

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
Minor in Life-Span Development

May 2012

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

Dec. 2010

President, Psychology Club, CSU Channel Islands

Aug. 2010-May 2012

Active Member, American Psychological Association

June 2010-Present

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

Dec. 2009-May 2012

Active Member, International Association of Cross-Cultural Psychology

Aug. 2008-Present