

JONATHAN SINGER, LCSW

EDUCATION

Doctorate in Social Work (in progress). *The University of Pittsburgh*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Master of Science in Social Work. *The University of Texas at Austin*, Austin, Texas, 1996.

Advanced Jazz Studies, *Conservatoire National de Région*, Lyon, France, 1993.

B.A. in Human Development and Social Relations. *Earlham College*, Richmond, Indiana, 1992.

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Eack, S. M., Singer, J. B., & Greeno, C. G. (under review). Screening for anxiety and depression in community mental health: The Beck anxiety and depression inventories. *Community Mental Health Journal*.

Singer, J. B. (2007). Professional practice model. In M. D. Glicklen. *Social Work in the 21st Century : An Introduction to Social Welfare, Social Issues, and the Profession*. Thousand Oaks, Ca: Sage Publications.

Singer, J. B. (2006). Making stone soup: Evidence-based practice for a suicidal youth with comorbid Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder and Major Depressive Disorder. *Brief Treatment and Crisis Intervention*, 6(3), 234-247.

Singer, J. B. (2006). From Augustus to BARJ: The evolving role of social work in juvenile justice. In A. R. Roberts and D. W. Springer (Eds.). *Handbook of Forensic Mental Health With Victims and Offenders* (pp. 273-298). Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas Publisher, Ltd.

Eack, S. M., and Singer, J. B. (2005). Further considerations about SQL Clinic. *Psychiatric Services*, 56(8), 1023 – 1024.

Singer, J. B. (2005). Adolescent Latino males with schizophrenia: Mobile crisis response. *Brief Treatment and Crisis Intervention*, 5(1), 35 – 55.

Singer, J. B. (2005). Mobile crisis outreach for children and adolescents. In A. R Roberts (Ed.). *Crisis Intervention Handbook: Assessment, Treatment and Research* (3rd. ed, pp. 319 - 361). New York: Oxford University Press.

BOOK REVIEWS

Singer, J.B. (submitted). *Social History Assessment* by A. B. Andrews. *Families in Society*.

Singer, J. B. (2006). *Parent Management Training* by A. E. Kazdin. *Psychiatric Services*, 57(11), online.

Singer, J. B. (2006). *The Many Faces Of Depression In Children And Adolescents* by D. Shaffer, & B. D. Waslick. (Eds). *Psychiatric Services*, 57(11), 1661-1662.

RESEARCH AND EVALUATION EXPERIENCE

Only as a last resort: Pathways to mental health care for mothers and their children. (2007 – Present).
Principal Investigator (dissertation).

- Grounded theory analysis on 127 interviews of mothers with mental illness who brought their children to mental health services. Identified the role parental mental illness plays in parents' decision to seek mental health services for their children.

School Social Workers and Cyberbullying. (2007 – 2008). Co-investigator (PI, Karen Slovak, Ph.D).
Funded by Ohio University Outreach and Regional Campuses. \$7,085.

- Collaborated in the development of a survey looking at cyberbullying, suicide training and diversity for school social workers in the Midwest.

Student Self-Efficacy, Training, and Suicide Assessment. (2005 – 2006). Principal Investigator.

- Designed and implemented a correlational hypothesis-testing survey study design to investigate the hypothesis that students' exposure to suicide moderates the relationship between amount and type of training in the treatment and management of suicide, and students' perceived self-efficacy in working with suicidal clients. Developed original measures. Presented results at conferences for the Society on Social Work Research (2007) and the American Association of Suicidology (2007).

Engaging Distressed Mothers of Disturbed Children. (2004 – Present). Graduate Research Assistant.
Faculty investigators: Carol M. Anderson, Ph.D. Catherine Greeno, Ph.D. Supported in part by NIMH R24 MH 066872.

- These projects aimed to document the mental health needs of mothers bringing their children for mental health care in community settings, and understand treatment seeking decisions of mothers referred to mental health care. *Role on project:* Member of research team; wrote literature reviews; analyzed qualitative data.

Technology and the professional use of self. (September, 1996 to May, 1997). Web design instructor and technology consultant. Faculty investigators: Bonnie Bain, LCSW, Jean Avera, LCSW, and Jane Kretzschmar, LCSW.

- This project sought to identify how web technology assisted MSW students in developing professional-use-of-self. *Role on project:* Member of research team; developed technological training program for MSW students; taught weekly web-design courses; dissemination of results. Presented results at APM, 1997.

Graduate Research Assistant

February, 1995 to August, 1996 – Center for Social Work Research, UT Austin

- Various projects. *Role on projects:* Conducted bilingual research with Medicaid clients and directors of childcare centers. Edited reports and publication layout for Medical Transportation Services, Texas Kids Count, and Child Care Management Services.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work

Models of Intervention, Instructor – Spring and Fall, 2007

- Re-designed theory course to integrate podcast technology, crisis intervention and DSM content. Developed weekly case-based learning assignment.

Foundations of Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations, Instructor – Fall, 2006

- Initiated cross-faculty collaborative syllabus development to ensure that students in multiple sections received the same information and education on working with diverse populations. Developed Blackboard site incorporating multimedia content such as videos, online audio and discussion groups.

The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work

Crisis Intervention, Instructor – Fall, 2003

- Designed and taught the first Crisis Intervention course offered at UT-Austin's School of Social Work. The course was designed as an advanced clinical selective for graduate students in the School of Social Work who wished to increase knowledge and skills for practice with crisis intervention. Students studied evidenced-based applications of theory to practice with identified at-risk populations. Students applied crisis intervention theory and models of intervention to various problem areas, such as suicide, sexual assault, domestic violence, substance abuse, grief and loss, and violent behavior in institutions. Learning methods included role-plays, lecture, videos, web-based interaction, and written assignments.

Treatment of Children and Adolescents, Instructor – Fall, 2002

- Designed and taught as an advanced clinical selective to graduate students who wished to increase knowledge and skills for practice with children, adolescents, and family systems. We focused on the differential applications of theories and skills utilized in varying treatment modalities at the micro and mezzo levels. Special vulnerabilities and ethical concerns for these diverse populations were examined.

Earlham College

Social Relations, Teaching assistant – Fall, 1991

- This course is designed for undergraduates who are interested in learning about the five major theoretical perspectives used to describe and explain social behavior. Students study social relations from the perspective of psychobiology, psychodynamics, behaviorism, humanism, and cognitive psychology. Weekly lectures are complimented by bi-weekly TA-led discussions on assigned readings and research proposal assignment.

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Clinical Social Worker

November, 2002 to June 2004 - Jewish Family Service – Austin

- Provided individual, family, couples and group therapy. Developed and directed the "Parenting Center" for parents with children 0 – 3 years. Designed and published the Central Texas Adoption Resource Directory. Provided community outreach and mental health services to adults with serious mental illness.

Adjunct Faculty

Fall 2002 to 2004 – University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work

- Designed and taught advanced clinical selectives, "Treatment of Children and Adolescents" and "Crisis Intervention." Developed lesson plans, assignments, quizzes and evaluative papers.

Bilingual Clinical Social Worker

February, 1999 to November, 2002 – Austin Travis County MHMR Family Preservation Program

- Provided intensive in-home individual and family therapy and service coordination to prevent the removal of a child. Facilitated anger management training, parenting skills, play therapy, and conflict resolution. Co-facilitated court mandated group for adults

Owner, Bilingual Therapist

January, 1998 to January, 2001 – Treeline Therapeutic Practice – Austin

- Private practice therapy for individuals, couples and families. Worked closely with co-therapists in a unique conjoint therapeutic approach. Designed and implement technological direction for practice, including web site and computerized records.

Bilingual Caseworker

September, 1996 to May, 1999 – Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Emergency Team

- Provided crisis intervention, assessment, and brief stabilization therapy for children and families. Coordinated hospital admissions, discharge planning and follow-up care. Supervised MSW interns.

Director

Summer, 1995 – City of Austin’s Metz Summer Youth Project

- Developed 5-week therapeutic job readiness and academic enrichment camp for high-risk adolescents. Facilitated culturally focused group processing with adolescents. Supervised 5 case-managers; organized staff development workshops at The Austin Child Guidance Center.

JURIED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Singer, J. B. (2007, November). *Purpose, process and product: Practical applications of podcasting in education*. Invited paper for the Annual Teaching Excellence Fair for Faculty at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

Singer, J. B. (2007, October). *Using Audacity to create podcasts for social work education*. Skills building workshop accepted for the 53rd annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, San Francisco, CA. [accepted and withdrawn]

Singer, J. B. (2007, April). *More confidence than training: Social work education and suicide assessment self-efficacy*. Paper presented at the 40th annual meeting of the American Association of Suicidology, New Orleans, LA.

Singer, J. B., Eack, S. M., & Kim, K. H. (2007, January). *The Columbia Impairment Scale: A confirmatory factor analysis*. In C. G. Greeno (Chair), Validity issues with standardized instruments in community mental health settings. Symposium conducted at the 11th annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, CA.

Eack, S. M., Singer, J. B. & Greeno, C. G., (2007, January). *Screening for anxiety and depression in community mental health: An evaluation of a series of briefscreens*. In C. G. Greeno (Chair), Validity issues with standardized instruments in community mental health settings. Symposium conducted at the 11th annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, CA.

- Singer, J. B., (2007, January). *Dead Poets' Society: the Moderating Effect of Exposure to Suicide on the Training – Self-Efficacy Relationship in Social Work Students*. Paper presented at the 11th annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Francisco, CA.
- Singer, J. B., Greeno, C. A., Anderson, C. M. (2006, January). *Only as a last resort: Children, families and mental health services*. Paper presented at the 10th annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX.
- Conner, K. O., Davis-Jones, L., Singer, J. B. (2006, February). *Incorporating social justice into transformative multicultural education*. Paper presented at the 52nd annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.
- Singer, J. B., Maguire, L. M., Conner, K. O. (2006, February). *How to hire and recruit new faculty: Utilizing students in the process*. Paper presented at the 52nd annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.
- Avera, J., Bain, B., Kretzschmar, J., Singer, J. B. (1997). *Sunrise, Sunset: The paradigm of technology and the professional use of self*. Paper presented at the 52nd annual program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.

SELECTED COMMUNITY LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

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| August, 2007 | “School-based crisis intervention and suicide assessment.” Developed and presented 12-hour continuing education workshop for Ector County Independent School District crisis counselors. Odessa, Texas. |
| January, 2007 | “Cultural competence and residential treatment.” Developed and presented 2-day staff development workshop for 500 employees of George Junior Republic residential treatment facility. Grove City, PA. |
| May, 2006 & February, 2007 | “If it isn't documented, it didn't happen: Ethical and legal guidelines to clinical documentation.” Developed and presented 6-hour continuing education workshop for LCSWs. Pittsburgh, PA. |
| 2005 – Present | Guest lectures for bachelor’s and master’s students in social work at the University of Pittsburgh: Risk and protective factors for suicide; Suicide risk management and documentation; qualitative methodology; child abuse and neglect. |
| Spring, 2004 | “How come nobody had ADHD when I was a kid?” Four-week lecture for parents of children diagnosed with ADHD: etiology, assessment, treatment, and support. |
| October, 2003 | “Do you want to die or do you want to be happy?: Working with adolescents who are suicidal.” Developed and presented 3-hour continuing education workshop for social workers, counselors and psychologists on the treatment and management of suicidal adolescents. Austin Child Guidance Center. Austin, Texas. |

- November, 2002** Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee. Presentation to Master's-level nursing students on engagement strategies with low-income populations in a community setting.
- March, 2000** "Crisis Intervention and the Family Preservation Program." Developed and presented 3-hour continuing education workshop for CPS case workers at the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services – Statewide Intake. Austin, Texas
- 1999 – 2005** Guest lectures for bachelor's and master's students in social work at the University of Texas at Austin: Community-based crisis intervention; suicide assessment; home-based treatment; community services with Latinos.

SELECTED COMMUNITY AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Peer Reviewer, August, 2004 – Present

- *Brief Treatment and Crisis Intervention* (Oxford University Press quarterly peer reviewed journal)
- *Families in Society* (Alliance for Children and Families peer reviewed journal)

Task Force Member, Summer 2006 – Present. American Association of Suicidology

- Evaluated and advised on suicide training curriculum. Provided technical advice and clinical consultation.
- Developed presentations on crisis intervention and trauma for school social workers

Committee Member, University of Pittsburgh

- Mental Health Research Advisory Panel for the Center on Race and Social Problems, 2005 – Present.
- Direct Practice Committee – School of Social Work. 2006 – Present.
- Founding member of the Adobe Education Technology User's Group, 2006 – Present.

Editor, Spring 2005 – Present. Doctoral Student Newsletter.

- Created and published bi-annual newsletter. Copies are available online at: <http://www.socialwork.pitt.edu/academics/phd/students.html>

Vice President, Fall, 2004 to January, 2006 – Social Work Doctoral Student Organization

- Co-founded student organization to provide mutual aid, academic enrichment, and professional support to doctoral students. Organized guest lecturers and student website.

Board Member, November, 2002 to June, 2004 – Austin Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Violence

- Helped raise \$4,000 for Jewish community school-based domestic violence curriculum training program.

Founding Member, Austin Spanish Speaking Mental Health Professional Network

- Created online community to assist in developing and sharing resources for providers and clients.

Board Member, June, 1999 to August, 2002 - City of Austin Cultural Arts Organization

- Evaluated applications by local music groups for funding for community and school-based performance. Allocated \$2,000,000 to arts enrichment programs for the City of Austin.

Organizer, October, 1999 to February, 2000 – Round Rock (Texas) Serving Center

- Initiated and organized Dell Financial Services Canned Food Drive and "Adopt-A-Family" Program to benefit clients of ATCMHMR. Served over 200 consumers.

Intern Supervisor, September, 1996 to May, 2002 – Austin Travis County MHMR

- Supervised first-year and second-year MSW students. Prepared case presentations, evaluated student performance, reviewed documentation and coordinated with graduate school.

Vice President, September, 1995 to May, 1996 – Social Work Council, UT-Austin

- Co-chaired the "Hunger Banquet" Committee for the NASW International Violence Video Conference. Co-chaired the first School of Social Work talent show fundraiser. Organized a semester-long legislative letter writing campaign, including guest speakers from advocacy groups and legislators. Founded the school's recycling program.

Web Developer, September, 1995 to September, 2002 – Multiple agencies in Austin, Texas

- Created web sites for non-profit social service or advocacy agencies, including Austin Child Guidance Center, Austin Travis County MHMR, Texans Care for Children, & Volunteer Council for the Austin State School.

MSW Intern, September, 1994 to August, 1996 – Austin Child Guidance Center & Youth Advocacy

- Provided assessment and brief therapy for children ages 4-16 and their families. Co-facilitated structured and unstructured play therapy groups. Participated in reflecting team, ropes/challenge courses. Conducted intensive in-home case management with high-risk children and their families. Organized, planned and lead bi-lingual parent support, teenage psycho-educational groups.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/LICENSURE

- National Association for Social Workers
- Society for Social Work Research
- American Association of Suicidology
- Phi Kappa Phi – National Honor Society for Scholars
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker(#29675), Texas
- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing - Level 1 Certification
- Critical Incident Stress Debriefing – Basic Certification

HONORS/AWARDS

- Pre-doctoral fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, *Summer, 2007* (\$5,500)
- Selected to participate in the NIMH funded Rochester Summer Research Institute in Suicide Prevention, *Summer, 2006*
- Cultural Diversity Award, ATCMHMR, *October, 2001*
- Employee of the Month, ATCMHMR Children's Services, *November, 1997 & March 2000*
- Charles W. Laughton Memorial Endowed Presidential Scholarship, UT – Austin, *June, 1996*
- Phi Kappa Phi – Academic Honor Society, *September, 1995*
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, *June 1995*
- Alumni, Faculty, and Advisory Council General Scholarship, UT – Austin, *May 1995*
- Departmental Honors, Earlham College, *June 1992*