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Education

M.S.W., School of Social Work, Portland State University, September 2018

M.A., American Studies, University of New Mexico, 2009
Thesis: “The Life and Death of Anna Mae Pictou Aquash”

B.A., English Literature, Minor in Women’s Studies, Southern Oregon University, 2007
Capstone: “The Speechless Maternal: Breaking the Silence in Toni Morrison’s *Beloved*”
Women’s Studies Practicum: “Social Weapons of Destruction: An Investigation of the Death of Nick Hanson”

Publications

“Merging Perspectives: Internalized Oppression and Racial Ideology in Contemporary Narratives by Native American Women,” *Southern Oregon University McNair Scholars Journal*, 3 (2007): 93-102

“Community or Commodity? Questioning the Death of Nick Hanson,” *Superficial Safety*, January 2007

Certificates and Licenses

Licensed Clinical Social Worker SWB—2022—0504, State of New Mexico Board of Social Work Examiners, Exp. July 1, 2024

Licensed Clinical Social Worker L10679, Oregon State Board of Licensed Social Workers, Exp. September 30, 2023

EMDR Trained Therapist (Basic Training), *Scaling Up* (EMDRIA-Approved Training)
PENDING MARCH 2023

Level 1 Certified Ecotherapist, BIPOC Ecotherapy and Certification Program, *Earthbody Institute*

Level 1 Certified Emotionally Focused Individual Therapist, Dr. Sue Johnson and Dr. Leanne Campbell PENDING DECEMBER 2022

Human Services Management Certificate, *Network for Social Work Management*

SBIRT for Behavioral Health Specialists, *SBIRT Oregon Training Initiative, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)*

Professional Work Experience

Mental Health Therapist and Consultant, Resonance, LLC., Portland, OR., July 2020 – present.

Intake Counselor, CARES Northwest, Legacy Health System, Portland, OR. July 2019 – August 3, 2020.

Equity Consultant and Facilitator, Center for Equity and Inclusion, Portland, OR. June 2018 – July 2019

Health Equity Coordinator, Southern Oregon Health Equity Coalition (SO Health-E), Health Care Coalition of Southern Oregon, Medford, OR. Feb 2017- Aug 2018

Qualified Mental Health Professional and Social Work Generalist Intern, Jackson County Mental Health, Medford, OR. August 2016 – June 2017

Community Education and Outreach Coordinator, Sojourn Services For Battered Women And Their Children, a project of OPCC, Santa Monica, CA. September 2012 - May 2013

Volunteer Coordinator, Community Works Victim Services, Medford, OR, 2009-11

Co-Facilitator (and co-creator of workshop series), *Communicating Across Differences*, Public Allies (AmeriCorps), Albuquerque, NM 2008-9.

Special Projects Coordinator, Young Women United, Albuquerque, NM, 2007-8

Academic Work Experience

Adjunct Instructor, Portland State University, Portland, OR. Fall 2021 – present
Courses taught include: Social Justice in Social Work (Graduate Level)

Instructor, Southern Oregon University, Ashland, OR. Winter 2012 – Spring 2016
Courses taught include: Introduction to Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies; Introduction to Sociology; U.S. Contemporary Women's Movements; Sociology of the Family; Poverty, Family, and Policy; Social Problems and Policy; Sexual Politics in U.S. History; and Intro to Domestic Violence

Adjunct Instructor, Rogue Community College, Riverside Campus, OR. Fall 2010 – present
Courses taught include: Multicultural America, Race and Ethnicity, Introduction to Sociology, American Society, Social Deviance and Social Control, and Social Problems

Guest Lecturer, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, 2009
Introduction to Race, Class and Ethnicity and Introduction to Gender Studies

Technical Support and Research Assistant, American Studies Department, University of New Mexico, 2008-9

Research Assistant, University of New Mexico, 2007-8

Teaching and Research Assistant, Southern Oregon University, 2006-7

Speaking and Training Engagements

“Managing Anxiety in Community: Building Safety and Connection During Trying Times.”
Hosted by *Brink Communications* and the Oregon Health Authority’s Safe + Strong
Technical Assistance Program. April 26, 2022

“Psychological Safety in the Workplace: Workshop Series on Microaggressions” Jan – Mar 2022

“Heal(th) + Equity”, Keynote Speaker, *Minnesota Adolescent Sexual Health Summit*, Health
Care Education & Training, Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN. September 9, 2019

“Advancing Health Equity Through Community Engagement, Cross-Sector Partnerships, and
Policy and Systems Change,” *Embracing Equity, Improving Health*, Oregon and SW
Washington Health Literacy Conference, March 23, 2018

“LGBTQ Cultural Literacy: Best Practices for Juvenile Justice,” *Oregon Juvenile Department
Directors Association Annual Conference*, OJDDA, September 2015.

“LGBTQ Cultural Literacy: Best Practices for Law Enforcement,” Facilitated Training,
Jackson County Sherriff’s Office, May 2015

“Cultural Development Training,” Maslow Project, March 20, 2014 and August 2015.

“Bullying: A Multicultural Perspective,” *My Story, Your Story* Series, Not Straight Not Sure
Collaboration, Lotus Rising Project, 2012

“Trans-Feminism: A Look at Feminism in Relation to Gender and Sexuality” *My Story, Your
Story* Series, Not Straight Not Sure Collaboration, Lotus Rising Project, Nov 28, 2011

Community Works Victim Services Volunteer Advocacy Training, tri-annual, 40-hour trainings
from 2009-2011

“The Speechless Maternal: Breaking the Silence in Toni Morrison’s *Beloved*,” Northwest
Undergraduate Conference on Literature, Western Oregon University, March, 2007

“Merging Perspectives: Internalized Oppression and Racial Ideology in Contemporary
Narratives by Native American Women,” Ronald E. McNair Internship, SOU, August,
2006

“Community or Commodity? Questioning the Death of Nick Hanson,” Women’s Studies
Practicum, SOU, November, 2006

Conferences and Trainings Attended

- “EMDR Basic Training (Parts I and II).” *Scaling Up* (EMDRIA-Approved). November 2022 – March 2023
- “Screening Adults for ADHD and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD): For Masters and Doctorate Level Clinicians.” Western Oregon Mental Health Alliance. October 14, 2022
- “Emotionally Focused Individual Therapy: Level 1 Certificate Course.” Dr. Sue Johnson and Dr. Leanne Campbell. *Pesi*. January - December 2022
- “Expanding the Self with EFIT & SE w/ Sue Johnson, PhD & Peter A Levine, PhD”, *Ergo Institute of Somatic Education*, October 2, 2021
- “Professional Online BIPOC Ecotherapy Training and Certification Program Level 1,” *The Earthbody Institute*, September – November, 2021
- “Interpersonal Neurobiology for Mental Health Practitioners of Color,” Danette Gillespie-Otto & Marc Otto, August 15-16 and October 24-25, 2019
- “Reframing Racism,” Center for Equity and Inclusion, January 22 – 24, 2019
- “Facilitator Intensive,” Center for Equity and Inclusion, July 9-13, 2019
- “Managing with an Equity and Inclusion Lens,” *The Management Center*, Medford, OR May 30-31, 2018
- “Implicit Bias 101” and “Leadership Response to Implicit Bias,” *Health Care Coalition of Southern Oregon*, Medford, OR, March 13, 2018
- “PTSD and Beyond: Strengths and Limitations of Existing Models of Trauma Care and a Multidimensional and Multimodal Approach to Assessment and Treatment of Trauma, including Complex Trauma”, Dr. Robert Grant, PhD, *Peace House*, Ashland, OR, January 26-27, 2018
- “Embedding an Equity Lens in HR Practice,” *Health Care Coalition of Southern Oregon*, May 11, 2017
- “The Battered Mother Revisited: Representing the areas of Prosecution, Child Welfare, Child Custody Evaluation and Mental Health,” Panel of Experts, *Westside Domestic Violence Network*, Santa Monica, CA, Friday, January 11, 2013
- “Domestic Violence, Advocacy, and the Faith Community,” Olivia Rodriguez, Bernita Walker, Sandra Schooley, and Panel, *Religion & Domestic Violence Committee* and the *Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Council*, Los Angeles, CA, November 29, 2012

- “Dynamics of Domestic Violence: Coercive Control, Trauma and Batterer's Intervention,” *Westside Domestic Violence Network*, Santa Monica, CA October 17, 2012
- “Immigration Issues,” *Westside Domestic Violence Network*, Santa Monica, CA, September 28, 2012
- “Safety Planning with Transgender Clients,” Michael Munson and Loree Cook-Daniels, *Forge*, January 10, 2013
- “Lights, Camera, Social Action: Domestic Violence Filmmakers Speak Out,” *National Alliance to end Domestic Abuse*, December 20, 2012
- “Sexual Assault Dynamics: Effectively Recognizing & Responding to Sexual Assault,” Det. Joanne Archambault, Medford, OR. May 24, 2010
- “Volunteer Management 201 Training,” NOVAA and TACS, Portland, OR. April 29, 2010
- “Q&A for Advocates,” The Northwest Network, Seattle, WA. February 25-27, 2010
- “Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training” (ASIST), *LivingWorks Education, Inc.*, Medford, OR. November 23-24, 2009

Academic Awards and Scholarships

- New Mexico Higher Education Department Graduate Scholarship Program*, University of New Mexico, 2008-9
- Catherine Molinar Knapp Multicultural Award*, Southern Oregon University English Department, 2006
- The Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Scholarship*, Southern Oregon University, 2006
- The Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program Summer Research Internship*, Southern Oregon University, 2006

Committees and Memberships

- Jackson County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee, member, 2017-2018
- Diversity Programming Board, Rogue Community College member, 2017-2018
- State Health Assessment Steering Committee, member, Oregon Health Authority, June 2017-December 2017
- United Way’s Transportation Impact Committee, 2017-2018
- Southern Oregon Housing and Transit Coalition, founding member, 2017-2018
- Southern Oregon Oral Health Coalition, member, 2017-2018
- Racial Equity Coalition, Rogue Valley, Oregon, 2014-2017
- SOU Violence Prevention and Response Advocates (ViPRA) Subcommittee, 2013-2017
- SOU Ronald E. McNair Advisory Council, 2013-2017

SOU Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Council, Chair, 2013-2016
University of New Mexico American Studies Graduate Student Association, Co-Chair, 2008-9
Young Women United, 2007-2009
Southern Oregon Community Coalition, 2006-7
National Association for Ethnic Studies, 2006-7