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EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Education

2010 Psya.D., Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis (Clinical Psychoanalysis)
2009 M.A., Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis (Psychoanalytic Counseling)
1998 M.A., Rowan University (School Psychology)
1993 B.A., Rider University (Social Studies Education and Psychology)

Employment History

Academic Appointments

- Northeastern University, Department of Psychology
 - Associate Teaching Professor 2020 – present
 - Lecturer/Assistant Teaching Professor 2014 – 2020
 - Part-time Lecturer 2011 – 2014
- Wheelock College, Department of Psychology
 - Part-time Instructor 2010 – 2016
- Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
 - Part-time Instructor 2011- present
- Boston College
 - Part-time Instructor Summer 2016, 2019

Professional Appointments

- CLINICIAN Private Practice and The Therapy Center. September 2001 to present.
 - Therapist for individuals, couples, children and families.
- DIRECTOR Boston Institute for Psychotherapy. September 2006 to Jan 2016,
 - Directed School-based therapy program 2006-2012
 - Created and Directed School-based Training Fellowship September 2012-2014
 - Provided therapy to students and teachers in the schools and trained and supervised other therapists in the program.

- CONSULTANT Communities for People. September 2005 to May 2010.
 - Responsible for mobile assessments with social service involved families, designing appropriate treatment plans based on mental, physical, sociocultural and emotional needs. In-home, in-school, and clinic based work as well as supervised those do the work.

SCHOLARSHIP

Publications

Refereed Articles

Sharp, W. (2022). Things Can Only Get Stranger: Theoretical and Clinical Reflections on Netflix's Stranger Thing. *The Journal of Popular Culture*, 55(2), TBD.

Sharp, W. (2020). Introduction to Evelyn Liegner's *The Frist Interview in Modern Psychoanalysis*. *Modern Psychoanalysis*, 44(1), 36-37.

Goldman, S. B. & Sharp, W. (2019). Into the Fire: Using Process to Teach Undergraduate Clinical Psychology. *Group*, 43(1), 45-59.

Sharp, W. & Ahmed, K. (2016). Talk and Action: Iatrogenic Effects and the Research Practitioner Balance. *Group*, 40(3), 456--476.

Sharp, W. (2015). [Review of the book *Psychoanalysis in an age of accelerating change: Spiritual Globalization* by Neil Altman]. *Modern Psychoanalysis*. 40(1), 95-99.

Sharp, W. (2014). Sticks and Stones, But What About Words? *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 64(3), 281-296.

Sharp, W. (2007). [Review of the book *Practical Psychoanalysis for therapists and patients* by Owen Renik]. *Modern Psychoanalysis*, 32(1), 106-110.

Books

Sharp, W. (2016). *Talking Helps: An Evidence-Based Approach to Psychoanalytic Counseling* (First Edition). San Diego, CA: Cognella Inc., 194pp.

Chapters in Edited Books

Sharp, W. (2019). Psychoanalysis . In T. Langley (Ed.) *The Joker Psychology: Evil Clowns and the Women Who Love Them* (p293). New York: Sterling Press.

Sharp, W. (2018). Why Being Blind to the Devil Inside Stunts Emotional Growth. In T. Langley (Ed.) *Dare Devil Psychology: The Devil You Know* (p187-198). New York: Sterling Press.

Sharp, W. (2016). The Unconscious: What, When, Where, Why and of Course Who. In T. Langley (Ed.) *Dr. Who Psychology: Madman with a Box* (p53-61). New York: Sterling Press.

Sharp, W. (2016). Id, Superego, Egoless: Where Is the I in Who? In T. Langley (Ed.) *Dr. Who Psychology: Madman with a Box* (p63-71). New York: Sterling Press.

Public Outreach

Sharp, W. (August 27, 2015). Back to school: A Crucial time for kids social and emotional development. *The Conversation*.

Sharp, W. (October 22, 2015). To Speak or Not to Speak: How to Talk to Kids About Social Issues. Boston Parents Magazine.

Cited In

Sweeney, E. & Fox, J. (2020). 9-8-8 suicide prevention hot line bills signed into law. Retrieved from: <https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/10/20/metro/9-8-8-suicide-prevention-hotline-bill-signed-into-law/>

Ammear, S.. (July 7, 2020). Do you wear a mask when seeing your friends and family? Retrieved from: <https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/07/07/nation/when-setting-ground-rules-about-wearing-masks-everything-is-better-with-little-humor/>

Cohan, A. (January 14, 2019). Social media offers 'no escape' for bullying victims. Retrieved from: <https://www.bostonherald.com/2019/01/13/social-media-offers-no-escape-for-bullying-victims/>

Cohan, A. (January 14, 2019). Body shaming follows students online and at school. Retrieved from: <https://www.bostonherald.com/2019/01/13/body-shaming-follows-students-online-and-at-school/>

McKiernan, K. (January 3, 2017). Special Report: Schools face surge in suicide attempts. Retrieved from: http://www.bostonherald.com/news/local_coverage/2017/01/special_report_schools_face_surge_in_suicide_attempts

Wecker, M. (May 15, 2015). Happier students tend to have higher GPAs. Deseret News. Retrieved from: <http://www.deseretnews.com/article/865628507/Happier-students-tend-to-have-higher-GPAs.html?pg=all>

Parents Magazine. (September 2015). How to make the charter school choice. Parents Magazine. Retrieved from: <http://www.parents.com/print/81307/>

Presentations

- 2021 Freud In His Time, Or Not!
- 2021 Responding to Hate: At the Crossroads of Identity and Therapy, NSGP (Experience Group)
- 2020 Freud: This Time It's Personal
- 2020 Psychoanalytic First Aid: #Sheltering in Place
- 2019 Joker: Anti-Hero or Mirror?
- 2019 Clinical Series: Joining, Center for Modern Psychoanalytic Studies, NY
- 2019 Self Care On the Front Lines, Aspire Health Alliance, Quincy, MA
- 2019 Clinical Series: Once People Begin, They Want to Get Away, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2019 Kids & Screens: A Talk for Teens (& for Parents), International British School, Boston, MA
- 2018 Group Psychoanalysis: A Demonstration, Brown University Psychoanalytic Society
- 2018 Back to School: Clinical Work with Children and Adolescents, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2018 A Monster Calls: How Hating Can Lead to Love, Movie Series, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2016 Inside Out: What Every Clinician Should Know, MINDGAMES Movie Series, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2015 Treatment Destructive Resistances in Group Psychotherapy, Cape Cod Institute, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2015 The Giver: Personality without History? Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2015 Carried Kicking and Screaming: Innovation in the Classroom, Wheelock College
- 2014 Warm Bodies: Narcissism and Technology. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2014 Effective Discipline for All Ages. Department of Children and Families, MA
- 2014 At the Crossroads of Counseling and Education. St. Lawrence University, NY
- 2014 What to do with a Bachelors in Psychology. Northeastern University
- 2013 Social and Emotional Development. Boston Public Schools
- 2013 Perks of Being a Wallflower. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2013 Building Healthy Relationships: Teachers and Students. Boston Public Schools
- 2012 Log Cards: Personal Communications With Unintended Effects, The Northeast Conference for Teachers of Psychology
- 2012 The Hunger Games: Dystopia's Today. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2011 Emotional Tutors: Counselors in the Classroom. Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy
- 2010 ADD and ADHD: From Hopelessness to Helping. Boston Public Schools
- 2009 The Painted Veil. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2009 Mental Health Issues in Human Services. Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

- 2008 Lars and The Real Girl: Object Relations and Drive Theory. Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2007 Brokeback Mountain. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
- 2006 Social Services and Home Based Work. Framingham State University
- 2006 Thinking Outside the Box: DSS Services. Suffolk University
- 2005 Working with the Borderline: Case Presentation. Annual Cape Conference, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis.
- 2004 Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind. Movie Discussion, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis

SERVICE

Department Service

- Global Experiences Faculty Advisory Board member (2019-present)
- Psychology Department Undergraduate Committee Member (2017 – Present)
- Advisor for freshman and transfer student orientation (2017 – Present)
- Participant in Departmental Welcome Days and Graduation Ceremonies (2017 – Present)
- Manager of Courseleaf entry for undergraduate psychology courses and catalog (2017-2019)
- Assistant Director of Undergraduate Studies (2017 – 2018)

College and University Service

- Faculty representative for College of Science Honors Welcome Day (2019)
- Panelist for the “Futures In the Sciences” event (2019)
- Attended SAIL training and added SAIL to DOC London courses (2018-2019)

Professional Service

- Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy
 - Co-Chair of Membership Committee (2014 – Present)
 - Co-Chair of Conference Committee (2017 – 2019)
 - Treasurer (2020-2022)
- Modern Psychoanalysis
 - Peer Reviewer (2017 – Present)
- Boston School Based Mental Health Collaborative
 - Consultant (2007 – 2011, and 2019 – Present)

Awards and Academic Honors

- Anne Alonso Award – American Group Psychotherapy Association (2015)

Professional Membership

- American Group Psychotherapy Association
- Northeast Society of Group Psychotherapy
- Society of Modern Psychoanalysts

Conferences Attended

- Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy Conference: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Summer 2021
- Center for the Study of Groups and Social Systems, Coming Together, Coming Apart, April 2021
- American Group Psychotherapy Association, The Power of Groups in a Challenging World, February 2021
- Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy Conference: Diving In from the Shallows to the Deep, Summer 2019
- Clinical Series: What Really Happens in Psychoanalysis? Spring 2019
- The Clinical Work of Wilfred Bion, British Psychoanalytic Society, Spring 2019
- American Board for Accreditation in Psychoanalysis, Semi-annual Meeting, Spring 2019
- Authority, Leadership, and Standing Up: Finding Our Footing in an Off-balance World, Spring 2019
- Center for Group Studies Weekend Training (completed all 9 blocks) 2014-2017
 - Block 1 The Essence of Modern Group Process
 - Block 2 Forming a Group
 - Block 3 Introduction to Group Resistances
 - Block 4 Transference/Countertransference Issues in Group
 - Block 5 Technical and Special Issues in Group Psychotherapy
 - Block 6 Working with Pre-oedipal Patients in Group
 - Block 7 Specialized Topics in Countertransference
 - Block 8 Working with Unconscious Material: Dreams, Symbolic, and Non-verbal Communications
 - Block 9 Resolving Transference Resistances and Termination Issues
- Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy Conference: You Are Not Alone: The Sustaining Power of Groups in Challenging Times, Summer 2018
- Society of Modern Psychoanalysts International Conference, Spring 2017
- Northeast Society for Group Psychotherapy Conference: Group Therapy: Face Time in the Age of Facebook, Spring 2013