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PROFILE SUMMARY

- Marriage and Family Therapy Trainee emphasizing Narrative and EFT modalities
- Strong interest in community conflict resolution and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Strong interest in International Development with research and work experience abroad
- Coordinator and analyst supporting program design, monitoring, and evaluation of organizations
- Advanced fluency in Spanish and Portuguese, basic fluency in French

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2008-present* **Marriage and Family Therapy Trainee**, SDSU Center for Community Counseling, individual and relational counseling at a low-cost community clinic. Application of Emotionally Focused, Motivational Interviewing and Narrative modalities to problems ranging from eating disorders, parent-child relationship stressors, relationship infidelity and making meaning of past domestic violence and childhood sexual abuse.
- 2005 – present* **Community Health Representative**, UCSD Antiviral Research Center. Outreach specialist and health educator for an HIV/AIDS clinical trials group. Individual and group interaction with community members infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Screen individuals for clinical trials, conduct health education consultations with patients and facilitate support groups.
- 2005* **Program Evaluator**, The San Diego State Foundation, San Diego, CA. Data collection via English and Spanish telephone interviews, later recorded into MS Access databases. Emphasis is on the evaluation of a child health and safety program implemented by the State of California
- 2005* **Latin American Markets Consultant**, Hewlett-Packard Corporation, Palo Alto, CA. Statistical analysis of Brazilian household census data. Formation of business strategy for Hewlett-Packard's Developing Markets division
- 2005* **Program Intern**, San Diego County Department of Health and Human Services TB Control Unit, San Diego, CA. Construct and evaluate EpiInfo and Access databases of Mexican and American epidemiological data. Aid in writing USAID grant proposals
- 2004-2005* **Research Associate**, UCSD Connect, La Jolla, CA. Construct and analyze MS Access databases. Analysis focused on mapping research and technology assets within and surrounding UCSD in order to make best practices recommendations to regions seeking to replicate San Diego's biotech/ biomedical success
- 2004-2005* **Monitoring and Evaluation Intern & Staff Instructor**, The Border Health Initiative, San Diego, CA. Assist with data analysis and critiquing of lesson execution for a reproductive health and HIV prevention program targeting adolescent males of African immigrant families
- 2003* **Schoepflin International Fellow**, Project Concern International, San Diego, CA. Assist VP of Technical Services in creation and development of programming and proposals in TB and HIV-related services as well as monitoring and evaluation activities. Coordinate and research USAID approved Child Survival Grant in TB programs for Northern Baja California, Mexico
- 2003-2004* **University Teaching Assistant**, UCSD, La Jolla, CA. Teach University level Spanish, working with undergraduate students in speaking, reading and writing skills

- 2003 **Programming Specialist**, The World Bank, Washington, DC. Design a statistical evaluation spreadsheet later adapted and used by World Bank staff to conduct HIV/AIDS program monitoring and evaluation in Uganda
- 2000 - **Substitute Instructor**, San Diego City Schools, San Diego, CA. Long and short-term primary and secondary school teaching.
- 1999- **Program Founder-Volunteer Computing Instructor**, Nuevo Progreso, Guatemala.
2000 Establish computer center in Guatemalan Elementary School. While volunteering, coordinated a government sponsored instructor position to replace my volunteer post

EDUCATION

- BA in Psychology with Honors Thesis, University of California at San Diego, 1998
- MA in International Affairs, focusing in NGO Management and Latin American Development, The Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, University of California at San Diego, 2004
- MS in Marriage and Family Therapy, California State University, San Diego, 2010 (Anticipated BBS MFT Intern Status effective summer 2010)

TRAINING

- **Active Member**, San Diego City Heights Conflict Resolution Resource Team, April 2009 – present, Convene monthly meetings and trainings that collaborate efforts between SDSU and the National Conflict Resolution Center. Train city heights residents in conflict resolution techniques and offer mediation services to residents seeking neutral mediation in peaceful resolution of disputes.
- **Trainee**, Restorative Justice Mediation Workshop, June 2009, San Diego, CA. Practice of alternative dispute and mediation techniques in getting victims and offenders to discuss problems and possibly arrive at resolutions that make harms committed into a living lesson for the offender to comprehend.
- **Conference Participant**, Narrative Therapy Workshop, University of San Diego, April 2008, San Diego, CA. Mental health workshop featuring Dr. Michael White, the founder of Narrative Therapy. Discussion based in healing methods that are non-pathologizing and situating clients in their familial, local and societal contexts in order to aid in the understanding of problems.
- **Trainee**, California HIV Test Counselor Training (Basic I and Basic II), California Department of Health and Human Services, October 2006 and January 2007, San Diego, CA. Certification training focusing on pre- and post-HIV test counseling. Emphasis on client-centered counseling, application of stages of change theories and honing skills in active listening.
- **Trainee**, Training Seminar for California AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Enrollment Workers, Ramsell Corporation, May 2006, March 2007, March 2008, San Bernardino, CA. Certification training conferring necessary skills to enroll HIV-positive individuals into the California ADAP.
- **Conference Participant**, Improving Management of HIV Disease, International AIDS Society, February 2006, March 2007, Los Angeles CA. Workshops and plenary discussions on management of HIV and illnesses related to HIV.
- **Conference Participant**, Field Epidemiology Basics for Infectious Disease Readiness, UC Berkeley Center for Infectious Disease Preparedness, June 2005, Chula Vista, CA. Workshops and group exercises focusing on design of emergency response systems, controlling disease outbreak, and research design to investigate potential sources of outbreaks.