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Education and Training

- 2010 (anticipated) University of Central Florida
Doctor of Philosophy, Clinical Psychology
Advisor: Michael E. Dunn, Ph.D.
Dissertation: *Increasing parental awareness and monitoring: The development and evaluation of a web-based parent-focused program to reduce underage alcohol use*
- 2010 (anticipated) VA Connecticut Healthcare System
West Haven Campus
Clinical Psychology Predoctoral Internship 2009 - 2010
- 2008 University of Central Florida
Master of Science, Clinical Psychology
Advisor: Michael E. Dunn, Ph.D.
Thesis: *GHB use among college students: Application of a memory model to explore the influence of outcome expectancies*
- 2003 University of Central Florida
Bachelor of Science, Psychology
Summa Cum Laude

Honors and Awards

- 2007 Travel Award to attend NASPA Alcohol Abuse Prevention and Intervention Strategies conference from University of Central Florida, Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Programming Office \$500
- 2006 Travel Award to attend Research Society on Alcoholism conference from University of Central Florida, Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Programming Office \$1,000
- 2003-2004 Graduate Student Incentive Award \$5,000
- 2002-2003 UCF Scholars Award \$1,000
- 2001-2002 President's Honor Roll, University of Central Florida
- 2002 Golden Key International Honor Society
- 2002 Psi Chi National Psychology Honor Society

Professional Organizations

American Psychological Association
 APA Division 50: Addictions
 APA Division 28: Psychopharmacology & Substance Abuse
 Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies
 Research Society on Alcoholism

Research Experience

May 2003 – Present

**Graduate Research Assistant
 Substance Use Research Group (SURG)**

Michael Dunn, Ph.D., Mentor

Conceptualization, implementation, and data analyses of original research, preparation of manuscripts and conference presentations, and mentoring advanced undergraduate students and junior graduate students. Research focused on the influence of various biopsychosocial factors of alcohol and other substance use and abuse to inform and develop prevention and intervention programming.

May 2003 – August 2005

**Laboratory Coordinator
 Substance Use Research Group**

Michael Dunn, Ph.D., Director

Recruited, hired, trained, and supervised undergraduate research assistants, and managed data collection and research projects for the laboratory. Co-founded the student organization, HEALTH (Helping Enhance All Lifestyles Through Human research), to create a University-sponsored mechanism that supports the mentorship of undergraduate research assistants by SURG graduate students through the allocation of professional development funding.

June 2001 – May 2003

**Research Assistant – Undergraduate
 Substance Use Research Group (SURG)**

Michael Dunn, Ph.D., Director

Assisted director and laboratory coordinator in the research of grant opportunities, research participant recruitment, scheduling, conducting experiments, distribution and collection of surveys, data entry, and record maintenance and organization.

February 2002 – April 2003

**Research Assistant – Undergraduate
 Helping Advance the Needs of Deaf Students (HANDS)**

Clint Bowers, Ph.D., Supervisor

Researched and obtained appropriate measures to utilize with Deaf population. Assisted with IRB submissions, designed and produced conferences posters, and maintained and organized files. Also, traveled to Burton, Texas to assist with data collection. Conducted parent interviews and administered card-sort experiment with parents of Deaf and hearing impaired children.

- Brown, P. C.**, Dunn, M. E., Shelton, T. M., Cutro, N., & Cooney, J. (February, 2007). *Effectiveness of social norms-based programs to reduce college student alcohol use*. Poster presented at the NASPA Strategies Conference: Alcohol Abuse Prevention and Intervention, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Brown, P. C.**, Alfonso, J., & Dunn, M. E. (November, 2006). *Gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB) outcome expectancies: Do users and never-users differ?* Poster presented at the 40th annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, Illinois.
- Lau, H. C., Dunn, M. E., **Brown, P. C.**, & Hammons, M. E. (November, 2006). *Evaluation of a single-session expectancy challenge intervention*. Poster presented at the 40th annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, Illinois.
- Brown, P. C.**, Dunn, M. E., Shelton, T. M., Cutro, N. & Cooney, J. (June, 2006). *A critical review of the effectiveness of social norms-based programs to reduce alcohol use among college students*. Poster presented at the 29th annual meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Brown, P. C.**, Dunn, M., Wolfe, R., Scarritt, T. & Perez, B. (November, 2005). *Gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB) outcome expectancies: Significant differences between users and non-users could form the foundation for successful expectancy challenge interventions*. Poster presented at the 39th annual meeting of the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Washington, DC.
- Vogel, J., Muchow, B., Asberg, K., & **Brown, P. C.** (August, 2004). *Interpersonal relations among oral deaf children*. Poster presented at the 112th meeting of the Southeastern Psychological Association, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Vogel, J., Bowers, C. & **Brown, P. C.** (November, 2003). *Using virtual reality for standardized test score improvements: Program evaluation*. Poster presented at the 37th annual meeting of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Asberg, K., Vogel, J., **Brown, P. C.**, & Bowers, C. (November, 2003). *Moderators of stress in parents of children with hearing loss*. Poster presented at the 37th annual meeting of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Vogel, J., Asberg, K., **Brown, P. C.**, & Bowers, C. (August, 2003). *Assessing secure attachment in oral deaf children*. Poster presented at the 111th annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Alfonso, J., Cruz, I.Y., Randall, R.J., **Brown, P. C.**, & Dunn, M. E. (June, 2003). *Are Greeks unique? Comparing the alcohol expectancies of fraternity and sorority members to those of non-members*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Research Society on Alcoholism, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
- Cruz, I., **Brown, P. C.**, & Dunn, M. (November, 2002). *Lowering risk for early alcohol use by challenging alcohol expectancies in elementary school children*. Poster presented at the 36th annual conference of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Reno, Nevada.

- Lau, H.C., **Brown, P. C.**, Bertino, C., Daniels, B.J., Smith, J.R., & Dunn, M.E. (November, 2002). *Activation of alcohol expectancies leads to an immediate increase in alcohol consumption*. Poster presented at the 36th annual conference of the Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Reno, Nevada.
- Vogel, J., **Brown, P. C.**, & Bowers, C. A. (November, 2002). *VREAL project assessment*. Paper presented at the Virtual Reality Education for Assisted Learning Symposium, Orlando, Florida.
- Vogel, J., **Brown, P. C.**, Asberg, K. & Bowers, C. A. (October, 2002). *HANDS Lab project overview*. Paper presented at Camp Hear Me, Houston, Texas.
- Vogel, J., Meehan, C., Hoeft, R., Bradley, K., **Brown, P. C.**, & Bowers, C. (August, 2002). *Virtual reality for life skills education: Program evaluation*. Poster presented at the 110th annual conference of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.
- Vogel, J., Meehan, C., Hoeft, R., Bradley, K., **Brown, P. C.**, & Bowers, C. (August, 2002). *Virtual reality for life skills education: Teachers' evaluation*. Poster presented at the 110th annual conference of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Program and Project Management

July 2008 – Present

**Substance Abuse Response Guide Coordinator
Orange County Coalition for Drug Free Community,
Orange County Government**

Supervisors: Ron Manasa, Florida Substance Abuse Response Guide (SPF-SIG) Contracts and Fiscal Management; Carol Burkett, Director, Orange County Coalition for a Drug Free Community

Duties include the creation of a logic model to establish the contributing factors that lead to high risk alcohol use in adolescents and young adults in Orange County, FL; the creation of an inventory of evidence-based prevention strategies utilized in the county to reduce underage and young adult alcohol use; and the preparation of a county capacity and needs assessment. Also responsible for the formulation and preparation of comprehensive community action and evaluation plans for the purpose of encumbering state and federal funds; creating an evaluation plan; and providing ongoing coordination of services with multiple county and community agencies in the implementation and evaluation of prevention programming. Future duties include measurement and analysis of program effectiveness to reduce identified problems associated with heavy young adult and college student alcohol use and adolescent alcohol use.

May 2006 – August 2007

**Program Coordinator, University of Central Florida
Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Programming Office**
Supervisor: Thomas V. Hall, LCSW

Implemented an alcohol prevention program for pre-matriculated students, developed instructional and informational materials for mass communication to students and parents, directed mass mailings, solicited goods and services, coordinated efforts and scheduled meetings with various university departments (i.e., Office of the President, Student Development and Enrollment Services, Department of Athletics, Student Orientation Services), provided direct support to students and parents, and monitored and managed intervention data files.

May 2003 – April 2004

**Project Coordinator, University of Central Florida
Substance Use Research Group**
Supervisor: Michael Dunn, Ph.D. Director

Managed a family cohesiveness project for Florida District 7 Department of Children and Families and developed research plan to measure the efficacy of the intervention. Created informational materials for families, researched and identified appropriate measurement instruments, managed the assembly of research packets for delivery to families, developed and conducted weekly trainings for DCF district managers and case workers, and established data collection protocol for each DCF District 7 office.

Community Service

July 2008 – Present

Member of the Higher Education Subcommittee of the Orange County Underage Drinking Task Force, Orange County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community

October 2008 – Present

Member of the Orange County Underage Drinking Task Force Implementation Committee, Orange County Orange County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community

July 2008 – Present

Member of the Alcohol Education and Prevention Subcommittee of the Orange County Underage Drinking Task Force, Orange County Government

August 2007

Co-Facilitator – Couples Workshop, American Cancer Society's Families R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out to Cancer Kids) Weekend, Walt Disney World's Contemporary Resort, Kissimmee, FL.

October 2005

Assessment Specialist – provided depression screenings, consultation, and referrals to the community members for National Depression Screening Day for Florida Hospital, in Orlando, Florida.

Colloquiums, Workshops, and Presentations Provided

- January 2010 *Orange County prevention framework: Creation of the local logic model and Creation of comprehensive community action plan.*
Co-presenter at the SARG Central Region Prevention Systems Meeting, Kissimmee, Florida.
- June 2007 *How to use motivational interviewing and the brief alcohol screening and intervention for college students (BASICS).* Co-presenter at two-day workshop for the staff of the University of Central Florida Student Counseling Center, Orlando, FL.
- July 2007 *Experiences with mandated group members during CHOICES facilitation.* Co-presenter at workshop for staff of the University of Central Florida, Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Programming Office, Orlando, FL.

Clinical Experience

September 2009 – Present

Psychology Service Intern
VA Connecticut Healthcare System, West Haven
West Haven, Connecticut
APA Accredited

Neuropsychiatry Clinic

Supervisors: *Serrita Jane, Ph.D., Howard Steinberg, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include provision of individual therapy, diagnostic intake interviews and assessment report writing, treatment planning, and providing referrals for services as needed to U.S. veterans. Also provide Cognitive Behavioral Group (CBT) therapy for Depression and co-facilitate Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) for veterans on an inpatient unit.

Post Traumatic Stress and Anxiety Disorders Clinic

Supervisor: *Ilan Harpaz-Rotem, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include provision of individual therapy, utilizing Prolonged Exposure (PE), Cognitive Processing Therapy (CPT), Interoceptive Desensitization, etc.. Also provided treatment planning, and referrals for services as needed to U.S. Veterans with PTSD, anxiety related disorders, and co-occurring disorders. Also co-facilitated women's PTSD group for military sexual trauma utilizing CPT.

Substance Abuse Day Program

Supervisor: *David Pilkey, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include facilitation of Cognitive Behavioral group therapy, coping skills, motivational enhancement, anger management, and stress management groups. Also participation in multidisciplinary team meetings, treatment planning, and case management as needed to U.S. veterans seeking substance abuse/dependence treatment in an intensive outpatient day program.

Outpatient Substance Abuse Clinic

Supervisor: *Verne M. Gill, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include provision of group therapy, conducting diagnostic intake interviews, treatment planning, and providing referrals for services as needed to U.S. veterans seeking substance abuse/dependence treatment in both outpatient and intensive outpatient programs.

Community Reintegration Program (CRP)

Supervisor: *Sandra Resnick, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include participation in multidisciplinary treatment team meetings, case management, and collaboration with outpatient treatment team for coordination of care for veterans with severe and persistent mental illness. Preparation of psychoeducational presentations, development of new groups, and facilitation of existing groups, to include relapse prevention, anger management, and cognitive behavioral therapy.

Behavioral Health Recovery Clinic

Supervisor: *Marcia Hunt, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include conducting diagnostic intake interviews and participation in staffing to determine treatment planning, and provision of referrals for services as needed to veterans.

Clinical Health Psychology Clinic

Supervisor: *Kathryn Sanders, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include conducting diagnostic intake interviews, providing brief interventions and motivational enhancement, organ transplant consultation, treatment planning, and provision of referrals for services as needed to U.S. veterans.

MOVE Clinic

Supervisor: *Patricia Rosenberger, Ph.D.*

Responsibilities include provision of behavioral health education within an interdisciplinary framework to U.S. Veterans enrolled in the 10-week weight management program.

August 2004 – August 2008

Predoctoral Clinician
University of Central Florida Psychology Clinic
University of Central Florida
Orlando, Florida

Supervisors: Mark D. Rapport, Ph.D., Amie Grills, Ph.D., Gordon Horn, Ph.D., Michael E. Dunn, Ph.D., Stacey Tantleff-Dunn, Ph.D., Kimberly Renk, Ph.D., Jeffrey Bedwell, Ph.D.

Provide services to children, adolescents, and adults that have been referred from various community agencies or who are self-referred. Conduct comprehensive psychosocial intakes and assessments for children and adults to formulate diagnostic impressions, develop treatment plans, and inform clinical interventions, and to recommend clients to other agencies when indicated. Conduct structured and semi-structured clinical interviews, administer assessments of intelligence, personality, academic achievement, cognitive, and psychological functioning and provide cognitive behavioral and interpersonal therapies for clients with depression, post-traumatic stress, anxiety, personality disorders, and substance use disorders.

May 2007 – August 2008

Neuropsychological Assessment Extern
Maitland Psychology
Maitland, Florida

Supervisor: Dano Leli, Ph.D. Clinical Neuropsychologist

Conducted adult and geriatric neuropsychological evaluations and psychological evaluations with children, adolescents, adults, and older adults and contributed to report writing; worked with patients diagnosed with conditions such as traumatic brain injuries, brain tumors, CVA, Parkinson's disease, Multiple Sclerosis, and Alzheimer's disease. Also conducted neuropsychological evaluations with individuals diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis for a clinical trial evaluating effects of a new medication for an affiliate of Maitland Psychology. Duties included screening potential clients, neuropsychological testing with patients and providing results to clinical supervisor.

May 2006 – July 2007

Predoctoral Clinician
Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Programming Office
University of Central Florida
Orlando, Florida

Supervisor: Thomas V. Hall, LCSW, Director, Jacqueline Alfonso, Ph.D.

Conducted substance abuse screenings, evaluations, and psychosocial intakes with voluntary and mandated college students. Referral sources included the University of Central Florida, Student Counseling Clinic, Office of Student Conduct and the Orange County Corrections Pretrial Diversion program. Provided brief and longer-term individual therapy, group therapy, relapse prevention therapy, motivational enhancement and provided appropriate adjunct treatment referrals.

August 2005 – May 2006

**Therapist, Assessment Specialist
Lakeside Behavioral Health, Inc.
Orlando, Florida**

*Supervisors: Ingrid Herrera, Ph.D., Laura Hoffman-Gailey,
LCSW*

Provided various services for a community mental health agency that serves children and adults with severe and persistent mental illness (e.g., psychotic disorders, severe mood disorders). Conducted crisis intake assessments and facilitated a no-fee, outpatient substance abuse intervention group with adult clients.

Teaching Experience

January 2009 – May 2009

Instructor of Record

Adult Development and Aging / Psychology of Aging –
Enrollment: 75
University of Central Florida, Main Campus

Responsible for all aspects of the course, including syllabus creation, lectures, exams, grading, class activities, and maintaining WebCT component of course as an adjunct to in-person lectures.

August 2007 – December 2007

Instructor of Record

Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use – Enrollment: 30
University of Central Florida, Heathrow

Responsible for all aspects of the course, including syllabus creation, lectures, exams, grading, class activities, and maintaining WebCT component of course as an adjunct to in-person lectures.

January 2007 – May 2007

Instructor of Record

Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use – Enrollment: 30
University of Central Florida, Osceola

Responsible for all aspects of the course, including syllabus creation, lectures, exams, grading, class activities, and maintaining WebCT component of course as an adjunct to in-person lectures.

August 2006 – December 2006

Instructor of Record

Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use – Enrollment: 40
University of Central Florida, Metrowest

Responsible for all aspects of the course, including syllabus creation, lectures, exams, grading, class activities, and maintaining WebCT component of course as an adjunct to in-person lectures.

January 2004 – May 2004

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use – Enrollment: 205
University of Central Florida

Duties included updating WebCT online course content, assisting with test creation and grading of course assignments, communicating with students and answering questions via online postings and e-mail messages.

August 2003 – January 2004

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Abnormal Psychology

Enrollment: 75

University of Central Florida

Assisted with classroom technology, test proctoring, grading, and scheduling make-up exams.

November 2003

Guest Lecturer – Abnormal Psychology

Lecture focused on schizophrenia etiology and treatment

University of Central Florida

June 2003

Guest Lecturer – Abnormal Psychology

Lecture focused on substance abuse and dependence, interventions and treatment.

University of Central Florida

May 2003

Guest Lecturer – Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use

Lecture focused on alcohol and other substance abuse and dependence, expectancy theory.

University of Central Florida

April 2003

Guest Lecturer – Psychobiological Aspects of Drug Use

Lecture focused on hallucinogens, opiates and benzodiazepines.

University of Central Florida

January 2003 – May 2003

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Psychobiological Aspects of

Drug Use – Enrollment: 200

University of Central Florida

Supervisor: Dr. Michael Dunn

Duties included grading of course assignments, posting grades in WebCT, communicating with students and researching and answering questions related to substances and substance use via online postings and e-mail messages.