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### Education

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<b>Argosy University (Sarasota)</b> 1997-1999; 2002-2005	EdD in Counseling Psychology <i>Counselor Education and Supervision</i>
<b>Antioch New England</b> 2003-2004	Completed doctoral coursework (PsyD) in Intelligence Testing, Psychopharmacology; Projective Testing
<b>Salem State College</b> 1994-1996	MS in Counseling and Psychological Services
<b>Gordon College</b> 1990-1994	BA in Psychology; minors in Computer Science/Math

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### Teaching Experience

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#### **Western Kentucky University**

*Psychological Adjustment and Personal Growth (2008-2009), Clinical Psychology (2008)*

#### **New England College Graduate School**

*Psychological Testing and Assessment (2004-2007), Program Evaluation (2005-2006), Fundamentals of Counseling Theory (2004-2006), Ethics for the Professional Counselor (2005)*

#### **New England College**

*Psychology/Sociology of Deviance (1999-2006), Testing and Assessment (2004), Directed Study: Forensic Psychology (2003), Internship/Practicum in Psychology (2003) and Fundamentals of Counseling Theory (2002).*

#### **Gordon College (Wenham, MA)**

*Senior Internship and Practicum in Psychology (2002)*

#### **Endicott College (Beverly, MA)**

*Statistics for Social Sciences w/SPSS (1999)*

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### Clinical Style

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My clinical style draws from a variety of approaches. I find myself most comfortable in the humanistic/person-centered/existential style of treatment with its emphasis on warmth, compassion, empathy, unconditional positive regard, individual choice and personal responsibility. I often draw from other theories in my practice as the situation necessitates. My role in teaching counseling theory at the graduate and undergraduate level and supervising graduate level interns requires me to have a detailed grasp of a variety of counseling theories and approaches. This knowledge adds to my work with individual students and patients.

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## **Licenses, Memberships and Certifications**

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Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor (LCMHC), NH #306  
Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), KY #925  
National Certified Forensic Counselor, # F19951  
American Counseling Association Member  
American College Counseling Association Member  
Georgia College Counseling Association  
New Hampshire Disaster Behavioral Health Response Team (DBHRT) member  
QPR trainer  
BASICS trained  
Senior Aggression Management Trainer

Licensed Maine Whitewater Guide  
PADI Advanced Open Water SCUBA diver  
Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician Basic (W-EMT-B, nationally registered) 2000-2006

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## **Consulting**

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Van Brunt, B.J. & Kenneth, J. (December, 2009). Its Not Always Easy to Supervise RAs: 10 Challenges for RDs. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (October, 2009). Records & Reports: V.Tech & NIU Examined. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference, Little Falls, NJ.

Van Brunt, B.J. (October, 2009). Working with Disruptive and Aggressive Behavior in and out of the Classroom. Keynote address given at Lakeshore College, Cleveland, Wisconsin.

Van Brunt, B.J. (August, 2009). Behavioral Intervention Teams & Working with Aggression and Violence on Campus, Baker College, Port Huron, Michigan.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Francis, P. (August, 2009). Redirecting Pushy Parents: How to Build Healthier Relationships. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (August, 2009). Instead of Mandated Therapy: Mandated Educational Programming. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (June, 2009). Mandated Assessment of At-Risk Students: 10 Best Practices. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. (April, 2009). Motivating Non-Traditional Students. Keynote address given at Plaza College, Queens, NYC.

Van Brunt, B.J. & McCraw, B.J. (April, 2009). At-Risk Student Referrals: Counseling & Judicial Affairs Partnerships. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference, Little Falls, NJ.

Van Brunt, B.J. (March, 2009). Alcohol Education Programs: Purchase, Customize or Create?. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J., Raleigh, MJ. & Reynelli, A. (February, 2009). Preventing Burnout: Supporting Staff Through Tough Times. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference. Little Falls, NJ.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Pollard, J. (January, 2009). Mental Health Threat Assessment: Practical Case Studies-Incidents. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference. Little Falls, NJ.

Van Brunt, B.J. (January, 2009). Threat Assessment and Management of At-Risk Students. Plenary Speaker at NASPA Mental Health Conference. Boston, MA.

Van Brunt, B.J. (December, 2008). Handling the Most Difficult Conversations with Today's College Students. Paper presented at HigherEdHero. Malvern, PA.

Van Brunt, B.J. (November, 2008). The Potential for Violence: Assessment and Interventions. Plenary speaker at the University of Nebraska Medical Center symposium on the Challenges and Innovations in Mental Health for the College Student.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (October, 2008). Classroom Management 101: Working with Difficult Students. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Pollard, J. (October, 2008). Mandating Mental Health Referrals & Assessments: Conducting Them Effectively. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference. Little Falls, NJ.

Byrnes, J., Armstrong, D., Coker, C., Van Brunt, B.J. (September, 2008). Aggression Management for School Resource Officers. Tunica, Mississippi.

Van Brunt, B.J. (September, 2008). Student Affairs Program Assessment & Evaluation: Seven Simple Steps. Paper-Clip Communications audio conference. Little Falls, NJ.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (July, 2008). Resident Advisor Training: Best Practices and Essential Tools. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

Van Brunt, B.J. (March, 2008). Practical Suggestion for Improving your Counseling Website. Paper presented at Magna Publications. Madison, WI.

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## **Publications**

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Van Brunt, B., Manley, E., Raleigh, MJ & Francis, P. (2009). "What Every Alcohol Education Program Should Teach Students." Student Affairs Leader, 37(4).

Van Brunt, B., Ebbeling, J. (2008). "Successful Classroom Management." *The Teaching Professor*, 22(8).

Crisp, D., Laves, K., Manley, E., Mohon, E. Pierce, B., Francis, P. & Van Brunt, B. (2008). "Campus Response to a Student Death." *Student Affairs Leader*, 36(18).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2009). "Mental Status Exam", "Validity Scales", "Key Figures in Research and Evaluation" in *American Counseling Association Encyclopedia of Counseling*. Alexandria, VA: American Counseling Association.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Ebbeling, J. (2008). "Seven Components of an RA Training Program." *Student Affairs Leader*, 36(11).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). "Retention and College Counseling Centers." *Recruitment & Retention in Higher Education*, 22(5).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). "Extending Your Counseling Center's Resources: Adding an Online Q&A Page." *Student Affairs Leader*, 36(4).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2007). "How to make the most of Your Depression Screening." *Student Affairs Leader*, 35(23).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2007). "Preparing for College" [www.mentalhealthoncampus](http://www.mentalhealthoncampus).

Van Brunt, B.J. (2007). "The Thematic Apperception Test (TAT): Administration and interpretation." Prescott, AZ. Borrego Publishing. ISBN: 978-0-9778545-1-6.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2005). "A desk reference for the TAT: Narrative interpretation strategies for the Thematic Apperception Test (TAT)." Unpublished manuscript. Argosy University.

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### **Academic Conference Presentations**

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Van Brunt, B.J. (2009). Psychological Assessment Best Practice. Paper presented at the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBITA) conference. San Antonio, TX.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Dolan, M. (2009). Outsourcing Counseling: The good, the bad and the ugly. Paper presented at the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBITA) conference. San Antonio, TX.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Levy, M. (2009). Best Practices: Student Suicide Prevention, Intervention, & Post-Vention. Paper presented at the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBITA) conference. San Antonio, TX.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Levy, M. (2009). The role of the counselor on a Behavioral Intervention Team. Paper presented at the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBITA) conference. San Antonio, TX.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2009). Aggression Identification and Management. Paper presented at the National Association of Forensic Counselors (NAFC) conference. Reno, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2009). Preventing Burnout: Supporting Staff Through Tough Times. Paper presented at the National Association of Forensic Counselors (NAFC) conference. Reno, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Raleigh, MJ. (2009). Strength-Based Therapy with Resistant, Hostile and Mandated Students. Paper presented at the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Conference.

Van Brunt, B.J., Raleigh, MJ. & Johnson, K. (2009). Compassion Fatigue: Preventing Burnout in Student Affairs Staff. Paper presented at the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Conference.

Van Brunt, B.J., Francis, P. (2009). Aggression Management Training for Student Affairs Professionals Paper presented at the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Conference.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Raleigh, MJ. (2009). Strength Based Therapy with Difficult Clients. Paper presented at the Georgia College Counseling Association (GCCA) Annual Conference.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Francis, P. (2009). Aggression Management for the College Counselor. Paper presented at the Georgia College Counseling Association (GCCA) Annual Conference.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). Development of Crisis Response Kits. Paper presented at the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors (AUCCCD) national conference. Ft. Worth, Texas.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Achter, J. (2008). A Review of Retention Research as it Applies to College Counseling. Paper presented at the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors (AUCCCD) national conference. Ft. Worth, Texas.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). Mental Status Exams: Theory and Application. Paper presented at the National Association of Forensic Counselors (NAFC) conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). The Use of Strength-Based Therapy with Resistant, Hostile and Mandated Clients: Narrative and Person-Centered approaches. Paper presented at the National Association of Forensic Counselors (NAFC) conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2008). Innovations in College Counseling: QPR programming for incoming students. Paper presented at the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) convention. Atlanta, GA.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Raleigh, M.J. (2008). The ethics of mandated assessment, treatment and programming in college counseling: An argument for how to do it well. Paper presented at the 4th bi-annual American College Counseling Association (ACCA) convention. Savannah, GA.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2007). Discussion of mandated assessments and programming. Paper presented at the Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors (AUCCCD) national conference. Indianapolis, IN.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2007). The use of the Thematic Apperception Test in treatment planning, differential diagnosis and forensic assessment. Paper presented at the National Association of Forensic Counselors (NAFC) conference. Las Vegas, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Raleigh, M.J. (2007). Designing a website for college counseling centers. Paper presented at the Georgia College Counseling Association (GCCA) annual conference. St. Simons, GA. [www.neccounseling.com](http://www.neccounseling.com) – Winner of the American College Health Association (ACHA) Innovation Grant, October 2007.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Raleigh, M.J. (2007). The ethics of balancing clinician and administrator responsibilities for counseling center directors. Paper presented at the Northeast Counseling Center Directors (NECCD) regional conference. Hampton, MA.

Van Brunt, B.J. & Francis, P. (2006). Ethical practice in using assessment and evaluations in a college setting. Paper presented at the 3rd bi-annual American College Counseling Association (ACCA) convention. Reno, NV.

Van Brunt, B.J. (2005). Psychological testing for college and university counseling centers. Paper presented at the Northeast Counseling Center Directors (NECCD) regional conference. Hampton, MA.

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## Work Experience

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### **Western Kentucky University (2007-current): *Director of Counseling and Testing Services***

NEC is a small school, with approximately 20,000 students. Currently, I supervise six full time clinical staff, 2 administrative staff and 2 graduate interns. My job duties include providing administrative direction, clinical supervision and budgetary oversight of our department (\$570,000).

### **New England College (2001-2007): *Director of Counseling Services***

NEC is a small school, with approximately 1000 students. When I first started at NEC, the counseling department consisted of one graduate level intern and myself. Currently, I supervise eight clinical staff including: the assistant director, a clinical counselor, a psychiatric nurse practitioner and four graduate interns. My job duties include providing administrative direction, clinical supervision and budgetary oversight of our department (\$81,000).

**Main Street Counseling Services (2000-2007): *Licensed Psychotherapist***

I operated a small private practice (currently under 10 patients) and providing testing and assessment services to the community. I worked with a select group of patients through Blue Cross/Blue Shield and private pay to address a variety of concerns (depression, family issues, anxiety, substance use, violence assessment).

**Riverbend Emergency Services (2000-2001): *Per-Diem Emergency Clinician***

I provided after-hour, mobile, psychiatric coverage for the greater Concord, NH area. This work involved weekends and evenings response to crisis phone-calls and evaluation of patients in two local area emergency rooms. This work involved keeping careful track of my clinical documentation, reviewing cases with our psychiatrist and appearing in court at commitment hearings to defend my clinical decisions.

**Colby-Sawyer College (1999-2001): *Consulting Psychotherapist***

I provided outpatient counseling 8 hours a week as part of the Baird Health and Counseling Center at Colby-Sawyer. This work was mostly clinical in nature, as would typically see 5-6 students on a given 8-hour shift. The work included clinical documentation, keeping track of diagnosis; medication management and crisis plan management.

**Riverbend Community Mental Health Center (1999-2000): *Child and Family Therapist***

I worked at Riverbend counseling as a child and family outpatient therapist. This work involved providing outpatient psychotherapy to teenagers, adults and couples. I also served an administrative function on the children's team, working with other state and local agencies and developing new initiatives and group counseling support to the community. This approach also involved Jungian sand tray work to assist children to work through past traumatic incidents.

**North Shore Emergency Services (1997-1999): *Emergency Clinician***

During my time at NSES, I worked as a clinician screening psychiatric emergency situations to determine their eligibility for in-patient hospitalization. This position involved conducting mental status exams, working closely with our team of on-call psychiatrists and developing crisis plans for patients in the community. After completing my first year at NSES, I became a senior clinician and my job duties were expanded to include the training of new clinical staff. In addition to my full time job, I also worked a significant amount of hours on the mobile crisis team, which covered after-hour and weekend emergencies.

**Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (1995-1997): *Children's Case Manager***

I coordinated services for a caseload of 23 at-risk children, teenagers and young adults from the city of Lynn. This position involved helping transition my caseload from secure inpatient facilities, residential group homes and special educational facility to the community. I managed team meetings and developed community programming with the Department of Youth Services (the judicial service of the state) and the Department of Social Services (child protective services).

**Northeastern Family Institute (1994-1995): *House Supervisor***

I worked as a house supervisor for 15-20 at-risk, learning disabled children and teenagers. Coordinated staffing patterns, oversaw budget and hiring/firing for staff of 10. Maintained on-

call schedule and provided emergency, after-hours support for emergencies. This position also included direct-care support to the house residents, running the weekly staff meetings and provide group counseling to the house residents.