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EDUCATION HISTORY

- Texas Tech University** Lubbock, TX
Doctorate of Philosophy, Marriage and Family Therapy August 2017
Overall GPA: 4.0
Dissertation (3 article format):
Assessing the Effectiveness of Solution-Focused Brief Therapy for Couples Raising a Child with ASD: A Clinical Outcome Study
Experiences of Solution-Focused Brief Therapy: A Case Study on Couples Raising a Child with Autism.
Using Solution-Focused Brief Therapy with Families Living with ASD
- Purdue University Calumet** Hammond, IN
Masters of Science, Child Development and Family Studies: Dec 2013
Specialization in Marriage and Family Therapy
Overall GPA 3.91
Master's Thesis: Marriage and Family Therapy Students' and Faculty Perceptions of Program Enhancers and Stressors
- University of Nevada—Las Vegas** Las Vegas, NV
Bachelor of Science, Human Services Counseling May 2011
Family Studies minor, College of Urban Affairs
Overall GPA 3.91- Graduated Cum Laude

CURRENT POSITION

- Fuller Theological Seminary**
Assistant Professor, Marital and Family Therapy Program Phoenix, AZ

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- SFBTA Dissertation Research Award** (August 2016). Awarded by the Solution-Focused Brief Family Therapy Association. Nova Scotia, Canada
Award Value: \$2,200
- Texas Tech Dissertation Completion Fellowship** (August 2016-August 2017). Awarded by the Graduate School at Texas Tech University. Lubbock, TX
Award Value: \$15,000

College of Human Sciences Fellowship (Yearly: August 2014-May 2017). Awarded by the College of Human Sciences at Texas Tech University. Lubbock, TX
Award Value: \$45,000

IAMT Graduate Student Research Award (April 2013). Awarded by the Indiana Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference. Indianapolis, IN
Award Value: \$250

Graduate Distinction Scholarship (Yearly: August 2011-December 2013). Awarded by the Graduate School at Purdue University Calumet. Hammond, IN.
Award Value: \$6,000

Deans Honor Roll (August 2009-December 2010) University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Golden Key Honor Society (August 2009-December 2010) University of Nevada, Las Vegas

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Turns, B., Eddy, B. P., & Smock Jordan, S. (2016). Working with siblings of children with autism: A solution-focused approach. *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Family Therapy*, 37(4), 558-571.

Smock Jordan, S., & **Turns, B.** (2016). Utilizing solution-focused brief therapy with families living with autism. *Journal of Family Psychotherapy*, 27(3), 155-170.

*Brockman, M., Hussain, K., Sanchez, B., & **Turns, B.** (2016). Managing child behavior problems in children with autism spectrum disorders: Utilizing structural and solution focused therapy with primary caregivers. *The American Journal of Family Therapy*, 44(1), 1-10.

Turns, B., & Macey, P. (2015). Cinema-narrative-therapy: Utilizing family films to externalizing children's "problems." *Journal of Family Therapy*. 37, 590-606. doi: 10.1111/1467-6427.12098.

*Kellen, K., *Schoenherr, A., ***Turns, B.**, Madhusudan, M., & Hecker, L. (2015). Ethical decision-making while using social networking sites: Potential ethical and clinical implications for marriage and family therapists. *The American Journal of Family Therapy*. 43(1). doi: 10.1080/01926187.2014.942203

Turns, B., Nalbone, D., Hertlein, K., & Wetchler, J. (2014). Perceptions of program enhancers and stressors by marriage and family therapy students and faculty. *Contemporary Family Therapy* (36). 507-517. doi: 10.1007/s10591-014-9313-7.

Turns, B., & Kimmes, J. (2014). "I'm NOT the problem!" Externalizing children's "problems" using play therapy and developmental considerations. *Contemporary Family Therapy*, 36(1), 135-147. doi: 10.1007/s10591-013-9285-z

Turns, B., Morris, S., & Lentz, N. (2013). The self of the Christian therapist doing sex therapy: A model for training Christian sex therapists. *Sexual and Relationship Therapy*, 28(3), 186-200. doi: 10.1080/14681994.2013.765557

*Indicates equal authorship

BOOK

Turns, B., Ramisch, J., and Whiting, J. (in press). *Systemically Treating Autism: A Guide for Empowering Families*. New York: Routledge.

MANUSCRIPTS IN REVIEW

Eddy, B. P. & **Turns, B.** (under review). Helping school counselors empower students with autism.

Dansby, R., **Turns, B.**, Crane, J., & Whiting, J. (under review). “How should I feel about this?” Understanding the experiences of siblings of children with an autism spectrum disorder.

Turns, B., Smock Jordan, S., & Reifman, A. (under review). *Solution building and coping in parents raising a child with ASD*.

Korkow-Moradi, H., Smith, D., & **Turns, B.** (under review). A case exploration of mindfulness and client outcomes.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Turns, B., Hayes, N., & Smock Jordan, S. *Transitioning after divorce: A SFBT approach to assisting ASD families*. Manuscript in preparation.

Smock Jordan, S., **Turns, B.**, & Johnson, E. W. *Solution-focused supervision relationships*. Manuscript in preparation.

ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Turns, B. & Springer, N. (2015, April/May). Families with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Family Therapy Magazine*. 12-16.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Turns, B., Masterson, M., and Goff, B. N. (in press). Overview of developmental, intellectual, and other disabilities. In B. N. Goff & N. P. Springer (Eds.) *Families and Disabilities: A Guide for Helping Professionals* (pp. TBD). New York: Routledge.

Springer, N. P., Masterson, M., and **Turns, B.**, (in press). Theoretical Perspectives and Models. In B. N. Goff & N. P. Springer (Eds.) *Families and Disabilities: A Guide for Helping Professionals* (pp. TBD). New York: Routledge.

Turns, B., & Eddy, B. P. (in press). The use of puppets to externalize a child’s “problem.” In A. A. Drewes & C. Schaefer (Eds.), *Puppets in Play Therapy: A Practical Guidebook* (pp. TBD). New York, NY: Routledge.

Soloski, K., **Turns, B.**, Schleiden, C., & Macey, P. (2016, in press). Parentified child in family systems. In J. Lebow, A. Chambers, & D. Breunlin (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Couple and Family Therapy* (pp. TBD). New York, NY: Springer Publishing.

REFEREED ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Turns, B., Eddy, B. P., Whiting, J., & Springer, N. (2017, February). *10 Tips for MFTs working with Families with Autism*. Workshop presented at the Texas Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference. Austin, Texas.

Turns, B., & Smock Jordan, S. (2016, November). *SFBT and families living with autism spectrum disorders*. Workshop presented at the Solution Focused Brief Family Therapy Association Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Smock Jordan, S., **Turns, B.,** Eddy, B. P., Finch, K., & Zielinkski, M. (2016, November). *What works in learning SFBT*. Workshop presented at the Solution Focused Brief Family Therapy Association Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Dansby, R., **Turns, B.,** & Crane, J. (2016, September). *Giving a Voice to Non-Diagnosed Siblings Living with Autism*. Workshop at American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Indianapolis, IN.

Turns, B. (2016, March). *Using Solution-Focused Brief Therapy with Families Living with Autism Spectrum Disorders*. Workshop presented at the International Family Therapy Association Congress. Kona, HI

Turns, B. (2016, March). *Cinema-Narrative-Therapy: Utilizing Family Films to Externalize Children's "Problems."* Workshop presented at the International Family Therapy Association Congress. Kona, HI

Turns, B., Ivey, D., Heath, C., Williams, D., & Chang, J. (2015, September). *Self-of-the-Spiritual Therapist Among Sexual Topics*. Workshop at American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Austin, TX.

Turns, B. & Springer, N. (2015, September). *Families Living with ASD: Integrating MFT in Systems of Care*. Workshop at American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Austin, TX.

Cohen, J., Lam, P., & **Turns, B.** (2014, October). *Effective interventions for individuals with Autism*. Common factors of effective interventions when working with individuals with Autism. Healthy Families Conference at Lubbock Christian University. Lubbock, TX.

REFEREED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Turns, B., & Smock Jordan, S. (2016, November). *Solution building and Coping in Parents Raising a Child with ASD*. Poster presented at the Solution Focused Brief Family Therapy Association Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Eddy, B. P., **Turns, B.**, & Sock Jordan, S. (2016, November). *Solution focused interventions for helping strengthen the sibling relationships in families with ASD*. Poster presented at the Solution Focused Brief Family Therapy Association Conference. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Turns, B. (2016, March). *Utilizing SFBT and Play to Assess and Explain Divorce to a Child with ASD*. Poster presented at the International Family Therapy Association Congress. Kona, HI.

Turns, B., Nalbone, D., Hertlein, K., & Wetchler, J. (2014, September). *Perceptions of program enhancers and stressors by marriage and family therapy students and faculty*. Poster presented at American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference, Milwaukee, WI.

Turns, B., Morris, S., & Lentz, N. (2013, April). *The self of the Christian therapist doing sex therapy: A model for training Christian sex therapists*. Poster presented at the Indiana Association for Marriage and Family Therapy conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Turns, B. & Kimmes, J. (2013, April) *"I'm NOT the problem!" Externalizing children's 'problems' using play therapy and developmental considerations*. Poster presented at the Indiana Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Kellen, K., Madhusudan, M., Schoenh, A., & **Turns, B.** (2013, April). *The ethical and clinical implications for marriage and family therapist using social networking sites*. Poster presented at the Indiana Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

INVITED TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

Turns, B. (2017, April). *Raising a child with ASD: Parent's experiences and perceptions of research*. Invited workshop for the clinical psychologists and research assistants working at Yale's Developmental Disability Clinic. Yale University. New Haven, CT.

Turns, B. (2017, February). *ASD: The diagnosis*. Invited guest lecture via Skype for the marriage and family therapy students. University of Louisiana, Monroe. Monroe, LA.

Turns, B. (2016, May). *Families living with ASD*. Invited workshop for the marriage and family therapy faculty and students, professionals in the region, and parents of children with ASD. Brigham Young University. Provo, UT.

Turns, B. (2016, April). *What School Counselors Need to Know About ASD*. Lubbock School District. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B. (2016, February). *Writing for Publication: Helping Graduate Students Publish in Scholarly Articles*. Student Association for Marriage and Family Therapy. Texas Tech University. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B. (2015, November). *Communication within a family system*. Workshop at Healthy Families Conference at Science Spectrum. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B. (2015, October). *Placing MFTs into the Autism puzzle*. A six-hour intensive training conducted for doctoral students regarding the competencies of working with families living with Autism and how family therapists can effectively assist this population. Texas Tech University. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B. (2015, March). *Working with families living with autism*. Family Therapy Symposium. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B. (2014, October). *Placing MFTs into the autism puzzle*. Texas Tech University. Lubbock, TX.

Turns, B., Brockman, M., & Johnson, E. (2014, January). *Maintaining a healthy marriage while raising a special needs child*. Presentation for couples raising a child with special needs at Innovations in Learning, Merrillville, IN.

WORK EXPERIENCE

New Hope Christian Counseling Private Pay Therapist (January 2016-June 2017)	Lubbock, TX
Purdue University Calumet Adjunct Faculty (January 2014-August 2014)	Hammond, IN
BHS 201: Statistics for the Behavioral Science (in class and online) This course specializes in teaching undergraduate statistics to students majoring in psychology, sociology, and human development and family studies. I am responsible for preparing and directing lectures, exams, and assignments.	
Life Strategies, LLC Private Pay Therapist (January 2014-May 2014) Paraprofessional (February 2014-May 2014)	Schererville, IN
Westcare Counselor Technician (December 2010-July 2011)	Las Vegas, NV
Clinical Solutions Basic Skills Technician (March 2010-December 2010)	Las Vegas, NV

TEACHING

Texas Tech University Co-Instructor (January 2017-May 2017)	Lubbock, TX
MFT 6395: Practicum in Marriage and Family Therapy This course consisted of supervising graduate students' therapy at various internship sites.	
Lubbock Christian University Adjunct Faculty (August 2016-present)	Lubbock, TX
Course taught in the Department of Behavioral Sciences: PSY 4307: Introduction to Cognitive Neuroscience: Learning, Cognition, and Emotion	

This course educated students on the anatomy of the human brain and its functions, the relationship between neuroscience and psychology, and how learning, thought, memory, and emotion occurs.

HSC 4326: Family and Community

This course educated students on the social systems approach to understanding human behavior within families, groups, organizations, and communities.

HSC 3326: Family Life Stress, Crisis, & Resiliency

This course educated students on the stresses and crises experienced by families and their members while including an emphasis on identifying strategies for cultivating family resilience.

Texas Tech University

Lubbock, TX

Graduate Instructor (August 2014-August 2016)

Courses taught in the Community, Family, and Addiction Sciences Department:

CFAS 2300: Communication, Civility, and Ethics

Purdue University Calumet

Hammond, IN

Graduate Instructor (August 2011- December 2013)

Courses taught in the Behavioral Sciences Department:

BHS 201: Statistics for the Behavioral Science (Fall 2013)

This course specializes in teaching undergraduate statistics to students majoring in psychology, sociology, and human development and family studies. I am responsible for preparing and directing lectures, exams, and assignments.

PSY 316: Human Development: Infancy to Middle Childhood (Spring-Fall 2012, Spring 2013)

This course specializes in teaching the human development of infants through middle childhood. I was responsible for preparing and directing lectures, exams, and assignments.

CDFS 210: Introduction to Human Development (Fall 2011)

This course specializes in teaching the entire lifespan of human development. I was responsible for preparing and directing lectures, exams, and assignments.

GUEST LECTURES

Texas Tech University

MFT 6303 Couples and Sex Therapy (Spring 2016)

HDFS 5349 Introduction to Graduate Statistics (Fall 2015)

HDFS 3324 Dynamics of Family Interaction (Spring 2015)

CLINICAL INTERNSHIPS

Arrington Cancer Institute and Research Center Lubbock, TX

Medical Family Therapist Intern (June 2015-present)

Responsibilities include providing therapeutic services to patients diagnosed with various types of cancer and their family members. Clientele include couples, families, and individual clients (adults, adolescents, and children).

Texas Tech University Lubbock, TX

Family Therapist Intern (August 2014-December 2015)

The Burkhart Center for Autism Education and Research Lubbock, TX

Behavior Support Clinic Intern (August 2014-January 2015)

Responsibilities include: attending screening meetings and assess client's behaviors for potential treatment, provide in-home parenting training for parents raising a child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder, and co-teach parent-training classes to teach parents basic behavior analyst skills and how to apply them in the home.

Life Strategies, LLC

Marriage and Family Therapist Intern (March 2013-December 2013) Schererville, IN

Purdue University Calumet Hammond, IN

Marriage and Family Therapist Intern (January 2012-December 2012)

SERVICE WORK

Journal of Marital & Family Therapy

Doctoral Student Apprenticeship (February 2013-present)

Responsibilities include blind-reviewing submitted manuscripts by providing clear and thorough feedback on potential publication.

Lubbock Police Department Lubbock, TX

Crisis Team

Student Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Texas Tech University

Vice President (August 2015-July 2016)

Responsibilities include: assisting president with any tasks, oversee program is acting in accordance with AAMFT, oversee all activities of the organization in the absence of the President, and work with the Treasurer to keep current membership lists.

Student-Faculty Liaison (August 2014-July 2015)

Responsibilities included: discussing student opinions and concerns regarding the MFT program to faculty members, and participating in community outreach activities.

Rape Crisis Center

Victim Advocate (February 2010- July 2011) Las Vegas, NV

Responsibilities included meeting with and consoling sexual-assault victims at the University Medical Center of Las Vegas, and answering calls on a support hotline from sexual-assault victims seeking assistance.

Katherine Hertlein, Ph.D., Marriage and Family Therapy University of Nevada, Las Vegas
 Research Assistant (November 2009-July 2011)
 I served on Dr. Hertlein's research committee, specializing in the challenges facing female marriage and family therapists trying to balance family planning and their careers.

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Texas Tech University: Teaching, Learning, & Professional Development Center Lubbock, TX

Workshops attended:

Grant Writing Workshop (April 2016)

Vocal and Energetic Engagement in the Classroom (April 2016)

3 R'S of Online Teaching; Respect, Relevance, Relationships (April 2016)

Battling Writer's Block (February 2016)

A "Big Bang" Approach to Understanding & Supporting Students with ASD (October 2014).

Creating Your Teaching Portfolio (September 2014)

Microanalysis Training (February-May 2016)

Distance Learning

International Microanalysis Association conducted a 16-week course on the research method of microanalysis. Microanalysis is the investigation of face-to-face dialogue.

Great Start: Pre-Marital Workshop Training (March 2015)

Lubbock, TX

Board Certified Behavior Analysis Training (April 2014- December 2014)

Clemson, SC

I completed three, online courses for earning my certificate in behavior analysis: BEHV 101: Basic Principles in Behavior Analysis, BEHV 102: Basic Principles in Behavior Analysis II, BEHV 103: Research Methodology.

Trauma-Focused Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (July 2013)

Hammond, IN

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) (November 2012)

Hammond, IN

PTSD 101: Cognitive Behavioral Psychotherapies for PTSD (July 2012)

Hammond, IN

Prepare and Enrich Certification (November 2011)

Hammond, IN

Rape Crisis Training (February 2010)

Las Vegas, NV

50-hour training on the trauma of rape survivors.

MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy

since July 2011

Pre-Clinical Member: 137147

REFERENCES

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