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## **Educational History**

### **Forest Institute of Professional Psychology, Springfield, MO (APA Accredited)**

Degree Program: Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.), Graduation Date:  
October, 2004  
Major: Clinical Psychology  
Dissertation completed and defended June 2003  
Completed Internship at Meharry Medical College/  
Elam Mental Health Center  
Completion date August, 2004  
Completed Post Doctoral Fellowship at  
Georgia State University Counseling Center –  
Completion date August, 2005

### **Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, MS (Teacher Certification Accreditation)**

Certification: Teacher Certification Courses, December 1998

### **Jackson State University, Jackson, MS**

Degree Program: Master of Science (B.S.), May 1993  
Major: Criminal Justice

### **United States Naval Hospital Corp School, Great Lakes, IL**

Certification: Accredited Naval Hospital Corpsman, July, 1989  
Major: Nursing and Field Medic

## **Educational Experience**

### **Georgia State University**

Counseling Center

Atlanta, GA

August 2004 – August 2005

Supervisors: Post-Doctoral Fellow (APPIC Approved)  
Marolyn Wells, Ph.D., Gary Glass, Ph.D.,  
Catherine Brack, Ph.D.

Duties: Performed individual (adult) group, conducting campus and community outreach services, coordinating psychiatric referrals, implementing crisis interventions, intake report writings and participating in weekly individual supervision with licensed psychologists.

### **Meharry Medical College**

Nashville, TN

September 2003 – August 2004

Supervisors: Pre-doctoral Intern  
Edna Lockert, Ph.D., Phonda Cunningham, Ph.D.,  
Duties: Performed individual (adolescent and adult) group, developed and implemented treatment plans; conducted psychological evaluations; integrative and diagnostic report writing; coordinated medication referrals; and participated in weekly individual supervision with a licensed psychologist.

### **Forest Human Services Center**

Springfield, MO

July 2001 – January 2002

Supervisors: Doctoral Practicum Counselor  
Jennifer Baker, M.S., LMFT; Jeep Helm, LCSW;  
Clifford Jernigan, Ph.D.; Paul Lee Ph.D.  
Teresa C. Tempelmeyer, Ph.D.; Adrian Whitmire, Ph.D.  
Duties: Performed individual (child, adolescent and adult), family, marital, group, and play psychotherapy; developed and implemented treatment plans; conducted psychological evaluations; integrative and diagnostic report writing; coordinated medical referrals; and participated in weekly individual supervision with a licensed marriage and family therapist and a licensed psychologist.

### **Jackson State University Career and Counseling Center**

Jackson, MS

September 1995 – December 1995

Supervisor: Master's Level Intern  
William Brooks, Ph.D.  
Duties: Critiqued resumes and made recommendations to enhance content and layout; conducted mock interviews with students to help build self-confidence and become more prepared for entering a professional work environment; implemented training courses for students to enhance their job searching and interviewing effectiveness; presented lectures to classes about the benefits of career counseling center and referred students for testing to understand their strengths in certain career fields.

## **Internship**

September 2003 – August 2004 **Meharry Medical College/Elam Mental Health Center**, Nashville, TN

- Dr. Edna Lockert, Training Director
- Centerstone/Elam Mental Health Center, Nashville, TN
- Managed a caseload of approximately 150 clients at an outpatient psychiatric clinic
- Provided individual Cognitive Behavioral therapy as needed for a variety of psychiatric disorders including depression, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and substance abuse issues.
- Conducted intake interviews, created treatment plans for new clients and wrote psychological assessment reports
- Worked as part of a treatment team including social work, case management and medical staff

**Meharry Medical College**, Nashville, TN

- Acted as preceptor for patient interviewing class
- Assisted medical students in learning to interview patients utilizing volunteers from a drug and alcohol treatment center
- Performed assessments of learning disabilities on consumers for the Centerstone Mental Health Center

**Kelly Miller-Smith Center**

- Dr. Ruth Dennis, Director
- Performed intake assessments of court referred clients
- Conducted anger and domestic violence groups for persons with domestic violence court-referred issues
- Interviewed persons and conducted mental status examinations for disability determination for social security benefits
- Wrote psychological reports

## **Professional Experience**

**Atlanta Center for Family Wellness**

Psychological Services

Atlanta, GA

June 2007 – Present

Title:

Licensed Psychologist 3247

Director:

Nathanial Wilson, Psy.D.

Duties:

Performing individual (adult), group, African American Men's adolescent group, Substance abuse adolescent Men's groups, conducted psychological evaluations, coordinated psychiatric referrals, implemented crisis interventions. Coordinated Alcohol

and Drug Group & Program, Coordinated Anger Management Program, Coordinated Life Skills Program and Coordinated BEME (Black Enrichment Male Empowerment) Program.

**Georgia State University**

Counseling Center

Atlanta, GA

August 2005 – June 2007

Title:

Supervisors:

Duties:

Clinical Assistant Professor

Catherine J. Brack, Ph.D., Virginia Bell-Pringle, Ph.D.

Performing individual (adult), group, African American Men's group, Interpersonal Men's groups, conducted campus and community outreach services, coordinated psychiatric referrals, implemented crisis interventions, and participated in weekly individual supervision with licensed psychologists.

Co-coordinated Alcohol and Drug Group & Program, and

Co-coordinated Outreach Program

**Tougaloo College**

Tougaloo, MS

January 1996 – June 2000

Program:

Title:

Duties:

Trio Programs, Educational Talent Search

Senior Counselor

Provided educational and vocational counseling services to individuals, helped students to better understand their educational opportunities and options; collected, organized and analyzed information about individuals through records, tests, interviews, and professional courses to appraise their interests, abilities and personality characteristics for vocational and educational planning; assisted individuals to understand and overcome social and emotional problems by offering guidance and mentoring; taught classes and attended professional development conferences to stay abreast of counseling awareness activities used to enhance the programs outreach program capabilities.

**U.S. Navy and Naval Reserves**

Great Lakes, ILL

January 1989 – January 1997

Title:

Duties:

Hospital Corpsman/Marine Medic

Provided care and maintenance for patients at area Veterans Hospitals; advised patients on health issues and gave moral support; participated in training and conducted demonstrations to become more knowledgeable of current medical trends; assisted doctors, registered nurses, and other medical staff in emergencies. Trained in crisis and trauma interventions at Camp Pendleton, CA

## **Research Interest**

I have research interest in the areas of human development, leadership skills, and behavioral change correlation with psychopathology and social pressures

Forest Institute of Professional Psychology  
Springfield, MO

Dissertation: Leadership Skills and Behavioral Changes of African American Fraternity Members.

Date of completion: June 2003

Area of Focus: Studied the impact of leadership with African American Men in Fraternities

Chairperson: Adrian Whitmire, Ph.D.

## **Presentations**

Smith, Matthew (1995). **The Benefits and Assets of the Career Counseling Center.**  
Presentation to Jackson State University Seniors, Jackson, MS.

Smith, Matthew (1996-2000). **Preparing for the American College Test.**  
Presentation to high school seniors at various schools in Mississippi, Jackson, MS.

Smith, Matthew (1996-2000). **Financial Aid Completion Seminar.**  
Presentation to high school seniors at various schools in Mississippi, Jackson, MS.

Smith, Matthew (1996-2000). **The Advantages of Taking the Myers-Briggs.**  
Presentation to college and high school students.

Smith, Matthew (2001). **Preparing for Leadership and Success after Graduation.**  
Presentation to the seniors of the Southwest Missouri State University Trio Students, Springfield, MO

Smith, Matthew (2002). **Analyzing the Cognitive Behavioral Therapeutic Relationship.**  
Presentation to Marriage and Family therapist students of the Forest Institute of Professional Psychology Program.

Smith, Matthew (2005). **For Us By Us: Black Clients, Black Counselors, and Black Issues in Group psychotherapy.** Presentation at the Morgan State University 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Counseling Center Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Smith, Matthew (2006). **For Us By Us: Black Clients, Black Counselors, and Black Issues in Group Psychotherapy.** Presentation at the Columbia University Winter Round Table Conference, Harlem, N.Y.

Smith, Matthew (2006). **For Us By Us: Black Clients, Black Counselors, and Black Issues, in Group Psychotherapy.** Presentation at American Psychological Association National

Conference, New Orleans, LA.

### **Memberships and Affiliations**

- National Counseling Association, 1994 – present
- American Counseling Association, 1995 – present
- The American Psychological Association (APA), Student Member, 2002 – present
- The Psi Chi National Honor Society, 2001 – present
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), 1969 – present
- Licensed Psychologist 003247 State of Georgia -Present

### **Assessment Instruments – Direct Contact Interpretation**

Beck Anxiety Inventory  
Beck Depression Inventory  
Bender Gestalt Visual Motor Test  
Clinical Analysis Questionnaire  
House-Tree-Person  
Incomplete Sentence Blank  
Kaufman Brief Intelligence Test  
Kinetic Family Drawing  
Millon Clinical Multiaxial Inventory-II  
Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory-II  
Myers-Briggs  
Peabody Picture Vocabulary  
Personality Assessment Inventory  
Rorschach-Exner Comprehensive System  
Rotter Incomplete Sentence Blank  
Shipley Institute of Living Scale  
State Trait  
TSI-A  
Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale-III  
Wechsler Memory Scale-III  
Wide Range Achievement Test-III  
Woodcock-Johnson Achievement Test-III

### **PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

Nathanial Wilson, Psy.D.  
Director, Atlanta Center for Family Wellness/Supervisor  
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Marolyn Wells, Ph.D.  
Director, Georgia State University Counseling Center/Supervisor  
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Virginia Bell-Pringle, Ph.D.  
Group Coordinator, Georgia State University Counseling Center  
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Edna Lockert, Ph.D.  
Internship Training Director/Supervisor  
Meharry Medical College - Psychiatry, Neurology, and Behavioral Sciences  
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Rhonda Cunningham, Ph.D.  
Clinical Supervisor  
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Nashville, TN 37203  
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Melvin Ferguson, M.A.  
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