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EDUCATION

Ph.D, Counseling Psychology, 2015.

University of Maryland, College Park, Counseling Psychology (APA Accredited).

Chair: Charles J. Gelso, Ph.D.

Dissertation title: “Does the Acculturation of International Student Therapists Predict the Process of Psychotherapy with U.S. Clients? An Exploratory Study.”

M.S., Counseling Psychology, 2012.

University of Maryland, College Park, Counseling Psychology (APA Accredited).

Chair: Charles J. Gelso, Ph.D.

Thesis title: “To Switch or Not to Switch: Inviting Bilingual Latinos to Switch Languages in Psychotherapy.”

B.A., Psychology, 2009.

Minor in Spanish Language and Cultures.

University of Maryland, College Park.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor (August, 2016 – Present)

Counseling Psychology Ph.D. Program

Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology

New Mexico State University

PUBLICATIONS

Bartholomew, T. T., **Perez-Rojas, A. E.**, Lockard, A. J., & Locke, B. D. (in press). “Research doesn’t fit in a 50-minute hour”: The phenomenology of therapists’ involvement in research at a university counseling center. *Counselling Psychology Quarterly*.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/09515070.2016.1275525>

Perez-Rojas, A. E., Lockard, A. J., Bartholomew, T. T., Janis, R. A., Carney, D. M., Xiao, H., ... Hayes, J. A. (in press). Presenting concerns in counseling centers: The view from clinicians on the ground. *Psychological Services*.

Gelso, C. J., & **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.** (in press). Inner experience and the good psychotherapist. In L.G. Castonguay & C.E. Hill (Eds.), *Therapist effects: Toward understanding how and why some therapists are better than others*. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Hill, C.E., Anderson, T., Kline, K., McClintock, A.S., Cranston, S.M., McCarrick, S.M., Petrarca, A., Himawan, L., **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.**, Bhatia, A., Gregor, M., & Gupta, S. (2015). Helping skills training for

undergraduate students: Who should we select and train? *The Counseling Psychologist*, 1-28, DOI: 10.1177/0011000015613142.

Hill, C.E., Gelso, C.J., Baumann, E., Gupta, S., Morrison, A., **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.**, Shafran, N., ... Pappa, M. (2015). A study of counseling psychology doctoral trainees in a psychodynamic/interpersonal training clinic. *Journal of Counseling Psychology*, 62(2), 184-201. doi:10.1037/cou0000053

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Gelso, C. J., & Bhatia, A. (2014). To switch or not to switch: Inviting bilingual clients to switch languages in psychotherapy, *Counselling Psychology Quarterly* 27(1) 55-74, DOI: 10.1080/09515070.2013.870124

Harbin, J. M., Gelso, C. J., & **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.** (2014). Therapist work with client strengths: Development and validation of a measure. *The Counseling Psychologist*, 42(3), 345-373. DOI: 10.1177/0011000012470570

Gelso, C. J., **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.**, & Marmarosh, C. (2014). Love and sexuality in the therapeutic relationship. *Journal of Clinical Psychology: In Session*, 70(2), 123-134. DOI: 10.1002/jclp.22064

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Bhatia, A., & Gelso, C. J. (2013). Does language matter? On switching languages in psychotherapy. *Psychotherapy Bulletin*, 48(1), 10-17.

PROJECTS UNDERWAY

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., & Gelso, C. J. *International Student Therapists: Acculturative Stress, Cultural Distance, and the Process of Psychotherapy with U.S. Clients*. Manuscript in preparation.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Palma, B., Bhatia, A., Jackson, J.J., Norwood, E., Hayes, J.A., & Gelso, C. J. *The development and initial validation of the Countertransference Management Scale*. Manuscript in preparation.

Hummel, A. M., Gelso, C. J., & **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.** *Therapist reactions to a client facing a terminal illness: A test of ego and countertransference*. Manuscript in preparation.

Bartholomew, T. T., Gundel, B. E., **Perez-Rojas, A. E.**, & Lockard, A. J. *Pre-treatment experiences and distress change differences between transgender and cisgender clients*. Manuscript in preparation.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Brown, R., Bartholomew, T.T., Lockard, A.J., and Gundel, B.E. *Counseling services for Hispanic students in Hispanic-Serving and Predominantly White Institutions*. Data analysis underway.

Perez-Rojas, A. E., Valente, T., Brown, R., Cervantes, A., Escobedo, M., Orr, J., & Pereira, S. *The phenomenology of bilingualism in therapy*. Data collection underway.

PRESENTATIONS

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Palma, B., Bhatia, A., Jackson, J., Norwood, E., Rodgers, K.; Wonsever, J., Hayes, J., & Gelso, C. (2016). *Development and initial validation of the Countertransference Management Scale (CMS)*. Panel Session. North American Society for Psychotherapy Research Conference, Berkeley, CA, November 2017.

Lockard, A. J., **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.**, Bartholomew, T. T., Janis, R. A., Carney, D. M., Xiao, H., ... Hayes, J. A. (2016). *Presenting concerns in counseling centers: The view from clinicians on the ground*. Paper Session. North American Society for Psychotherapy Research Conference, Berkeley,

CA, November 2017.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Bhatia, A., Palma, B., Jackson, J., Norwood, E., Rodgers, K.; Wonsever, J., Hayes, J., & Gelso, C. (2015). *Refocusing the Countertransference Factors Inventory*. Paper presented at the Annual International Conference of the Society for Psychotherapy Research, June 24-27, Philadelphia, PA.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Hill, C. E., & Anderson, T. (2014). Therapist helping skills: What do we know so far? In Hill, C. E., & Anderson, T. (Chairs), *Do Pre-Training Helper Characteristics Predict Success in Learning Helping Skills?* Symposium. Annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Hummel, A.M., Gelso, C. J., & **Pérez-Rojas, A. E.** (2014, August). *Therapist reactions to clients facing a terminal illness diagnosis: A test of ego and countertransference*. Poster session. Annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Gelso, C. J., Hill, C.E., & Mohr, J. (2013). *The joint effect of therapist attachment style and countertransference on therapeutic outcome*. Panel session. North American Society for Psychotherapy Research Conference, Memphis, TN, October 2013.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Hill, C. E., Gupta, S., Morrison, A., Shafran, N., & Gelso, C. J. (2013). *Therapist attributions regarding what influenced them to change in therapeutic abilities during graduate school*. Panel session. North American Society for Psychotherapy Research Conference, Memphis, TN.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Bhatia, A., & Gelso, C. J. (2012). *To switch or not to switch: Inviting bilingual Latinos to switch languages in psychotherapy*. Poster presented at the Society for Psychotherapy Research 43rd International Meeting, Virginia Beach, VA.

Hummel, A.M., Gelso, C. J., & **Pérez Rojas, A. E.** (2011). *Therapist reactions to clients facing a terminal illness diagnosis: a test of ego and countertransference*. Panel session. North American Society for Psychotherapy Research Conference, Banff.

Pérez-Rojas, A. E., Yang, M., Popovska, A., Lee, J. C., & Miller, M. J. (2011, August). *Content analysis of ethnic, racial, and cultural psychology*. Poster presented for the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow (August, 2015 – August, 2016)

Center for Collegiate Mental Health
Center for Counseling and Psychological Services
Pennsylvania State University
Director: Benjamin Locke, Ph.D.

Psychotherapy Extern and Researcher (August 2012 – July 2014)

Maryland Psychotherapy Clinic and Research Lab
University of Maryland
Directors: Clara E. Hill, Ph.D., and Charles J. Gelso, Ph.D.

Doctoral Student (August 2009 – July 2015)

Maryland Psychotherapy Relationship Research Program
University of Maryland
Advisor: Charles J. Gelso, Ph.D.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor

CEP673: Educational Experimentation (Spring, 2017) (Graduate)
Department of Counseling & Educational Psychology
New Mexico State University

CEP677: Group Work Theory and Practicum (Spring, 2017) (Graduate)
Department of Counseling & Educational Psychology
New Mexico State University

CEP673: Counseling Psychology Theory and Practicum (Fall, 2016) (Graduate)
Department of Counseling & Educational Psychology
New Mexico State University

Instructor

PSYC433: Basic Helping Skills—Research and Practice (Summer 2013, 2014; Fall 2013)
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

PSYC432: Counseling Psychology—Theories, Research, & Practice (Fall 2012; Spring 2013, 2014)
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

Assisted Teaching (Fall 2009 – Spring 2011)

PSYC433: Basic Helping Skills—Research and Practice
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

PSYC432: Counseling Psychology—Theories, Research, and Practice
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

PSYC332: Psychology of Human Sexuality
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

PSYC300: Research Methods in Psychology
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland, College Park

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Member, Psychopharmacology Director Search Committee (2016-2017)

Counseling Psychology Training Committee (Fall 2016 – Present)
Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology
New Mexico State University

Department of Psychology Representative, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences Dean's Graduate
Student Advisory Council (Spring 2011 – Spring 2012)
University of Maryland

Counseling Area Representative, Colloquium Committee (Spring 2011 – Spring 2014)
Department of Psychology
University of Maryland

Student Representative (Fall 2010 – Spring 2011)
Counseling Psychology Ph.D. Program
University of Maryland

COUNSELING EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow (August, 2015 – August, 2016)
Center for Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
The Pennsylvania State University
Training director and primary supervisor: Joyce Illfelder-Kaye, Ph.D.

Doctoral Intern in Professional Psychology (August, 2014 – July, 2015)
Center for Counseling and Student Development (CCSD)
University of Delaware
Training director: Brad M. Wolgast, Ph.D.
Supervisor: Kelly R. Ozambela, Ph.D.

Psychology Extern (Fall 2013 – Spring 2014)
University of Maryland Counseling Center
Supervisors: Rashanta Bledman, Ph.D.; Dominick Scalise, Ph.D.

Psychology Extern (Fall 2012 – Spring 2014)
Maryland Psychotherapy Clinic and Research Lab
University of Maryland
Supervisors: Laura Kasper, Ph.D.; Clara Hill, Ph.D.

Supervision Practicum Student (Fall 2012)
University of Maryland
Course: *Counseling Psychology Didactic Practicum in Counseling Supervision* (EDCP685)
Instructor: Mary Ann Hoffman, Ph.D.

Psychology Extern & Practicum Student (Fall 2011 – Spring 2012)
Mental Health Service
University of Maryland Health Center
Course: *Didactic Practicum in Group Interventions* (EDCP682)
Supervisors: Pepper B. Phillips, Ph.D; Noah Collins, Ph.D; Julie Parsons, L.C.S.W-C

Career Counseling Practicum Student (Spring 2011)

University of Maryland Counseling Center
Course: *Didactic Practicum in Career Interventions* (EDCP 686)
Supervisors: Robert W. Lent, Ph.D; Anne M. Regan, Ph.D.

Advanced Practicum Student (Fall 2010)
University of Maryland Counseling Center
Course: *Advanced Counseling Practicum* (PSYC 698)
Supervisors: Charles J. Gelso, Ph.D; Sharon B. Spiegel, Ph.D.

Practicum Counseling Student (Summer 2010)
Individual counseling, University of Maryland Counseling Center
Supervisor: Sarah Mebane, Ph.D.

Basic Practicum Student (Spring 2010)
Individual counseling, University of Maryland Counseling Center
Course: *Basic Counseling Practicum* (PSYC 433)
Supervisors: Pepper B. Phillips, Ph.D; Barbara J. Thompson, Ph.D.

Pre-Practicum Student (Fall 2009)
Individual counseling with university student volunteers, University of Maryland
Course: *Theories and Strategies of Counseling Psychology* (PSYC 700)
Supervisors: Clara Hill, Ph.D.; Sara Ericson, M.S.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Psychological Association
American Psychological Association Division 17 – Society of Counseling Psychology
International Section of American Psychological Association Division 17
American Psychological Association Division 29 – Division of Psychotherapy
Society for Psychotherapy Research (General and North American chapter)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish (Fluent: reading, writing, listening, speaking, translating)