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Instructor of Medical Education (Psychiatry)
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Curriculum Vitae

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Place of Birth: Ridgewood, NJ
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Current Professional Activities

- ❖ Psychotherapist in private practice, Tampa, FL
- ❖ Instructor of Medical Education (Psychiatry), University of Central Florida
- ❖ Adjunct Instructor of Social Work, University of South Florida
- ❖ Voluntary Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Centerstone Psychiatry Residency Program
- ❖ Staff Psychotherapist, Psychiatric Emergency Services, Brandon Regional Hospital
- ❖ Florida Area Rep., American Association for Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work
- ❖ Contributor to the websites of *Psychology Today* and *Psychiatric Times*

Education

Undergraduate

Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Psychology, *summa cum laude*, 2010
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Graduate

Master of Social Work (M.S.W.), Certificate in Mental Health, 2012
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Coursework in psychotherapy theory and practice, psychopathology, psychopharmacology, experimental and evaluative research, and legal issues in social work practice

Doctor of Psychoanalytic Studies (D.Psa.), 2019

Parkmore Institute, Johannesburg, South Africa

Training conducted under the supervision of Jerry Piven (Ph.D., Syracuse University) and Barnaby Barratt (Ph.D., Harvard University) with doctoral project completed on the conceptualization and treatment of schizophrenia

Internship

Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
Comprehensive Recovery Services Inpatient Unit, Pittsburgh, PA (2011-2012)

Participated as a member of the treatment team on an acute inpatient unit for the psychotic disorders and severe mental illness under the supervision of chief psychiatric social worker

Mercy Behavioral Health, Pittsburgh Mercy Health System, Pittsburgh, PA (2010-2011)

Provided individual and group psychotherapy to individuals diagnosed with mental illness and a co-occurring substance use disorder under the supervision of licensed social worker

Employment

Psychoanalytic psychotherapist in private practice

Tampa, FL (2015-present), New Bern, NC (2013-2015), and Pittsburgh, PA (2012-2013)

Specialty interest in the psychoanalytic treatment of schizophrenia and the psychotic disorders; conversion disorder and psychosomatic illness; and mood disorders

Psychiatric Intake Specialist (Staff Psychotherapist, Psychiatric Emergency Services)

Brandon Regional Hospital, Behavioral Health Unit, Brandon, FL (2016-present)

Complete clinical assessments of patients in the psychiatric and general emergency rooms to determine appropriate disposition and coordinate the pre-admission process for transfer to behavioral health unit

Therapist (MSW-II) (Staff Psychotherapist)

Horizon Health at CarolinaEast Medical Center, Crossroads Mental Health

New Bern, NC (2014-2015)

Participated as a member of the treatment team on a general adult inpatient psychiatry unit, completed psychosocial assessments, assisted in discharge planning, and provided individual and group psychotherapy

Psychiatric Specialty Counselor (Psychotherapist)

Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Transitional and Comprehensive Recovery Units, Pittsburgh, PA (2012-2013)

Participated as a member of the treatment team on an extended inpatient unit for patients diagnosed with severe mental illness, provided individual psychotherapy, and assisted in community reintegration activities

Academic Appointments

Instructor of Medical Education (Psychiatry)

University of Central Florida College of Medicine, Orlando, FL (2018-present)

Adjunct Instructor of Social Work (2016-present)

Affiliate Assistant Professor of Psychiatry (2015-2018)

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Voluntary Associate Professor of Psychiatry

Centerstone/Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Bradenton, FL (2015-present)

Licensure

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), State of Florida (2015-present), #SW12857

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), State of North Carolina (2015-2017), #C009504

Licensed Clinical Social Worker Associate (LCSWA), State of North Carolina (2013-2015)

Licensed Social Worker (LSW), Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (2012-2015), #SW129603

National Provider Identifier: 1104160241

Memberships

- ❖ National Association of Social Workers (2013-present)
- ❖ Academy of Certified Social Workers (2015-present)
- ❖ American Association for Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work (2013-present), Florida Area Representative and Membership Liaison (2018-present)
- ❖ Academy for the Psychoanalytic Arts (2014-present), Membership Chair (2015-2016)

- ❖ Psychotherapist Associate, American Psychoanalytic Association (2018-present)
- ❖ Tampa Bay Psychoanalytic Society (2018-present)
- ❖ Fellow, The Parkmore Institute (2019-present)
- ❖ National Shattering Silence Coalition
- ❖ The National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- ❖ Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology
- ❖ Sigma Alpha Lambda, National Leadership and Honors Organization

Courses Taught

University of South Florida School of Social Work, Master of Social Work Program

Foundations of Human Behavior (Fall 2016)

Psychopathology (Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Summer 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019)

Introduction to Psychopharmacology in Social Work Practice (self-developed course) (Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019)

Centerstone Hospital Psychiatry Residency Training Program

The History of Psychiatry (Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019)

Introduction to Psychodynamic Psychotherapy (Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019)

University of South Florida Department of Psychiatry, Psychotherapy Seminar Series

The History of Psychiatry (Fall 2015, Spring 2017, Spring 2018)

Models of the Mind and Assessment for Psychodynamic Psychotherapy (Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

Department Service

Chair, Affiliate Faculty Appointments, Promotion, and Tenure Committee

University of South Florida Department of Psychiatry (2016-2018)

Guest Lectures

Guest lecture to Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) students on psychiatry and psychotherapy, Trivis Technical College, Lakeland, FL. Fall 2016, Spring 2017, and Fall 2017.

“Psychiatry, DSM-5, and Medicalization,” Medical Sociology, Professor Mike-Frank Epitropoulos, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. November 9, 2015, and April 9, 2018.

Teaching Assistantships

Cognitive Psychology, Professor Timothy Nokes, University of Pittsburgh (Spring 2010)

Abnormal Psychology, Professor Jeffrey Cohn, University of Pittsburgh (Fall 2009)

Introduction to Social Psychology, Professor Janet Schofield, University of Pittsburgh (Fall 2008)

Honors and Awards

- ❖ Marquis Who’s Who in America (2017-2019)
- ❖ Nomination, Thomas S. Szasz Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Cause of Civil Liberties, Center for Independent Thought (2018)
- ❖ University of Pittsburgh Dean’s Star (Spring 2007, Spring 2008)
- ❖ University of Pittsburgh Dean’s Honor List (2007-2010)
- ❖ Wilma Binder Zeder Scholarship for academic excellence (2009-2010)

- ❖ Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society Award (2006)
- ❖ Honorary member, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, Pennsylvania Gamma chapter
- ❖ The American Legion School Award

Doctoral Project

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019). Understanding schizophrenia: Toward a unified biological and psychodynamic approach. *Psychoanalytic Social Work*, 26(2), 185-200.
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Publications

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, November 15). The five most influential psychiatric drugs of all time [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201911/the-five-most-influential-psychiatric-drugs-all-time>

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Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, October 19). Reviewing the options for treatment-resistant depression [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201910/reviewing-the-options-treatment-resistant-depression>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, October 5). Beyond MDD: Understanding the types of depression [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201910/beyond-mdd-understanding-the-types-depression>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, September 19). Freedom, choice, and psychoanalysis [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201909/freedom-choice-and-psychoanalysis>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, September 9). The case for electroconvulsive therapy: One patient's story [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201909/the-case-electroconvulsive-therapy-one-patients-story>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, August 31). Why is clozapine underused in schizophrenia? [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201908/why-is-clozapine-underused-in-schizophrenia>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, August 24). Deinstitutionalization and mass murder [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201908/deinstitutionalization-and-mass-murder>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, August 17). Lithium carbonate: The penicillin of psychiatry [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201908/lithium-carbonate-the-penicillin-psychiatry>

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Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, July 22). Freud's Wolf Man in the era of modern psychiatry [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201907/freuds-wolf-man-in-the-era-modern-psychiatry>

Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, July 20). Are psychiatric diagnoses meaningless? Not so fast [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201907/are-psychiatric-diagnoses-meaningless-not-so-fast>

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Ruffalo, M. L. (2019, May 31). The case against adding sexual addiction to DSM [Blog post]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201905/the-case-against-adding-sexual-addiction-dsm>

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Ruffalo, M. L. (2018, September 1). Finding sanity: John Cade and the discovery of lithium [Review of the book *Finding sanity: John Cade, lithium, and the taming of bipolar disorder*, by G. De Moore & A. Westmore]. Retrieved from <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/freud-fluoxetine/201808/finding-sanity-john-cade-and-the-discovery-lithium>

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Presentations

“From Freud to Fluoxetine: A History of Twentieth Century Psychiatry,” Grand Rounds lecture, HCA/University of Central Florida Psychiatry Residency Program, Osceola Regional Medical Center, Kissimmee, FL. September 12, 2019.

“Basics of Psychopharmacology for Nonprescribers,” Brandon Regional Hospital, Continuing Education Workshop, Brandon, FL. December 18, 2018.

“Basics of Psychopharmacology for the Clinical Social Worker,” National Association of Social Workers—Florida Chapter, Heartland Unit, Continuing Education Workshop, Lakeland, FL. March 22, 2018.

“The Social Worker, Psychotropic Medication, and Right to Refuse,” National Association of Social Workers—Wisconsin Chapter, Winter Webinar Presentation. February 17, 2017.

“Psychoanalytic Theories of Schizophrenia: A Case Study Review,” University of North Carolina Department of Psychiatry, Psychotherapy Case Conference Presentation, North Carolina Neurosciences Hospital, Chapel Hill, NC. November 17, 2014.

“Medicalization and Social Constructionism in Psychiatry,” with Emil Ivanov, M.D., and Nick Williams, Ph.D., Comprehensive Recovery Services Inpatient Journal Club, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA. February 1, 2013.

“Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS),” Transitional and Comprehensive Recovery Units, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA. October 17, 2012.

Miscellaneous

- ❖ Contributor to the websites of *Psychiatric Times* (2018-present), *Psychology Today* (2017-present), Psych Central (2017-2019), and Mad in America (2017)
- ❖ Interviewed live on *Velsbi & Ruble* on MSNBC on the topic of untreated serious mental illness and violence, August 16, 2019.
- ❖ Interviewed live on the Dennis Vespi Show on American Political Radio on the topic of narcissistic personality disorder, March 31, 2019.
- ❖ Featured in the *Newsletter of the American Association for Psychoanalysis in Clinical Social Work* for the article “The Reality of Mental Illness” on *Psychology Today*, with Ronald W. Pies, M.D., 2018.
- ❖ Quoted in the article “How to Live with a Narcissist: Understanding Narcissistic Personality Disorder” in the online U.K. publication *NetDoctor*, 2018.
- ❖ Invited presenter, “Involuntary Commitment Process,” with Keith Letchworth, M.Ed., Crisis Intervention Team training, Havelock Police Department, Havelock, NC. 2015.
- ❖ Featured in *Horizon E-Connections Newsletter* for schizophrenia work, December 2014.
- ❖ Qualified as an expert witness in psychotherapy and psychiatric diagnosis, North Carolina District Court, 2013.
- ❖ Featured in television news report on gambling addiction, WCTI-TV, December 5, 2013.
- ❖ Nominated by psychiatrist colleague for New Employee of the Year, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of UPMC, 2013.
- ❖ Selected by the University of Pittsburgh Department of Psychiatry Research Day Committee to present original research at the Department’s annual Research Day, 2013.

Interests

Psychoanalytic theory and psychotherapy; the conceptualization of mental illness; the history of psychiatry, particularly mid-twentieth century American psychiatry; the classification of mental disorder; psychiatric ethics; and the broader social context of psychiatry and psychotherapy.

Social Work Interns Supervised (University of South Florida)

Danielle Delaine, M.S.W. Student, Brandon Regional Hospital (2018-2019)

Psychiatry Residents Supervised (University of South Florida)

Michael Manasterski, M.D., PGY-2, Psychotherapy Supervision (2017-2018)

Steven Gunther, M.D., PGY-2, Psychotherapy Supervision (2016-2017)

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