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**EDUCATION**

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

**Ph.D. in Behavioral Sciences. 2017-2020**

Concentration: Child and Family Services  
Dissertation Topic: Post-Secondary Education for Youth  
Exiting Foster Care

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

**M.Ed. Educational Leadership 2009-2011**

Concentration: Administration and Supervision

**HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY**

**B.A. Education 2000-2004**

Areas of Concentration: Elementary and Special Education  
Minor: Philosophy  
Thesis Topic: Standardized Testing in Elementary Grade

**ADDITIONAL STUDIES**

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

**2021**

Graduate Certificate in Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in the Workplace  
Muma College of Business

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

**2019**

Graduate Certificate in Program Evaluation and Assessment  
College of Education: Assessment and Evaluation

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

**2011**

Graduate Studies  
Conflict Resolution Collaborative: Family Mediation

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY**

**2001-2002**

Worcester College, Oxford, England  
Area of Concentration: Philosophy

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Community Based Participatory Engagement, Child and Family Mental Health Service, Social Welfare Reform, Program Evaluation and Assessment, Special Education, Mental Health Care in Schools, Adverse Childhood Experiences, Substance Abuse Prevention, Harm Reduction

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

College of Behavioral and Community Sciences: Dissertation Fellowship Award 2020  
 Guardian ad Litem of Florida: Outstanding Service Award 2019  
 Council for Exceptional Children: Special Educator of the Year 2015  
 Graduated with honors: University of South Florida 2011- magna cum laude  
 Sarasota County Schools Teacher of the Year: Ashton Elementary 2008  
 Sarasota County Schools Teacher of the Year: Bay Haven Elementary 2014- nominee  
 Graduated with honors: High Point University 2004- cum laude  
 Academic Endowment Scholarship: High Point University 2001-2004- recipient

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

<p>Manatee County Substance Abuse Coalition  <b>Lead Behavioral Epidemiologist</b>          Responsible for the creation of behavioral health outcomes in youth in Manatee County, Florida. Monitor/analyze quantitative data to support federal substance prevention initiatives.</p>	<p><b>2020-Present</b></p>
<p>Florida Mental Health Institute  <b>Senior Research Associate</b>          Conducted qualitative research, support grant funded directives, coordinate data data collection, project management</p>	<p><b>2019-Present</b></p>
<p>University of South Florida  <b>Supervisor of Clinical Education</b>          Adjunct Professor          Supervised levels I, II and III of Elementary interns in Sarasota and Manatee County, acted as a liaison between the University and the school districts. Led weekly seminars on best teaching practices, curriculum, instruction, and classroom management.          EDE 4948- Clinical Education in Teaching Level II- Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016          EDE 4849- Clinical Education/ Student Teaching Level III- Fall 2016          EDE-4946-Introduction to Clinical Teaching- Level I- Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2018          EDE 4949 Clinical Education Level I</p>	<p><b>2011-2012, 2016-2019</b></p>
<p>Sarasota County Schools  <b>Special Education Therapist</b>          Bay Haven School of Basic Plus, Special Education service provider for grades K-5. Aided students, their families, school administrators and teachers daily to meet the academic and behavioral needs of students enrolled in Special Education.</p>	<p><b>2014-2016</b></p>
<p>Sarasota County Schools  <b>Elementary Teacher/ Special Education</b>          Bay Haven School of Basics Plus 2012-2014, Grades 3-4          Ashton Elementary School 2004-2009, Grades 1-2          Grade Level Chair 2013 &amp; 2014          Supervising Teacher for USF interns 2005-2008, 2012-2014          Worked collaboratively on four different grade levels teams, took leadership roles as grade level chair, and facilitated the delivery of Common Core instruction to grade level teams and families.</p>	<p><b>2004-2009, 2012-2014</b></p>

Sarasota County Schools

2010-2011

**Administration**

Behavioral and curriculum support for 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades

Development of motivational courses for lower performing students, implementation of professional development and supervision and evaluation of student performance.

**PRESENTATIONS AND TRAININGS**

**Brown, B.**, Thompson, L. (July 2021). Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA), 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Year Training Institute Conference. Not In Our Schools! Transforming a Vaping Crisis through Cross-Sector Collaboration, held virtually.

**Brown, B.** (June 2021). State Epidemiological Outcomes Working Group (SEOW). Overview of Drug Endangered Network Data for 2019-2020, in Manatee County Florida. Training held virtually.

**Brown, B.** Sherver, T. (July 2020). Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management International Conference: Understanding the Effects of Parental Incarceration on Youth and Youth Recidivism Rates. Toronto, Canada.

**Brown, B.** (December 2019). Community Based Participatory Research: Understanding How Universities Are Supporting Students from Foster Care. The College of Community and Behavioral Sciences: The Department of Mental Health Law and Policy. The University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida.

Veguilla, M., Shackle, E., Chappell, J., **Brown, B.** (November 2019). 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual American Evaluation Conference (AEA) Program Evaluation and Assessment: The Effectiveness of Project Leo and GPS Tracking Devices for Individuals with ASD. Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**Brown, B.** (June 2019). 26<sup>th</sup> Annual National Adoption Conference: Post-Secondary Access to Education for Youth in Foster Care. National Council for Adoption: Atlanta, Georgia.

**Brown, B.**, Veguilla, M., Shackle, E., Chappell, J. (April 2019). Program Evaluation and Assessment: The Effectiveness of Project Leo and GPS Tracking Devices for Individuals with ASD. The Center for Autism and Related Disabilities: The University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida.

Sharp, A., **Brown, B.**, Shreve, T. (September 2018). Qualitative Assessment Report: Multidisciplinary Approach to Patient Centered Care in an Acute Detox Facility. Agency for Community Treatment Services (ACTS). Tampa, Florida.

**Brown, B.**, Tillman, R., & Erickson, C. (2015, October). Positive Behavior Support: The Use of Restorative Circles for Improving Social Justice Within Classrooms. Pupil Support Services: Sarasota County School District, District Professional Development, Sarasota, Florida.

**Brown, B.**, Hanel, H., Kishner, J. (2013, October). Multi-Tiered System of Support/ Review and Intervention Practices. In-service training offered to instructional staff on identification and documentation of support interventions for struggling learners: Pupil Support Services: Sarasota County Schools, Bay Haven Elementary, Sarasota, Florida.

**Brown, B.**, Erickson, C., Cheeseman, S., (2015 August- January). Accountable Talk for Educators: Professional Development for Increasing Reading and Writing Skills in Elementary Grades Using Increased Oral Language Skills. Sarasota Reading Council, Bay Haven Elementary School, Sarasota, Florida.

**Brown, B., & Spanellis, M.,** (2013, March). Common Core in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Curriculum Instruction for Direct Instructional Staff: Curriculum and Instruction of Sarasota County Schools, District Professional Development. Sarasota, Florida.

## **PUBLICATIONS AND TECHNICAL REPORTS**

**Brown, B.,** Callejas, L. (in review). Fostering Successful Students: Voices of Program Administrators of Higher Education Support Program. Journal of Research in Higher Education.

**Brown, B.** (2020) Understanding Campus Support Programs: How Universities Are Assisting Foster care Alumni in achieving Academic Success. Dissertation. Published in ProQuest.

Sharp, A., **Brown, B.,** Shreve, T. (in review). Multidisciplinary Professional Perceptions of Client Engagement, Client-Centered Care, and Treatment Planning. Journal of Behavioral Health Sciences.

**Brown, B.,** Shreve, T. (in review). Psychosocial Effects of Parental Incarceration on Youths. Journal of Social Work Research.

Veguilla, M., Shackel, E., Chappell, J., & **Brown, B.** (2019). *CARD-USF Project Leo Evaluation Report.*

## **CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE**

Mental Health First Aid for Youth- National Trainer	2020-Present
Florida Teaching License: Elementary Education K-12	2004-Present
Florida Educational Leadership: Administration and Supervision K-12	2011-Present
Florida Exceptional Student Education: Varying Exceptionalities K-12	2011-Present
Florida Supreme Court Family Mediator: Family Mediation	2012-Present
Distance Learning/ Online Teaching: Canvas Certification	2016-Present
Guardian Ad Litem: 12th Judicial Circuit of Florida	2016-Present

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

American Evaluation Association 2019-Present  
 National Association for the Education of Young Children 2018--Present  
 Council for Exceptional Children 2015--Present  
 Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development: Educational Leadership 2011-2017  
 American Arbitration Association: Family Mediation 2011-2015  
 National Education Association 2004—Present

## **SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP**

### **Manatee Substance Abuse Coalition**

Community based support for the prevention of youth substance abuse  
 Chair of Evaluation and Assessment Committee: 2020-Present

### **Office of Student Affairs/ University of South Florida**

Advisory Board for Students with Special Needs

Advisory Member/Data Analysis and Proposal Development: 2018-Present

**Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD)**

Project Leo/ Safety Initiative

Project Evaluator: 2018-2019

**Guardian Ad Litem**

12th Judicial Circuit Sarasota

Volunteer: 2016-Present

**School Board Member**

Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School

Board Chair: 2014-2015

Committee Member: 2012-Present

**Alumni Association**

Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School

Board Chair: 2014-2015

Committee Member: 2013-2015

**Student Advisory Council**

Sarasota County Schools

Committee Chair: 2015-2016

Bay Haven Elementary

**Literacy Council**

Sarasota County Schools

Committee Chair: 2014-2016

Committee Member 2013-2016

**Technology Steering Committee**

Sarasota County Schools

Committee Member 2012-2013

**REFERENCES**

Available upon request