

Abbe' Finn, Ph.D., LPC, NCC
Associate Professor
Program Leader Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling Programs
Florida Gulf Coast University

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy; Counselor Education
University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana 1998

Master of Science; Human Services Counseling
Loyola University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana 1992

Master of Education, Early Childhood Development
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana August 1974

Bachelor of Arts; Audiology and Speech Pathology
Newcomb College of Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana 1973

DISSERTATION

Assessment by Mental Health Professionals of Client Risk for Harming Others

FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT

Program Director; Program Leader, Program Coordinator, and Associate Professor

Florida Gulf Coast University

August 2011 to date

Supervision of adjunct faculty, preparation of the Counseling course schedule, preparation of the Florida Department of Education FGCU Guidance and Counseling Report, Preparation of the standards rubrics (CACREP, FEAPs, and Professional Competencies, assistance in the preparation of the CACREP self-study and documentation; organization of Counseling Faculty meetings, review and interview of the Counseling program admissions. Educating graduate students in the College of Education. Internship Four; Group Work; Internship; Practicum and Skills; Appraisal of the Individual, Organization and Administration of a Counseling Program, and Addictions Counseling; Life Span Development; Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling, . Faculty participation in service to the university by serving on the Student Judicial Committee, the PMAP; Program Review Team; Service to the Department through work on the writing of the self-study for CACREP and NCATE accreditation, and compiling, editing, and reorganizing the Graduate Internship Candidate and Site Supervisor's Manual. Community service: Volunteer for disaster response with the American Red Cross, FGCU Medical Reserve Corps Task Force, Lee County Medical Reserve Corps, Service to Lee Co. and Collier Co. DOH in the form of diffusing at Ruth Cooper, and training for DOH crisis responders for stress management.

Associate Dean

Florida Gulf Coast University

July 2008 to August 2011

Educating graduate and undergraduate students; Advising incoming and current graduate students; Review of Application; Faculty scheduling; Faculty evaluation; Student academic disciplinary actions; Providing leadership to the graduate faculty; Assisting the Dean of the College of Education; Writing and organization of reports; Maintenance of data; Managing tuition waivers; Representing the Dean in her absence; Recruiting of new graduate students; Hiring and supervision of adjunct faculty.

Associate Professor

Florida Gulf Coast University

August 2006 to Date

Educating undergraduate and graduate students in the College of Education. Teaching Professional Studies; Working with Families with Exceptional Children; and Internship Four; Group Work; Internship; Practicum and Skills; Appraisal of the Individual, Organization and Administration of a Counseling Program, and Addictions Counseling. Faculty participation in service to the university by serving on the Student Judicial Committee, the Doctoral Feasibility Committee, and the Faculty Senate; Service to the Department through work on the writing of the self-study for CACREP and NCATE accreditation, and compiling, editing, and reorganizing the Graduate Internship Candidate and Site Supervisor's Manual, and holding a seat on the University Senate. Secretary of the Faculty Senate 2006-2007. Community service: Volunteer for disaster response with the American Red Cross, FGCU Medical Reserve Corps Task Force, Lee County Medical Reserve Corps, Service to Lee Co. and Collier Co. DOH in the form of diffusing at Ruth Cooper, and training for DOH crisis responders for stress management.

Assistant Professor

Florida Gulf Coast University

August 2003 to April 2006

Educating undergraduate and graduate students in the College of Education. Teaching Professional Studies; Working with Families with Exceptional Children; and Internship Four; Group Work; Internship; Practicum and Skills; Appraisal of the Individual, Organization and Administration of a Counseling Program, and Addictions Counseling. Faculty participation in service to the university by serving on the Student Judicial Committee, the Doctoral Feasibility Committee, and the Faculty Senate; Service to the Department through work on the writing of the self-study for CACREP and NCATE accreditation, and compiling, editing, and reorganizing the Graduate Internship Candidate and Site Supervisor's Manual, and holding a seat on the University Senate. Community Service in the form of two week deployment with the American Red Cross (ARC) for hurricane shelter in response to Hurricane Katrina. Crisis responder with ARC (as needed), and Service through MRC responding to Hurricane Wilma at Lee County Special Needs Shelter.

Assistant Professor

University of Mississippi

August 2000 to July 2003

Educating masters and doctoral students in educational psychology and counseling. Courses of instruction include: Topics in Counseling; Addictions Counseling (COUN 593); Advanced

Educational Psychology (COUN 603); Supervision of graduate students in Practicum (COUN 693); History and Introduction to the Counseling Profession (COUN 539); Life Span Development (601); and Crisis Intervention Counseling (*Special Problems* COUN 687). Counseling Theory (COUN 683); Counseling Skills (COUN 690); Addiction Counseling (COUN 593) and Assessment in Counseling (COUN 621). Member of the University Crisis Intervention Team, provider of staff development workshops for the University Counseling Center, and Family Law Clinic. Volunteer staff counselor with the University Counseling Center. Volunteer counselor with the National Youth Sports Program, Counselor Education representative on the NCATE committee.

**Visiting Assistant Professor Department of
Educational Psychology**
University of Mississippi

August 1999 to July 2000

Educating masters and doctoral students in educational psychology and counseling. Courses of instruction include: Topics in Counseling: Addictions Counseling (COUN 593); Advanced Educational Psychology (COUN 603); Supervision of graduate students in Practicum (COUN 693); History and Introduction to the Counseling Profession (COUN 539); Life Span Development (601); and Crisis Intervention Counseling (*Special Problems* COUN 687). Member of the University Crisis Intervention Team, Staff Development Workshops for the University Counseling Center, Family Law Clinic, Staff Counselor University Counseling Center.

Crisis Management International

August 1999 to date

Provision of critical incident response to businesses and communities following catastrophic events on an as needed basis. Deployment to New York City for one week following the September 11th disaster.

Regional Supervisor USPS Employee Assistance Program
Vasquez Management Consultants, 701 Loyola Avenue

July 1997 to July 1999

Supervision of 15 counselors located in 5 states. This includes acting as a liaison between the United States Postal Service executives, managers, the United States Public Health Service Federal Occupational Health, and the Employee Assistance Counselors. Duties included interviewing prospective employees, training and supervision of the counselors. Team leader for the National Critical Incident Stress Intervention Team for the USPS. Team leader for mental health responder with USPS after Oklahoma Tornado May 3, 1999. Volunteer with New Orleans Fire Department CISD team.

Employee Assistance Counselor

November 1996 to June 1997

Vasquez Management Consultants, 701 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70113

I conducted assessments of individuals, families, children, and couples. In this work environment, I provided individual mental health counseling, career counseling, family and couple therapy, substance abuse assessment and follow up treatment. I managed cases which are assigned to affiliates, I also worked with couples, families, and individuals who had suffered loss of loved ones. I evaluated individuals and couples for domestic violence and devise safety plans for the abused party and refer the abuser to treatment. I conducted numerous employee, supervisory, and manager training sessions.

Employee Assistance Counselor

August 1993 to October 1996

Health Management systems of America, 701 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana

I conducted assessments, treatments, and referrals of postal employees and their families. In this work environments, I provided individual mental health, career counseling, family and couple therapy. I provided direct treatment and case management through affiliates. I recruited and trained a network of affiliates. I conducted numerous training sessions with new employees, experienced employees and supervisors in topics such as: stress reduction; anger management; how to work with difficult employees; managing employees suffering grief and loss issues; dangers of substance abuse in the workplace; managing employees who have been victims of assault; and recognizing and de-escalating violent situations. I developed the Violence on the Workplace Awareness training for managers and employees in 1993, which was used in the New Orleans District until the United States Postal Service devised their own training on a national level two years later. I have managed numerous critical incidents and conducted many critical incident stress diffusing, and debriefing. I have lent emotional support to clients who were testifying in court following work related assaults and robberies. I worked with several families who were witnesses to assault and prepared them emotionally for testifying in court in the presence of their accused assailant. I was interviewed in the local news regarding the emotional trauma of witnessing the murder of a parent, which was broadcast nationally on CNN.

Program Director of Therapeutic Foster Care

June 1992 to August 1993

Lutheran Social Services of the South, New Orleans, Louisiana

I provided case management of physically and emotionally handicapped children placed in therapeutic foster homes. I was responsible for recruiting and training the therapeutic foster parents. I also developed and implemented treatment plans, having to coordinate court orders with the state Office of Community Service worker. I conducted individual, group and family therapy. I advocated for the children in the courts and with the Louisiana Office of Community Service. I was the liaison for the children and their foster families with the Louisiana Juvenile Court System.

PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

Adjunct Faculty Counselor Education

June 1998 to August 1999

University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana

Adjunct faculty teaching graduate students in crisis intervention

Faculty
1999

September 1996 to August

University of Phoenix, Louisiana Campus, Kenner, Louisiana

Chairperson for the Department of Social Sciences for the Louisiana Campus. I have taught Communications, Assessment of Prior Learning, and Motivational Psychology. I am scheduled to teach Introduction to Psychology, Substance Abuse in the Workplace, Adult Development, and Psychology of personality.

Teaching Assistant

June 1994 to December 1994

University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana

I taught graduate students in the classroom, supervised therapeutic techniques, and skill development. I also provided evaluations of progress focusing on their strengths while making recommendations for improvement.

Student Intern

August 1991 to May 1992

Bethlehem children's Treatment Center of Lutheran Social Services, New Orleans, Louisiana

I created treatment plans for group and individual therapy for children in residential treatment. these children ranged in age from seven to sixteen years old. I provided case management for residents, researched and wrote intake reports, and completed intake assessments. I also provided outpatient therapy for clients of Lutheran Social Services.

School Experience

Volunteer with National Youth Sports Program

June 2001

Oxford, Mississippi

In-service Training

January 1999

Recognizing the Signs of Abuse: A Program for Classroom Teachers

Advantage Schools,

Phoenix, Arizona

Supervisor and Trainer of Volunteers.

August 1991 to August 1993

Jewish family Services of New Orleans, St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

I trained volunteers to facilitate and lecture high school students in the program, "Teen Life Counts". This a four hour program which teaches about the ways to recognize and intervene to prevent teen suicide. I made numerous presentations to students, faculty and parent organizations. I helped revise the program to better meet the needs of the students.

Classroom Speaker and Facilitator

January 1991 to June 1994

Teen Life Counts, Jewish Family Service

I trained students and faculties in New Orleans Public, religious, and private high schools to recognize signs of suicidal risk. The focus was on decision making skills to obtain appropriate intervention. I facilitated role plays among the students to practice problem solving.

Chairperson of the PREP Committee

August 1983 to July 1990

Preventing Rape Through Educational Programs

I wrote the text for the presenter of the date rape prevention program. I also trained the community volunteers, scheduled the sessions, trained the school personnel, and organized presentations to every ninth grade student in five high schools.

Committee Member of CAP with the YWCA

January 1983 to May 1990

Child Assault Preventing Program

Facilitated class room presentations to grade school students teaching them safe behaviors with strangers as well as people who are known to them. Interfaced with law enforcement, child protection, school counselors, as well as school administrators.

Preschool Teacher

1976-1981

Happy Start

Teacher of four year olds in a traditional nursery school.

Preschool Teacher

1972

Newcomb Nursery School

Lead teacher for the laboratory school teaching three and four year olds.

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Finn, A., Henry, S., & Keller, P. (1992). Safe Kids in Control. Teacher's Manual and Activity Book Accompanying Video. Syndistar Video Company: New Orleans, LA.

Book Chapters

Finn, A. (2020). Substance Addictions Prevention Programs Across the Life Span. In D. Capuzzi and M. Stauffer (Eds.). *Foundations of Addictions Counseling (4th Ed.)*. Pearson: Hoboken, NJ. (pp. 339-364).

Nelson, K., & Finn, A. (2016). Jungian Analytical Theory. In D. Capuzzi & M. Stauffer (Eds.). *Counseling and Psychotherapy: Theories and Interventions, (6th Ed.)*. American Counseling Association: Alexandria Virginia. (pp. 97-120)

Finn, A. (2014). Death in the classroom. In D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.), *Youth at Risk (6th Edition)*. Alexandria, VA: American Counseling Association. (pp. 337-336)

- Finn, A. (2012). Drug abuse prevention programs for children adolescents, and college students. In D. Capuzzi & M. Stauffer (Eds.). *Foundations of Addiction Counseling*. Allyn & Bacon: Boston, MA.
- Finn, A. (2011). Jungian Psychotherapy. In D Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.) *Counseling and Psychotherapy: Theories and Interventions*, (5th Ed.). American Counseling Association: Alexandria Virginia
- Finn, A, (2010). Group work: Addictions and substance use disorders. In D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.) *Introduction to Group Counseling* (5th Ed.) (475-504). Love Publishing: Boston, MA.
- Finn, A. (2008). Death in the classroom. In D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.), *Youth at Risk* (5th Edition). Alexandria, VA: American Counseling Association.
- Finn, A. (2007). Drug abuse prevention programs for children and adolescents. In D. Capuzzi & M. Stauffer (Eds.). *Foundations of Addiction Counseling*. Allyn & Bacon: Boston, MA.
- Finn, A. (2006). Group counseling for people with addictions. In D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.) *Introduction to Group Counseling* (4th Ed.) (453-481) Love Publishing: Boston, MA.
- Finn, A. (2004). Death in the Classroom: Violence in Schools. In: D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.). *Youth at risk* (Fourth Ed.) (353-373). Alexandria, VA: American Counseling Association.
- Hermann, M., & Finn, A. (2002). Legal and Ethical Dimensions of Meeting the Challenge of School Violence. In: T. P. Remley, Jr., M. Hermann, & W. C. Huey (Eds.) *Ethical and Legal Issues in School Counseling* (Second Edition) (130-151). American School Counseling Association Publications: Herndon, VA.
- Finn, A. & Remley, T.P. (2002). Prevention of school violence. In: D. Rea (Ed). *Proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Youth at Risk Conference*. (19-26) McGraw-Hill.
- Finn, A. (2001). Group counseling for people with addictions. In D. Capuzzi & D. Gross (Eds.) *Introduction to Group Counseling* (3rd Ed.). (351-376). Love Publishing: Boston, MA.

Juried Journals

- Finn, A. & T.P. Remley (in Revision). Assessment by Mental Health Professional of Clients' Risk for Harming Others. *Journal of the International Counseling Association*.
- Hermann, M., & Finn, A. (2002). School Violence Prevention: Legal and Ethical Issues and Crisis Response. *Professional School Counselor*, 6(1), 46-54.

Finn, A. (1993). Adolescent Suicide Prevention. *Journal of the Louisiana Medical Society*, 148 (8), 341-342.

Requested by Editor

Finn, A. (2003). Life after cancer. *Surviving*. Stanford University Medical Center

Finn, A. (2002). A Mother's Story. *Surviving*. Stanford University Medical Center. 6-7, 14.

PRESENTATIONS.

Juried International Conferences

Paper Presentation: Counselor Assessment of Client's at Risk for Harming Others

Abbe' Finn and Theodore P. Remley
International Association of Counseling
Ocho Rios, Jamaica

May, 2004

Violence Prevention in the Schools

Abbe Finn & Theodore P. Remley
International Youth at Risk Conference
Savannah, GA

March, 2001

Juried National Conferences

PFA

Abbe' Finn, Ph.D. Pat Santucci, M.D.
Emergency Preparedness Conference
Providence, RI

February 2007

Counseling Response to Violence in the Workplace

Abbe' Finn
2nd Annual Winter Counseling Symposium
III. Argosy University and the American Counseling Association
Sarasota, Florida

February 2005

A Model for Suicide Prevention in a University Setting

Abbe' Finn, Heather Helm, Mike Pisarcik, & Jena Spahr
American Counseling Association Meeting
New Orleans, Louisiana

March 2002

Systematic Counselor Supervision

Abbe' Finn & Sonja Burnham
American Counseling Association Meeting
San Antonio, TX

March 2001

Recognizing Potentially Violent Clients

Abbe Finn & Theodore P. Remley
American Counseling Association Annual Meeting
San Antonio, TX.

March 2001

Identifying Students Who May Be At Risk for Harming Others

Abbe' Finn & Theodore P. Remley
Indiana Peace Education Conference
Bloomington, Indiana

August 1999

Group Therapy Program for Sexually Abused Adolescents: A Developmental Approach

Abbe' Finn
National Conference of the Specialists in Group Work American Counseling Association
St. Petersburg, Florida

January 1994

Juried Regional Conferences

Development and Use of Weighted Rubrics in the Admission Process

Abbe' Finn, Florida, Ph.D. , Madelyn Isaacs, Ph.D., & Molli E. Bachenberg, Ed.D.
SACES
New Orleans, LA

October, 2016

Juried State Conferences

Crisis Response in Schools

Abbe Finn
Florida School Counseling Association
Orlando, Florida

October, 2008

Counseling Children Following Disasters and Personal Loss

IV. Abbe' Finn
V. Florida Counseling Association Annual Conference
St. Petersburg, Florida
2004

November,

Counseling Children Following Terrorism, Personal Loss, and Bereavement.

Abbe'Finn
Mississippi Counseling Association
Biloxi, Mississippi
2002

November,

Steps to Take When Assessing Clients for Risk for Harming Others.

Abbe Finn
Annual Meeting of Mississippi Counseling Association.

Biloxi, Mississippi
2001
November

Crisis Response Teams for Schools

Abbe Finn
Annual Meeting of Mississippi Counseling Association.
Biloxi, Mississippi
2001
November

School and Community Response to School Crisis

Abbe' Finn
Mississippi Social Work Annual Conference
Jackson, MS
2001
September

Developing a School-Wide Suicide Intervention Program

Mississippi Counseling Association 49th Fall Conference
Biloxi, Mississippi
1999
November

Identifying Students Who May Be At Risk for Violence

Mississippi Counseling Association 49th Fall Conference
Biloxi, Mississippi
1999
November

Assessment of Dangerousness: Working with Potentially Violent Clients

Louisiana Counseling Association State Convention
New Orleans, Louisiana
1995
November

Prevention of Violence in the Workplace

Presented to the Employee Assistance Professional Association State Conference
New Orleans, Louisiana
1995
September

National Invitational Presentations

Medical Reserve Corps National Leadership and Training Conference April 2008

Teaching the Core Skills of Psychological First Aid (Poster Session)
Portland, Oregon
Pat Santucci, MD
Abbe Finn, PhD

Medical Reserve Corps National Leadership and Training Conference April 2007

Teaching the Core Skills of Psychological First Aid (Poster Session)
Providence, Rhode Island

Pat Santucci, MD
Abbe Finn, PhD
John Hickey, DWS, LCSW

Medical Reserve Corps National Leadership and Training Conference April 2007
Tips and Techniques for Introducing Psychological First Aid: Keeping Your Participants
Involved

Pat Santucci, MD
Abbe Finn, PhD
John Hickey, DWS, LCSW

The Threat of School Violence: Minimizing and Managing the Realities
Abbe' Finn

The School Counselor Legal and Ethical Summit
Massachusetts School Counselor Association
Boston, Massachusetts

March, 2002

The Threat of School Violence: Minimizing and Managing the Realities
Abbe' Finn

The School Counselor Legal and Ethical Summit
Florida School Counselor Association
Orlando, Florida

April, 2002

The Threat of School Violence: Minimizing and Managing the Realities
Abbe' Finn

The School Counselor Legal and Ethical Summit
Georgia School Counselor Association
Atlanta, Georgia

April, 2002

Assessment and Risk Management of Potentially Violent Clients and Employees

Abbe' Finn & Theodore P. Remley, Jr.
Crisis Center of Birmingham
Birmingham, AL

October, 2001

The Importance of Reporting Program Impact

United States Postal Survive Employee Assistance Counselors' Conference
Saint Louis, Missouri

July 1999

Program Facilitator for, "Reducing the Risk through Clinical Assessment"

United States Postal Survive Employee Assistance Counselors' Conference
Saint Louis, Missouri

July 1999

Recognizing Signs of Potentially Violent Employees

Presented to the United States Postal Service Career Awareness Conference
New Orleans, Louisiana

October 1995

Group Therapy program for Sexually Abused Adolescents: A Developmental Approach

Presented to Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Counseling Association
Monroe, Louisiana

October 1994

Other Presentations

Charlotte County School Counseling Professional Development Day

Psychological First Aid
Abbe Finn

Nov. 6, 2018

Lee County School Counselor Professional Development Day

Children and Grief
Abbe Finn

Nov. 16, 2017

Lee County School Counseling Association Professional Development Day

Psychological First Aid
Abbe Finn

April, 2010

Southwest Regional Airport Disaster Preparedness

Psychological First Aid
Abbe' Finn, Ph.D. and Pat Santucci, M.D.

July, 2009

Lee County School Counselors, Nurses, and Social Workers

Psychological First Aid, One day Workshop
Abbe Finn, Ph.D. and Pat Santucci, MD

April 2007

Health Park and Lee County Medical Reserve Corps

Two Day Workshop
Psychological First Aid
Fort Myers, Florida

March 2007

Lafayette County Rape Crisis Center

Crisis Response Following Sexual Trauma
Oxford, MS

June, 2003

Children and Crisis

Abbé Finn
American Red Cross
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Training
Oxford, Mississippi
2003

February,

Addictions Counseling

University of Mississippi Continuing Education

Tunica, Mississippi
2001

February,

Addictions Counseling

University of Mississippi Continuing Education
Jackson, Mississippi

March 2000

The Value of an Employee Assistance Program for Industry

National Association of Security Personnel
New Orleans, Louisiana

July 1999

Legal Responsibilities for Maintaining a Safe Workplace

Louisiana Chapter of Employee Assistance Professional Association
New Orleans, Louisiana

June 1999

Conflict Resolution in the Workplace

Presented to the Louisiana Chapter of Employee Assistance Professional Association
New Orleans, Louisiana
1996

September

Stress Management: One Life to Live

Presented at the United States Postal Service Career Awareness Conference
New Orleans, Louisiana

August 1996

ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

Faculty Senate Secretary, Florida Gulf Coast University ~ 2006-2007; 2007-2008

Faculty Senate, Florida Gulf Coast University ~ 2004-2005; 2005-2006; 2006-2007; 2007-2008

President ~ Mississippi Association for Counselor Education and Supervision 2002-2003

Member of American Red Cross Rapid Response Team ~ North Central Chapter of the American Red Cross 2003

Co-Chair ~ United Way University of Mississippi 2002

President-Elect ~ Mississippi Association for Counselor Education and Supervision 2001-2002

Research Scholar of the Year in the Department of Leadership & Counselor Education
2001

Vice President ~ of Louisiana Chapter of the Employee Assistance Professional Organization
1996-1998

Award for Multicultural Counseling Paper ~ Louisiana Counseling Association 1995 Annual Meeting

Vice president ~1995-1996 ~ Counseling Organization of Graduate Students

President ~1995-1996 ~ Counseling Organization of Graduate Students

Representative for Chi Sigma Iota ~ To the American Counseling Association National Meeting, 1995.

Vice President ~ Alpha Sigma NU, Honor Society, 1992

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS and TRAINING

Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) Mississippi # 769 & Louisiana # 1797

National Certified Counselor (NCC) # 28622

Certified to Administer and Interpret the SASSI

American Red Cross National Crisis Response

Certified and trained by Jeffery Mitchell to perform Advanced Critical Incident Stress Management

Workplace Violence Prevention ~ By invitation of the US Postal Inspection Service to participate in the five day national conference on workplace violence prevention.

Introductory Family Mediation ~ Loyola Law School

Advanced Family Mediation ~ Loyola Law School

The Grantsmanship Center ~ One Week Grant Writing Training.

Pet Partners : Use of Pets in Therapeutic Settings ~ Eight hour training