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## ***Education***

University of California, Los Angeles Master of Social Welfare	June 2004
University of California, Los Angeles Master of Art, Dance	June 2002
University of California, Santa Cruz Bachelor of Art, Psychology	March 1997

## ***Credentials***

EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) Approved Consultant	March 2021
Certified EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) Therapist	August 2017
Board Certified Dance/Movement Therapist	April 2014
Licensed Clinical Social Worker, California Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Texas	September 2009 June 2012
Registered Dance/Movement Therapist	April 2005

## ***Academic Positions***

### **Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work, University of Southern California**

Clinical Associate Professor	July 2020 - Present
Clinical Assistant Professor	July 2017 - June 2020
Adjunct Lecturer	July 2014 - June 2017
Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor	July 2013 - June 2014
Adjunct Lecturer	January 2011 - July 2013

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*Trauma Recovery Center (TRC @ USC)*

Clinical Supervisor November 1, 2023 to Present

*Research Grant 2019-2022*

Co-Investigator: *Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Opioid Workforce Expansion Program (OWEP): The Coast to Coast Project*

Awarded \$1.3 million over three years. Program provides 81 MSW students stipends of \$10,000 each. This stipend program enhances the education and training of MSW students, corresponding faculty, and field supervisors, who are committed to providing prevention, treatment, and recovery services to those with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and other Substance Use Disorders (SUD) in targeted high need and high demand areas.

## ***Cited Publications***

ABC News Interview (February 1, 2023). *How a different therapy is being used to treat 10-year-old Uvalde shooting survivor*

<https://abcnews.go.com/ABCNews/10-year-uvalde-shooting-survivor-healing-trauma-emdr/story?id=96743909>

## ***Publications***

**Brown, D.**, Hess, S. & Singh, M.I. (2020). Trauma informed interview coaching: An innovative approach to achieve equal opportunity and social justice in field education. *Simmons Field Educator Practice Digest* (10.1), 1-7.

Parga, J.A., Bargar, K., Monte, S., Supranovich, R.A. & **Brown, D.** (2020). Beyond the Online versus On-campus Debate: Leveraging Technology in a CoI Framework to Enhance Student and Faculty Presence in the MSW Classroom. In P.A. Kurzman & M.B. Littlefield (Eds), *Online and Distance Social Work Education: Current Practice and Future Trends* (1st edition, chapter 4, pp. ). Routledge: London.

Parga, J.A., Bargar, K., Monte, S., Supranovich, R.A. & **Brown, D.** (2019) Beyond the online versus on-campus debate: Leveraging technology in a COI framework to enhance student and faculty presence in the MSW classroom, *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 39:4-5, 308-322, DOI:

[10.1080/08841233.2019.1651811](https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2019.1651811)

Baron, M.W., **Brown, D.**, Cardinal, L, Hess, S., & Singh, M.I. (2019). When the past is present in the classroom: Utilizing a trauma-informed approach in the virtual setting. In R.P. Maiden (Ed.), *The Transformation of Social Work Education through Virtual Learning*. Cambridge Scholars Publishing: London.

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### ***Invited Presentations***

Allison, M., **Brown, D.** & Meade, M. (2022, September). *Can I Have a Taste of Your Ice Cream: Three Views From the Intersections of Memory and Desire*. International Forum for Psychoanalytic Education 32nd Annual Interdisciplinary Conference. Chicago, IL.

Franklin, U., Zappas, S., Supranovich, R. & **Brown, D.** (2022, June). *The Opioid Epidemic, Now What: Training Students on Integrated Behavioral Health*. The Network for Social Work Management's 32<sup>st</sup> Annual Management Conference, New York City, NY. Virtual.

Franklin, U., **Brown, D.**, López, O., Aanonson, S., Smith., & Supranovich, R. (2021, June). *The Evolution of Teaching Inter-Professional Practice Through the Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA) Cycle*. The Network for Social Work Management's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Management Conference, New York City, NY. Virtual.

Supranovich, R., Franklin, U., & **Brown, D.** (2020, November). *Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA) to Address EDI in Teaching Interprofessional Practice*. Presented at Council on Social Work Education Conference. Virtual.

Supranovich, R., Franklin, U., Lopez, O. & **Brown, D.** (2020, June). *The Evolution of Teaching Interprofessional Practice Through the Plan, Do, Study, Act (PDSA) Cycle*. Invitation to Present at The Network for Social Work Management's 31st Annual Management Conference. New York, NY. Virtual.

**Brown, D.** & Wobbe-Veit, L. (2020, April). *Virtual Preparation for the Front Line: Disaster Response 2020*. Invitation to Present at Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, D.**, Doyle, K. & Wobbe-Veit, L. (2019, June). *Managing Trauma: Mindfulness as an Avenue to Self-Regulation During Active Shooter Drills*. Presented at the Advancing School Mental Health Conference. Austin, TX.

**Brown, D.** & Hess, S. (2019, June). *Technology and Social Work Education: Designing a Trauma-Informed Space in the Virtual Classroom*. Presented at the European Association of Schools of Social Work. Madrid, Spain.

**Brown, D.** (2019, June). *Embodied Social Work: Movement and Creativity as a Healing Art*. Invitation to present a workshop at the European Association of Schools of Social Work. Madrid, Spain.

**Brown, D.** (2019, June). *Social Work and The Arts: A Collective Healing Approach to Synergistic Trauma*. Invitation to present at the International Association for Social Work with Groups. New York, NY.

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**Brown, D.,** Cox, T., Davis, J., Franklin, U., Hsaio, S., Cislowski, R. (2019, April). *Infusing Social Justice into MSW Gatekeeping: Analyzing Student Performance Data to Inform Decisions in Field*. Presented at the 5th Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, D.,** Hess, S. & Singh, M. (2019, April). *An Innovative Trauma-Informed Approach to Achieve Equal Opportunity and Social Justice via Interview Coaching*. Presented at the 5th Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, D. &** Wobbe-Veit, L. (2019, April). *Responding to Disaster*. Presented at the 5th Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference. San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, D.,** Hess, S. & Singh M. (2019, March). *Creating Trauma Informed Global Environments*. Presented at the Global Social Welfare Digital Summit 2019, Social Work Helper, PBC.

**Brown, D.,** Hess, S. & Singh, M. (2019, January). *Building a Trauma-Informed Learning Community*. Presented at the University of Southern California's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Week 2019, Los Angeles, CA.

**Brown, D.** (October, 2018). *Beyond Words: Developing the Therapeutic Relationship through Kinesthetic Empathy*. Presented at the Council on Social Work Education Conference, Orlando, FL.

**Brown, D.,** Singh, M. & Wobbe-Veit, L. (October, 2018). *Teaching EMDR to Achieve Social Justice: A Response to Trauma and Disaster*. Presented at the Council on Social Work Education Conference, Orlando, FL.

**Brown, D.** and Wobbe-Veit, L. (July, 2018). *Expression, Connection & Relationship: Body, Movement, and Creativity in Social Work*. Presented at the Social Work Education and Social Development Conference. Dublin, Ireland.

**Brown, D.,** Hess, S. & Parga, J. (July, 2018). *Developments in Social Work Education: Technology and the Future of Social Work*. Invitation to present at the Social Work, Education and Social Development Conference. Dublin, Ireland.

**Brown, D. &** Wobbe-Veit, L. (June, 2018). *Supporting Students in the Wake of Disaster: A Trauma Informed Response in Distance Learning*. Poster presented at the NASW National Conference, Washington, D.C.

**Brown, D. &** Wobbe-Veit, L. (April, 2018). *Kinesthetic Learning and Technology in Distance Education*. Presented at the 4th Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio, TX.

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**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (April, 2018). *Technology, Stress, and Trauma: Meeting Students' Needs in Distance Learning Education*. Presented at the 4th Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio, TX.

**Brown, D.** (March, 2018). *Minding the Body in the Virtual Classroom*. An invitation to present at the 3rd Annual Online Learning Consortium Innovate Conference, Nashville, TN.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (October, 2017). *Trauma Informed Approaches and Technology In Education: Trauma in the Virtual Classroom*. An e-Poster presentation delivered at Council on Social Work Education Conference. Dallas, TX.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (September, 2017). *Collective Trauma and Community Healing*. A presentation delivered at the 22nd International Summit on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma. La Jolla, CA.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (July, 2017). *Trauma Informed Approaches and Technology In Education: Trauma in the Virtual Classroom*. An invitation to present at the 20th Biennial International Symposium of International Consortium for Social Development, Zagreb, Croatia.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (July, 2017). *Community Trauma/Community Healing*. A presentation delivered at the Conference for Development and Perspectives of Social Work in Today's World. Hosted by the 8th International Congress, 10th National Congress of Social Work, and 4th National and International Congress of Socio-Occupational Therapy, Havana, Cuba.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (April, 2017). *Developing a Culture of Mindfulness in Field Education*. A presentation delivered at the 3rd Annual Social Work Distance Education Conference, San Antonio TX.

**Brown, D.** (November, 2016). *Introduction to EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy)*. A virtual presentation delivered to MSW students enrolled in Field Practicum II at the University of Southern California, Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work.

**Brown, D. & Hess, S.** (October, 2016). *Community Trauma /Community Healing*. A presentation delivered at Council on Social Work Education Conference, Atlanta GA.

**Brown, D., George, S. & Hess, S.** (October, 2015). *Trauma Informed Care in Field Education: Developing A Culture of Mindfulness*. A presentation delivered at Council on Social Work Education Conference, Denver, CO.

**Brown, D.** (September, 2012). *Avoiding Burn-Out and Secondary Trauma*. A training delivered to clinicians, teachers, and behavior staff at Vista School, Vista Del Mar Child and Family Service, Los Angeles, CA.

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**Brown, D.** (September, 2011). *Working with At-Risk Youth: Legal and Ethical Obligations*. A training delivered to clinicians, teachers, and behavior staff at Vista School, Vista Del Mar Child and Family Service, Los Angeles, CA.

## ***Clinical Experience***

### *Private Practice and Consultation*

September 2008 - Present  
Los Angeles, CA / Austin, TX

### *Director of Relapse Prevention*

Hickory Wind Ranch Sober Living Community

September 2012 - January 2014  
Austin, TX

### *School Clinician; Clinical Supervisor; Field Instructor*

Vista Del Mar Child and Family Service,  
Non-Public School

September 2007 - May 2012  
Los Angeles, CA

### *Reiss Davis Post-Graduate Fellow*

Reiss Davis Child and Family Study Center,  
Vista Del Mar Child and Family Services

September 2005 - August 2007  
Los Angeles, CA

## ***Additional Professional and Community Service***

### *Program Coordinator*

Moving 2 Heal  
BodyArt Dance Company

June 2022 - Present  
Los Angeles, CA

### *Guest Lecturer*

Dance/Movement Therapy with Infants,  
Children, and Adolescents  
Sancheti Hospital /Kinnections, Institute for Dance/Movement Therapy

July 2021-August 2021  
Pune, India

### *EMDR Training Facilitator*

Institute for Professional and Creative Development,

June 2021 - Present

### *Social Work Consultant*

The Trauma-Conscious Yoga Institute

January 2020 to Present

### *Mission: Impact Challenge*

Judge for Mission: Impact Challenge – Connected Community (a unique program created to engage middle and high school students within the Compton Unified School District to develop solutions

April 2019

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leveraging technology to quickly identify the signs and symptoms of those suffering from trauma and build a connected community for support and healing. In partnership with the Yetunde Price Resource Center and the Williams Sisters Fund)

## *Conference Proposal Reviewer*

Council on Social Work Education  
EMDRIA

2018, 2019, 2020  
2022, 2023

## *Affiliate*

Speakers Bureau of Trauma Informed LA

March 2016 to present

## *Guest Lecturer*

Dance/Movement Therapy with Infants,  
Children, and Adolescents  
Kinections, Institute for Dance/Movement Therapy

August 2016  
Rochester, NY

## ***Professional Affiliations***

American Dance Therapy Association  
California Society for Clinical Social Work  
EMDR Humanitarian Assistance Program  
EMDR International Association  
International Forum for Psychoanalytic Education  
National Association of Social Workers