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Professional Profile

As an educator and counselor, I am passionate, compassionate, understanding, and friendly, creating a safe space for each of student and client. I ensure that my clients are heard during sessions, and I apply a diverse range of counseling skills in handling social vices issues. Utilizes strong communication and interpersonal skills, team-oriented with the ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with co-workers. An exceptionally well-organized individual who successfully prioritizes workload and manages time to fulfil multiple responsibilities simultaneously. Values advocacy and demonstrates strong analytical skill. Highly self-motivated with a commitment to continual professional development in chosen career.

Professional Competencies

- Motivating people to achieve their life objectives
 - Assisting people to maximise their potentials.
 - Establishing and maintaining databases of various incidences for future references.
 - Effective project outreach cost control
 - Working under pressure and meeting deadlines
 - Report writing and budgeting for programs
 - Negotiating and influencing corporate bodies for sponsorships.
 - Preparing comparison sheets of outreaches.
 - Diverse technical skills in handling matters.
 - Preparing draft contracts/agreements for programs sponsorship
 - Sourcing and identifying potential clients
 - Analysis and problem-solving
 - Researching trends in family issues
 - Verbal and written communication
 - Commitment to professional development
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Career Summary

2023 till date

**Visiting Assistant Professor
Department of Counseling
Regis University**

Teaching master's level Counseling Courses

- *Cultural Issues & Social Justice*
 - *Professional Orientation & Ethical Issues*
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2019 till 2023

**Graduate Assistant, Graduate School
University New Orleans**

- Responds to inquiries from prospective students in person or via email
 - Students relations and documentation
 - Conduct phone calls to admitted students
 - Receive guests to the Graduate School office suite as needed
 - Review and edit information for prospective students
 - Conduct campus tours for prospective graduate students
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2018

**Baton Rouge Comprehensive Treatment Center
11445 Reiger Rd, Baton Rouge.LA 70809**

- Conducts individuals counselling sessions as scheduled and document as required
- Conducts group and/or family sessions as scheduled, and document as required
- Co-facilitate assigned group or family sessions
- Responsible for initial assessments, as well as follow up assessment, for patients.
- Ensures all documentation regarding patient care, treatment and incidents is completed timely and in a clear, concise manner.
- May act as a liaison between referral sources and patients.
- Provides crisis intervention to patients, as needed.

- May provide case management duties for patients, ensuring individualized quality care.
 - Evaluates patient needs and determines if referrals to other programs or facilities are needed; and,
 - Perform other duties as assigned.
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2017 (Internship)

**Women Community Rehabilitation Center
855 St Ferdinand Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802**

- Undertaking assigned cases by the director of residential service
 - Read case history and compare the diagnosis to the DSM
 - Meet with client's primary counsellor to get updates on the client's present goals and progress
 - Make initial contact with clients and establish counseling relationship and assess the immediate needs
 - Prioritize needs or problems areas to be the focus of future sessions with clients
 - Complete session write-ups after each contact for consistency of care.
 - Record any unusual behaviors in the WCRC daily log to enable primary counsellors and supervising counsellor to pay more attention to clients.
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2017 (Practicum Training)

**Woodlawn Middle School
14939 Tiger Bend Road, Baton Rouge, LA, 70817**

- Individual counseling
 - Small group counseling
 - Assist 8th grade students in filling individual graduation plan for high school
 - Maintain notes, analyse information to help with assessment and treatment plan
 - Assist with the development and implementation of behaviour plans
 - Assist students in developing SMART goals for academic success
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2015 - 2017

**Southern University and A&M College.
Baton Rouge. LA, 70813.**

- Drafting programs for research
 - Coordinating grant writing for further development
 - Drafting budget for career development conferences.
 - Ascertaining and assessing impact of outreaches
 - Organising Business summit for the research centre
 - Grant writing on Clinical Mental Health Counseling problems and solutions in underserved communities.
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2007 – 2015

**Victorious Praying Women Ministry
Lagos, Nigeria**

- Teaching Children biblical values in the way they can understand
 - Teaching young adult how to positively impart the society.
 - Establishing an appropriate database for the various children attending the Sunday school.
 - Utilizing strong communication and interpersonal skills to liaise with families of troubled children.
 - Compiling comprehensive progress reports to facilitate the accurate budgeting of events within the Ministry
 - Producing accurate teaching manuals for child development at various stages.
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Career Summary cont.

2006 - 2007

Scripture Union, Akure. Nigeria

- Producing detailed program designs for counselling of young adults with difficulties.
- Fulfilling responsibility of communication platforms crafting for effective impart in family life
- Efficiently setting up the domain/administration for the NGO to work efficient manner.
- Utilizing strong communication skills to liaise regularly with victims of abuse by applying extensive experience and knowledge.

- Collaborating with colleagues to evaluate and develop the NGOs project policy manual while providing a diverse range of general support services.

Education & Qualifications

PhD. University of New Orleans

Counseling Education and Supervision

M.A (Master's degree) Southern University and A&M College. Baton Rouge. Louisiana. USA

Clinical Mental Health Counseling, 2017

BS (Bachelor's degree)

Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye. Ogun State

BSc Economics, 2005

High School:

Senior Secondary School Examination, 1994

Continuous Education Credit and Professional Trainings

- Tele-health Certification Institute: Expressive arts and play therapy for supervision (March 2022)
- Tele-health Certification Institute: The Road to reconciliation "Helping your clients find peace when their relationship goes bad". (March 2022)
- Mental Health America: Preventing and healing from child abuse and neglect (April 2022)
- Mental Health America: Back to Basics, Impact of culture on Mental Health Conversations (May 2022)
- National Association of State Mental Health program Directors (NASMHPD): Integrating Faith and Spirituality into Trauma Recovery (June 2022)
- Mental Health America: Social Media use and adolescent Mental Health (September 2022)
- Louisiana Counselor's Association Conference in New Orleans (October 2022)
- University of New Orleans: Introduction to Telemental health (May,2021)
- Center for Adolescent Studies: Three ways to use mindfulness with substance using adolescent and young adults. (CAS, 2020)
- PESI: Tele-Health for Mental Health Professional (June 2020)
- Mental Health America 2020 Suicide Prevention Summit (September 2020)
- Mental Health America: Equity Through School Innovation (September 2020)
- The ACA 2020 Government Affairs and Public Policy virtual Town Hall (May 2020)
- LOUISIANA COUNSELING ASSOCIATION Conference on ""Stronger Together: 50th Anniversary of Counseling and Advocacy, 1968-2018
- LOUISIANA COUNSELING ASSOCIATION Conference on "Mentoring" and research paper presentation (2017)
- LCA Conference on "Essential Diagnosis Techniques for Clinical Mental Health Counselors" (2016)
- LOUISIANA CAREER DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (2017)
- PROTECTING YOUR COUNSELOR LICENSE: COMMON LEGAL AND ETHICAL ISSUES (2017)

PhD. Dissertation:

Ekanoye, A. (2023). Perception of sub-Saharan African International Students in United States: Mental Health Concerns and Help-Seeking Behavior

Publications:

Ekanoye, A. (2020). Multicultural Issues in Supervision-Supervising International Counseling Students. *Sciences*, 9(2), 12-26.

Ekanoye, A. (2020). Long-term Effects of the Treatment of Bipolar Disorder.

Key Skills

- Adept with child development teaching
- Adept with relationship counselling
- Advising young couple on tolerance in early marriage
- Career advisory for young people
- Emotional wherewithal to problem-solving

- Ability to connect with people easily and identify with their challenges
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Personal Details

Languages: English and Yoruba (Foreign language of Nigeria, Africa)

Driving License: Full; Louisiana State

Interest includes: Reading, research, travelling and voluntary work

REFERENCES ON REQUEST