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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), <i>Clinical Psychology</i> Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY - APA Accredited	2014
Master of Arts (M.A.), <i>Clinical Psychology</i> Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY - APA Accredited	2008
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Summa Cum Laude, <i>Psychology</i> Touro College, Flushing, NY	2006

LICENSE

Licensed Psychologist Ohio Board of Psychology, License Number P.07856	2019
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director & Senior Psychologist Psychology Partners of Ohio, LTD Beachwood, OH	02/2019 – Present
Psychology Postdoctoral Fellow Boehm Psych Services Beachwood, OH	07/2018 – 01/2019
Psychology Postdoctoral Fellow Advanced Therapy Center Beachwood, OH	06/2014 – 06/2018

Evaluation Services

- Conduct comprehensive ***Forensic Evaluations*** for juveniles and adults referred by attorneys, Courts, State and Federal agencies, private sector businesses, and self-referrals.
 - Psychosexual Evaluation
 - Sex Offender Evaluation & Risk Assessment
 - Fitness for Duty Evaluation (FFD)
 - Pre-employment Evaluation
 - Competency to Stand Trial Evaluation
 - Pre-sentencing Investigation

- Parental Fitness Evaluation
- Child Custody Assessment
- Other Risk Assessment
- Conduct comprehensive **Psychological Evaluations** for juveniles and adults for diagnostic clarification of psychological symptoms.
 - Personality Disorders
 - Sexual Disorders
 - Developmental Disorders (Autism Spectrum, Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity)
 - Mood Disorders (Bipolar, Obsessive-Compulsive)
 - Substance Use Disorders
- Render reports with diagnostic determination & recommendations.
- Offer direct feedback to referring parties.
- Available to provide Expert Testimony.

Clinical Treatment Services

- Provide individual **Sex Offender Treatment** to adolescents and adults.
 - Collaborate with relevant entities/agencies, including probation officers, courts, and attorneys.
 - Treatment focus includes managing and coping with sexual paraphilias, anger/impulse control, and understanding the nature and impact of co-morbid character pathology.
- Provide **Individual Psychotherapy** to diverse forensic and non-forensic populations, including children, adolescents, and adults.
 - Deliver targeted Behavioral, Cognitive Behavioral (CBT), and Dialectical Behavioral (DBT) Therapies tailored to specific needs of each client.

Psychology Intern

07/2012 – 07/2013

Ohio Psychology Internship (OPI) - APA Accredited

Summit Psychological Associates

Akron, OH

- Conducted comprehensive **Forensic Evaluations** on adult, older adult, child/adolescent and developmentally disabled populations referred for: Pre-Sentence Investigation (PSI), Competency to Stand Trial / Competency to Proceed [*1st and 2nd Opinion*], Sex Offender Risk Assessment (“Psycho-Sexual”) [*State and Federal*], Substance Abuse Evaluations [*Federal*], Court-mandated Custody/Parenting Evaluations, and various Court-mandated Psychosocial Evaluations (stalking, etc.).
- Performed comprehensive **Psychological Evaluations** on adult, older adult, child/adolescent, and developmentally disabled populations referred for: diagnostic clarification (ADHD; Dementia), Pre-employment/Fitness for Duty (Police, Firefighter, Transit Authority, Parks Services), Individual Options (IO) Waiver (Board of Developmental Disabilities), and Parenting Fitness (Civil Custody, Child Protective Services).
- Conducted **Clinical Intake Interviews** with diverse patient population presenting for treatment.
- Provided weekly **Individual Psychotherapy** to diverse forensic and non-forensic adult, older adult, child/adolescent, and developmentally disabled patients referred by self, treatment providers, community agencies and court-mandate.
 - Diagnostic presentations included: mood and anxiety disorders, psychotic disorders, substance use, behavioral disorders (CD/ODD), trauma/victimization, and personality disorders (borderline, narcissistic, antisocial).
 - Forensic issues addressed: violent criminal offenses and perpetration of domestic violence and child abuse/neglect.

- Provided ***Sex Offender*** treatment to adolescent and adult males referred by federal, state, and municipal parole/probation authorities in both individual and group modalities.
- Conducted ***Group Psychotherapy*** to male inmates incarcerated in a minimum-security jail & court-mandated outpatient CBT Batterers' Intervention Program (10-week, 26-week, and 54-week) to male/female adult and late adolescent criminal offenders.
- Agency Liaison for ***Family Violence Court***:

Psychology Extern

06/2011 – 05/2012

Women's Program, Payne Whitney Westchester

New York Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center,
Payne Whitney Westchester, White Plains, NY

- Conducted weekly group psychotherapy with female patients on acute inpatient unit presenting with Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder, depression with suicidality, eating disorders, substance abuse, Borderline Personality Disorder, and other severe mental illness and character pathology.
- Administered comprehensive structured interview batteries to all new admissions and discharges.
- Collaborated with multidisciplinary team of psychiatrists, social workers, and nurses to coordinate care, discuss treatment progress, and discharge planning.

Psychology Extern

09/2010 – 06/2012

Institute for Family Forensic Psychology (IFFP)

Psychological Evaluation, Research, and Counseling Clinic

Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

- Performed comprehensive parent-child visitation evaluations to develop court-ordered therapeutic visitation plan between custodial/non-custodial parents and children.
 - Provided periodic consultation with court appraising case status and visitation progress as requested.
 - Provided collateral psychotherapeutic support for family members aimed at reducing conflict and distress during family reunification and therapeutic visitation process.
- Co-conducted court-ordered custody evaluation.
- Participated in mock trials as expert (psychologist) witness with law school graduates on determining level of child's comprehension of legal rights.

Psychology Extern

08/2009 – 06/2012

Child and Parent Psychological Services (CAPPS)

Psychological Evaluation, Research, and Counseling Clinic

Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

- Provided short- and long-term individual weekly psychotherapy (CBT and DBT) for children/adolescents (ages 9 – 17) presenting with depression, anxiety, ADHD, OCD, conduct/opposition defiant disorder, bullying, anger management, aggressive/criminal behavior, and parenting issues.
- Conducted Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) with children (ages 3 – 8) suffering from disruptive behavior disorders and separation anxiety.
- Performed psychodiagnostic intakes with children and families presenting for treatment; rendered reports with diagnostic impressions and recommendations for treatment.
- Provided clinical supervision to first- and second-year doctoral candidates.

Psychology Extern

09/2010 – 06/2011

Western Connecticut State University Counseling Center

Western Connecticut State University, Danbury, CT

- Provided short- and long-term individual weekly psychotherapy to diverse undergraduate/graduate students presenting with depression, suicidality, bipolar disorder, substance abuse, anxiety, eating disorder/body image concerns, sexual identity issues, adjustment, relationship difficulties and Borderline Personality Disorder.
- Conducted clinical intake interviews, rendered report with diagnostic impressions and consulted on case dispositions.
- Consulted closely with staff psychiatrist on medication management and coordination of care of patients.
- Collaborated on Campus Alliance for Response and Prevention of Interpersonal Violence (CARP) outreach program.
- Presented clinical cases and didactics at weekly case conference and team disposition meetings.

Psychology Extern

06/2010 – 10/2010

Forensic Psychiatric Clinic

Brooklyn Supreme Court /Queens Supreme Court, New York

- Co-conducted clinical interviews as part of court-ordered forensic evaluations with adult and youth (16+) offenders to determine competency to stand trial, legal insanity defense, and comprehension of Miranda rights.
- Attended Mental Health Court and related Supreme Court proceedings, including competency and Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) hearings.
- Collaborated and consulted on pre-trial research with clinicians preparing for expert testimony to present at court hearings.

Psychology Extern

09/2009 – 07/2010

Riker's Island Jail, Robert N. Davoren Complex

East Elmhurst, NY

- Provided brief individual psychotherapy to adult and adolescent inmates presenting with depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety, PTSD, anger management, substance use and Borderline Personality disorder.
- Co-facilitated weekly DBT Skills Training groups with late adolescent (ages 16 – 18) offenders presenting with acute and chronic psychopathology in two segregated “mental observation units.”
- Performed admission intakes and psychosocial evaluations.
- Developed and facilitated psychotherapy group for adolescent expectant fathers.
- Liaised with on-site school psychologist to monitor adolescent patients' progress.
- Consulted with psychiatrist on medication management issues and patient treatment progress.
- Collaborated with corrections officers and jail officials on daily observations of patients' behavior.

Psychology Extern (Virtual Reality Therapy)

01/2011 – 06/2011

Psychology Extern (Couples Therapy)

09/2009 – 01/2010

Testing Extern

08/2008 – 08/2009

Psychological Evaluation, Research, and Counseling Clinic

Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY

- Provided exposure therapy to patient with fear of flying utilizing Virtual Reality stimuli.
- Conducted couples therapy to address marital conflicts.

- Performed comprehensive psychological assessment batteries with children/adolescents (ages 9-15) for diagnostic clarification, to determine level of cognitive/intelligence/achievement functioning, and recommendations for treatment or placement.

Group Co-Leader

06/2005 – 08/2006

Cognitive Orientation Group, Traumatic Brain Injury Unit

Peninsula Hospital Center, Far Rockaway, NY

- Co-led weekly group to remediate sequelae of acquired brain injury in inpatients.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Primary Investigator, Doctoral Dissertation

2009 – 2014

Hofstra University

Hempstead, NY

Title: “*Effects of Induced Mood on Rates of Forgetting for Distributed and Massed Relational Learning.*”

Purpose: The study seeks to elaborate on the differences in memory consolidation between items encoded using a distributed versus a massed paradigm through use of a novel relational memory procedure. In addition, the study looks to test the differential effects of depressed mood, induced using the Velten mood procedure, on rate of forgetting for distributed versus massed learning. Subjects will encode and train to criterion 60 face-profession pairs over the course of two day, followed one week later by a cued-recall test of memory. Based on pilot data, it is hypothesized that conditions of depressed mood during encoding will negatively affect memory recall only for those items encoded using a massed learning, not a distributed learning, paradigm.

Research Associate

2008 – 2011

Department of Psychology

Touro College, NY

- Collaborated with research team on investigating processes relating to individual differences in episodic memory consolidation through the administration of a unique distributed memory paradigm involving E-Prime computer program
- Conducted mood and intellectual assessment utilizing BAI, BDI, Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale, Third Edition (WAIS-III), California Verbal Learning Test (CVLT-II), Brief Visuo-spatial Memory Test-Revised (BVMT-R).
- Facilitated examination of religious orientation in the Jewish population, the role of personality in religious orientation, and the role religious orientation plays in prejudice, using Religious Orientation Scales and self-designed survey measures.

Research Coordinator

2009 – 2010

Robert N. Davoren Complex

Riker’s Island, NY

Collaborated on research examining the therapeutic effects of Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) on incarcerated adolescent populations in mental observation units using: BAI, BDI, Life Problems Inventory (LPI), African American Adolescent Respect Scale (AAARS).

Graduate Research Fellow
Department of Psychology, Hofstra University
Hempstead, NY

2007 – 2009

- Studied the prediction of future reading scores by assessing phonological coding difficulties in elementary and middle school children.
- Assessed the influence of various forms of message framing on risky driving intentions, using gain-framed and loss-framed messages, by administering different framed messages along with psychological assessments to undergraduate students.

Undergraduate Research Assistant
Traumatic Brain Injury Unit, Peninsula Hospital
Far Rockaway, NY

2005 – 2006

- Collaborated on research on rehabilitation as a function of health attribution and depression in patients with acquired brain injury.
- Collaborated on research examining potential changes in perceptual organization and implicit learning as a function of acquired brain injury using a unique computer experiment.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Laboratory Instructor, Touro College, Queens, NY

- **Statistics for Psychology** 09/2011 – 06/2012
- **Experimental Psychology** 09/2006 – 06/2012
- **Biological Psychology** 01/2007 – 01/2008

Adjunct Instructor, Touro College, Queens, NY

06/2009 – 06/2010

- **Introduction to Psychology**

Teaching Assistant, Touro College, Queens, NY

01/2009 – 09/2010

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Litman, L., Wilckens, K., & **Miller, B.** (2010, May). *Role of Rest and Online Reactivation in the Consolidation of Long-Term Memory*. Poster presented at the 22nd annual Association for Psychological Science conference, Boston, MA.

Litman, L., Levy, D., **Miller, B.**, Sokol, Y., Goldschein, H., Miller M. L., & Schwartz-Weitz, A. (2010, May). *The Importance of Belief in God and Collectivism Among Religious Jews*. Poster presented at the 22nd annual Association for Psychological Science conference, Boston, MA.

Miller, M. L., **Miller, B.**, Adler, A., Hersh, D., Goldschein, H., & Litman, L. (2010, May). *Exploring Religious Motivations of Intrinsically Religious Individuals*. Poster presented at the 22nd annual Association for Psychological Science conference, Boston, MA.

Litman, L., Nutter-Upham, K., Rabin, L., Kahan-Frankl, M., Anderson, L., & **Miller, B.** (2009, October). *Individual differences in episodic memory consolidation: The role of IQ, anxiety and distributed learning*. Poster Presented at the 40th annual Society for Neuroscience conference, Chicago, IL.

Miller, B., Hersh, D., Adler, A., Waxman, R., Weinberger-Litman, S.L., & Litman, L. (2009, May). *Role of Religious Observance and Religious Orientation in Conservative Attitudes Among Orthodox Jews*. Poster presented at the 20th annual Association for Psychological Science conference, San Francisco, CA.

Litman, L., Hersh, D., **Miller, B.**, Adler, A., Waxman, R., & Weinberger-Litman, S.L. (2009, May). *Extrinsic Orientation is Positively Correlated with Extraversion Among Highly Extrinsic Religious Groups*. Poster presented at the 20th annual Association for Psychological Science conference, San Francisco, CA.

Litman, L., **Miller, B.**, Hersh, D., Adler, A., Waxman, R., & Weinberger-Litman, S.L. (2009, May). *Exploring Religious Orientation Within Orthodox Judaism*. Poster presented at the 20th annual Association for Psychological Science conference, San Francisco, CA.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- **American Psychological Association (APA)**
- **Ohio Psychological Association (OPA)**
- **Cleveland Psychological Association (CPA)**