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#### Certification/Licensure

**LPC** – Licensed Professional Counselor (OR#3222)  
**Licensed Teacher** – Standard Elementary Education

#### Education

**M.A. in Professional Counseling, George Fox University, Portland, Oregon** 2009  
 Thesis: *Theoretical Orientation and Practice Strategies*  
**Endorsement: Special Education Handicapped Learner Endorsement** 2003  
**B.S. in Human Development/Psychology/Secondary Education,** 1995  
**Warner Pacific College, Portland, Oregon**

#### Selected Professional Experience

**Training Instructor** – DBT for Adolescents and Families 2019  
*Portland DBT Institute, Portland, OR*

**Individual, Family, & Group DBT Therapy: Teens and Parents** 2013-Present  
*Portland DBT Institute, Portland OR*

**Crisis Intervention/Suicide Alleviation** 2014-2017  
*ConMed: Clark County Jail, Vancouver, WA*

**Community Mental Health Individual & Group DBT Therapy** 2012-2014  
*Columbia River Mental Health Services, Vancouver, WA*

**Individual, Couples & Family Counselor/Group Facilitator** 2009-2012  
*Private Practice, Portland & Estacada, OR*

**Masters Internship/Individual Youth & Family/Group Facilitator** 2008-2009  
*Columbia River Mental Health Services*

**Behavior Intervention/Suicide Retention** 1987-2007  
**Crossroads Alternative School** – Coordinator  
*Gresham/Barlow School District – Fariss Alternative School*

**Adjunct Faculty, Human Development Undergrad Dept.,** 2010-2013  
*Warner Pacific College, Portland, OR*  
 COURSES: PSY 100: Foundational Elements of Psych.  
 HD 313: Adult Development  
 HD 320: Human Sexuality  
 SS 352: Cultural Studies  
 EDPSY 420: Learning Theory  
 PSY 430: Counseling Theory

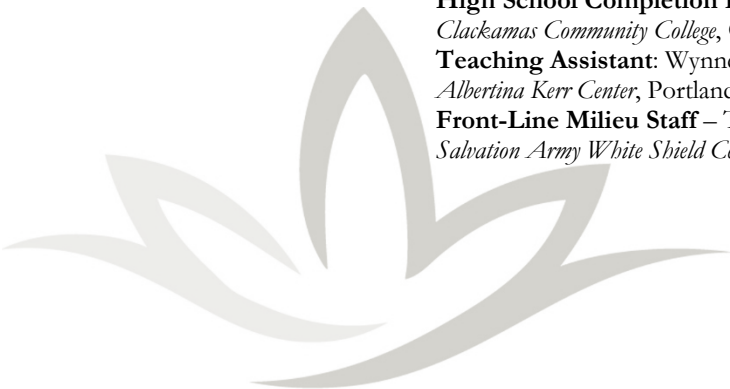
**Teacher/Behavior Specialist** – Culturally Diverse At-Risk Youth 1987-1997;  
*Crossroads Alternative School, Oregon City, OR* 2004-2007

**Special Education Teacher/Behavior Specialist** 1998-2004  
*Fariss Alternative High School: Gresham-Barlow SD, Gresham, OR*

**High School Completion Program** – Summer Term 1989; 1990;  
*Clackamas Community College, Oregon City, OR* 1991

**Teaching Assistant: Wynne Watts Alternative School** 1984-1986  
*Albertina Kerr Center, Portland, OR*

**Front-Line Milieu Staff** – Teen Parent & Shelter Care Programs 1980-1984  
*Salvation Army White Shield Center, Portland, OR*



## Honors/Awards

University of Oregon Alumni Association “ <b>School Achievement Award</b> ” Humanitarian Work in Honduras: Cultural Studies Course for At-Risk Youth	2006
Oregon Association of Alternatives in Education: “ <b>School of the Year</b> ” Developed program, led to Crossroads Alternative School’s award	1999
<b>Secondary Ed.</b> Accreditation, Crossroads Alternative School (NWASC)	1990
Mexico & Honduras Cultural Awareness <b>Trips Abroad for At-Risk Youth</b> Curriculum Development, Funding Acquisition and Facilitation	1996; 1997; 2003; 2005

## Professional Service

<b>Founder/Coordinator</b> <i>Emmaus Outreach: Support for Homeless/Human Trafficking Victims Living Along SE Springwater Corridor</i>	2005-2016
<b>Coordinator</b> <i>Compassion Estacada Health Fairs</i>	2010; 2011
<b>Graduate Student Mentor</b> <i>George Fox University, Graduate Department of Counseling</i>	2008-2009

## Professional Affiliations

**ORCA:** Oregon Counseling Association  
**NAMI:** National Alliance on Mental Illness

## Other Advanced Training

<b>Doing DBT: An Advanced Intensive</b> <i>Nachas Consulting – Kelly Koerner, PhD and Charlie Swenson, PhD</i>	2019
<b>DBT Prolonged Exposure Protocol for PTSD</b> <i>Rutgers School of SW – Melanie Harned, PhD, ABPP and Lorie Ritschel, PhD</i>	2018
<b>Diversity Training: Beyond Inclusion, Beyond Empowerment</b> <i>Portland DBT Institute – Leticia Nieto, PsyD, LMFT</i>	2018
<b>Clinical, Ethical, &amp; Legal Considerations in Assessing &amp; Treating Suicidal Behavior</b> <i>Portland DBT Institute – Andrew White, PhD and Linda Dimeff, PhD</i>	2018; 2016; 2014
<b>Adapting DBT for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities</b> <i>Portland DBT Institute – Julie Brown, PhD</i>	2017
<b>Mental Health Care of Gender Expansive Youth</b> <i>Portland DBT Institute – Valerie Tobin, PMHNP</i>	2016
<b>DBT Intensive Training</b> <i>Portland DBT Institute – Linda Dimeff, PhD</i>	2014
<b>MAP-A Training</b> <i>Behavioral Tech.</i>	2014
<b>Exposure Therapy Training</b> <i>Behavioral Tech.</i>	2013
<b>Cross-Cultural Intervention Training for Trainers</b> <i>SIOPS (Sheltered Instruction Operational Plan) – Portland Public Schools</i>	2011
<b>Motivational Interviewing</b> <i>Portland State University (presented by)</i>	2010
<b>DBT Strategies &amp; Group Leadership</b> <i>Portland Dialectical Behavior Therapy Center</i>	2009
<b>Intensive 5-day Training: CD Counseling</b> <i>Genesis Process: Change Strategies for Clients w/ Addiction – Michael Dyes</i>	2009

