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## **Education**

- 2013-Present      Capella University, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Doctoral Program in Addiction Psychology
- 2012-2013      Capella University, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Masters Program in Psychology
- 2010-2010      American University, Washington, DC  
Semester Graduate Internship
- 2005-2010      University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX  
Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

## **Work Experience**

- 2014-Present      **Adjunct Professor of Psychology**, Houston, TX  
San Jacinto Community College; College of the Mainland
- 2006- Present      **M4YS Tutoring & Mentoring**, Dallas, TX; Houston, TX  
Individually owned and operated private math, science, English, & test prep tutoring services
- 2011 to 2014      **Rising Scholars Tutor** Houston, TX  
Tutor students in Math, Science & English courses. Courses include: Pre Algebra, Geometry, Algebra I & II; Pre-Calculus; Calculus; Biology and Chemistry.
- 2002-2012      **MetroHaven of Love, Inc.**, Dallas, TX  
Volunteer Administrative Assistant. MetroHaven of Love is a nonprofit organization in Dallas, TX that provides services for the homeless population and supportive recovery services for individuals struggling with drug and alcohol addictions enabling them to re-enter into society as healthy and contributory members of the community.
- 2010-2012      **MetroHaven of Love, Inc**, Dallas, TX  
Internship & Volunteer Coordinator. Created MetroHaven of Love's first internship program. Created and implemented strategies for outreach and marketing of MetroHaven of Love programs and services. Recruited, trained and managed a team of interns. Created and promoted a new volunteer training program.
- 2011      **Sleep Medicine Consultants of North Texas**, Dallas, TX  
Administrative Assistant. Worked closely with a sleep medicine specialist, Dr. Nabeel Farah. Prepared patient charts, checked patients in & out, prepped patients before seeing the doctor and instructed patients on how to use- sleep machines (CPAP).
- 2010      **Congressional Intern**, Washington, DC  
Congressional Intern. Assisted in general office duties such as answering phone calls, copying, faxing, and running errands. In addition, attended committee hearings and prepared reports; researched policy and legislation; drafted correspondence; represented the office at meetings and briefings; led tours of the Capital for visiting constituents; answering constituent mail; and attended events with the Congressman and Staff
- 2010      **American University Graduate Semester Program**

**In Applied Politics, Washington, DC**

2010 **Congressman Glenn Nye Campaign, Virginia Beach, Virginia**

### **Research Experience**

- 2009-2010 **Institute for Behavioral Neuroscience, Austin, TX**  
Research Assistant. Assisted with dissertation research exploring the effect of an oxidative redox drug, methylene blue, on disrupted latent inhibition as a potential therapeutic for Schizophrenia. Led to co-authoring publication entitled "*The behavioral effects of methylene blue on disrupted latent inhibition*"
- 2008-2009 **Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Austin, TX**  
Research Assistant. Executed and interpreted research experiments that are relevant for testing Co-expression of E.coli Chaperonin Genes on T7 DNAP CysLite Solubility.
- 2006-2007 **Institute of Cell & Molecular Biology, Austin, TX**  
Research Assistant. Assisted with dissertation research exploring the application of aptamer microarraying techniques to the detection of HIV-1 reverse transcriptase and its mutant variants
- 2005-2006 **Institute of Cell & Molecular Biology, Austin, TX**  
Research Assistant. Freshman Research Initiative. Executed and interpreted research experiments that are relevant for testing selection of aptamers that can interact tightly and specifically with the Rev protein of HIV-1, and explored how these aptamers can be used to block viral replication
- 2005 **Department of Psychology, Institute for Neuroscience Austin, TX**  
Research Assistant. Assisted with a study on neural systems of category learning. The study investigated neurobiological underpinnings of category learning through empirical data collection, cognitive neuroscience, and mathematical modeling. Duties included: running participants in experiments, entering data, and participant recruitment and scheduling

### **Professional Licenses and Certifications**

Licensed Psychological Associate (LPA), In Progress

### **Memberships and Associations**

APA Division 50-Society of Addiction Psychology, Member

The Association of Black Psychologists, Member

### **Volunteer Organizations**

- 2013-Present Homeless Outreach, Houston, TX
- 2014-Present Houston Reads
- 2002-2012 MetroHaven of Love, Inc. Dallas, TX
- 2011 Habitat for Humanity, Dallas, TX
- 2009 International Student Office, Austin, TX

2008-2010	Texas School for the Blind & Visually Impaired, Austin, TX
2007-2009	Austin Retirement & Nursing Home, Austin, TX
2007-2009	Austin Partners in Education, Austin, TX
2007-2008	Students Helping Admissions' Recruitment Effort, Austin, TX
2006-2009	University of Texas at Austin Student Volunteer Board, Austin, TX