REEMA BANIABBASI

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EDUCATION

Master of Public Health, Social and Behavioral Sciences August 2026
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
Relevant Coursework: Fundamentals of Program Evaluation; Program Planning for Health Behavior Change; Management of Nonprofit Organizations; Statistical Methods in Public Health I-III; Qualitative Data Analysis

Master of Counseling Psychology August 2015
Northeastern University Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Boston, MA

Bachelor of Psychology May 2013
Northeastern University College of Science, Boston, MA

PROGRAM PLANNING & EVALUATION EXPERIENCE

Master of Public Health Candidate June 2025 - August 2026
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, MD
- Co-designed and presented a gun violence reduction program in West Baltimore after conducting stakeholder analysis and creating a problem loop diagram using Kumu.
- Co-designed and presented a youth mentorship program to improve access to healthy food and exercise.
- Prepared and presented a grant application for a non-profit for mental health prevention in Baltimore.

Project Coordinator, Livable Streets Coalition October 2025 - June 2026
Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy, Baltimore, MD
- Co-designed an evaluation with a U.S. policy maker, active coalition members, and the primary investigator to help the coalition improve advocacy on walkable streets.
- Gathered physical and digital community survey data using Typeform.
- Analyzed quantitative survey data using R program.
- Analyzed qualitative focus group data.

Psychology Advisor December 2020 - September 2024
Takalam, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- Outlined online workplace and university student emotional wellbeing programs and advised the startup founders on navigating barriers to their telemental health app's delivery and engagement.
- Improved the app's services by creating and providing feedback on counselor recruitment policy, journaling prompts, mood tracking, toolkits, outcome measures, and mental health educational materials.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

Project Coordinator*, Livable Streets Coalition* October 2025 - June 2026
Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy, Baltimore, MD
- Organized two community meetings with 38 attendees from 14 organizations to discuss coalition updates in advocating for equitable access to walkable streets, building more cross-sector partnerships than prior years.
- Spoke at seven neighborhood association meetings which lead to 42 additional email subscriptions.
- Wrote three reports for community members and donors.

Counseling Psychologist July 2019 - February 2025
The Psychiatry & Therapy Centre, *Dubai, United Arab Emirates*
- Featured in Harper's Bazaar Arabia, Gulf News, and global podcasts on mental health awareness.
- Led 14 online and in-person workshops and presentations for 10 to 200 attendees to raise awareness.
- Contributed 15 articles for two local magazines to destigmatize mental health.
- Facilitated three staff discussions on counseling Muslim clients, navigating personal grief while providing psychotherapy, and loneliness in Dubai which influenced clinic programming.

Pre-Licensed Counselor Under Supervision October 2018 – March 2019
The Lighthouse Arabia, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Lead two 1-hour workshops for participants aged 18+ on creativity and mindfulness as part of an annual public event promoting emotional wellbeing.

Clinical Intern August 2017 - June 2018
Renewal House, Roxbury, MA
- Designed and led trauma-informed adult groups to promote emotional wellbeing for multi-lingual shelter residents who were survivors of domestic violence.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Counseling Psychologist July 2019 - February 2025
The Psychiatry & Therapy Centre, *Dubai, United Arab Emirates*

- Provided individual in-person and online psychotherapy in Arabic and English for ages 18+.
- Mentored a clinical master's-level trainee to support her professional development.

Pre-Licensed Counselor October 2018 – March 2019
The Lighthouse Arabia, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Provided individual coaching sessions for ages 18-49 to support mental wellbeing.

Clinical Intern August 2017 - June 2018
Renewal House, Roxbury, MA
- Supported a single mother and her toddler in therapy and domestic violence advocacy.
- Served as a mental health consultant for domestic violence advocates.
- Assisted hotline callers in safety planning and locating shelter and community resources.

Pre-Licensed Counselor October 2015 – September 2016
Lynn Community Health Center, Lynn, MA
- Provided individual psychotherapy, advocacy, and care coordination in Arabic and English and utilized interpreters for refugee and immigrant clients who spoke other languages.

LANGUAGES & SKILLS

Fluent in English and Arabic
Data Analysis and Survey Software: R; Atlas.ti; Typeform
Systems Thinking Software: Kumu