

CURRICULUM VITA

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EDUCATION

Doctorate of Philosophy in Counselor Education and Supervision December 2016
CACREP Accredited
University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC

Master of Arts in Counseling May 2009
CACREP Accredited
Specialization: School Counseling
Marymount University, Arlington, VA

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology July 2005
Manchester University, North Manchester, IN

CERTIFICATION

National Certified Counselor (NCC # 251928)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

CAHC 500 Professional Identity and Ethics in Counseling
CAHC 521 Counseling Children and Adolescents

Saint Xavier University, Chicago, IL

EDGCN 538 Multicultural Counseling- Summer 2017
EDGCN 533 Counseling Children in Crisis- Spring 2017
EDGCN 541 Practicum in School Counseling- Spring 2017
EDGCN 526 Standardized Assessment- Spring 2017
EDGCN 521 Orientation to Counseling- Fall 2016
EDGCN 537 Counseling and Consulting in Schools- Fall 2016
EDGCN 522 Lifespan Development- Fall 2016

Marymount University, Arlington, VA

CE 522 Counseling for Individuals- Spring 2016

Co-instructor at University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC

CSLG 7146 Counseling Children and Adolescents- Summer 2015
CSLG 7142/8142 Introduction to Play Therapy- Summer 2015
CSLG 6100 Counseling Theory- Summer 2015
CSLG 7143 Filial Therapy- Spring 2015

SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

Saint Xavier University, Chicago, IL

Supervise Master's practicum students- Spring 2017

University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC

Supervised Master's practicum students- Spring 2015
Supervised Master's students in Counseling Techniques course- Fall 2014
Supervised Master's students in Filial Therapy course- Fall 2015

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Aug. 2017- present **Assistant Professor** Northern Illinois University
Teach 3 graduate courses per semester

Serve on committees at program, department, and college level

Supervise students in practicum and internship field placements

- Sept. 2016- Aug. 2017 **Assistant Professorial Instructor & Chair** Saint Xavier University
Provide effective leadership toward achieving excellence in teaching, research and service activities of the department
Teach 3 graduate courses per semester
Coordinate school counseling clinical field placements
Supervise students in practicum and internship field placements
Provide advisement and mentoring to graduate students
Coordinate the CACREP Self-Study
Serve on committees at program, department, college, and university level
- Jan. 2016- May 2016 **Adjunct Professor** Marymount University
Taught graduate students in the Clinical Mental Health program
- Aug. 2015- Aug. 2016 **Doctoral Clinical Intern** Northern Virginia Family Service
Provided counseling services to immigrant, refugee and low-income populations
Co-facilitated anger management and batterer's intervention groups
Provided play therapy for children
Provided child-parent relationship training for parents
- Jan. 2014 – May 2014 **Doctoral Practicum Student** Davidson College Counseling Center
Provided counseling services to college students through individual and group work
- Aug. 2013- July 2015 **Graduate Assistant** University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Assisted professors in course preparation and grading
Assisted professors in conducting research and writing publications
- Sept. 2009- Aug. 2012 **Child Protection Program Manager** Save the Children, Palestine
Contributed to the development of strategic programs
Lead the implementation of the child protection program
Managed project staff and budget
Ensured quality implementation of protection programs
Proposal and report writing to donors
Represented organization with local government and donors
Delivered Child Protection Trainings
Provided technical support and knowledge on protection and psychosocial approaches
- May 2009-Aug. 2012 **Counselor** Palestinian Happy Child Center, Palestine
Developed intervention programs and trainings
Provided individual and group counseling services
Organized and delivered community outreach activities
- Jan. 2009-May 2009 **In-home Therapist** Fairfax, VA
Implemented Applied Behavioral Analysis therapy to maximize learning
- Aug. 2008- May 2009 **School Counseling Intern** Waples Mill Elementary School, VA
Provided counseling services to individuals and groups
Conducted classroom guidance lessons
Consulted with teachers, administrators, and parents
Participated in ongoing professional development programs, workshops, and seminars
- Feb. 2008-May 2009 **Substitute Teacher** Fairfax County Public Schools, VA
Taught lessons for grades K-12 in all subject areas
- Jan. 2008-May 2008 **School Counseling Practicum Student** Liberty Middle School, VA
Provided counseling services to individuals and groups
Conduced classroom guidance lessons
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Jan. 2015- Present	Research Team	University of North Carolina, Charlotte
		School counseling research team comprised of doctoral and master's level students to implement guidance curriculum and conduct program evaluation research in a high school setting.
Apr. 2011-2012	Research Assistant	Palestinian Happy Child Center, Palestine
		Conduct research on issues related to children with disabilities and particularly children with autism in Palestine.
Oct. 2011-Mar. 2012	Program Manager	Save the Children, Jerusalem
		Conduct evaluations for the Post trauma rehabilitation of Child ex-detainees in the West Bank program.
May 2006-Oct. 2006	Research Assistant	Palestinian Happy Child Center, Palestine
		Assist primary researchers on Class Based Intervention Research.

Publications

- Fox, S. P., Olsen, J., **Isawi, D. T.**, & Ventikasubramanian, K. (2017). *Factors Related to Career and College Readiness Self-efficacy*. Manuscript submitted for publication.
- Odeh, J., Awad, J., **Isawi, D. T.**, & Elsabbagh, M. (2011). *Progress and Challenge of Community-Based Rehabilitation Programs in the Palestinian Territories*. International Meeting for Autism Research. San Diego, CA.

PRESENTATIONS

International Presentations

- Post, P., **Isawi, D.**, Phipps, C. (2016, April). *Cultural Considerations in Child-Centered and Filial Therapy*. Program presented at the American Counseling Association, Montreal, Canada.
- Post, P., **Isawi, D.**, Phipps, C. (2016, April). *Cultural Considerations in Addressing Discipline with Parents of Young Children*. Program presented at the American Counseling Association, Montreal, Canada.
- Isawi, D.** (2009, November). *Challenges of Trauma Counseling in Conflicted Areas*. Program presented at the International Conference on Trauma Counseling. Bethlehem, Palestine.
- Isawi, D.** (2009, July). *Psychological Implications of Thalassemia*. Program presented at the UNDP Thalassemia conference. Ramallah, Palestine.

National Presentations

- Isawi, D.** (2017, March). *Counselor Self-Efficacy of Mental Health Professionals Working with Refugees*. Program presented at the American Counseling Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Post, P., **Isawi, D.** (2017, March). *Cultural Considerations in Child-Centered Therapy*. Program presented as a pre conference session at the American Counseling Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Isawi, D.** (2015, October). *Exploring Cultural Factors in Supervision*. Program presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Philadelphia, PA.
- Post, P., & **Isawi, D.** (2015, February). *Setting Limits: A Way to Advocate for Young Children*. Program presented at the North Carolina Counseling Association, Greensboro, NC.
- Olsen, J., & **Isawi, D.** (2014, November). *Creating a Culturally Responsive Classroom: for School Counselors*. Poster presented at the North Carolina School Counselor Association, Greensboro, NC.
- Parikh, S., & **Isawi, D.** (2014, October). *Back to Basics: SFBT*. Program presented at the Distinguished Lecture Series on Multiculturalism, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC.
- Isawi, D.**, & Kuo, C. Y. (2014, October). *Exploring Culturally Diverse Supervisee's Experience through a Multicultural Framework in the University Setting*. Poster presented at the Southern Association for Counselors Education and Supervision, Birmingham, AL.
- Post, P., **Isawi, D.**, Geddes, J. (2014, January). *Child-Centered Play Therapy: A Culturally Responsive Approach to Working with Children*. Program presented at the North Carolina Counseling Association, Pinehurst, NC.
- Post, P., Ceballos, P. L., & **Isawi, D.** (2013, October). *Child-Centered Play Therapy: A Culturally Responsive Approach to Working with Children*. Program presented at the Distinguished Lecture Series on Multiculturalism, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
- Odeh, J. & **Isawi, D.** (2011, May). *Autism in Palestine*. Poster presentation presented at the International Meeting for Autism Research, San Diego, CA.
- Isawi, D.** (2009, February). *Kohlberg's Developmental Stages*. Poster presented at the Virginia Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, Charlottesville, VA.

LEADERSHIP

- Friends of Happy Child Foundation President, 2011-Present
- Chi Sigma Iota- Mu Tau Beta Chapter President-elect. 2014

Manchester College International Association Vice President, 2004-2005

Manchester College Asian Association Secretary, 2003-2004

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member of the American Counseling Association (ACA)

Member of the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES)

Member of the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (SACES)

Member of the North Carolina Counseling Association (NCCA)

Member of the North Carolina School Counselor Association (NCSCA)

TRAINING EXPERIENCE

CACREP Self-Study Workshop October 2016

Trauma-Focused Integrated Play Therapy March 2014

Child-Centered Play Therapy 2013-2016

Cluster Coordinator Training- UNICEF October 2011

Proposal Development Workshop- Save the Children April 2011

Project Management PMP January-March 2011

Advocacy Training- Save the Children October 2010