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## **CAREER OBJECTIVE:**

To continue to own and operate Healthy Therapy Online Care, LLC, while providing Acceptance Commitment Therapy that is customized to the strengths of each individual.

## **EDUCATION:**

### MASTER OF ARTS IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

College of Behavioral Sciences at Argosy University, Hawaii (Regionally Accredited by WASC)

Awarded the Postgraduate Academic Scholarship (Cumulative GPA: 4.0)

**Master's Research Title:** The Evidence-Based Practice of Acceptance Commitment Therapy for Anxiety, Depression, and Phobias

**Master's Capstone Project:** The Neuroscience and Efficacy of Narrative Therapy on Attachment Breaks and Attachment Repair in Children

## MASTER OF EDUCATION IN TEACHING

Concentration Areas: Inquiry Methodology and Science Education

University of Hawaii (Regionally Accredited by WASC)

Received a \$9,000 Educational Grant (Cumulative GPA: 3.98)

Master's Thesis: The Efficacy of a Multi-Sensory, Multi-Modal Approach to Science Education

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Liberal Studies: Educational Psychology

Concentration Areas: Science Education, Statistical Analysis, and Education Administration

University of Hawaii (Regionally Accredited by WASC)

## **COUNSELING & TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

#### 2015-PRESENT

## HEALTHY THERAPY ONLINE CARE, LLC

OWNER, CERTIFIED RELATIONSHIP THERAPIST & ACT COACH

- Provide Acceptance Commitment Therapy for behavioral health, stress reduction, and mindfulness.
- Create online education and mind-body healing practices to engage clients in the growth process.
- Focus on clients' self-knowledge and self-awareness while using coaching methods and psychometrics.
- Utilize master techniques, tools and exercises to engage clients in the recovery, exploration, and self-leadership process.

#### 2013-2014

WAIKIKI SCHOOL (Earned National Blue Ribbon School Award 2013-2014)

SCHOOL COUNSELOR & HABITS OF MIND INSTRUCTOR (Internship)

- Conducted individual and group counseling with the focus on emotional intelligence (EQ).
- Implemented directed art-therapy and expressive narrative play therapy.
- Instructed a University of Hawaii sponsored program called Philosophy for Children (P4C).
- Focused on the development of inquiry and critical thinking skills.
- · Facilitated a school peer-mentoring program that encouraged cooperative learning techniques.
- Offered the position of School Behavioral & Academic Counselor.

### 2008-2010

### ST. ANDREW'S PRIORY SCHOOL

FIFTH GRADE TEACHER (Smart Board® Technology Teacher & Student Council Faculty Advisor)

- · Created curriculum in advanced math, American history, introductory physics, and English.
- Encouraged all students to become engaged in the learning process through inquiry and analysis.
- First Promethean® trained Smart Board® teacher in the school.
- Utilized global interactive digitally projected science experiments and math manipulatives.
- Guided student leadership as the Student Council Faculty Advisor.
- Interviewed and featured in an article published on the Honolulu Advertiser.com website regarding my hands-on and technology infused 5th grade classroom (May 13, 2010).
- Continuous contract offer extended by the Head of School annually. (See website link to 2009 evaluation.)

## 1999-2008

## ST. ANDREW'S PRIORY SCHOOL

FOURTH GRADE TEACHER (Science Chairperson & Academic Committee Member)

- Instructed core subjects which included: advanced math, geology, biology, oceanography, Hawaiian history, Native American studies, English, and technology skills.
- Used a multi-sensory, multi-modal approach to teach all subjects.
- Taught students how to create science web pages, iMovies, and iDVDs.
- Won an award for having the best faculty website.
- Facilitated a homeroom session to counsel students in meeting their academic and social goals.
- Provided helpful guidance to families in need of parent-child relationship support.
- Principal asked me to be a mentor to other educators in teaching excellence (as cited in website link to 2004 & 2005 evaluations).

### 1998

### MOKULELE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN TEACHER (Internship)

- Full-time kindergarten teacher with a class of twenty-three kindergarten students.
- Responsible for encouraging and guiding each student throughout the learning process.
- Developed the daily lesson plans and activities.
- Collaborated with grade level colleagues and participated in school-wide functions. (See website link 1998 evaluation.)

## 1996-1997

# ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FOURTH GRADE INSTRUCTOR (Mentorship)

• Taught a class of thirty-two fourth graders and implemented hands-on exploratory activities. (See website link to DOE letter of recommendation and MET mentorship evaluation.)

## 1994-1996

# MANOA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A+ PROGRAM TEACHER (Third Grade)

- · Responsible for organizing and conducting safe and fun activities for fifty-one students.
- Created lessons in physical education, creative movement, and art. (See website link to letter of recommendation.)

## 1989-1991

#### AIKAHI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A+ PROGRAM PE TEACHER (K-3 Grades)

- Planned and implemented a physical education program for 155 children.
- Qualified students for the Presidential Physical Fitness Awards (PPFA).
- Program Director asked me to take over his regular physical education classes, while he assumed the position of acting Vice-Principal at Aikahi Elementary School (as cited in 1991 evaluation).

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Contextual Behavioral Science (ACBS) Association of Hawaii School Psychologists (AHSP) Hawaii Association for Behavior Analysis (HABA) National Organization for Women (NOW) National Association of Psychometrists (NAP)

# **WORKSHOPS & HONORS:**

2020	Attended Association for Contextual Behavioral Science (ACBS) World Conference
2019	Onboarding opportunity extended by the Head Psychologist at Modern Health, Inc.
2018	Approached by the Acquisitions Team at Callisto Media for a reader-friendly ACT book.
2015	Launched private practice Healthy Therapy Online Care, LLC.
2015	Credentialed school psychologist in the Department of Education (DOE).
2014	Offered a DOE position as Academic & Behavioral Counselor.
2011	Awarded a postgraduate Academic Scholarship from Argosy University, Hawaii.
2010	Interviewed and featured in an article published on the Honolulu Advertiser.com website
	regarding my hands-on and technology infused classroom (May 13, 2010).
2009	Attended a SMART Board® teacher-training in interactive white board technology held by
	SMART Technologies.
	Completed Promethean Board® teacher-training in interactive white board technology
	instruction for educators, held by Promethean Planet.com
2008	Attended a technology workshop held by the Apple Co. on podcasting & audio engineering
	software.
2005	Photographed teaching for an article in <i>Honolulu Magazine's</i> guide to private schools.
2004	Completed a self-taught iDVD online technology-training course produced by Apple Co.
2003	Awarded best faculty website in the primary division at St. Andrew's Priory.
2002	Nominated for Disney's American Teacher Award.
1999	Presenter at a professional growth K-12 teacher-training workshop at St. Andrew's Priory.
1998	Received a \$9,000 grant from the University of Hawaii for the MEd Teaching Program.