

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

- 2017 Boston University, Boston MA  
Ph.D. in Sociology/Social Work  
*Dissertation Title:* The Impact of School Culture on the High School Experience: Perceptions from Graduating Seniors  
*Advisor:* Dr. Judith Gonyea, Social Work Department, BU
- 1999 Harvard University, Cambridge MA  
Master of Theological Studies
- 1988 Rhode Island College, Providence RI  
Master of Social Work
- 1986 University of Rhode Island, Kingston RI  
Bachelor of Arts – Sociology (Dean’s List/Honors Program)

### CERTIFICATION

- 1990-1995 Rhode Island Certified Independent Social Worker
- 1995-present Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (RI #00681)

### EXPERIENCE

- 2022- present ***Salve Regina University***  
100 Ochre Point Avenue  
Newport, RI 02840
- Adjunct Faculty - Social Work Department
- Courses Taught
- SWK 120 Social Problems: Race, Class and Gender*  
*SWK 120S Service learning for SW120*  
*SWK 399 Religion, Spirituality and the Helping Professions*

2021 - 2023

***Interfaith Counseling Center***

1520 Broad Street  
Providence, RI 02905

Clinical Supervisor

Provide clinical supervision to cohorts of graduate students in social work and mental health counseling field placements.

2003-present

***Blackstone Academy Charter School***

334 Pleasant Street  
Pawtucket, RI 02860

Clinical Supervisor/Social Worker

Coordinate Student Support Team Services, including individual counseling, small group work and school-wide social emotional learning activities. Supervise undergraduate and graduate social work students. Provide individual and group counseling to students. Developed and led peer mentor programs.

2000-2018  
1994-1997

***Rhode Island College School of Social Work***

600 Mount Pleasant Avenue  
Providence, RI

Part-time/Adjunct Faculty- Master of Social Work Program

Courses taught:

*SW 500 Field Education and Seminar I*

*SW501 Field Education and Seminar II*

*SW 520 - Human Behavior, Diversity and Oppression I*

*SW 522 - Human Behavior, Diversity and Oppression II.*

*SW 532 - Generalist Foundation and Skills: Direct Practice I*

*SW 533 - Generalist Foundation and Skills: Direct Practice II*

*SW602 - Clinical Social Work Practice I*

*SW603 - Clinical Social Work Practice II*

Part-time/Adjunct Faculty- Bachelor of Social Work Program

Courses Taught:

*SW 240 -Introduction to Social Work and Social Welfare.*

*SW324 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment-  
Individuals, Families and Groups*

*SW325 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment –  
Social Systems, Institutions, Organizations*

*SW326 - Generalist Social Work Practice*

*SW327 - The Helping Process*

*SW338 - Introduction to Field Work*

1999-2001

***Rhode Island Youth Guidance Center***

82 Pond Street

Pawtucket, RI 02860

Conflict Resolution Specialist

Taught Conflict Resolution Skills Curriculum to elementary school students in Pawtucket Public Schools. Worked in classrooms and facilitated social skills groups.

1993 – 2003

***Spirit Educational Program***

Lloyd Avenue

Providence, RI

Clinical Social Worker For Spirit Summer Program

Full-time position as Clinical Social Worker for summer educational enrichment program serving rising 8th, 9th and 10th graders from Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls, RI. Duties included clinical supervision of college student interns, crisis intervention, assessment, referral and short-term counseling as needed. (Position held each summer 1993-2003, except 1996)

Consultant/Clinical Supervisor of Students

Part-time position providing clinical supervision to graduate and undergraduate student interns from Rhode Island College School of Social Work (1993-1997, 2000) and Boston College School of Social Work (1998).

1985 – 1998

***Tides Family Services***

1599 Main Street  
West Warwick, RI

Clinical Supervisor/Consultant (1992 - 1998)

Provided clinical supervision to social work staff and student interns. Responsible for recruitment, training and supervision of graduate and undergraduate interns from many colleges and universities, including University of RI, RI College, Boston University, Providence College and Salve Regina University.

Part Time Clinical Social Worker (1991 - 1997)

Provided individual and family counseling to a caseload of up to ten families; represented agency at schools, court and DCYF meetings.

Full-Time Clinical Social Worker/Family Worker (1988 - 1991)

Providing individual, group and family therapy to a long-term caseload of 25-30 families. Services provided both on site and in the community, including home visits and school based counseling. Represented the agency at school, court and DCYF meetings.

Youth Diversion Counselor (1987 - 1988)

Worked with families and youth in agency's state-funded Youth Diversion Program. Counseling and case management provided in office, homes and community setting. Position included school based counseling at local high school.

Graduate MSW Intern (1986 - 1987)

Provided a variety of case management and social services to youth and families including counseling; home and office visits; conjoint family therapy; represented agency at schools, court and DCYF meetings.

Volunteer (1985 - 1986)

Assisted in providing services to individual clients, including case management and social support. Participated in family counseling

meetings under direction of trained family therapist/licensed clinician.

1991 – 1992

***Channel One***

507 Broad Street  
Central Falls, RI

Consultant/Clinical Supervisor of Students

Contracted, part-time position for the City of Central Falls at this community-based substance abuse prevention agency, providing clinical supervision to undergraduate student interns.

1987 – 1988

***Community Counseling Center***

160 Beechwood Avenue  
Pawtucket, RI

Graduate MSW Intern

MSW Internship in program entitled *Community Alternatives in Treatment of Youth*. Duties involved providing counseling, case management and support services to parents.

1983 – 1986

***New Routes Runaway/Emergency Shelter***

939 Douglas Avenue  
Providence, RI

Follow-up, Outreach and Aftercare Coordinator (1985 - 1986)

Full-time human services position at temporary emergency shelter for adolescent runaways and youth under DCYF care. Responsible for communicating program goals and policies to social service agencies, schools, community groups. Responsible for follow-up and aftercare of clients serviced by the program.

Counselor (1984 - 1986)

Supervision of residents' daily activities, advocacy/referral, assessment of clients and families, crisis intervention, runaway hotline calls, case management, maintaining client files/daily log.

Student Intern (1983)

Full-time internship experience through the UYA Program at the University of Rhode Island. Internship provided exposure to the various facets of adolescent emergency services in temporary shelter for runaways and youth under state care.

1985 – 1986

***Blackstone Valley Emergency Shelter  
For Abused Children***  
Pawtucket, RI

Support Staff Child Care Worker

Filled in for regular staff occasionally on an on-call basis at this shelter for abused and neglected children (0-12 years) under state care.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Rheaume, H. (2007). University/agency partnerships. In M.E. Collins, M. Amodeo and C. Clay. *Review of the Literature on Child Welfare Training: Theory, Practice and Research*. Boston, MA: Boston University School of Social Work.

Rheaume, H. (2011). University/agency IV-E partnerships for professional education and training: Perspectives from the states. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*. 5(5), 481-500.

## **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

Collins, M., Shin, S., Miranda, C. and Rheaume, H. (2005). National Evaluation of Child Welfare Training: Findings from a Cross-Site Analysis of Grantees. *Proceedings of the Fifteenth annual Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect*. Boston, MA: Boston Sheraton Hotel.

Rheaume, H. & Sheehan, C. (2016). Experiencing the Charter School Culture: Voices of Graduating Seniors. *Proceedings of the Annual Fall Forum of the Coalition of Essential Schools*. Providence, RI: The Providence Omni Hotel.

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS (Unpublished)**

1986

***A Profile of Runaways in Rhode Island***

Independent research project completed as part of Honors Program at the University of Rhode Island. This exploratory/descriptive research involved multivariate statistical analysis of 50 variables for all 1147 clients served at local runaway shelter from 1977-1984. The final paper was presented to both the Honors Program and the New Routes Emergency Shelter.

1988

***Youth Diversion Program - Client Characteristic Evaluation***

Masters' Project/Thesis for Rhode Island College MSW Program. This project utilized both qualitative and quantitative research methods, including multivariate statistical analysis to examine characteristics of clients served in a local youth diversion program. Manuscript on file at Rhode Island College Library.

### **ADVISORY BOARDS**

- 1990 – 1993      Traveler's Aid of Rhode Island - Youth Services Advisory Committee
- 1993 – 1994      Field Placement Advisory Committee – Salve Regina University  
Social Work Department
- 2018 - 2020      RI Teachers Advisory Council - Charter School Representative

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 1994 – 1997      Camp Street Community Ministries Board of Directors

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