

## **SHANNON K. SALTER FUSSELL**

Ocean Springs, Mississippi

### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.** in Counseling Psychology (Aug. 2008)  
Auburn University; Auburn, AL - APA Accredited

**Master of Education** in Community Agency Counseling (May 2003)  
Auburn University; Auburn, AL - CACREP Accredited

**Bachelor of Science** in Psychology (May 2001)  
University of Montevallo; Montevallo, AL

### **PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS**

**Georgia** - Licensed Psychologist (Dec. 2009 – Present)

**Mississippi** - Licensed Psychologist (June 2016 – Present)

**Mississippi Civil Commitment Evaluator Certification** (Sept. 2019 – Present)

**Certificate of Professional Qualification in Psychology** (May 2016 – Present)

### **PROFESSIONAL CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

**Compass Psychological Associates, PLLC** – Ocean Springs, MS  
**Psychologist and Co-founder** (Jun. 2024 – Present)

**Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System (GCVHCS)** – Biloxi, MS:

**Outpatient Mental Health Psychologist** (Aug. 2018 – Jun. 2024)

- Provided face-to-face and telehealth individual, couple, and group psychotherapy to a diverse Veteran population presenting with a variety of mental health concerns, including adjustment disorders, mood and anxiety disorders, PTSD, personality disorders, and comorbid medical illness, physical disability, and/or substance use disorders.
- Provided diagnostic evaluations using comprehensive record review, structured and semi-structured clinical interviews, and objective assessment measures.
- Provided open access (walk-in) care, to include crisis intervention, case disposition, and coordination of follow-up care as needed.
- Supervised trainee provision of services, to include psychology externs, interns, and fellows, as well as social work post-master's fellows. Supervised license-eligible psychology staff.
- Provided counseling and intra-organization consultation and teambuilding via the Employee Assistance Program (EAP; 2010-2021).
- Provided annual police psychological fitness evaluations for officers housed at the Community Based Outpatient Clinics (2012-2022).

**Couples and Family Psychologist** (Nov. 2012 – Aug. 2018)

- Provided outpatient, evidence-based assessment and psychotherapy to couples experiencing relational problems, frequently with comorbid mental health and/or medical concerns. Provided evidence-based conjoint treatment for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder to Veterans and their partners.

**Psychologist, Integrated Primary Care – Mental Health (PCMHI)** (May 2010 – Nov. 2012)

- Addressed a variety of complex mental health concerns affecting Veterans of diverse cultural backgrounds, in a fast-paced environment.
- Offered interprofessional consultation, completed brief, comprehensive intake assessments, and collaborated with Veterans in planning appropriate treatment.
- Provided short-term psychotherapy and ensured continuity of care.
- Facilitated interdisciplinary psychoeducation groups related to diabetes and chronic pain management.
- Served as the mental health consultant to the Emergency Department, assessing Veterans presenting there with mental health concerns and making appropriate recommendations to the attending physician (e.g., inpatient hospitalization, safety planning, outpatient care coordination, etc.).

**Georgia Southern University Counseling and Career Development Center – Statesboro, GA:**

**Counseling Psychologist (Sept. 2008 – May 2010)**

- Provided a full complement of applied psychological services, including psychological assessment, individual and group psychotherapy, crisis intervention, and psychoeducation to undergraduate and graduate students presenting with a variety of clinical complaints.
- Provided community outreach and staff education related to student mental health, honoring diversity, and sexual assault awareness issues.
- Responded as on-call psychologist consultant to the local hospital for after-hours and weekend emergencies involving students.

**LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System (GCVHCS) – Biloxi, MS:**

**Director of Postgraduate Training, Rural & Underserved Interprofessional Fellowship (Aug. 2019 – Jul. 2023)**

**Director of Psychology Postdoctoral Training (Mar. 2018 – Mar. 2023)**

**Director of Training, Psychology Internship Program – Biloxi (Jan. 2016 – Jul. 2018)**

**Co-Director of Training, Psychology Internship Program (Mar. 2015 – Jan. 2016)**

**Director of Training, Psychology Internship Program (Jul. 2012 – Mar. 2015)**

- Provided oversight for the six slot, APA-accredited internship program, to include collaborative planning with Behavioral Health leadership, implementation of policies and procedures, communication with accrediting body, intern recruitment, retention, and evaluation, leadership of the training faculty (ranging from 12 to 25+ psychologists), and administrative supervision of the intern class.
- Coordinated faculty participation in rotation supervision, to include ensuring timely completion of internship performance evaluation meetings and maintenance of appropriate documentation.
- Successfully attained 10 year re-accreditation via self-study and site visit processes reviewing program adherence to APA Standards of Accreditation (2017).

**Assistant Director of Training, Psychology Internship Program (Aug. 2011 – Jul. 2012)**

**Mississippi Psychological Association Region 4 Representative (Jan. 2017 – Dec. 2020)**

**Mississippi Psychological Association Executive Council Member (Jan. 2017 – Dec. 2020)**

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **American Psychological Association Commission on Accreditation (CoA)**

Psychology Internship Accreditation Site Visitor (2015 – Present)

### **Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System:**

Whole Health Integration Champion (Mar. 2023 – Jun. 2024)

Clinical Pastoral Education Professional Advisory Group (Jun. 2020 – Jun. 2024)

Postdoctoral Training Program Faculty Member (2013 – 2023)

Major Medical and Special Equipment Committee Voting Member (2010 – 2020)

Police Psychological Evaluation Group Coordinator (2012 –2022)

Couples and Family Task Force (2012 – 2017)

### **GCVHCS Psychology Internship Program:**

Steering Committee Member (Oct. 2010 – Jun. 2024)

Training Faculty Member (May 2010 – Jun. 2024)

Evidence Based Psychotherapy Seminar Coordinator (Aug. 2014 – Jun. 2024)

Internship Special Topics Seminar Coordinator (Aug. 2014 – Jul. 2018)

Professional Development Seminar Facilitator (Aug. 2014 – Jul. 2020)

Practicum Coordinator – Biloxi and Mobile (Jul. 2012 – Jul. 2013)

Webmaster (Oct. 2010 – Jul. 2012)

### **Georgia Southern University Counseling and Career Development Center**

Research Coordinator (Sep. 2008 – Apr. 2010)

### **Georgia Southern University Sexual Assault Response Team (Sep. 2008 – Apr. 2010)**

### **Georgia Southern University Counseling and Career Development Center Training Faculty Member (Sep. 2008 – Apr. 2010)**

## **CERTIFICATIONS/COMPLETED CONSULTATION PROGRAMS**

### **Department of Veterans Affairs Consultation programs:**

Acceptance and Commitment Therapy for Depression (ACT-D), Mar. 2023

Interpersonal Therapy for Depression (IPT-D), Mar. 2021

Cognitive Behavioral Conjoint Therapy for PTSD (CBCT), Sept. 2015

Integrative Behavioral Couple Therapy (IBCT), Sept. 2012

Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy for Depression (CBT-D), May 2011

**American Society of Clinical Hypnosis (ASCH)** Levels I & II Clinical Hypnosis training, Oct. 2021 and Dec. 2022. *Currently in consultation toward certification.*

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### ***The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast - Long Beach, MS***

Adjunct Instructor, Behavioral Neuroscience – Undergraduate (Aug. 2012 – Aug. 2013)

### ***Georgia Southern University Department of Psychology – Statesboro, GA***

Adjunct Instructor, Substance Use and Abuse – Undergraduate (Jan. – May 2010)

***Auburn University Department of Counselor Education, Counseling Psychology, and School Psychology – Auburn, AL***

Instructor, Career Development and Vocational Appraisal – Graduate (May – Jul. 2007)

Instructor, Career Orientation and Planning – Undergraduate (Aug. 2003 – May 2007)

***Auburn University Academic Support Services – Auburn, AL***

Instructor, Student Success Strategies – Undergraduate (Aug. 2002 – May 2003)

**CLINICAL INTERNSHIP**

***Florida State University – The University Counseling Center – Tallahassee, FL***

Psychology Intern (2007 – 2008)

APA-Accredited; APPIC Member

**MEMBERSHIP**

Mississippi Psychological Association

**AWARDS**

VA Performance Award, 2010 – 2023

VA COVID Performance Award, 2021

John C. Hanson Memorial Award for commitment to training, 2013 and 2018