.. Saturday, Mar 6, 2021

*Pandemic Improvisation: How "Compassionate Conversations" Increased Self of the Therapist Awareness in a Graduate MFT Training Program.* Presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Pittsburgh Family Systems Conference and Symposium. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy. D., Debra Faria, B.A., Neida Fernandez, B.A., Vicktoria McDonald, B.A., Safyiah Singleton, B.A.. October 24, 2020

*Science, Natural Systems, and Bowen Family Systems Theory: Toward a Theory of "Emotional Gravity": Part I – "Science":* Presented at the Bowen Theory Around the World – First International Conference on Bowen Family Systems Theory. August 2-5, 2015. Pittsburgh, Pa.

*Science, Natural Systems, and Bowen Family Systems Theory: Toward a Theory of "Emotional Gravity": Part II – "Human Relationship Systems: Particle or Wave Function?"* Presented at The Bowen Theory Around the World – First International Conference on Bowen Family Systems Theory. August 2-5, 2015. Pittsburgh, Pa.

*Science, Natural Systems, and Bowen Family Systems Theory: Toward a Theory of "Emotional Gravity": Part III – "Bowen's Family Systems Theory Reconsidered Through a Quantum Lens"* Presented at the Bowen Theory Around the World – First International Conference on Bowen Family Systems Theory. August 2-5, 2015. Pittsburgh, Pa.

*20 Years of Differentiation in a Post-Modern, Brief Therapy Oriented MFT Department: A Personal Reflection.* Western Pennsylvania Family Center Annual Conference, September 27, 2014. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D. Pittsburgh, Pa.

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*Culture, Diversity, and Differentiation of Self: Part I:* International Family Therapy Association Annual Conference, Panama City, Panama. March 4-8, 2014. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Jill Morris, Ph.D., and Terrilynn Neipert, M.A.

*Culture, Diversity, and Differentiation of Self: Part II:* International Family Therapy Association Annual Conference, Panama City, Panama. March 4-8, 2014. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Jill Morris, Ph.D., and Terrilynn Neipert, M.A.

*Relational Identities: Reclaiming Ourselves Through Recreating Each Other in Collaborative Conversations in Group Therapy Work.* Taos Institute Conference: Exploring Relational Practices in Peacebuilding, Mediation, and Conflict Transformation: From the Intimate to the International Nov. 14 - 17, 2012 San Diego, CA. Celia Quintas, Ph.D., and Christopher Burnett, Psy.D.

*Mind Mapping: A Creative Way to Bring Experiences to Life.* American Creativity Association 2011 International Conference on Creativity and Change. Ft. Lauderdale, FL, March 31 – April 1. Yolle-Guida Dervil, MFTI, Katherine Hatzitheodorou, MFTI, Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*How MFT Students become Competent: Training Using Core Competencies.* Pre-Conference Institute, Presented at the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Sacramento, CA. October 1, 2009. James Hibel, Ph.D., Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D., Tommie V. Boyd, Ph.D., Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., and Randy Heller, M.A.

*Working in a Complex Social System: Differentiation, Leadership, and Change in the Context of Foster Care.* 31<sup>st</sup> Pittsburgh Family Systems Conference and Symposium. Sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Family Center. September 25-26, 2009, Pittsburgh, Pa. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Creatively Transcending Professional Boundaries: Human Systems Consulting and the Business of Human Relationships.* American Creativity Association Annual Conference, March 1- 4, 2009. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Differentiation in the Context of Clinical Supervision: A Case Study in Supervision with an Anxious Student.* 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Pittsburgh Family Systems Conference and Symposium. Sponsored by the Western Pennsylvania Family Center. September 26-27, 2008, Pittsburgh, Pa. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Organizational Consulting: Putting Your Relational Therapy Skills to Work in Larger Family Systems.* American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Summer Institutes for Advanced

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Clinical Training, July 22-26, 2007, Rapid City, South Dakota. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

Jumpstart to Permanency: Moving from either/or to both/and in the Broward County Dependency System. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Sparkle Callender, M.S., Andrea Owes, M.S. Child Welfare League of America, National Conference, Washington D. C., February 15, 2007.

*Expanding Family Therapy into Business Consulting.* Jennifer L. Spong, M.S., & Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D. Florida Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida May 27, 2006

*MFT's in the Corporate Marketplace: Systems Thinking and Organizational Consultation*". AAMFT Winter Institutes for Advanced Clinical Training. March 2-6, 2005. Panama City, FL. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*"Whither Goest Personal Responsibility"*. Invited panelist for the Inaugural NSU "Faculty Symposium", sponsored by the Alvin Sherman Library and Technology Center, Davie Florida. I shared the podium with NSU President Emeritus Dr. Abraham Fischler, and Shepard Broad Law School Professor Michael Richmond, and we discussed the symposium topic in front of an audience of NSU faculty peers and colleagues.

*Four Case Studies in Employment Diversity for Marriage and Family Therapists.* AAMFT Annual Conference, Long Beach, CA. Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Brian Rosenberg, Ph.D., Mary Neal, M.S., and Michelle, Borandi, M.S.

*Developing a Corporate Consulting and Systems Training Practice.* AAMFT Summer Institutes for Advanced Clinical Training, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, August 5-9, 2001. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Preparing for Publication: Taking the Next Step.* 29<sup>th</sup> annual Programs for Higher Education Summer Institute, July 2001, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*The Civility Project* Florida Recreation and Parks Association Tri-District Mini-Conference, Sunrise, FL, May 11, 2001. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*The Joy and Mystery of Being a Student .* Florida Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Miami Beach Florida, May 25, 2000. Deborah Jensen, M.S., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

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*The Role of the Emotional System in Understanding Dual Chronic Pain Couples* . The Fourth Annual Collaborative Family Health Care Coalition Conference, January 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>, 2000. Tommie V. Boyd, M.S., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Human Systems Consulting: Transforming Clinical Practice*. Pre-Conference Institute, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, October 7, 1999. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Doing Organizational Consulting: Finding Your Own Skills*. Pre-Conference Institute, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Dallas, TX. October 15, 1998. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Creation of a Cultural Institute in an Academic Graduate Program*. American Psychological Association, Division 43, San Francisco, CA., August 16, 1998. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Fanya Jabouin-Monnay, M.S., Tommie V. Boyd, M.Ed, Marcia Sapoznick, M.S.

*How to Respond to the Different Aspects of Cultural Diversity: Strategies for Professors, Families and Communities*. Primero Congreso Internacional de Educacion Temprana, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 16, 1998. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Fanya Jabouin-Monnay, M.S., Tommie V. Boyd, M.Ed, Marcia Sapoznick, M.S.

*Using What You Already Know to do Organizational Consulting*. Pre-Conference Institute, American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Atlanta, Ga. September 17-21, 1997. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., and Mary C. Naples, M.Ed.

*Creating Cultural Awareness: A Model Program for Creating Participation in an Educational Setting*. Presented at Education Leaders Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. July 19, 1997. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Working with Chemically Dependent Families Through a Bowenian Lens*. Workshop, Indiana Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 4-6, 1997. Barbara Clerkin-Robert, M.S., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

*Doing What Comes Naturally: Adding Mediation to your Private Practice*. Workshop, Division 42, American Psychological Association, August 9-13, 1996. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D, and Sharon Boesl, M.A.

*Mediation and Psychology*. Division 42, American Psychological Association, August 9-13, 1996.

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Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D, and Sharon Boesl, M.A.

*Substance Abuse Treatment and the Use of Multiple Systems Views.* Workshop, Florida Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Miami Beach Florida, May 16-19, 1996. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., and Deborah J. Jensen, M.S.

*Alternate Assessment Techniques.* Symposium, The New Learning Paradigm, Nova Southeastern University Faculty Symposium, May 21, 1996. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Vesna Ostertag, Ed.D., and Mary Ellen Mahrer, Ed.D.

*Introductory Workshop on Qualitative Research.* Primary Health Care Research Conference, December 1-3, 1995. San Antonio, TX. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Ronald J. Chenail, Ph.D., Douglas Flemons, Ph.D., Shelley Green, Ph.D., and Brian Polkinghorn, Ph.D.

"Resource Focused Therapy in Chronic Illness: A Family Systems Approach". Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., and Margo Weiss, Ph.D. Hospitality Suite Presentation, Division 43, American Psychological Association, August 11-15, 1995.

*"When the Divorce Isn't Final: Working Effectively with Post-Litigation Families".* Workshop, Division 42, American Psychological Association, August 11-15, 1995. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D, and Sharon Boesl, M.A.

*"Managing Conflict in Families: When Unresolved Anger Places a Child at Risk".* ICCP/Family Builders Preservation Conference, Orlando, FL., May 17-19, 1995. Sharon Boesl, M.A., and Christopher Burnett, Psy.D.

*Looking Backward, Looking Forward: Family Therapy's Generational Shift.* Family Therapy Networker Conference, Washington D.C., March 9-12, 1994. Donald Bloch, M.D., Kitty LaPerriere, Ph.D., Anne Rambo, Ph.D., and Christopher Burnett, Psy.D.

*Differentiation of Self: An Assessment of Theory in Practice. A work in progress.* Christopher F. Burnett, M.A., and Richard D. Magee, Ph.D. American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, Washington, D.C. Oct 4-7, 1990.

*A School-Family Consultation Project in a Rural School District: Some Initial Findings.* Christopher F. Burnett, M.A. and Judith Rein, M.A. State System of Higher Education Conference for Graduate Students. April 10, 1990.

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*On the Question of Research Methods in Family Therapy* Christopher F. Burnett and Dr. Richard Magee. Pennsylvania Psychological Association Annual Convention. June 23, 1989.

*The Old Hatters, New Wavers, and the Debate on the Research Methods Best Suited for Family Therapy.* Christopher F. Burnett. State System of Higher Education Conference for Graduate Students. April 8, 1989.

*Training Psychotherapists and Training Teachers: Some Parallels in Theory and Practice.* Rebecca Eberle-Romberger and Christopher F. Burnett. Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Conference for Graduate Students. April 8, 1989.

### **Invited Addresses/Presentations**

*Bowen Family Systems Theory; An Introduction.* Invited guest lecture given in the Department of Couples and Family Therapy, Nova Southeastern University, February 11, 2026

*A Family Systems Approach to Serious Mental Illness.* Colloquium presented to the Faculty and Staff of the College of Psychology, Nova Southeastern University, July 14, 2025.

46<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Pennsylvania Family Center Annual Conference. Introductory Remarks and introduction of the 12 NSU student presenters at the annual conference. September 13-14, 2024, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Western Pennsylvania Family Center Annual Spring Conference. Topic: Maintaining Oneself in Ones Career Utilizing Bowen Family Systems Principles and Ideas. June 23, 2023.

*Bowen Family Systems: An Introduction to the basics concepts.* University of Santo Tomas, Manilla, Philippines. May 20, 2022 via Zoom.

*Bowen Family Systems: An Introduction to the basics of Theory and Practice.* Presented to the Sino-American Family Therapy Institute, Shanghi, China via Zoom, March 10-14, 2021.

*Bowen Family Systems: An Introduction to the basics of Theory and Practice.* Presented to the Sino-American Family Therapy Institute, Shanghi, China. March 21-25, 2018.

*A Bowen Family Systems Approach to Initial Assessment.* Presented at the Grand Rounds Seminar series, Center for Psychological Studies, Nova Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

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September 25, 2000.

*Human Systems Consulting.* NSU School of Social and Systemic Studies Roundtable Series, October 3, 1999.

If You Build It, They Will Come: Growing Your Professional Practice . *Doing Organizational Consulting: Using Your Systems Thinking Skills.* Given at the Florida Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Annual Conference, Gainesville, FL, May 20, 1999.

*Issues of Culture in a Marriage and Family Therapy Training Program: The Creation of an Institute.* Nova Southeastern University Scholarship Series Presentation, Ft Lauderdale, FL, December 5, 1997. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Fanya Jabouin-Monnay, M.S., Tommie V. Boyd, M.Ed, Marcia Sapoznick, M.S., and Shazia Aktarhullah, M.S.

*The Family as a System and Resource: Utilizing the Family in your Practice.* Given at the Fall Conference of the Florida Association of Speech-Language Pathologists & Audiologists. Boca Raton, FL. October 17, 1997

*The Creation of An Institute for Cultural Studies in Family Therapy,* given at the Chapters Luncheon of the Florida Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, May 14-18, 1997, Hallendale Beach, FL. Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D., Anne H.Rambo, Ph.D., Fanya Jabouin-Monnay, M.S., and Ronie Gomes-Hodgson, B.A.

*The Emotional Life of Organizations,* given with Mary Naples, M.Ed. as part of the School of Social and Systemic Studies Scholarship Series Program, November 15, 1996.

*Doing Qualitative Research Proposals@.* Guest lecture in the Doctoral Research I course in the Department of Dispute Resolution, School of Social and Systemic Studies, October 24, 1996.

*Emotional Gravity and the Bereavement Process.* Presented as part of the “Life Goes On” support group, Kings Point Community, Delray Beach, FL, October 12, 1996.

*The Importance of Supportive Relationships in Successful Transplant Surgery Recovery.* Broward General Hospital, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, April 17, 1996.

*Letting Teachers Teach: The Importance of Appropriate and Accessible Mental Health Services in a Middle School Setting.* Loggers Run Middle School, Boca Raton, FL, April 8, 1996.

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*Understanding Relationship Basics to Improve your Sense of Well Being.* S.T.A.R. Seminar given at the Center for Psychology and Behavioral Medicine, Boca Raton, FL, February 16, 1996.

*Fundamental Concepts in the Theory and Application of Bowen Family Systems Theory*, given at the Center for Psychology and Behavioral Medicine, Boca Raton, FL, January 19, 1996.

*Medical Genograms*, given with Margo Weiss, Ph.D., as part of the School of Social and Systemic Studies Doctoral Scholarship Program, November 17, 1995.

*Strategies for Stuckness*, given with Anne Hearon Rambo, Ph.D., as part of the School of Social and Systemic Studies Doctoral Scholarship Program, October 27, 1995.

*Introductory Concepts in Natural Systems Thinking*, given to the Masters Introduction to Thinking Systems course, October 9, 1995.

*Natural Systems Thinking*, given to Masters students in Introduction to Thinking Systems course, September 21, 1994.

*Introduction to Bowen Family Systems Therapy*, given to Doctoral Students in Introductory Seminar, July 26, 1994.

*Building Connections with the Community: Working with Local Schools*, School of Social and Systemic Studies Luncheon Series, March 23, 1994.

### **Editorial Responsibilities**

Editorial Board Member, Therapeutic Speakeasy Quarterly (2016 – Present)

Associate Editor, Peace and Conflict Studies (2003 – Present).

Ad Hoc Reviewer, Journal of Marriage and Family Therapy (2004- Present)

Ad Hoc Reviewer, Contemporary Family Therapy (2018 – Present)

### **Publications**

Burnett, C. F. (2024). Bowen Family Systems Couples Therapy. In M. D. Reiter (Ed.), Case conceptualization in couples therapy: Comparing and contrasting theories (pp. 69-96). Routledge, New York.

Burnett, C. F., and Reiter, M.D (2019). Natural Systems Aesthetics. In Systems Theories for Psychotherapists: From Theory to Practice. Routledge, New York.

Burnett, C. F., and Reiter, M.D (2019). Natural Systems Pragmatics. In Systems Theories for Psychotherapists: From Theory to Practice. Routledge, New York.

Relational Identities: Reclaiming Ourselves through Recreating Each Other in Collaborative Conversations in Group Therapy Work. (2013). Peace and Conflict Studies, Vol. 20, # 1. Celia Quintas, Ph.D., and Christopher F. Burnett, Psy.D.

Burnett, C.F., & Reiter, M.D. (2013). *Bowen Family Systems Theory*. Case Conceptualization in Family Therapy. Saddle River, N.J.

Burnett, C. F. (2013). *Bowen Family Systems Therapy*. Family Therapy Review: Contrasting Contemporary Models. Rambo, A., West, C., Schooley, A., & Boyd, T. (Eds). Routledge, New York.

Burnett, C. F. (1997). *Implementing Team Concepts in A Group Practice*. Innovations in Clinical Practice: A Sourcebook, Volume 16, Professional Resource Press, Tampa, FL

### **Book Reviews**

*Pragmatics of Human Relationships* by Dorothy Becvar and Raphael Becvar, Geist and Russell, 1997. Reviewed in The American Journal of Family Therapy

*Premarital and Remarital Counseling: the Professional's Handbook*, by Robert F. Stahmann and William J. Hiebert. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1997, 224pp., (paperback). Reviewed in The American Journal of Family Therapy

*Treating People in Families: An Integrative Framework* by William C. Nichols. Reviewed in Child, Youth, and Family Services Quarterly, V. 19, # 2, p.16-17, 1996.

### **Professional Credentials**

Licensed Psychologist, Florida (PY-0005088), Pennsylvania (PS-006747-L)  
American Association of Marriage & Family Therapy, Clinical Fellow  
American Psychological Association  
American Association of Marriage & Family Therapy, Approved Supervisor

**REFERENCES** References will be made available upon request.