# MITCHELL R. FERGUSON

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### **PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:**

Enthusiastic, self-directed educator with a passionate dedication to student growth and the learning experience. Skilled in challenging, inspiring, and coming up with inventive activities that address the various interests and needs of students.

## Experience in:

Curriculum Design and Development
Student Centered Learning
Student Motivation
Interactive Learning
Student Motivation
Student Assessment
Whole Group Learning

### PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- "Teaching and Learning in the Korean Culture" article published in the <u>International</u>
   <u>Educator</u> journal in May 2001 which was also published in <u>Multicultural/Intercultural</u>
   <u>Conversations</u> by Shirley Steinberg.
- Presented "Conduct Disorders" on <u>The Counselor Is In</u> on WEAR Channel 3 in Pensacola, FL 2002.
- Presented "Obsessive Compulsive Disorders" on <u>The Counselor Is In</u> on WEAR Channel 3 in Pensacola, FL 2002.
- Presented "Anxiety Disorders" on <u>The Counselor Is</u> In on WEAR Channel 3 in Pensacola, FL 2001.
- Presented "Stress and Burnout in the Helping Professions" to Northwest Florida Nurses Association – Destin, FL 1994.

### **EDUCATION EXPERIENCE:**

LIFE UNIVERSITY: MARIETTA, GA

2012-PRESENT

ADJUNCT FACULTY IN THE PSYCHOLOGY AND GENERAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: TAUGHT PSYCHOLOGY 101, BIOPSYCHOLOGY, ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY, PERSONALITY PSYCHOLOGY, PSYCHOLOGY OF MIND/BODY, INTRODUCTION TO COUNSELING, PRACTICAL COLLEGE READING, AND PSYCHOLOGY OF EXCELLENCE TO UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS.

## Argosy University: Atlanta, GA

2005 – Present

Adjunct Faculty in Counseling and Psychology Department: Teach Principles of Group Counseling and Abnormal Psychology to Masters Level counseling students, as well as Counseling Skills I & II and the Practicum/Internship sequence to graduate level students working on their master's degree in community counseling.

## American Intercontinental University:

2004 - 2005

Adjunct Faculty in Counseling and Psychology Department: Lecturer in freshman level "Principles of Psychology" course.

Troy State University: Atlanta, GA

2003 - 2005

Adjunct Faculty in Counseling and Psychology Department: Taught Masters Level Education class called "Evaluation and Assessment of the Individual" covering psychological testing for counselors.

Chung-Top Language Institute: Seoul, Korea

1996 - 1997

**ESL Teacher:** Taught, tested and developed curriculum for English language course for Korean students age ranging from pre-school to adult.

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Okaloosa-Walton Community College: Niceville, FL

1995 - 1995

**ESL Instructor:** Taught English language as second language course to adult students from Thailand which included testing and development of curriculum.

Troy State University: Atlanta, GA

1990 - 1995

*Adjunct Instructor:* Instructed undergraduate psychology courses which included Psychology, Learning Theory, Theories of Personality, Statistics and History and Systems of Psychology.

#### **COUNSELING EXPERIENCE:**

### **A FAMILY FIRST COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

2012

CLINICIAN/GROUP FACILITATOR:

CONDUCTED GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL THERAPY WITH A PERSISTENTLY AND CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL POPULATION.

Magellan Behavioral Health:

2002 - 2012

**Senior Care Manager:** Job responsibilities include reviewing intakes, initial evaluations and focusing on treatment interventions; collecting and analyzing utilization data; obtaining appropriate mental health and substance abuse services; assisting in discharge planning.

Lakeview Center: Pensacola, FL

1997 - 2002

**Mental Health Counselor:** Was lead therapist on a partial hospitalization unit; counseled patients using individual, marital, family and group therapy; performed psychological testing; supervised counseling interns.

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

- Licensed Professional Counseling Association 2006
- Licensed Professional Counselor Georgia 2004
- National Board of Certified Counselors 1992
- Licensed Mental Health Counselor Florida 1988

## **EDUCATION, HONORS AND AWARDS**

<u>University of West Florida</u>: Pensacola, FL **Ed. D. in Curriculum and Instruction** – 2000 GPA: 3.91

## University of South Alabama: Mobile, AL Master of Science in Clinical Psychology - 1986

GPA: 3.6

Auburn University: Auburn, AL Bachelor of Arts in Psychology Minor in Political Science - 1983 GPA: 3.75

**Honor Societies:** Phi Kappa Phi – 1983 Psi Chi – 1982 Phi Eta Sigma – 1980 Alpha Lambda Delta - 1980