

AHEC-SSW Training Partnership Faculty Information Sheet

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Education/Degrees: B.A. – Spanish, North Carolina Central University, Master of Social Work, UNC – Chapel Hill, Master of Divinity candidate, Abilene Christian University, anticipated graduation May 2021.

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Academic Experience: Adult Education Instructor, Durham Technical Community College, 2011-2012; Adjunct Instructor, UNC Chapel Hill 2017-2018; Clinical Faculty, UNC Chapel Hill, 2018-Present.

Brief Summary of Work Experience (last two years): Currently serving (since August, 2018) as clinical faculty member at UNC - Chapel Hill in the Field Education office, teaching direct practice coursework to masters-level graduate students in the School of Social Work according to CSWE standards. I teach field seminar and oversee field practicum placements related to adult mental health and substance use, advising students throughout placement process and evaluating progress, as well as establishing new relationships and recruiting potential practicum sites for students. I also participate in academic scholarship, including writing, committee involvement, and presenting of workshops and trainings. Prior to my time at UNC, I was employed as a Crisis Counselor with the Chapel Hill Police Department, providing crisis intervention counseling, stabilization of situations through mediation, conflict resolution, safety planning, and assessments; assisting clients with options regarding criminal and civil processes, and delivering death notifications. Additionally, I referred victims to appropriate resources for medical, mental health and legal services, presented training to law enforcement personnel and community partners, and consulted and collaborated with community and governmental agencies pertaining to cases. During both of these activities, I continued (and continue) to maintain a private therapy practice in Durham, NC providing bilingual (Spanish) client-focused, strengths-based psychotherapy to diverse populations, utilizing modalities reflective of the unique needs of individual clients, with a focus on trauma,

grief/loss, and transition. I also provide supervision and mentorship to emerging clinicians according to NASW and NCSWCLB standards, as well as engaging in professional development via DBT consultation team and ongoing training.

Specialization/Research Areas: My areas of specialization are trauma, grief/loss, transition, work with individuals for whom spirituality and/or religion are a system of importance, and work with the Latinx population, particularly centering around trauma. My areas of research interest are spirituality and social work, and the intersection of ethics and culturally-relevant practice with clients.

Available for presentations on the following topics: Ethics, spirituality and social work, work with the Latinx population.