

SERENA FLORES

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EDUCATION

- 2009-2012 Ph.D. in Counselor Education (CACREP)
Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Texas
- 2006-2008 Masters of Science, School Counseling, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Corpus Christi, Texas
- 2002-2006 Bachelor of Science, Interdisciplinary Studies, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Corpus Christi, Texas

CERTIFICATIONS/ LICENSURE

- 2006-Present Certification in Teaching- State of Texas
- 2009-Present Certification in School Counseling- State of Texas
- 2013-Present NCC in Process, LPC in Process (LPC-I Licensed)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2009-2011 Doctoral Research Assistant, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
- 2011-2012 Dissertation Research- Online Counseling and Online Counselor Preparation: A
Mixed Method Investigation
- Present Several Research Projects in Process- Refer to Research Agenda

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching & Counseling Experience

- 2006-2007 Teacher, St. Patrick Elementary- Corpus Christi Archdiocese
- 2007-2010 Teacher, Corpus Christi Independent School District
- 2010-2012 School Counselor, Corpus Christi Independent School District
- 2009-2011 Doctoral Teaching Assistant, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi

2012-Present Assistant Professor, University of St. Thomas- Houston, Texas

Graduate Courses (Master's Level)

Fall 2009 CNEP- Introduction to Counseling, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Spring 2010 CNEP- Counseling Theories, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Fall 2010 CNEP- Practicum, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Spring 2011 CNEP- Developmental School Counseling, Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi
Fall 2012 COUN- Counseling Theories and Approaches, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Appraisal Techniques, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Guidance Services, University of St. Thomas- Houston
Spring 2013 COUN- Counseling Theories and Approaches, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Practicum, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Group Procedures and Dynamics, University of St. Thomas- Houston
Summer 2013 COUN- Appraisal Techniques, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Group Procedures and Dynamics, University of St. Thomas- Houston
Fall 2013 COUN- Guidance Services, University of St. Thomas- Houston
 COUN- Lifestyles and Career Development, University of St. Thomas- Houston

PUBLICATIONS

Article in Press

Flores, S. (2013). Humanism in the Classroom. *Info Change- Association for Humanistic Counseling*, 7 (1).

Balkin, R. S., Flores, S. & Casillas, C. (2011). Differences in Therapeutic Goal Attainment for Adolescents with Substance Abuse Issues in General and Dual Diagnosis Crisis Residence Programs. *Counseling Outcome Research and Evaluation*, 2, 1-7.

Balkin, R. S., Casillas, C., Flores, S., & Leicht, D. J. (2011). A systemic perspective to understanding predictors of therapeutic goal attainment for adolescents in crisis residence. *The Family Journal*, 19, 36-40. doi:10.1177/1066480710387243

Flores, S. (in process). Online counseling and online counselor preparation: A mixed methods investigation.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

National Presentations

Flores, S., Casillas, C., & Balkin, R. S. (2010). *Substance abuse treatment for adolescents: General and dual diagnosis crisis residence programs*. Presented at the Association for Assessment in Counseling and Education. Memphis, Tennessee.

Flores, S., & Miller, J. (2010). *Supervision through the lens of the learner: An evaluative outlook*. Presented at the Association for Assessment in Counseling and Education. Memphis, Tennessee.

State Presentations

Flores, S., Casillas, C. (2013). *The acculturation of first year international graduate students: A social and emotional scope*, San Antonio, Texas.

Flores, S. (2013). *Counselor wellness in school counseling*. Presented at the Directors of Guidance Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Miller, J., & Flores, S. (2010). *Working with grief groups: Rewriting the story*. Presented at the Texas Counselor Association Conference, Austin, Texas.

Flores, S. (2010). *Online counseling: The future of counseling?*. Poster Presented at the Texas Association of Counselor Education and Supervision (TACES) Mid-Winter Conference, Austin, Texas.

Local Presentations

Flores, S. (2012). *Introduction to counseling*. Presented at the Association of Texas Professional Educators- University of St. Thomas Chapter Meeting, Houston, Texas.

Flores, S. (2010). *A historical viewpoint to play therapy*. Presented at the Costal Bend Association for Play Therapy Chapter Meeting, Corpus Christi, Texas.

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

Professional Leadership Experience

2013- Present Multicultural Education and Counseling through the Arts
Nonprofit Organization- Houston, Texas
Support Services Volunteer

2007-Present Chi Sigma Iota, Theta Alpha Mu Chapter
2010-2011 Secretary

2010-2012 Coastal Bend Association for Play Therapy
2010-2011 Secretary

2009-2012 Counselor Education Research Consortium
2009-2010 Secretary
2010-2011 President-Elect

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION AFFILIATIONS

2013-Present Association for Humanistic Counseling
2012-Present Houston/Galveston Institute- *Theoretical Counseling Seminar*
2009-Present American Counseling Association
2009-Present Association for Assessment in Counseling and Education
2009-Present Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
2009-Present Association for Play Therapy
2009-Present Counselors for Social Justice
2009-Present Texas Counseling Association
2009-Present Texas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
2009-Present Texas Association for Play Therapy
2007-Present *Chi Sigma Iota* International Counseling Honor Society
2006-2012 Association of Texas Professional Educators

REFERENCES

Sister Marie Faubert, EdD, LPC-S
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Chair, Counselor Education and Supervision Program

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