

Curriculum Vitae

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LICENSES

June 2014 - **California Licensed Clinical Psychologist, PSY26410**
Present

EDUCATION

Graduated **Doctor of Clinical Psychology**, APA Accredited Program, *3.9 GPA*
June 2012 **John F. Kennedy University** *Pleasant Hill, California*

Graduated **Bachelor of Arts – Psychology and Religion**, *graduated magna cum laude*
June 1998 **Carleton College** *Northfield, Minnesota*

PSYCHOLOGY EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

July 2014 - **Sandy Peace, PsyD**
Present **Licensed Clinical Psychologist PSY26410**
Private Practice Therapist, Consultant, Speaker, Trainer
Los Angeles, CA

Generalist clinician providing psychotherapy to adult individuals, couples/partners, and groups using an integrative approach. Lead lectures, seminars and workshops for helping professionals and the general public on working with sexual minority clients (i.e. polyamory, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual, BDSM/Kink, etc.) Facilitate women's DBT group, Mindfulness Group. Trained in providing EMDR therapy for the treatment of trauma.

January **Psychology Resident / Clinical Counselor**
2013 - **California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo – Counseling Services**
June 2013 **San Luis Obispo, California**

Full-time, temporary faculty position providing brief individual, couple's, and group therapy and crisis intervention for undergraduate and graduate students in a university counseling center. Collaborating with psychiatrist and Health Services practitioners on medication referrals/monitoring and treatment planning. Liaison to the Pride Center. Developing and co-facilitating the first therapy group for LGBT + Questioning students at Cal Poly. Presenting a Special Topics seminar to staff on working with polyamorous clients. Providing outreach to the campus community and guest lectures for classes. Completed 2000 Postdoctoral hours April 11, 2014.

- July 2011 - **Doctoral Intern**
June 2012 **California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo – Counseling Services**
San Luis Obispo, California
Provided brief individual and couple's therapy and crisis intervention for undergraduate and graduate students in a university counseling center. Co-facilitated didactic/experiential anxiety group and process therapy groups. Participated in bi-monthly didactic trainings relevant to working with college students including: crisis intervention, multicultural diversity, bipolar disorder, suicide prevention and intervention, substance use, trauma, brief psychodynamic models, ethics, and psychopharmacology. Presented a Special Topics seminar for Counseling Center psychologists on working with polyamorous clients. Co-Facilitated a quarter-long Intergroup Dialogue on race/ethnicity as a part of the campus' Inclusive Excellence initiative. Provided Counseling Services outreach and consultation to Cal Poly students in classrooms and residence halls. Prepared and presented outreach in collaboration with the Career Center, University Housing, Pride Center, and Multicultural Center. Guest speaker on White privilege for the Master's in Educational Counseling diversity class. Collaborated with psychiatrist and Health Services practitioners on medication referrals/monitoring and treatment planning.
- August 2010 - **PsyD Trainee – Third Year Practicum**
May 2011 **Sonoma State University – Counseling and Psychological Services**
Rohnert Park, California
Provided brief, solution-focused psychodynamic therapy and crisis intervention for students in a university counseling center, including individuals, couples, and students/parents. Developed and co-facilitated a year-long LGBTQQI support group. Participated in weekly didactic clinical psychology training relevant to working with the university population including: crisis intervention, stress reduction, eating disorders, substance use, mood disorders, and LGBTQQI issues. Participated in campus events to promote CAPS (i.e. Multicultural Center open house). Collaborated with campus programs serving students including Disability Services for Students, Educational Opportunity Program, Health Services, Alcohol and Drug Education Program, and Residential Life.
- August 2007 - **PsyD Trainee – Second Year Practicum**
July 2008 **The Pacific Center for Human Growth – Clinical Services Program**
Berkeley, California
Provided individual and couple's therapy in a community mental health center serving multiculturally diverse lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and HIV positive clients. Developed, advertised, and co-facilitated an eight-week Bisexual Women's therapy group. Participated in weekly didactic clinical psychology training on working with LGBT clients (i.e. coming out, gender identity/transition, shame, relationships, etc.). Volunteered for fundraising activities for the center. Participated in a day-long Visions, Inc. training in multiculturalism. Participated in a weekly Professional Development Process Group with colleagues.

November 2005 - June 2006 **PsyD Trainee and Ethnographer – First Year Practicum**
Walden House – 815 Buena Vista West
San Francisco, California
 Ethnographic participant-observer at a co-ed adult residential drug and alcohol treatment facility serving a multiculturally diverse, low income population. Co-facilitated two, eight-week group sessions for women using the *Seeking Safety* treatment model for dual diagnosis PTSD and Substance Abuse/ Dependence. Received training on Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT). Developed and presented staff training on Seeking Safety. Co-facilitated "The Best Kept Secret," a day-long trust building workshop for residents. Developed and led an eight-week Yoga class.

TEACHING EMPLOYMENT

September 2011 - December 2011 **Co-Facilitator**
Intergroup Dialogues – Race and Ethnicity
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
San Luis Obispo, California
 Facilitated a quarter-long intergroup dialogue seminar comprised of an equal number of White people and people of color in which students explored racial/ethnic individual and social identity, conflict, community and social justice. Increased students' awareness of power and privilege dynamics in interpersonal relationships and systemic structures utilizing readings, lecture, dialogue, and experiential exercises. Received facilitation training by Intergroup Dialogues consultant.

July 2007-September 2007 **Teaching Assistant**
World Cultures: Diverse Perspectives on Psychological Theory and Practice – Alette Coble-Temple, PsyD
John F. Kennedy University
Pleasant Hill, California
 Facilitated weekly discussions of assigned readings and lectures for this quarter long course. Observed and noted group dynamics and challenged students to think critically about diverse worldviews and their role as clinicians. Collaborated with the professor on class structure, reading materials, learning goals, syllabus, and activities.

October 2006 - June 2007 **Teaching Assistant**
IPS-I: Integrated Professional Seminar – Kayoko Yokoyama, PhD & Sarah Carroll, PhD
John F. Kennedy University
Pleasant Hill, California
 Co-facilitated this weekly, year-long class for first year psychology doctoral students about race, gender, and class oppression. Observed group dynamics and fostered PsyD students' developing multicultural awareness. Collaborated with faculty on class structure and assessing individuals' growth and learning processes. First Teacher's Assistant for this foundational three quarter long course and pioneer for the future integration of student TA's in this peer mentor/ally capacity.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

Successfully Defended May 2012 **Clinical Psychology Doctorate Dissertation Researcher**
Toward a Model of Polyamorous Identity Development
John F. Kennedy University

Pleasant Hill, CA

The 2008 APA Convention in Boston marked the first time polyamory (many loves) was formally brought to the larger community of psychologists (Contemporary Sexuality, 2008). This research focuses on those who self-identify as polyamorous and choose to be consensually non-monogamous in spite of societal pressure to conform to heteronormative standards of monogamy. Using conventional content analysis, an emerging model of polyamorous identity development based in participants' experience is proposed. Comparison is made with sexual orientation and racial identity development and acculturation models in the psychological literature

May 2008 - April 2009 **Research Assistant**
Gay, Lesbian, & Bisexual Committee Curriculum Resource Development

National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology (NCSPP)

Contacted and solicited assistance from expert psychologists around the county to compile user-friendly teaching tools integrating LGBT issues into core psychology doctorate courses. Met weekly via conference call with NCSPP GLB Committee to report progress. Maintained project files on web-based Listserv.

July 1998 - November 1999 **Structured Clinical Interviewer**
Minnesota Center for Twin and Family Research

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Conducted clinical interviews with ~200 adult and adolescent participants of the MN Twin Family Study and Sibling Interaction and Behavior Study, a longitudinal study established in 1987 that seeks to identify genetic and environmental influences on development and psychological traits. Assessed DSM-III-R and IV symptoms in life events, social adjustment, eating disorders, ASPD, PTSD, and gambling habits modules. Administered and scored diagnostic psychological tests including the SCID, DICA, SAM, WAIS-R, WISC-R, WRAT-3 for research purposes.

June 1997 - November 1997 **Research Assistant, Hughes Medical Institute Grant**
Prenatal and Birthing Decision Making Research Study,
Kathleen M. Galotti, PhD

Carleton College

Northfield, Minnesota

Designed research instruments. Researched and co-wrote literature review. Conducted qualitative interviews with pregnant women. Trained new research assistants.

EMPLOYMENT – GENERAL WORK EXPERIENCE

July 2009- Present **Independent Marketing and Business Consultant**
Peace Advising
San Francisco Bay Area, Los Angeles California

Providing time-limited, project specific consulting services for all aspects of business operations including: marketing (on-line and print), proposal writing, copy writing and editing, presentation preparation and coaching, IT services, finance and accounting, administrative operations and infrastructure, event organizing and production, business development and client services, subconsultant and team management, and employee development and training.

August 2009 - July 2010 **Project Development Coordinator**
V&A Consulting Engineers
Oakland, California

Prepared proposals to win public agency contracts for corrosion engineering projects for a 35-person engineering firm. Designed direct mail and e-mail marketing pieces and firm statement of qualifications. Managed and populated Salesforce marketing database. Wrote project descriptions and staff resumes. Developed and led communication training for staff.

September 2001 - June 2009 **Business Developer, Marketing Coordinator, and Financial Engineer**
Harris & Associates
Concord, California

Provided financial engineering and marketing/business development for a construction management and civil engineering firm focused on consulting for government agencies. Learned on the job how to research, develop, implement, and administer finance plans, development impact fees, and assessment districts for cities and districts consistent with California law. Transitioned into marketing and proposal development. Managed and prepared proposals using Adobe Photoshop and InDesign and coached interview teams to win Federal, State, and local agency contracts. Transitioned to lead business developer for the 20-person civil design group with 2007 sales goal of \$6.9 million and a service range from Sacramento to Monterey. Developed client relations and strategic alliances with partner firms. Managed Deltek marketing database conversion and data population.

September 2000 - June 2001 **Office Manager/IT Specialist**
Project Management Associates
San Francisco, California

Managed office operations, provided IT support, performed accounts receivable tasks, and prepared monthly invoicing of \$450,000 and bi-monthly payroll for 35 employees. Liaison between the corporate office, off-site project managers, and three regional offices. Supervised receptionist and assisted the CEO and President.

AFFILIATIONS

Los Angeles County Psychological Association, 2012-Present

California Psychological Association, 2008-Present

American Psychological Association, 2007-2012; 2017

Community Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities, 2010-2012

Association for Women in Psychology, 2007-2009

Caucus for Bisexuality and Sexual Diversity (2007-2008)

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Peace, S. L. (2017, February). *Polyamory: New paradigms for loving relationships*. Presentation for Sunday Salon Series at the South Bay LGBT Center.

Peace, S. L. (2014, December). *What Polyamory is NOT*. Presentation for the national non-profit organization Black & Poly, Riverside, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, November). *Polyamory: Providing Polyamorous Affirmative Individual and Partner Therapy*. Presentation for the Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy graduate students, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Los Angeles, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, June). *Keep asking the big questions: Who am I, and why the heck am I here?* Presentation for Lavender Commencement, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA

Peace, S. L. (2014, June; 2014, March). *Alternative families*. Presentation for Sociology 306: Sociology of the Family, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, May). *Intimate partner violence*. Presentation for Sociology 306: Sociology of the Family, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, April). *Polyamory: New paradigms for intimate relating*. Presentation for OC_CA Polyamory, Westminster, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, January). *Intimacy, friendship, and love*. Presentation for Sociology 306: Sociology of the Family, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Peace, S. L. (2014, January). *Managing jealousy in multiple relationships*. Presentation for Central Coast Polyamory, San Luis Obispo, CA.

- Peace, S. L. (2013, October). *Polyamory 101*. Presentation for Central Coast Polyamory, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, March). *Polyamory: New paradigms for intimate relating*. Presentation for Soup and Substance lecture series sponsored by Student Life and Leadership, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, April). *Polyamory 101*. Guest speaker for Spectrum Gender and Sexuality Alliance, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, April). *Polyamory: New paradigms for loving relationships*. Presentation for CARE Multicultural Healing, West Hollywood, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, March). *Navigating dual realities: Bisexual identity, relationships, and bi-affirmative therapy*. Presentation for the LGBT Special Interest Group of the Los Angeles County Psychological Association, Encino, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, March). *Polyamory: New paradigms for loving relationships*. Presentation for Counseling Services bi-monthly Special Topics training at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, February). *Toward a model of polyamorous identity development*. Presentation for the Central Coast Polyamory monthly meeting, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2013, February). *Toward a model of polyamorous identity development*. Presentation for the International Academic Polyamory Conference at University of California, Berkeley, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2012, June). *Polyamory: New paradigms for loving relationships*. Presentation for a BDSM 101 Conference, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2012, January). *White privilege in the counseling relationship and beyond*. Guest Lecturer for the Master of Arts in Education – Counseling and Guidance program’s course EDUC 556 Multicultural Counseling and Psychology at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L. (2011, December). *Polyamory: New paradigms for loving relationships*. Presentation for Counseling Services bi-monthly Special Topics training at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- Peace, S. L., Cohen, R. A., Bashnick, E. E. (2009, July). *The culture of psychology: Privilege and oppression in therapeutic practice*. Presentation for the PsyD course World Cultures: Diverse Perspectives on Psychological Theory and Practice at John F. Kennedy University, Pleasant Hill, CA.
- Peace, S. L., Cohen, R. A. (2008, July). *The culture of psychology: Privilege and oppression in therapeutic practice*. Presentation for the PsyD course World Cultures: Diverse Perspectives on Psychological Theory and Practice at John F. Kennedy University, Pleasant Hill, CA.

Coble-Temple, A., Cohen, R. A., Peace, S. L., Bashnick, E. E. (2008, April). *The culture of psychology: Privilege and oppression in therapeutic practice*. Continuing education workshop presented at the annual convention of the California Psychological Association, Anaheim, CA.

Peace, S. (2007, March). *It's easy being green*. Presentation for Harris & Associates annual employee convention, Irvine, CA.

Gibson, R., Peace, S., Blumengarten, S., & Mark, K. (2006, May). *Seeking safety*. Training for monthly staff meeting at Walden House, San Francisco, CA.

CONFERENCES

Los Angeles County Psychological Association. 2016 27th Annual Convention. Culver City, California.

Los Angeles County Psychological Association. 2015 27th Annual Convention. Culver City, California.

Los Angeles County Psychological Association. 2014 26th Annual Convention. Culver City, California.

CatalystCon West. 2013 and 2014. Woodland Hills, California.

International Academic Polyamory Conference. 2013 1th Annual Convention. "The Future of Monogamy and Non-Monogamy." Berkeley, California.

Los Angeles County Psychological Association. 2012 24th Annual Convention. "Compassion and Community." Culver City, California.

National Multicultural Conference and Summit. 2011 National Conference. "Unification Through Diversity: Bridging Psychological Science and Practice in the Public Interest." Seattle, Washington.

Community Academic Consortium for Research on Alternative Sexualities. 2010 3rd Annual "Alternative Sexualities Conference. "Cultural Competencies, Clinical Issues, Research." San Francisco, California.

National Multicultural Conference and Summit. 2009 National Conference. "Advancing Our Communities: The Role of Social Justice in Multicultural Psychology." New Orleans, Louisiana.

California Psychological Association. 2008 Convention. "Who We Are and Why It Matters." Anaheim, California.

American Psychological Association. 2007 115th Annual National Convention. San Francisco, California.

Association for Women in Psychology. 2007 National Conference. "Waves of Change: Beyond Dualities." San Francisco, California.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EMDR 40 Hour Training. EMDR Institute, Los Angeles, CA. November 2015 and March 2016.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Cross Cultural Centers: Pride Center 2014 Faculty-Staff Ally of the Year

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Hobbies and Interests: Working toward fluency in Spanish language. Latin American music and dance, hiking, cooking, international cuisine, beach sports, tea, singing, weekend getaways, laughing.

Los Angeles Community Organizing: Facilitate a monthly polyamorous women's discussion and support group. Assistant organizer and workshop facilitator in numerous sex positive, bisexual, and polyamorous community groups.

San Luis Obispo Community Organizing: Leader of Central Coast Polyamory. Organizing a social gathering, polyamory discussion and support group, and educational workshop each month at the Gay and Lesbian Alliance (GALA) center.

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo: Counseling Service's liaison to the Pride Center 2014. Initiated the formation of the LGBTQIA faculty/staff association, 2011. Attended colloquia and presentations on topics of multicultural diversity, 2011-2014. Co-founded Friday Social Club for new faculty and staff, 2011-14. Guest lecturer for Master's in Counseling and Sociology courses, and Career Services seminars, 2011-2014.

CPAGS: Volunteered for California Psychological Association Convention, 2008.

John F. Kennedy University: Moderator for early practicum student support group, 2007-2008. Evaluator for PsyD applicants' group interviews to select 2006-07 and 2008-09 incoming classes. Designed posters advertising Student Council fundraisers.

San Francisco Sex Information: Sex Educator. 60-hour sex educator training course, 2005. Sex education training support staff, 2010.

Harris & Associates: Founder/President of the Environmental Task Force, 2007. Chair of the business communication workshop committee, 2007. Created proposal templates to standardize work, 2004.

Carleton College: Study Abroad program in Pau, France with a focus on French language, literature, and culture, 1999. Resident Assistant and House Coordinator for Residential Life, 1996-1998. Division III intercollegiate volleyball team, 1994-1996.