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Citizenship: United States

Birth Date: January 21, 1950

Social Security: Upon Request

Ethnic Background: Cherokee/Caucasian

Education

The University of Rhode Island **1986/1994**
 Department of Psychology (Two Degree Programs: Personality & Clinical)
 Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (Awarded May, 1995)
 Major Professor: Paul Florin, Ph.D.

Dissertation Title: *A Structural Model of Mischel's Cognitive Social Learning Variables and Citizen Participation.*
 (Proposal Defended November, 1993: Defended January 17, 1994)

Comprehensive Examination: **Passed, April 1992**

Areas of Concentration: Methodology, Psychological Assessment, Forensics, The Psychopathic/Anti-Social
 Personality, Personality Theory, and Community Psychology.

Masters Competency, Clinical Psychology **December 1991**
 The University of Rhode Island, Department of Psychology
 Major Professor: Paul Florin, Ph.D.
 Competency Title: *Mischel's Cognitive Social Learning Variables as Predictors of Citizen Participation.*

Doctoral Candidate in General Experimental Psychology 1982-1985 Completion of Program
 requirements to Comprehensive Exams and Dissertation. Transfer to Clinical Psychology,
 University of Rhode Island, 1985

The University of Rhode Island **May, 1980**
 Master of Arts, Counseling
 Department of Human Development & Family Studies
 Major Professor: Thomas Gunnie, Ph.D.
 Thesis Title: *Adolescent Pregnancy Programs: An Evaluation of the Young Parents Program of
 Rhode Island.*

Roger Williams College **May, 1975**
 Psychology Department
 Bachelor of Arts Degree Psychology, Suma Cum Laude

Employment

Roger Williams University **June 1984-Present**
 Old Ferry Road
 Bristol, Rhode Island 02809

I am a Full Professor and the author and former Director of the Master's In Forensic & Clinical Psychology Programs. I also Served as Chair of the Psychology Department and Coordinator of the Department for approximately 10 years. Other responsibilities include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, university service, supervising undergraduate and graduate research, advising graduate & undergraduate students,

The Massachusetts Disability Board for Social Security System
Boston, MA

March 2014-Present

Conducting SSDI diagnostic interviews and psychological testing including: MMPI 2; Bender Gestalt; Trails A&B
WMS IV; MMPI II, Rorschach, MCMI IV, and WAIS IV. Providing complete testing interpretation and diagnostics.

The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island
Newport, Rhode Island 02804

June 1976-September 1984

Psychologist in charge of a set of 6 school systems providing services to pregnant adolescents. Provided counseling
and educational services related to pregnancy issues.

The Newport County Mental Health Center
Newport Hospital Tower 8
Newport, Rhode Island 02804

August 1975- June 1976

Psychiatric Aide and Counselor/Therapist

Educational and Professional Honors

Graduated Suma Cum Laude, Roger Williams University
Psychology Student of The Year Award, 1975
Graduated First in Class, Graduating Class, 1975
Nominated 13 of 15 of previous academic years for Teacher of the Year, Roger Williams University
Member, The National Honors Society in Psychology, Psi Chi
The National Honors Society in Psychology, Psi Chi Advisor Award, 1989
Doctoral Written Comprehensive Exams Completed with Distinction
Who's Who of American College & University Teachers 2004 and 2005
Cambridge "Who's Who of American Business and Professional Communities"

Professional Affiliations

The American Psychological Association
The Eastern Psychological Association
The American Psychology and Law Society

Supervised Clinical Experience

Postdoctoral Residency
South Shore Mental Health
460 Quincy Avenue
Quincy, MA 02169

September 1996 - January 2001

Postdoctoral Internship
South Shore Mental Health
460 Quincy Avenue
Quincy, MA 02169

September 1994- September 1996

Predocotrual Internship APA Accredited
South Shore Mental Health
460 Quincy Avenue
Quincy, MA 02169

September 1993 - September 1994

1900 hour predoctoral internship working in the Outpatient and Crisis Intervention Units for a large metropolitan

mental health center. This internship required a minimum of 35 client contact hours per week, the administration and interpretation of psychological test batteries (34 complete batteries), duty as a crisis intervention-forensic clinician with the responsibility of conducting full psychological evaluations of suicidal patients, risk/benefit assessments for hospitalizations, and classroom seminars focusing on Adult Psychopathology and Psychological Testing. Forensic responsibilities included ongoing psychotherapy and maintenance for forensic clients assigned to clinic via court order, probation and parole.

Clinical Psychology Trainee/Resident -
Psychological Consultation Center
University of Rhode Island

September 1985 - January, 1988

Outpatient training affiliated with the University of Rhode Island Clinical Psychology Program. Completed four psychotherapy practica, each involving training in one of the following modalities; individual adult therapy; family therapy, child therapy; and marital therapy. In addition to practica participation, performed several intake evaluations, carried more difficult and challenging cases requiring long term treatment with individual adult and forensic clients. Client problems included, major depression, borderline personality disorder, anti-social personality, anxiety disorder, adjustment disorder, and marital discord. Training was obtained in Client-Centered, Psychodynamic, Transtheoretical, Play Therapy, and Cognitive-Behavioral Therapies.

Psychological Testing Experience

18 years experience in administration, scoring and interpretation of the following psychological tests has been obtained through graduate practica/course work and private clinical supervision: Rorschach (Exner System), TAT, Bender Gestalt, WISC-R, WAIS-R, WIPPSI, Stanford-Benet:: Ira Gross, Ph.D., Alan Berman, Ph.D., Judith Lubiner, Ph.D., J. Stein, Ph.D.

Teaching Experience Graduate

2006-Present Roger Williams University Psychology Department: Professor of Psychology teaching Graduate Courses in the Forensic Master's Program. Courses include: Forensic Psychology, Methods of Psychotherapy I & II, Adult Psychopathology, The Psychology of Criminal Behavior, Professional Ethics, Introduction to Clinical Assessment, Practicum.

Teaching Experience Undergraduate

1984-Present Roger Williams University, Psychology Department: Full-time Professor of Psychology. Required four course load each semester. Courses offered include: Forensic Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, Theories of Personality, Introduction to Psychology, Identity & Potential, Tests & Measurements, Adolescence, Introduction to Clinical Psychology, Existential Psychology, Advanced Psychopathology, The Anti-Social Personality, Counseling Theories & Skills, Quantitative Methods (Statistics for Psychology Majors), Environmental Psychology, Community Psychology, Developmental, Psychology of Film, Group Dynamics, Internship & Community Placement Supervision.

1998-2000 Adjunct Faculty, University of Mass., Dartmouth, Psychology Department: Tests and Measurements, Abnormal Psychology, Introduction to Psychology.

1978-1984 Roger Williams College: Adjunct (3/4 time) appointment teaching: Introductory Psychology, Psychology of Adolescence, Abnormal Psychology, Theories of Personality, and Counseling Techniques, Supervision of Undergraduate Internships.

1984-1986 The University of Rhode Island, Psychology Department: Theories of Personality.

Peer Reviewed Conference Presentations:

Roach, A., Berman, G.L., Platania, J., & Whitworth, D. (2013, March). Dangerous criminals or misunderstood? Assessing police perceptions of the mentally ill. Paper presented at the 2013 meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society, Portland, OR.

Whitworth, D., DiCataldo, F., Zaitchik, M., Berman, G., (2011). *“Preparing Students For Readiness to Work”* American Psychology and Law Society, Annual Conference, Miami, FA.

Frenier, Chris, , Gamache, Kyle, Whitworth, Donald (2008). *Juvenile Waivers: “An Evolution of the Juvenile Justice System”* The American Psychological Association Convention, Boston, MA.

DiCataldo, F., Whitworth, D., Russo, R., Hanagan, B., MacHardy, M., Berman, G. L., & Zaitchik, M. (2008, March). A survey of forensic mental health directors on the clinical role and duties of the Master’s of Arts in Forensic Psychology. In G. L. Berman & T. Hall (Chairs), *The future of graduate education: Reports on graduate training and higher education in psychology and law*. Symposium presented at the meeting of the American Psychology Law Society, Jacksonville, FL.

Whitworth, D., DiCataldo, F. Zaitchik, M., & Berman, G. L., (2011, March). Master’s level skills in forensic psychology. In G. L. Berman (Chair), *Different Roads to travel: Navigating disparate paths in forensic psychology training*. Symposium presented at the 4th International Congress on Psychology and Law, Miami, FL.

DiCataldo, Frank, & Whitworth, Donald (2007). *“The application of a dangerous standard to special populations of juvenile offenders.”* American Psychology and Law Society, Annual Conference, St. Petersburg, FL

Whitworth, Donald, (2007). *“Education and Training for the Master’s Degree in Forensic Psychology”* The International Law and Mental Health Congress, 2007, Padua, Italy,

Whitworth, Donald (2007). The American Psychological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, Poster – *“A Survey of Forensic Mental Health Sites regarding the training needs and employability of graduates with a Master’s in Forensic Psychology”*

Whitworth, Donald (2007) Symposium, *The heterogeneous Expression of Antisocial Behavior in Juvenile Offenders.”* Discussant. The American Psychological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA,

Whitworth D., DiCataldo, F., (2006). *“The Effect of Race and Ethnicity on the Application of Dangerousness Standard in Extension of Commitment Decisions”* The American Psychology and Law Society Convention, St. Petersburg, FA.

Whitworth, Donald. (2005). *Master’s in Forensic Psychology: A Case Study*. The Psychology and Law Society Convention, San Diego, California,

Neuschatz, J., Whitworth, D. & Curtis, A. (1985). *Adolescent Pregnancy. Effective Intervention*. The Eastern Psychological Association Convention.

Whitworth, D., (1986). Invited Address: *The Philosophical Foundations of Counseling Practice: An Existential View*. The Annual Young Parents Program of Rhode Island Conference. Goat Island, Rhode Island.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Zaitchik, M. C., Berman, G. B., Whitworth, D., & Platania, J. (2006, in press). *The time is now: The emerging need for master’s-level training in forensic psychology*. *Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice*.

Manuscripts Published by Roger Williams University

Whitworth, D., Platania, J., Berman, G., Zaitchik, M., DiCataldo, F., Leguizamo, A. (2011). A Graduate Program Self-Study.

Whitworth, D. (2009). *A Proposal for Graduate Studies in Clinical Psychology*, Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island.

Whitworth, & Berman, G. (1998). *A Proposal for Graduate Studies in Forensic Psychology*, Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island.

Whitworth, D., Berman, G., & Knight, K. (1998). *A Proposal for Graduate Studies in Psychology*, Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island.

Whitworth, D., Berman, G., Knight, K. Turner, L. (1998). *A Self-Study: Report to the President regarding The Psychology Major at Roger Williams University*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Whitworth, Donald. (2012). Case studies in Psychopathy. Manuscript in preparation.

Whitworth, D. & Florin, P. (2007). *A Structural Equation Model of a Set of Cognitive Social Learning Variables as predictors of Participation in a Voluntary Community Organization.*

Gallo, Frank, Whitworth, D. (2011). Police Profiling, A cognitive view of potential profiling attributes. RI State Police.

Continuing Education Credits

When Parents Die, Helping Heal Broken Hearts & Bonds: CMI Education Institute, INC.

Treating Anxiety, Depression and Anger Effectively: Therapeutic Methods That Works, Albert Ellis, Ph.D., LIMA Associates

Your Clinical Practice: The New DSM-5 & ICD, Creg J. Neimeyer, Ph.D., Rhode Island Psychological Association

Workplace Harassment: Faculty Requirement, Roger Williams University

Introduction to the New WAIS-IV/WMS IV, Peter Entwistle, Ph.D. Rhode Island Psychological Association

Introducing the Comprehensive Assessment of Psychopathic Personality, American Psychology and Law Society Division 41 of the American Psychological Association.

Ethics and Ethical Decision Making for Rhode Island Psychologists; Stephen h. Behnke, Ph.D. Rhode Island Psychological Association

MMPI-2/MMPI: Workshops & Symposia; San Francisco, Ca. Forensic applications of the MMPI 2.; Yussef S. Ben-Porath Sponsored by the Kent State University Department of Psychology.

Use of the Hare Psychopathy Check List Revised (PCL-R) and the Psychopathy Checklist Version (PCL:SV) Training. Forensic Health Services Inc. State of Massachusetts.

Developmental Pathways to Severe Antisocial & Aggressive Behavior; Paul J. Frick, Ph.D. The American Psychology and Law Society. The American Academy of Forensic Psychology.

Psycho-Legal Issues in Criminal Cases; Christopher Slobogin, J.D.; The American Psychology and Law Society; American Academy of Forensic Psychology

Research Experience

Research Assistant

1994/1996

Dr. Paul Florin

Professor of Clinical Psychology

The University of Rhode Island

Kingston, Rhode Island

Primary research assistant for a 5 million dollar Ford Foundation Grant focused on Community Participation and the Prediction of Who participates in Voluntary Activities and Why. (Primary dissertation research emerged from this project.)

Research Participant **1994/95**
 The Transtheoretical Model
 Dr. James Prochaska
 The University of Rhode Island
 Outpatient Clinic
 Kingston, RI.

Served as a therapist for the large Cancer Research Project under the supervision of Roger Mitchell and James Prochaska.

Research Group **1992/94**
 Roger Williams University
 Bristol, Rhode Island

Collaborative research effort focusing on the area of Student Participation in Clubs and Student Volunteer Organizations as an Analogy to Citizen Participation. Mischel's Cognitive Social Learning Variables are the variables of interest in terms of predicting who participates and why.

Collaborative Research Group **1991**
 The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island
 Newport, Rhode Island 02840

A collaborative effort with several colleagues and the Young Parents Program utilizing program participants as subjects in the area of Adolescent Pregnancy.

Research Co-Chair, Roger Williams General Education Project **1986/87**
 Roger Williams College
 Bristol, Rhode Island 02809

This project was developed to be the first true Experimental Test of a General Education Project. I was co-responsible for the design and implementation of the research project designed to test the effectiveness of the Roger Williams College General Education Program. This entailed the selection, development, and administration of both standardized and tests developed in-house. Students were randomly assigned to groups with an education control group in a longitudinal design.

Research Coordinator **1977/86**
 The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island
 8 Pelham Street
 Newport, Rhode Island

This position required that I write grant proposals, conduct program research, and provide completed research reports for the program. In total five full grant proposals were completed and four research projects were completed. One such project was presented at the American Psychological Association Meeting, 1981.

Research Consultant **1983**
 The Family Service Center
 Newport Naval Station
 Newport, Rhode Island
 Contract Coordinator: Mr. Bill Kelly

This project included conducting a complete needs assessment for the development of the Family Service Center. Over 500 questionnaires were collected which pertained to the needs of the Naval Base Community. Data were analyzed and a complete report was submitted to the Bureau of Naval Personnel. The report culminated in the opening of the Family Service Center and the Development of the present program.

Research Assistant
Dr. Lorraine Dennis
University of Florida

Spring, 1974

This project entailed the administration and scoring of the Hotzman Inkblots and the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Intelligence Test to approximately 100 hours of supervised testing experience was obtained as a result of this project.

Research Assistant
The Ladd School
Department of Mental Health and Retardation
State of Rhode Island

Spring, 1973

This project was part of an internship project for Roger Williams College. The responsibilities included teaching the mentally retarded, mild to moderate, specific skills utilizing a number of techniques in an Anova Design.

Additional Clinical Experience

Psychologist in Private Practice (Adult/Adolescent Forensic)

January 2000-Present

Concentration in the areas of Forensic Practice including: Adult Psychopathology, Social Security Disability Evaluations, Assessments of Personality and Pathology, and Personality Disorders.

Psychological Associates of Newport County
74 Water Street
Portsmouth, RI 02871-4113

September 1995-January 2000

Postdoctoral Residency
South Shore Mental Health
460 Quincy Avenue
Quincy, MA 02169

September 1996 - January 2001

Post Doctorate Fellow: Psychologist in training working in the Outpatient Unit conducting therapy sessions 24 hours per week. Forensic Specialization includes working with the Anti-Social Personality and the chronically mentally ill client with legal issues. Additional 24 hours per month are allocated to Crisis Team working as Crisis Clinician-Forensic Specialist.

The Counseling Center
Roger Williams College
Bristol, Rhode Island

Spring, 1987

Supervision: Joyce Stein, Ph.D.; Roger Mitchell, Ph.D.

Total Supervision Hours: 50 hours Dr. Joyce Stein/10 hours Dr. Roger Mitchell

Provided individual therapy for approximately 5 Roger Williams Students under the supervision of Dr. Stein. At the same time provided individual therapy on a continuing basis for a previous client from the URI PCC under the supervision of Dr. Roger Mitchell. (Sessions were provided at the Roger Williams Center as a convenience to the

client who had requested to see me through the PCC).

The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island **1983-1986**
 Clinical Supervisor
 Provided Counseling supervision for the Young Parents Program Staff on a weekly basis (3 hours per week).

Counselor in Private Practice **1980-1985**
 1 Channing Street
 Newport, Rhode Island 02840
 Supervision: Privately contracted: Dr. Ron Casino

Typically provided counseling services for approximately 5 to 10 clients per week. All clients were adults. Disorders treated ranged from mild anxiety disorder, to depression

The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island **1977-1983**
 Director of Counseling/Research Coordinator
 8 Pelham Street
 Newport, Rhode Island 02840
 Program Director: Agnes Curtis, BSN, Masters in Nursing
 Supervision: Privately arranged, Dr. Ron Carino

Handled a case load of 250 adolescent females, their children and often their young spouses (over a period of 6 years). Responsibilities included serving as a liaison between the young mother and the public school systems. Regular counseling sessions for each client were provided on a weekly basis. Intake reports, case notes, and discharge summaries were standard procedure.

As a research coordinator I was responsible for the development, design and running of all program research. This entailed grant writing (four funded projects) data analysis, and project write-ups.

Newport Hospital **1975-1977**
 Newport Community Mental Health Center
 Intake Worker/Day Therapist (Last 6 months of employment)
 Friendship Street
 Newport, Rhode Island 02840
 Direct Supervisor: Jack Flaregthy, ACSW
 Psychiatric Supervision: Dr. Abraham Heller, Dr. John Carr, Dr. Ron Carino

I was responsible for intake assessments on the 11p.m. to 7a.m. shift. Approximately 150 to 200 crisis assessments were conducted during this employment under the supervision of three staff psychiatrists. Intake reports were required for each hospital admission. Approximately 500 to 600 supervision hours were accumulated during this experience.

As a Day Therapist for the in-patient ward, I was assigned a regular case load of approximately 5 patients. I was responsible for the delivery of regular therapy sessions under the supervision of the above name psychiatrists. Responsibilities included community liaison work, completion of intake reports and discharge summaries, as well as case notes for each session conducted.

Community Consultation/Workshop Presentations

Roger Williams University School of Criminal Justice **1998**
 Competency to Stand Trial
 CEU Workshop Forensic Psychology and the Law

Faculty Advisor **1985-1994**
 The National Honors Society in Psychology Psi Chi
 Roger Williams University **1996-2000**

<p>The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island Annual Conference Newport, Rhode Island 02840 Workshop presentation focusing on Closure.</p>	March, 1989
<p>Channel 36 Television Providence, Rhode Island Television Interview Series: "Step-parenting"</p>	June, 1987
<p>The Family Service Center The Newport Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island 02840 Designed and presented Step-Parenting Workshops.</p>	Spring, 1987
<p>The Rainbow Committee Roger Williams College Bristol, Rhode Island 02809</p> <p>Participated in Committee designed to develop awareness of multicultural issues. Efforts resulted in bringing Dick Gregory and Angela Davis to a small college campus.</p>	Fall, 1989/Spring, 1987
<p>The Psychological Consultation Center The University of Rhode Island Kingston, Rhode Island 02880</p> <p>Developed Workshop pertaining to the issues of "Step-Parenting"</p>	Fall, 1986
<p>Roger Williams College Psychology Department Bristol, Rhode Island 02809</p> <p>Redesigned the psychology curriculum to integrate multi cultural issues as a major component of the psychology curriculum.</p>	Spring, 1986
<p>Dean of Students Office Roger Williams College Bristol, Rhode Island 02809</p> <p>Consulting on the issues pertaining to the development of the College Counseling Center as a service provider. Advised in terms of level of professional training requirements for employees.</p>	Fall, 1985
<p>The Family Service Center The Newport Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island 02840 Contact Person: Mr. William Kelly</p> <p>Provided consultation for the development of client services.</p>	Fall, 1983
<p>The Department of Children and Their Families</p> <p>The State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations Providence, Rhode Island</p>	October, 1981
<p>Provided a 10 week workshop training program for Department Social Workers in the area of adolescent pregnancy.</p>	
<p>The Young Parents Program, Annual Conference The Butler Hospital</p>	May, 1981

Providence, Rhode Island

Workshop presentation: Counseling Techniques with the Pregnant Adolescent

Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services
The State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations

February, 1981

Provided a 10 week workshop training program for Department Social Workers in the area of adolescent Pregnancy.

South Kingstown School Department
South Kingstown High School
Wakefield, Rhode Island 02880

October, 1980

Conducted Workshops for faculty and students in the area of teen pregnancy

The University of Rhode Island
Adult Education Program

June, 1980

Workshop Presentations: Adolescent Pregnancy

The University of Rhode Island
Young Parents Program of Rhode Island

June, 1980

Developed and delivered 18 week Group Therapy Program for teen mothers.

The Coventry School Department
Coventry High School
Coventry, Rhode Island

May, 1980-1981

General presentation to the school population on the issues of teen pregnancy.

West Warwick School Department
West Warwick High School
West Warwick, Rhode Island

May, 1980

Vocational Education Consultation and Workshop presentation for Teenage Parenthood School Curriculum.

The Narragansett School Department
Narragansett, Rhode Island

February, 1980

Consultation and Workshop presentation for Teenage Parenthood School Curriculum. Vocational Education Consult: Adolescent Pregnancy & Training for the future.

Barrington School Department
Barrington High School
Barrington, Rhode Island

November, 1979-1980

Presented workshop pertaining to Adolescent Pregnancy Issues, Prevention/Treatment.

Research Interests

Forensic Training at the Master's Level, Homicide; Psychopathy, Victimology, Therapy Outcome; The Anti-Social Personality Disorder; Personality Disorders; Serial Killing; The Psychopathic Personality

References

Lawrence Grebstein, Ph.D., ABPP
Professor and Clinical Program Director
Department of Psychology
University of Rhode Island
Kingston, Rhode Island
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Tom Comisky, Ph.D.
Delta Consultants
Salt Pond Road
Wakefield, Rhode Island

Paul Florin, Ph.D.
Professor Clinical Psychology
Department of Psychology
The University of Rhode Island
Kingston, Rhode Island

Agnes Curtis, RN, MSN
The Young Parents Program of Rhode Island
8 Pelham Street
Newport, Rhode Island 02840

Garrett Berman, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Psychology
Roger Williams University
Psychology Department
Bristol, Rhode Island
254-3254

Frank DiCataldo, Ph.D.
Psychology Department
Roger Williams University
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Katherine Jensen, Ph.D.
Psychologist CSP Services
South Shore Mental Health
460 Quincy Ave
Quincy, MA 02169

Judy Platania, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
Psychology Department
Old Ferry Road
Bristol, Rhode Island 02809

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