# JILLIAN ARMSTRONG

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## **EDUCATION**

#### Master of Arts

December 2020

#### **Bachelor of Arts**

Departmental Honors May 2012

#### Florida Institute of Technology

Melbourne, Fl

Major: Professional Behavior Analysis

Cumulative GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

### **University of Miami**

Coral Gables, FL

Major: Psychology

Minors: Sociology & English

Honors Thesis: Effect of Personality on Benefit Finding Amongst Cancer Patients (Chairperson: Youngmee Kim,

Ph.D.)

Departmental GPA: 3.9 / 4.0 Cumulative GPA: 3.7 / 4.0

Activities: Caribbean Student Association, Entrepreneurial Student Association, & Black Graduate Conference in Psychology (BGCP) Planning Committee

#### **High School Diploma**

Cum Laude June 2008

#### Miami Palmetto Senior High School

Pinecrest, FL

Activities: Thespians (Comprehensive Theater Honor Society), Pit Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra, National Honor Society (NHS)

## RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Board Certified Behavior Analyst Neurobehavioral Institute (BCBA)

February 2020 – Present

Neurobehavioral Institute: Weston, FL

Developing the Applied Behavior Analysis program under the supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Collecting data on operationally defined behaviors. Identifying the function of maladaptive behaviors. Developing clear goals & objectives with clients & treatment team. Implementing comprehensive treatment through an interdisciplinary approach.

Creating behavioral programs & monitoring progress towards goal achievement. Carrying out treatment interventions Communicating treatment progress with parents & other individuals outside of the treatment team.

Academic Coordinator, Executive Neurobehavioral Institute Function Coach. & Working Memory Coach October 2014 - Present

Coamed Neurobehavioral Institute: Weston, FL

Overseeing academic program & its instructors. Communicating with school personnel parents & mental health professionals regarding the progress & wellbeing of clients. Interacting with children, adolescents, & young adults (those who have been given clinical diagnoses & also those who have not) in an instructional setting. Instructing clients on skills pertaining to executive functioning. Guiding clients towards becoming selfsustaining individuals, capable of planning for & achieving success. Working with businesses to address deficits in systematic executive functioning. Developing programs for individuals & businesses complete with concrete aoals & delineated steps achievement. Administering Coamed Working Memory Training program.

Behavioral Therapist September 2016 – February 2020

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Instructor May 2012 - October 2014

#### **Academic Options**

Neurobehavioral Institute: Weston, FL

Interacted with children, adolescents, & young adults (those who have been given clinical diagnoses & also those who have not) in an instructional setting. Instructed students on skills pertaining to executive functioning.

Guided students towards being self-sustaining individuals, capable of planning for & achieving success.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Assistant Project Coordinator August 2010 – August 2012

#### **FAMILY Research Lab**

University of Miami: Coral Gables, FL

Mentor: Youngmee Kim, Ph.D.

Met with patients & recruited them for study participation. Administered study materials to patients. Accompanied patients to blood draws. Followed up with patients in the material collection process. Prepared study materials to be given to patients. Prepared study materials to be used by nurses during assessment of patients. Entered participant data into SPSS & analyzed results accordingly.

Research Assistant May 2011 – August 2011

# Just for University of Miami Psychology Students to Accelerate Research Training (JUMP START)

University of Miami: Coral Gables, FL

Mentor: Youngmee Kim, Ph.D.

Examined the effect of personality on the potential for benefit finding in a sample of cancer patients. Conducted a literary research, generated relevant research questions, & wrote a full-length research paper.

Research Assistant August 2009 – May 2010

#### Social Emotional Readiness Lab

University of Miami: Coral Gables, FL

Mentor: Rebecca Shearer, Ph.D.

Worked with preschool aged children in Head Start programs in schools across Miami-Dade county. Assessed children & their classrooms using the Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS). Entered data collected from parents & children into SPSS.

Research Assistant August 2009 – May 2011

## Community & Social Change Program

University of Miami: Coral Gables, FL

Mentor: Laura Kohn-Wood, Ph.D.

Discussed different means of helping members of the community. Identified minority groups in the area that might be interested in participating in focus groups. Organized communal support groups for the North Miami area.

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Note Taker August 2010 – June 2012

### Office of Disability Services

University of Miami: Coral Gables, FL

Provided class notes for students diagnosed with intellectual and/or developmental disorders. Completed a total of 60 volunteer hours.

Instructor January 2010 – January 2011

### **Project HOPE**

Lillie C. Evans Elementary School: Liberty City, FL

Worked with at-risk children after school. Assisted children with their homework & answered any general questions. Supervised children at play, at rest, & on field trips. Discussed good work ethic with children & developed beneficial study habits. Created a questionnaire0based feedback system to administer to parents regarding the program. Completed a total of 312 volunteer hours.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Co-Presenter

Hall, D. L., **Armstrong, J.**, Cabral, N., & Kim, Y. (May 2012). Individual & dyadic effects of adult attachment on quality of life among colorectal cancer patients & their caregivers. Poster presentation at the 13th Annual Zubrod Memorial Lecture & Cancer Research Poster Session, Miami, FL.

Presenter

**Armstrong, J.**, & Cabral, N. (April 2012). Effect of personality on benefit finding amongst cancer patients. Poster presentation at the Research, Creativity, Innovation Forum, Miami, FL.

Co-Presenter

Hall, D. L., **Armstrong**, **J.**, Cabral, N., & Kim, Y. (February 2012). Individual & dyadic effects of adult attachment on quality of life among colorectal cancer patients & their caregivers. Poster presentation at the Annual

Meeting of the American Psychosocial Oncology Society, Miami, FL.

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA)

Certification #1-20-40827 (February 2020)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member Florida Association for Behavior Analysis (February 2020)

Member Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (February 2020)

Member Golden Key International Honour Society (September

2012)

## HONORS & AWARDS

☐ Florida Medallion	Scholarship	(August 2008 – Mar	y 2012)	(

- ☐ JUMP START Summer Research Scholarship (Summer 2011) (
- ☐ President's Honor Roll (Spring 2012) (
- □ Dean's List (Fall 2011; Fall, 2010; Fall 2009; Fall 2008) (
- ☐ Provost Honor Roll (Spring 2011; Spring 2010) (

## **REFERENCES**

 $\square$  Personal & professional references available upon request (