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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Counselor Education and Supervision, The Pennsylvania State University, August 2013
Accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

M.S., School Counseling, The University of Scranton, May 2001
Accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

B.A., Psychology, Minor in Spanish, Career Concentration in Family, Children, and Youth,
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, May 1999

CERTIFICATIONS

- National Certified School Counselor (Certified since 2004; #69913)
- National Certified Counselor (Certified since 2001; #69913)
- Educational Specialist II, Elementary School Counselor K-6 (Certified since 2001)

COUNSELING EXPERIENCE

Elementary School Counselor

Berwick Area School District, Berwick, PA, August 2004-August 2013

Delivered all aspects of a comprehensive school counseling program (Grades K-5) within the domains of academic, personal/social, and career development. Provided individual counseling, student support groups, classroom guidance, and psychoeducational assessments. Consulted and collaborated with community agencies. Spearheaded local service projects and charity fundraisers.

CEDAR Clinic Supervisor (Graduate Assistantship)

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, January 2012-May 2012

Provided supervision to masters level counseling students completing their practicum in the campus clinic. Maintained day-to-day operations of clinic. Provided crisis response as necessary.

Facilitator for Adoptive Children's Group

Bethany Christian Services, State College, PA, August 2011-June 2012

Provided small group supportive counseling services to children of domestic and international adoptions.

Elementary School Counselor

Pocono Mountain School District, Swiftwater, PA, August 2001 - June 2004

Provided counseling to students (Grades K-2) pertaining to school adjustment, social/family concerns, and academic difficulties. Facilitated small group counseling regarding developmentally appropriate topics. Assisted in the implementation of a building wide character education program through classroom guidance lessons. Served as a member of the Instructional Support Team (IST) and the Multidisciplinary Team (MDT).

Counselor Intern

Central Columbia School District, Bloomsburg, PA, August 2000 – June 2001

Completed a 600 hour internship. Provided individual and group counseling to elementary age students, taught daily guidance lessons, administered, scored, and interpreted psychological tests. Participated in parent/teacher conferences and meetings with community mental health agencies.

Counselor Consultant

Department of Education and Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, September 2000 – May 2001

Provided counseling to children and families attending the Reading/Tutoring Lab Program who were experiencing personal, social, and/or familial concerns interfering with academic progress.

Group Counselor/Co-Facilitator

Counselor Training Center, Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, September 2000 – May 2001

Facilitated a parenting education program, Stop Truancy through Effective Parenting (STEP), for parents and adolescents who were court mandated to receive counseling services due to chronic school truancy concerns.

Practicum Student

Counselor Training Center, Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, August 2000 – December 2000

Provided individual counseling to university undergraduate students and group counseling to freshmen students in an academic development program. Taught a psychoeducational lesson on caring and close relationships to an undergraduate Human Adjustment class. Co-facilitated a cultural diversity group with undergraduates. Maintained supportive counseling relationships with elementary school children at field placement site.

Psychology Intern

Bloomsburg Area School District, Bloomsburg, PA, January 1999 – May 1999

Completed practicum with school psychologist. Administered, scored, and interpreted a variety of non-restricted psychological tests and counseled elementary school children, weekly, under guidance supervision. Contributed to weekly group counseling sessions with middle school students. Participated in parent/teacher conferences and team meetings.

ACADEMIC, TEACHING, AND SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor

Department of Counseling and Human Services
The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA
August 2013-Present

Participated in all aspects of teaching, service, and scholarship. Taught the following graduate level courses: *Social and Cultural Issues*, *College and Career Readiness*, *Practicum: School Counseling*, *Internship: School Counseling*, *Group Process and Practice*, *School Counseling Program Planning and Human Sexuality: Theories and Intervention (Combined Undergraduate/Graduate Course)*. Served as the Director of the school counseling program.

Editorial Assistant, *Journal of Counseling & Development* (Graduate Assistantship)

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
January 2012-August 2012

Facilitated communication and disseminated information among authors, reviewers, associate editors, and journal editor in the manuscript publication process. Organized and assembled table of contents pages and issue contents published quarterly in the journal.

Adjunct Professor

Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA,
August 2006 – December 2010

Instructed graduate level course, *Counseling with Children*, in which students were taught through power point presentations, lectures, videos, guest speakers, role plays, and live demonstrations of creative counseling techniques to be employed with school age populations. Utilized ANGEL learning management system to assist in the learning process.

Undergraduate Site Supervisor

Department of Psychology, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, PA, January 2004 – present

Provided guidance and supervision for undergraduate practicum psychology students with interest in careers in school counseling through field placement assignments.

Graduate Site Supervisor

Department of Counseling and Human Services, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, August 2002 – present

Provided supervision for graduate students completing final degree requirements for practicum/internship field placement assignments in school counseling.

Adjunct Professor

Department of Educational Studies, Counseling, and Secondary Education, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, PA, July 2008 – December 2009

Instructed two graduate level courses, *Life Span Psychology* and *Contemporary Issues in Elementary School Counseling*, in which students were taught through varied instructional methods. Developed exam and course materials to incorporate various learning styles and utilized Blackboard course management system.

Research Assistant

Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, June 2001 – August 2001

Assisted in a grant funded study investigating the impact of cross cultural collaboration on counselor trainee multicultural competencies.

Guest Lecturer

Department of Counseling and Human Services, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, May 2000, November 2000, May 2001

Provided special topic lectures regarding the use of guided imagery in counseling and the use of play therapy in counseling children.

Graduate Assistant

Department of Counseling and Human Services, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, August 1999 – May 2001

Assisted faculty in research, special projects, duties, teaching, and the planning and preparation of undergraduate and graduate coursework.

Teaching Assistant

Department of Psychology, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, PA, August 1998 – December 1998

Conducted weekly exam reviews for General Psychology mass lecture course. Prepared and presented a lecture regarding patterns of loving and attachment style.

General Psychology Assistant

Department of Psychology, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, PA, January 1997 – May 1999

Assisted students with exam material and course review. Provided individual tutoring. Reported students' mid semester grades and progress reports for tutorial services and athletic coaches.

STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCE

Pontificia Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain, May 1998 – July 1998

Participated in an intensive six-week study abroad language program. Completed nine credits of coursework toward a Spanish minor while living with a host family, studying at the university, and touring Spain and Portugal.

CONSULTANCIES AND CREATIVE PROJECTS

Development of Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) Competency Matrix

Assisted in the development of curriculum revisions for the University of Scranton school counseling graduate program.

Department of Counseling and Human Services

January 2014 - May 2014

Wilkerson, K., & Cerrito, J. (2014). *The Framework for Elementary and Secondary School Counselor Preparation Program Guidelines Competency Matrix and Certification Application*. Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Development of Web Based Study Guide

Department of Psychology, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg, PA, May 1999 – August 1999

Assisted in the development of an on-line study guide to accompany the textbook, *Abnormal Psychology in a Changing World, 4th ed.*, contracted through Prentice-Hall, Inc. Study guide included the writing of review questions for each chapter. Questions were complete with coaching comments/explanations for correct and incorrect answers as well as web links corresponding to each of the chapters.

Honors Program Independent Research Study

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, Bloomsburg PA, August 1998 – May 1999

Collaborated with a faculty mentor/professor investigating the role of forgiveness in romantic relationships among college-age adults, which culminated in the production of an Honor's thesis. Data was collected and analyzed over two semesters and co-presented at both local and regional conferences.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

Behun, R. J., Owens, E. W., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (in press). Defining child abuse for professional counselors as mandated reporters in Pennsylvania under the newly amended Child Protective Services Law. *Journal of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association*.

Behun, R. J., Owens, E. W., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2015). The amended Child Protective Services Law: New requirements for professional counselors as mandated reporters in Pennsylvania. *Journal of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association, 14*(2), 79-85

Cerrito, J. A. (2002). [Review of the book *Drug abuse and social policy in America: The war that must be won*, by B. J. Stimmel]. *Journal of Ministry in Addiction and Recovery, 7*(2), 61-67.

NATIONAL REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Eschbach, L. A., Wilkerson, K. S., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2015, October). *Innovative approaches to school counseling program curriculum design and implementation*. Workshop presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Behun, R. J., Delmonico, D. L., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2015, October). *Curricular abstinence: Finding a place for human sexuality in counselor education training programs*. Poster presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Bi-Annual Conference Philadelphia, PA.

Behun, R. J., **Cerrito, J. A.**, & Kolbert, J. (2014, July). *Recognizing and reporting child sexual abuse: What all professional school counselors need to know as mandated reporters*. Workshop presented at the American School Counselor Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.

Cerrito, J.A. (2014, June). *From Dreams to Destinies: Developing Career Awareness in Children Using the ASCA National Model*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the American School Counselor Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.

Behun, R. J., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2014, March). *Going out on a limb: Advocating for LGBTQ youth using the At-Risk Tree Model*. Poster presented at the American Counseling Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI.

Behun, R. J., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2013, October). *Curricular abstinence: The lack of sexuality education in school counselor training programs*. Workshop presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Denver, CO.

Cerrito, J. A. & Trusty, J. G. (2013, March). *The Effects of a Web-Based Career Intervention Program on Elementary School Students' Vocational Development*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the American Counseling Association Conference, Cincinnati, OH.

Trusty, J. G., Niles, S. G., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2013, March). *High School Students' Career Planning: Fostering School Engagement and Hope for the Future*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the American Counseling Association Conference, Cincinnati, OH.

Smal, P., **Cerrito, J. A.**, & Niles, S. G. (2012, March). *Publishing in ACA refereed journals: Suggestions from the council of editors*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the American Counseling Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Hannon, M., **Cerrito, J. A.**, & Nichols, L. M. (2011, October). *Clinical and Field Site Supervision Collaboration: Maximizing the Current and Future Success of Counselor Trainees*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Nashville, TN.

INVITED NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Behun, R. J., **Cerrito, J. A.**, & Owens, E. W. (2015, November 11). Counseling students who have experienced trauma: Practical recommendations at the elementary, secondary, and college levels [Webinar]. In *American Counseling Association Webinar Series*.

STATE REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Cerrito, J.A. & Eschbach, L.A. (2016, February). *The sweetness of helping students "Reach Higher"*. Workshop to be presented at the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Annual Conference, Hershey, PA.

Cerrito, J.A. & Eschbach, L. A. (2015, November). *Reaching Higher: School Counselors Helping PreK-12 Students Navigate Post Secondary Options by Promoting College and Career Readiness in Pennsylvania*. Workshop presented at the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference Annual Conference, State College, PA.

- Behun, R. J., **Cerrito, J. A.**, Davis, S. L., Nice, M., Szumski, J., & Anderson, V. I. (2015, April). *The ethical decision making process and its impact on personal wellness: The standard of self-care*. Workshop presented at the 5th Annual Chi Sigma Iota Pennsylvania State-Wide Conference, University Park, PA.
- Behun, R. J. & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2014, December). *Recognizing and reporting child sexual abuse: What all professional school counselors need to know as mandated reporters*. Workshop presented at the Pennsylvania School Counselor Association Annual Conference, Seven Springs, PA.
- Cerrito, J. A.** & Behun, R. J. (2014, November). *Going out on a limb: Advocating for LGBTQ youth using the At-Risk Tree Model*. Poster presented at the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Annual Conference, State College, PA.
- Behun, R. J. & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2014, November). *Recognizing and reporting child sexual abuse: What all professional counselors need to know as mandated reporters*. Workshop presented at the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Annual Conference, State College, PA.
- Behun, R. J. & **Cerrito, J.A.** (2014, April). *Using Civil Case Law as a Guide to Legal, Moral, and Ethical Decision Making*. Workshop presented at the annual Chi Sigma Iota Pennsylvania Conference, University Park, PA.
- Cerrito, J. A.** & Behun, R. J. (2014, April). *Going out on a limb: Advocating for LGBTQ youth using the At-Risk Tree Model*. Poster presented at the annual Chi Sigma Iota Pennsylvania Conference, University Park, PA.
- Behun, R. J. & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2013, December). *School Counselors and Principals: Collaborating Together for Student Success*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Conference, Lancaster, PA.
- Cerrito, J. A.** (2013, November). *Promoting Career Awareness and Exploration with Elementary School Children: Results and Implications from an Experimental Study*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference, State College, PA
- Cerrito, J. A.**, Li, I., & Belknap, E. (2012, December). *Beyond ballerinas: School counselors light the way to children's future*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Conference, Lancaster, PA.
- Behun, R. J., & **Cerrito, J. A.** (2012, October). *Professional Counselor Accountability and the Reasonable Standard of Care*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference, State College, PA.

Cerrito, J. A. & Nichols, L. M (2011, December). *School counseling supervision: Boosting the brilliance of collaboration*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Conference, Lancaster, PA.

Cerrito, J. A. & Atkinson, H. A. (2011, October) *Where did daddy go? Helping children cope with loss due to suicide*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference, State College, PA.

Cerrito, J. A. & Walters, H. A. (2008, April). *Child play helps lead counselors way*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Conference, Lancaster, PA.

Cerrito, J. A. & Hestor, J. L. (2006, March). *Promoting drug and alcohol awareness and prevention in the elementary schools*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association Conference, Lancaster, PA.

Greggo, J. W., Crawford, B., Purvis, J. R., **Cerrito, J. A.**, & Hess, J. (2001, October). *Utilizing CTC resources to address a community need: Building collaborative relationships and providing counselor training opportunities*. Paper presented at the meeting of the North Atlantic Regional Association for Counselor Educators and Supervisors Conference, Amherst, MA.

Eschbach, L., **Cerrito, J. A.**, Juracek, K., Leadem, K., Yevitz, L. (2002, September). *Ethical considerations in working with school-age students with disabilities*. Workshop presented at the Conference on Disability, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

Eschbach, L., Ripley, V., **Cerrito, J. A.**, Crawford, B., Grefrath, S., Novak, L., & Palko, A. (1999, October). *The process of professional counselor identity development: Students' perspectives*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association, Harrisburg, PA.

Mason, M., Roman, S., **Cerrito, J. A.**, Hahn, S., Dailey, T. (2000, March). Forgiveness in romantic relationships. In M. M. Mason (Chair), *The psychological process of interpersonal forgiveness*. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Baltimore, MD.

Cerrito, J. A. & Mason, M. (1999, April). *Romantic relations and forgiveness*. Poster session presented at the meeting of the Eastern Psychological Association, Providence, RI.

INVITED STATE PRESENTATIONS

Cerrito, J.A., & Eschbach, L.A. (2015, January) *Helping Students "Reach Higher" with College and Career Readiness Skills*. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Palmetto State School Counselors Association, Myrtle Beach, SC.

INVITED LOCAL PRESENTATIONS

Cerrito, J. A. & Eschbach, L.A. (2015, April). *“Reach Higher”*: Strategies to Implement this National Initiative. Workshop presented at the meeting of the Northeast Pennsylvania Counseling Association at the University of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

Eschbach, L.A. & Cerrito, J.A. (2015, September). *Group Dynamics and Personality Types*. Workshop presented at the Office for Parrish Life, Diocese of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

Cerrito, J.A. (2015, October). *Tips for Surviving the First Year*. Presented at the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence (CTLE) New Teacher Induction Program, The University of Scranton, Scranton, PA.

Cerrito, J. A. & Bulkley, R., (2008, April). *What it takes to teach*. Presentation given to student support services and counseling departments at Luzerne County Community College Conference Center, Nanticoke, PA

LOCAL NON-REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

Cerrito, J. A. & Mason, M. (1999, April). *Romantic relations and forgiveness*. Poster session presented at the University of Scranton Psychology Conference, Scranton, PA.

GRANTS

Cerrito, J. A., Ahmed, S.A., & Behun, R. J. (2015). *Cultural transition challenges at the crossroads: Examining and building resilience among ethnic high school students preparing for post-secondary options*. Marywood University/University of Scranton Cooperative Grant Program. Awarded - \$7500

SERVICE TO SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY, AND COMMUNITY

- Assessment Action Committee (AAC), Department of Counseling and Human Services, University of Scranton (February 2016 – current)
- Advisory Committee for School Counselors at Abington Heights High School, Clarks Summit, PA (January 2016 – current)
- Director of School Counseling program (August 2015 - current)
- Chi Sigma Iota Chapter Faculty Advisor (August 2015 - current)
- Departmental Review Board (DRB), Department of Counseling and Human Services, University of Scranton
- Faculty Senate, University of Scranton (August 2015 - current)
- Conference Co-Chair for Pennsylvania Counseling Association (PCA) Conference (May 2014 – January 2016)
- Reviewer for the *Journal of the Pennsylvania Counseling Association*, Pennsylvania Counseling Association (August 2015- present)

- Pennsylvania Representative for National “Reach Higher” Initiative (November 2014 – present)
- Invitee to White House Yearly Convening (2014 and 2015) regarding strengthening school counseling and college advising
- Member of the Pennsylvania College and Career Readiness Consortium (November 2015 – present)
- College Access Affinity Group regularly scheduled conference calls and webinars (November 2014 – present)
- U.S. Department of Education regularly scheduled conference calls and webinars (November 2014 – present)
- Co-Director of School Counseling program (August 2014 - July 2015)
- Chi Sigma Iota Chapter Faculty Co-Advisor (August 2014 - August 2015)
- Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) Committee Member (January 2014 - current)
- Search Committee Member for Faculty Specialist/Assistant Professor Position (April 2014 - July 2014)
- University Review Board Conduct Process Advisor (September 2014 - current)
- NBCC Foundation Volunteer Resource Professional (January 2014 - current)
- Conference Co-Chair for Pennsylvania Counseling Association (PCA) Conference (May 2014 - current)
- Counseling and Human Services Departmental Newsletter Moderator (August 2013 – May 2014)
- School Counseling Faculty Representative for Graduate School receptions for prospective students (2013-2014)
- Girls on the Run Volunteer (September 2013 – present)
- Advisory Committee for comprehensive K-12 career development plan, North Pocono School District (November 2013 – present).
- Volunteer Reviewer for National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) Foundation Scholarship Program - Military, Minority, and Rural Scholarships (January 2014 - present)
 - Volunteer Resource Professional (NBCC) Foundation (January 2014- present)
- Mentor, Berwick Area School District (2010 – present)
- Share Your Soles Fundraising Charity Local School Liaison (2010)
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters Committee (2008 – present)
- Press Enterprise Newspaper Brighter Christmas Committee (2006 – present)
- Liaison for the Giving Tree Project through Bloomsburg University SOLVE Office (2004 – present)
- The Make a Wish Foundation Bunny Hop Charity Local School Liaison (2006 – present)
- Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth Program School Advocate for high achieving students (2004 - present)
- Liaison for SHARE (Students Helping Adolescents Reach Excellence) Tutoring Program, Bloomsburg University SOLVE Office (2004 – present)
- Columbia County Communities That Care Committee (2004 - 2006)
- Facilitator for group parenting program, Preparing for the Drug-Free Years (2005 - 2007)
- Mentor, Pocono Mountain School District (2003 – 2004)

- Northeast Pennsylvania Counseling Association Executive Committee (Special Projects Chairperson, 2002 - 2004)
- Educational Forum Committee, Pocono Mountain School District (2001 - 2002)
- Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity (1997 - 1998)
- Spanish Club, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (1997 - 1999)

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Proficient in the Spanish language
- Knowledge of basic and advanced computer software programs/statistical analysis (SPSS)
- Trained in Performance Tracker for student data monitoring

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (2013- present)
- North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (2015-present)
- Chi Sigma Iota (2000 – present)
- Pennsylvania School Counselor Association (2001 – present)
- American School Counselor Association (2004 – present)
- Pennsylvania Counseling Association (2013 – present)
- American Counseling Association (2010 – present)
- Pennsylvania State Education Association (2001 - present)
- National Education Association (2001 - present)
- Berwick Area Education Association (2001 - present)
- Association for Creativity in Counseling (2011- present)
- Association for Specialists in Group Work (2011-present)
- National Board for Certified Counselors (2001-present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, The Pennsylvania State University (January-May 2012)
- Nominated for 2008 and 2009 School Counselor of the Year Award (American School Counselor Association)
- Outstanding Graduate in School Counseling Award, The University of Scranton (2001)
- Graduate Assistantship and Tuition Scholarship, The University of Scranton (Awarded 1999 - 2000, Renewed 2000 – 2001)
- Chi Sigma Iota, The International Honor Society in Counseling, Chi Delta Rho chapter (1999, Secretary, 2000-2001)

- Magna Cum Laude Graduate, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (1999)
- Honors Program Graduate, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (1999)
- Distinguished Student in Psychology Award, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (1999)
- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (1998)
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges (1999)
- Psi Chi, The National Honor Society in Psychology (1997, Secretary, 1998-1999)
- Bloomsburg University Psychology Association (1995-1999, Program Coordinator, 1998-1999)
- Dean's List, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (1995-1999)