

Vicki Kirsch

MSW, Boston University, Clinical Concentration, 5/97
Ph.D., Emory University, Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts, Women's Studies, 5/90
MA, The University of Chicago, Divinity School, History of Religions – Sanskrit Studies 5/80
BA, Georgetown University, Theology and Philosophy, 5/78

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

George Mason University, Director of the MSW Program, Department of Social Work, Fairfax, VA, 8/2015 – current.

George Mason University, Assistant Professor of Faculty Practice, Department of Social Work, Fairfax, Virginia, 1/10 – current.

George Mason University, Associate Director, Women and Gender Studies, Fairfax, Virginia, 1/2007- 1/10.

Wheelock College, Assistant Director and Director of Training at Wheelock College Counseling Center, Boston, MA, 2002-07.

Harvard University, Teaching Associate in Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Cambridge, MA, 2005 – 07.

Quinsigamond Community College, Director of the Women's Center, Worcester, MA, 1998-01.

Boston University, Social Work Fellow at the Danielsen Institute at Boston University, Boston, MA, 1996 - 97.

Clark University, Visiting Professor of Women's Studies, Ph.D. in Women's Studies Program, Worcester, MA, 2000 - 01.

Goddard College, Associate Faculty- Individualized BA/MA Off Campus Program, Plainfield, VT, 1993-98.

College of William and Mary, Visiting Assistant Professor of Women's Studies, Williamsburg, VA, 1991- 94.

Emory University, Postdoctoral Fellowship in Liberal Studies, Atlanta, GA, 1990 – 91.

Emory University, Graduate Instructor, Religion, Liberal Studies and Women's Studies Departments, Atlanta, GA, 1983-90.

Atlanta College of Art, High Museum of Art. Liberal Studies Division, Adjunct Professor, 1989-91.

Georgetown University, Instructor, MA in Liberal Studies Program Washington, D.C..1982.

Professional Social Work Experience

Private Clinical Social Work Practice, Fairfax, VA, 9/2007 – current

George Mason University, Clinician in the Center for Psychological Services, Fairfax, VA, 1/2007 – 9/08.

Private Clinical Social Work Practice, Somerville, MA, 5/2002 – 12/06

Cambridge Health Alliance, Clinician, Program for Psychotherapy, Cambridge, MA, 2002-07

Arbour –HRI Hospital, Clinical Coordinator in the Center for Women’s Development, Partial Hospitalization Program, Boston, MA, 9/2001 – 9/02,

Fresh Pond Day Treatment Center in the Cambridge Hospital System, Clinical Case Coordinator and Human Rights Officer, Cambridge, MA, 5/1997- 9/98

Boston University School of Social Work, Evaluator for Inner-City afterschool program. 10/1995- 3/96

MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Social Work
Greater Washington Society for Clinical Social Work
International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation
EMDRIA

COMMUNITY SERVICE RESPONSIBILITIES

Consulting Editor, journal *Health & Social Work*. NASW.
Give an Hour – participant/EMDR practitioner
Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Program – volunteer
Whitman-Walker Health Center – volunteer consultant

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

“Trauma all the time: The Relentless Rhythm of the Traumatic Transference,” invited speaker at *Transgressing Boundaries: Interdisciplinary Culture, Psychoanalysis, and Anthropology*, Emory University, Atlanta, GA. 2/28/16 – 3/02/16.

“Family, Personality Disorders, and Dying: Assessment and Relational Caregiving,” invited talk at Capital Caring, Falls Church,, VA 12/13/15.

“Working with the Transgender Community in Northern Virginia.” Presentation for Social Work Month panel on RESILIENCE AND ADVOCACY, GMU Dept. of Social Work. March 2013.

“Dialectical Behavior Therapy for Adolescents and Their Caregivers.” Invited Speaker at *Circle of Support : A Conference for Families of Children With Special Needs and the Professionals Who Work With Them*, The ARC, Woodbridge, VA. November 2012

“Gaining Confidence After a Fall: Mindfulness, Visualization and EMDR.” Invited speaker to Clifton Horse Society winter meeting in Clifton, VA. February 2012.

“Introduction to DBT” – presentation to Clinical Staff at National Counseling Group. September 2012.

“Introduction to Dialectical Behavior Therapy,” National Counseling Group – workshop plus biweekly supervision group. (2012-2013).

“A Brief Course in Dialectical Behavior Therapy,” invited speaker at National Counseling Group, Manassas, Virginia, August 2011.

“Introduction to Dialectical Behavior Therapy,” invited speaker at weekly Clinical Seminar, GMU Psychology Clinic, April 2011.

“When Therapy is Toxic,” invited speaker at NASW-VA Annual Conference, Richmond, VA, March 2011.

“Healing from Trauma: Integrating Psychodynamic Psychotherapy with EMDR,” invited speaker at *Blazing the Trail: Promising Practices for Healing Psychological Trauma*, George Mason University, May 2010.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

Fairfax County Department of Family Services (2015-2018). *Learning Circles for Clinical Supervisors - Phases II*. Fairfax, VA. \$20,000.

Cleaveland, C. & Kirsch, V. (in process). Extortion, robbery and sexual assault: An exploratory study of Latina Experiences in human smuggling. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*.