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### **CURRENT POSITIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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Research Professor, Psychological and Brain Sciences, Drexel University, 2023-present  
Program Director, PhD in Couple and Family Therapy, Drexel University, 2023-present

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### **EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL HISTORY**

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#### **Education**

**PhD**, Human Development and Family Science, with a specialization in Couples and Family Therapy, The Ohio State University, 2012

**MS**, Human Development and Family Science, The Ohio State University, 2008

**BS**, Psychology, The Ohio State University, 2005

**BA**, Anthropology, The Ohio State University, 2005

#### **Licensure & Certifications**

Prepare Enrich Facilitator Certification

Independent Marriage and Family Therapist with Supervision Designation (Ohio)

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Approved Supervisor

#### **Employment History – Academic Appointments**

Professor (Assistant, Associate, Full), School of Social Work and Family Sciences and School of Counseling, University of Akron, 2013-2023

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Substance Abuse Research Center, University of Michigan, 2012-2013

#### **Employment History – Academic Administrative Appointments**

Interim Program Director, DCFT Program, Drexel University, 2024 - 2025

Program Coordinator, Bachelors in Child and Family Development, University of Akron, 2020 – 2022

Program Coordinator, Masters in Child and Family Development, University of Akron, 2020 – 2022

Program Director, MFT Doctoral Track, University of Akron, 2017 – 2020

Clinical Training Director, MFT Doctoral Track, University of Akron, 2018 – 2020

#### **Honors & Awards**

- Faculty Summer Research Award for Tenure/Tenure-Track Faculty, 2023
- Affordable Learning Initiative Grant Recipient, University of Akron, 2022
- Family Focus Discussion Series Teaching Grant Recipient: Gender identity, sexuality, and mental health, Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues Teaching Grant, 2022.
- University of Akron Closing the Loop Assessment Grant Recipient, 2019
- OAMFT Contribution to Research Award, 2017

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## RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP (Past 5 years)

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### Funded Research

SHINE Project, # 1 M01HP54855-, July 2025 – June 2029, HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Program, \$2,400,000, Principal Investigator, 25% FTE

SBIRT Grant, Project # 1H79TI084044, September 2023 - September 2026, SAMHSA, CSAT Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment, \$2,953,205, Co-investigator, 40% FTE.

Faculty Summer Research Award. June 2023 – June 2024, Drexel University Office of Faculty Advancement, \$7,000, Principal Investigator, FTE in-kind.

Opioid Workforce Enhancement Program, Grant #: T98HP33419, September 2019 – August 2023, SAMSHA-HRSA \$1,309,162, Principal Investigator, 26% FTE.

Addiction treatment Counts: Expanding Interdisciplinary Training, Project # 1H79FG000096, April 2020 – March 2023, SAMHSA, Expansion of Practitioner Education grant, \$200,000, Principal Investigator 15% FTE.

GWEP: Infusing Interprofessional Geriatric Education into Primary Care Learning Environments. Grant #: UIQHP33037, July 2021 – December 2024, SAMSHA-HRSA Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program grant, Co-investigator, 8% FTE.

University of Akron Faculty Research Competition, May 2021 – August 2021, University of Akron \$10,000, Principal Investigator, 10% FTE in-kind.

UA Campus Suicide Prevention Grant, January 2020-December 2022, SAMHSA, \$200,000, Co-investigator, 5% FTE in-kind.

### Review Panels

- Peer Reviewer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Peer Reviewer, National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
- Peer Reviewer, NIH Interventions to Prevent and Treat Addictions Study Section

### Google Scholar Profile

[https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=U2aR1ZAAAAAJ&view\\_op=list\\_works&gmla=AJsN-F5Mooj8DKkS2tmR0MjUASNNs47Sh0ZhV9pgKEF4q3uvV2QJl3EOyyUTw2q1to9ZmgWQvJi-2GpqHlu1ua6EFaB7rStVfAtHaoHZ7Ny8Fadl1HrJfM8](https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=U2aR1ZAAAAAJ&view_op=list_works&gmla=AJsN-F5Mooj8DKkS2tmR0MjUASNNs47Sh0ZhV9pgKEF4q3uvV2QJl3EOyyUTw2q1to9ZmgWQvJi-2GpqHlu1ua6EFaB7rStVfAtHaoHZ7Ny8Fadl1HrJfM8)

### Peer-reviewed Journal articles

1. Katafiasz, H., **Patton, R.**, Maloney, G., & Swift, G. (Accepted, 2026). What do we know about Trauma-informed Supervision across the mental health professions? A Scoping Review *Traumatology*.

2. Katafiasz, H., **Patton, R.**, & Dang, Y. (published online 5.7.26). Clinical Supervision as Intersectional: A Guide for Implementing Intersectional Supervision Across Mental Health Professions. *The Family Journal*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10664807261448232>
3. **Patton, R.**, morales, g., Dickinson, M., Kairys, L., Pedersen, K., Martin, S., & Katafiasz, K. (2026). Relational Ethics and Substance Misuse: Insights from a Community-based Sample. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.
4. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J., Zaarur, A. & Brown, D. (2025). One size does not fit all: the heterogeneous impact of COVID-19 on graduate-level behavioral health professions students. *Journal of American College Health*.
5. **Patton, R.**, Brown, D., Katafiasz, H., Ellis, J. (2024). Using virtual simulation to teach substance use screening and brief intervention skills across the health professions: Examining training outcomes among an interprofessional graduate student sample. *Families, Systems, & Health*.
6. Chou, J., **Patton, R.**, & Aletaris, L. (2024). Examining utilization of family-based therapies in substance use treatment centers. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.
7. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J., Kester, T., & Feeney, E. (2024). Exploring social connectedness, isolation, support, and recovery factors among women seeking substance use treatment. *Women & Health*.
8. Chou, J., **Patton, R.** et al. (2023). Understanding Families Impacted by Opioid Use: Outcomes of a Therapist Training Program. *Families, Systems, & Health*.
9. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J., Zaarur, A., Dang, Y., Katafiasz, H., & Swint, P. (2023). Exploring substance use perceptions among Family Therapy and Counseling trainees upon entering an opioid use disorder treatment training program. *International Journal of Systemic Therapy*.
10. Chou, J. L., Herbert, D., Bennett, D., **Patton, R.**, Dilks-Webb, K., Zaarur, A., & Schindler, B. (2022). Family support and medication for opioid use treatment for women: a mixed methods study *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*.
11. Sang, J., **Patton, R.**, & Park, I. (2022). "One Size Doesn't Fit All": A Qualitative Evaluation of Addiction Treatment from the Perspectives of Individuals in Recovery and Professionals. *Substance Use & Misuse*.
12. Chou, J. L., **Patton, R.**, Cooper-Sadlo, S., Swan, C., Bennett, D., McDowell, D., Zaarur, A., & Schindler, B. (2022). Stigma and Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) among Women. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*.
13. Coppola, J., Gangamma, R., Kavar, C., **Patton, R.**, & Ramadoss, K. (2021). Romantic Attachment and Relational Ethics: A Dyadic Analysis of Couples in Therapy. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.
14. **Patton, R.**, Katafiasz, H. & Tefteller, D. (2021). Exploring our "Deltas": A Training Tool for Conceptualizing Systemic Theory of Change. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.

15. Katafiasz, H., **Patton, R.**, Tefteller, D., & Takeda, M. (2021). Ethical Decision-Making in Marriage and Family Therapy: A Review of the Literature. *Journal of Systemic Therapies*.
16. Katafiasz, H., **Patton, R.**, Tefteller, D., & Takeda, M. (2021). Ethical Decision-Making in Marriage and Family Therapy: An Introduction of a New Model. *Journal of Systemic Therapies*.
17. Katafiasz, H & **Patton, R.** (2021). Closing the Loop: Addressing Diversity in a COAMFTE-accredited MFT Education Program. *Contemporary Family Therapy*.

### **Book Chapters (past 5 years)**

1. **Patton, R.** & Hershey, S. (Anticipated December 2026). Addiction and Its Effects on Relationships and Family Life. In *Contemporary Family Therapy: Integration, Diversity, and Practice for the 21st Century Therapist*. (invited)
2. Glebova, T., **Patton, R.**, Lal, A., & Ducommon-Nagy, C. (Anticipated 2026). Trauma as Injustice: The Lens of Contextual Therapy. In *Trauma-Informed Relational Therapy: Applications and Interventions*.(invited)
3. **Patton, R.** & Katafiasz, H. (2024). Ethics of Self-Care and Self-of-the-Therapist in Marriage and Family Therapy. In *Systemic Ethics Textbook*. AAMFT. (invited)

### **National and International Presentations**

1. **Patton, R.**, Hershey, S., & Deadrick, B. (Accepted, October, 2026). *Building CORE: Advancing Contextual Therapy Through Collaboration*. [Oral presentation]. AAMFT Systemic Family Therapy Conference, virtual.
2. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J. L., Rezapour, S., & Shewokis, P. (Accepted, November 2026). *Examining large language models for qualitative analysis of training processes in simulation-based substance use education* [Poster presentation]. AMERSA National Conference, Washington, DC, United States.
3. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J. L., Jordal, C., Rutherford, T., Tyszka, A., Krauthamer Ewing, S., & Ramakrishnan, A. (Accepted, October 2026). *Developing virtual reality simulation for interprofessional training in youth suicide prevention: Lessons from the SHINE Program*. Poster submitted to the Collaborative Family Healthcare Association Conference. St. Louis.
4. **Patton, R.**, Pedersen, K., Rutherford, R., Dickinson, M., & Kairys, L. (2026). One Measure, Two Stories: How AUDIT vs. AUDIT-C Shape SBIRT Implementation, Poster Presentation at ASAM 57th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA.
5. Hudash, E., Kairys, L., Sterling, R., Dickinson, M., Chou, J., **Patton, R.**, Rutherford, T., Pederson, K., Surrat, Z., Wile, S., Davis, G. (2026). *Implementation of Universal Screening in a Student Health Setting: Initial Findings*. Poster presented at Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

6. Rutherford, T., **Patton, R.**, et al. (2026). Understanding Students' Preparation for Interprofessional Crisis and Suicide Prevention Work. *Poster presented at the 5th Annual Suicide Research Symposium*, virtual.
7. Sterling, R., Kairys, L., Leach, W., Flattau, A., Chou, J., **Patton, R.**, Dickinson, M. (2026, April). *Single-Item Screening for Substance Use in Primary Care: An Investigation*. Poster presented at Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
8. **Patton, R.**, morales, g., Dickinson, M., & Martin, S. (November, 2025). *Relational Ethics and Substance Use: Insights from a Community-based Sample*. Poster Presentation at the 2025 NCFR Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD.
9. Morales, g., Maloney, G., **Patton, R.**, & Swint, P. (October, 2025). *Using Contextual therapy with partners who have a history of intimate partner violence*. Oral Presentation at the 2025 International Conference Contextual Therapy, Antwerp, Belgium.
10. **Patton, R.**, Kairys, L., & Dickinson, M. (October, 2025). *From Substance Misuse to Support: SBIRT in Relational Practice*. Oral Presentation at the 2025 AAMFT Systemic Family Therapy Conference, Virtual.
11. Dickson, M., Kairys, L., Surratt, Z., Wile, S., Pedersen, K., **Patton, R.**, Sterling, R., Davis, G. (2025, Oct). *Integrating SBIRT into University-Based Student Health: A Quality Improvement Initiative*. Poster presented at the Collaborative Family Healthcare Association (CFHA) Integrated Care Annual Conference, Raleigh, NC.
12. **Patton, R.**, Katafiasz, H, Maloney, G., & Swift, G. (September, 2025). *What do we know about Trauma-informed Supervision? A Scoping Review*. Poster Presentation at the 2025 Intervention Research in Systemic Family Therapy Conference, Columbus, OH.
13. morales, g. & **Patton, R.** (June, 2024). *Conceptualizing familial end-of-life experiences using Contextual Therapy Theory: Considering social location and relational ethics*. 2024 AFTA Conference. Denver, CO.
14. **Patton, R.** & morales, g. (June, 2024). *How is social connection associated with mental health outcomes for older adults?* 2024 AFTA Conference. Denver, CO.
15. **Patton, R.** & Chou, J. (March, 2024). *Navigating Leadership in multi-site program development and evaluation grant projects*. 2024 AAMFT Leadership Symposium. Phoenix, AZ.
16. Brown, D., Hovland, C. A., Fosnight, S., Chrzanowski, B. L., Gergis, M., **Patton, R.**, & Simpson, D. L. (November, 2023). *A model for teaching students age-friendly concepts using virtual interprofessional simulation*. Poster Presentation at the 2023 GSA Annual Scientific Meeting.
17. **Patton, R.** & Chou, J. (November, 2022). *Utilizing Mixed Reality Simulation in substance use training*. Poster Presentation at the 2022 AMERSA National Conference. Boston, MA.
18. **Patton, R.**, Brown, D., & Katafiasz, H. (October, 2022). *Interprofessional Simulation Training in Substance Use & SBIRT: Debriefing Outcomes and Lessons Learned*. Oral Presentation at the 2022 Collaborative Family Healthcare Association's Annual Conference. Boise, ID.

19. **Patton, R.** & Brown, D. (August, 2022). *Addiction treatment Counts Interprofessional Training (ACE-IT): Examining Program Outcomes*. Lightning Talk Presentation at the 2022 NEXUS Summit. Minneapolis, MN.
20. Chou, J., **Patton, R.**, Katafiasz, H., & Zaarur, A. (April, 2022). *Substance Use Training Program for Couple and Family Therapists: A Program Evaluation*. Poster Presentation at the 2022 International Family Therapy Association Annual Conference. San Juan, Puerto Rico.
21. Chou, J., **Patton, R.**, Swint, P., Zaarur, A. (April, 2022). *Examination of a Substance Use Training Program for Couple and Family Therapist*. Oral Presentation at the 2022 International Family Therapy Association Annual Conference. San Juan, Puerto Rico.
22. **Patton, R.** & Chou, J. (March, 2022). *Increasing diversity and inclusivity when working with adolescents impacted by opioid use disorder*. Workshop presentation at the 2022 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Conference. New Orleans, LA.
23. Zaarur, A., Chou, J., & **Patton, R.** (March, 2022). *Exploring Cultural Competency among Participants in a Substance Use Treatment Training Program*. Poster presentation Workshop presentation at the 2022 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Conference. New Orleans, LA.
24. **Patton, R.**, Chou, J., Zaarur, A., Dang, Y., Katafiasz, H. & Swint, P. (November, 2021). *Exploring MFT and Counseling Trainees' Substance Use Knowledge and Perceptions Upon entering an Opioid Use Disorder Training Program During the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Interactive Poster Presentation at the 2021 National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference. Virtual Presentation.
25. Chou, J. & **Patton, R.** (August, 2021). *The Interdisciplinary Training Initiative for Children, Adolescents and Families Impacted by Opioid Use Disorder (ITI)*. Webinar Presentation at the 2021 Doctoral Training Summit for the American Association of Marriage Family Therapy Minority Fellowship Program. Virtual Presentation.
26. Chou, J. & **Patton, R.** (May, 2021). *Family Therapy among Substance Use Treatment Centers*. Webinar Presentation at the 2021 National Council for Behavioral Health Annual Conference. Virtual Presentation.
27. Katafiasz, H. & **Patton, R.** (March, 2021). *Sliding vs. Deciding: When becoming a leader is decided for you*. Webinar Presentation at the 2021 AAMFT Leadership Symposium. Virtual Presentation.
28. Brown, D., **Patton R.**, Drost, J., & Hazelett, S. (February, 2021). *Addressing the Opioid Treatment Gap with an Interprofessional Team Approach*. Webinar Presentation at the 2021 Creating Healthy Work Environments. Virtual Presentation.

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Courses Developed

*Drexel University*

- CFTP 701 (Fa 24) Advanced Clinical Experience and Professional Development
- CFTP 729 (Fa 23) Diversity Diverse Families and Communities: Intervention Strategies
- CFTP 771 Capstone Project II (Wi 23); co-developed with Dr. Gloria Kruger Gonzolez

*University of Akron*

- Addiction Treatment Counts: Enhancing Interdisciplinary Training among Health Professions
- Advanced Practicum in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Advanced Systems Theory
- American Families in Poverty
- Advanced Child Development
- Advanced Family Dynamics
- Human Sexuality
- Marital Therapy
- Medical Family Therapy
- MFT Doctoral Internship
- Motivational Interviewing
- Outcomes Research in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Qualitative Research/Research Design II

**Academic Courses Taught**

*Drexel University*

- CFTP 500 Systems Theory (Fa 25)
- CFTP 701 (Fa 24, Wi 25, Sp 25; Fa 25)
- CFTP 729 Diversity Diverse Families and Communities: Intervention Strategies (Fa 23)
- CFTP 734 Supervision in CFT (Wi 23; Fa 23)
- CFTP 771 Capstone Project II (Wi 23)
- CFTP 802 Dissertation (Sp 23, Su 23, Fa 23, Wi 24, Sp 24, Su24, Fa 24, Wi 25, Sp 25)
- CFTP Dissertation Defense (Sp 23, Sp 25)

*University of Akron*

- Addiction Assessment and Treatment Planning
- Addictions Counseling
- Addiction Treatment Counts: Enhancing Interdisciplinary Training among Health Professions
- Advanced Practicum in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Advanced Systems Theory
- American Families in Poverty
- Assessment in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Child Development
- Doctoral Seminar
- Dissertation
- DSM
- Family Dynamics
- Human Behavior and Social Environments: Small Systems
- Human Sexuality
- Individual and Family Development
- Issues in Sexuality
- Marital Therapy
- Medical Family Therapy

- MFT Doctoral Internship
- MFT Field Experience/Pre-practicum
- MFT Masters Internship
- MFT Masters Practicum
- Motivational Interviewing
- Outcomes Research in Marriage and Family Therapy
- Qualitative Research/Research Design II
- Research and Program Evaluation
- Theories and Techniques in Marriage and Family Therapy

## **Academic Lectures**

### *Drexel University*

- Title: Substance Use and Contextual Therapy Theory, for CFTP 602: Contextual Therapy, Spring 2023; Spring 2024; Spring 2025; Spring 2026

## **Student Supervision and Mentoring**

### *Drexel University*

#### Dissertations – Chair/Co-Chair

- Nerlie Clark, 2023
  - Parent Receptivity to Therapist Feedback: An Exploratory Change Event Study of the MacArthur Story Stem Battery Feedback Session
- Alicia James, 2025
  - Suicide Bereavement among Older Adults
- Grant Morales, In Progress

### *University of Akron*

#### Dissertations – Chair/Co-Chair

- Michael Pennington, 2021
  - Examining the Relationship between Self-Care and Professional Quality of Life Among Early-Career Marriage and Family Therapists
- Elizabeth Molla, 2020
  - Clinical Conceptualizations of Grief, and Loss Experienced by Clients in Foster Care
- Amber Ray, 2020
  - Non-Monosexuals' Perceived Attachment Systems in a Comparison Between Male and Female Partners: An Ex Post Facto Study
- Michelle Cappetto, 2020
  - The Impact of Minimalism on Health and Relational Satisfaction: Understanding Minimalism Through a Medical Family Therapy Lens
- Richard Dawson, 2020
  - Posttraumatic Stress and Social Support in Police Cadets, 2020
- Eman Tadros, 2019
  - The Racial and Ethnic Differences of Self-Perceived Consensus of Coparenting among Families with an Incarcerated Father, 2019
- Molly McDowell-Burns, 2016
  - Patterned Behaviors in Couples: The Validity of the Couples Conflict Resolution Styles Assessment

## Dissertations – Member

- Kylene Mesaros (Nursing), 2024
  - The Relationship between Stress, Coping, Burnout, and Turnover Intention in Adult Critical Care Nurses.
- Shuyan Sheng (Counseling Psychology), 2023
  - Narrative Inquiry into Body Psychotherapists' Stories of Becoming Body Psychotherapists
- Megan Kimbrell (Counseling Psychology), 2022
  - Parental burnout in mothers: Exploring the roles of social support, income, sense of coherence, and dispositional mindfulness.
- Elise Mollohan (Nursing), 2022
  - The Plant-Based Diet Transition among People with Cardiovascular Disease
- Momoko Takeda (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2021
  - Exploring relationship between flow, mindfulness, and self-perceived multicultural counseling competencies among MFT trainees
- Mindy Armbrust Beach (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2021
  - A Quantitative Exploration into the Screening Practices of Licensed Mental Health Providers for Parental Adverse Childhood Experiences When Working with Child and Adolescent Clients
- Rachel Bell (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2021
  - Use of Feminist Therapy to Treat Intimate Partner Violence in Same-Sex Couples
- Melissa Coan (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2020
  - The Role of Dyadic Coping in the Association between Daily Hassles and Relationship Satisfaction
- Renne Dragomir Dragomir (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2020
  - Does adherence to IHBT improve family therapy outcomes?
- Danielle Shaw (Sociology), 2019
  - Predicting Criminal Recidivism Using Survival Analysis: Evidence from a Mental Health Court
- Larissa-Jayne Edwards (Counseling Psychology) 2019
  - Adverse Childhood Experiences and Adult Psychological Outcomes: The Roles of Shame and Resilience
- Jessica Krowka (Nursing), 2019
  - The Lived Experience of Recovery From Heroin Addiction
- Rebecca Schlesinger (Counseling Psychology), 2019
  - Sexual Minority Women's Experiences of Living & Coping with Internalized Heterosexism
- Charity Smith (Counseling Psychology), 2019
  - Perfectionism and Alcohol Use Disorder: A Factor Analytic Study
- Jeffrey Reech (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2019
  - The Assessment of the Spiritual Competency of Marriage and Family Therapy Students: A Partial Replication Study of the Spiritual Competency Scale
- Ashley Grinonneau-Denton (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2019
  - MFTS' Comfort and the Extent to which They Discuss Sexual Issues with the Couples with whom they work.
- Marisa Cargill (Counselor Education), 2019
  - The relationship between social media addiction, anxiety, the fear of missing out, and interpersonal problems
- Sara Roth, (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2018
  - A quasi-experimental investigation of the impact of the Nurtured Heart Approach on

parenting confidence, use of appropriate verbal discipline and perceptions of child interpersonal strengths in a Caucasian population sample

- Michael Redd (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2017
  - Adverse Childhood Experiences and Couple Relationships: Impacts on Relationship Quality and Partner Selection
- Nicole Cleland (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2017
  - Differentiation of Self and Effortful Control: Predictors of Non-Traditional Students' Adjustment to Community College
- Francesca Owoo (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2017
  - A Phenomenological Study of the Lived Experiences of Caregivers of Children with Sickle Cell Disease
- Megan Miranda (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2015
  - The Experience of Foster Care and Long Term Attachment Outcomes into Adulthood
- Teresa Rogers (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2015
  - Healing Partners: The Integration of a Therapy Animal in Feminist Family Therapy
- David Tefteller, (Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy), 2014
  - The Influence of Father Involvement and Family Structure Variables on Young Adult-Father Relationship Quality

#### Master's Theses/Projects – Chair/Co-Chair

- Sarah A. Psihountakis, 2022
- Britney J. Shimko, 2021

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## SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

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### **Offices or Positions Held in Professional & Scientific Organizations**

#### *Service to the Community*

- Member, Summit County Trauma Informed Care Coalition, 2023 - 2025
- Co-Chair, Executive Advisory Board - North High School's College and Career Academies, 2021 – 2022
- Member, Advisory Board - North High School's College and Career Academies, 2021 – 2022
- Research Consultant, CHC Addiction Services, 2020-2022
- Member, Summit County Opiate and Addiction Task Force, 2016 – 2022

#### *State Service*

- Co-leader, Ohio Family TEAM, 2019 – 2023
- Member, OAMFT Conference sub-committee, 2014 - 2018
- Chair, OAMFT Legislative Committee, 2016 – 2018

#### *National Service*

- Member, AAMFT Awards Committee, 2025 - present
- Member, Opioid Response Network Workforce Interest Group, 2024 - present

- Member, AAMFT CEC Committee, 2019 – 2023
- Site Visitor, COAMFTE, 2018 – present
- Mentor, AAMFT Leadership Certificate Program, 2019 – 2021
- Member, MFP Advisory Committee, AAMFT Research & Education Foundation, 2016 – 2019
- Mentor, AAMFT Minority Fellowship Program, AAMFT Research & Education Foundation, 2014 – 2016

### **Professional Memberships**

- American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy, 2008 – present
- American Psychological Association, 2026 – present
- Association for Women in Science, 2023 - present
- National Council on Family Relations, 2012 – present
- The National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity, 2023 – present
- Ohio Association of Marriage and Family Therapy/ Ohio Interest Network (formerly OAMFT), 2012 – 2020
- Textbook and Academic Authors Association, 2023 – present
- United States Distance Learning Association, 2023 - present