VANESSA SMITH



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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Profound knowledge of human mind and human behavior
- Sound knowledge of crisis intervention techniques
- Extended ability to evaluate client's needs, abilities and behavior
- Immense ability to maintain emotional stability to cope with human suffering and emergencies
- Substantial understanding of the autism spectrum

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, California State University Channel Islands

May 2012

Minor in Life-Span Development

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clinical Psychologist Intern

June 2010-Aug. 2012

Ventura County Behavioral Health, Camarillo, CA

- Conducted clinical interviews with clients and relatives to obtain information regarding attitudes, social background, developmental history, and other factors relevant to psychological evaluations.
- Administered, scored, and interpreted a wide variety of standardized and special intelligence, personality, vocational interest, aptitude, and other psychological tests under the legal guidance of a Clinical Psychologist.
- Provided on-going psychotherapy and necessary referrals for clients; performs psychotherapeutic counseling for groups, families, and individuals; assists clients with exploring and gaining insights into their difficulties.
- Assisted clients with resolving conflicts and developing more productive ways of coping with issues.
- Prepared reports including diagnoses, prognoses, and other psychological findings relevant to the disposition and treatment of cases.

Rehabilitation Intern June 2010-Aug. 2012

Pacific Hills Drug Treatment Center, Camarillo, CA

- Diagnosed and evaluated mental and emotional disorders of clients
- Implemented behavior modification programs
- Conducted psychometric tests and direct observations of behavior
- Investigated emotional, physical, and cognitive and social aspects of human behavior

Program Aide Intern

- Dec. 2008-June 2010 Boys and Girls Club, Camarillo, CA • Monitored and evaluated all enrichment programs, services, and activities to ensure safety of children, quality in
 - programs, and the appearance of the site at all times • Worked closely with the Stockton Unified School District's President and Youth Specialist to ensure successful program delivery
 - Implemented self-esteem and variety of learning activities, while stimulating youth in program participation, caring for each child individually, and counseling one-on-one with youth

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT & ACHIEVEMENTS

Presenter, International Society for Self and Identity Conference, University of Southern California President, Psychology Club, CSU Channel Islands

Active Member, American Psychological Association

Active Member, Psi Chi International Honors Society, CSU Channel Islands

Active Member, International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology

Dec. 2010 Aug. 2010-May 2012 June 2010-Present Dec. 2009-May 2012 Aug. 2008-Present