

# EVONNE S. JONES

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## Professional Licenses & Certifications

### State of Georgia

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker, License No. CSW009548
- School Social Worker, S-5 Certificate No. 1009638

### National

- Certified Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Instructor
- Certified QPR Instructor

## Education

### The University of Georgia (Athens, GA)

#### *School of Social Work*

- Master of Social Work, Clinical Track with Family-Centered Concentration; graduated December 2010
- Graduate Certificate in Non-Profit Management; completed December 2010

#### *Terry College of Business*

- Management Information Systems (B.B.A.); graduated December 2002

## Statement of Teaching Approach

My focus in the classroom is to enable students to:

1. Create and distinguish the difference between their professional identity and personal identity to decrease internal conflicts and increase positive outcomes for clients and communities.
2. Increase confidence in their own ability to influence and impact change in their local communities, the state, the nation, and perhaps even the world.
3. Embrace, appreciate, and celebrate what makes social work different from other helping professions so that the principles of social work are readily accepted and infused in the work they do every day.

## Current Employment

2021 – Current

University of Georgia, School of Social Work  
BSW Program Director/Academic Professional

- The position monitors and oversees all components of the BSW Program, including admissions, enrollment, curriculum, student progress, learning outcomes assessment, BSW student committees, and special programs and events. The position supervises the BSW Academic Advisor. This position will interact with the Associate Dean and all faculty

teaching in the BSW Program, BSW students and potential applicants, BSW academic advisor, individuals at the Registrar's Office and Office of the Vice President for Instruction, and community partners working with BSW students. This position will have autonomy in program decisions, within the limits of accreditation requirements, University policies, School of Social Work Bylaws, and academic freedom of faculty. Given that the BSW Program is an important and visible program at the School of Social Work, this position's decisions may impact the School's financial and reputational well-being, as well as the success of individual faculty and students. BSW Program Director duties include, but are not limited to:

- Providing leadership in the areas of curriculum and curriculum integrity in all aspects of the degree program.
- Staying current with the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) policies and standards related to curriculum in accredited social work programs.
- Working with the Associate Dean in completing the self-study documents for accreditation and internal review processes, particularly, providing oversight and writing of the curriculum section for the CSWE Accreditation process and the UGA internal review process.
- Working with the Associate Dean and BSW Curriculum Sub-Committee in devising a systemic, continuous evaluation of program curriculum outcomes, which should be approved by the faculty.
- Working with the Associate Dean to schedule necessary courses and appropriate course sections.
- Assisting the Associate Dean in identifying appropriate part-time faculty and engaging them to submit application material for review and selection by the Associate Dean.
- Coordinating curriculum offerings with Field Education and International Programs within SSW.
- Monitoring student enrollment plans to maintain consistency with the overall SSW enrollment plan.
- Overseeing student progress within the degree program.
- Providing leadership in program policy as codified within the degree program manual.
- Serving as the initial point of contact for student performance issues within the program.
- Serving as an ex-officio member of the BSW Curriculum Sub-Committee, which the BSW Program Director chairs.
- The BSW Program Director is evaluated annually by the Dean with input from faculty.

*Practicum Education Coordinator/Academic Professional*

- Serves in an administrative coordination and instruction capacity in the UGA SSW Practicum Education Office, to include administration of practicum education for the BSW and MSW Online Programs under the supervision of the Director of Practicum Education. Specific tasks include the recruitment and evaluation of appropriate practicum learning sites; placement of students in practicum sites; practicum liaising; administrative management of practicum education protocols; and teaching multiple

practicum and practice courses. Travel to practicum sites located in various areas throughout the state is required as needed.

## Related Experience

2020 – 2021

Turner Center of Pathways Community Service Board

Program Manager

- Provided oversight and leadership to ensure that daily activities, program structure, and provided services are in compliance with the CCI guidelines; Worked with the program's community partners to ensure that services meet the requirements of each resident; Ensures successful intake process and is actively involved in the transition/discharge planning process for each resident; Created and maintained monthly healthcare team member scheduled for 24/7 residential program; provides initial and on-going program specific training to team members to ensure compliance with governing entities; Worked with internal and external regulatory parties to ensure compliance; serves as the point of contact for all program audits; Ensured that all healthcare team members are well-versed in appropriate and timely daily documentation of each resident in the organizations EHR system; Communicated regularly with team members on program goals, progress towards goals, and results of work efforts via individual and/or monthly team meetings; Served as a change agent and advocate in implementing new program procedures and/or updating exiting program policies and procedure; Evaluated quantity and quality of services rendered, the staffing and material requirements to provide program services, and the impact of provided services on the needs of each resident; Led/Participated in daily treatment team meetings to determine where each resident is in his/her respective recovery/treatment process; Attended internal and external educational and/or professional meetings as required/needed; Led and worked collaboratively with the on-going educational components of the program for each resident; Performed case management and other direct care duties as needed.

2020

Walden University, Barbara Solomon School of Social Work

*MSW Field Supervisor*

- Provided at least one hour per week of supervision for MSW students completing their foundation practicum; Provided feedback and resources for a variety of deliverables for the MSW student's foundation course, such as the learning agreement, process recordings, and project presentations; Facilitated opportunities for students to gain experience in case management, intakes, advocacy, psycho-educational groups, discharge planning, etc.

2018 – 2024

Mental Health America of Georgia

*QPR and MHFA Instructor*

- Travels to various educational and social services agencies across the state of Georgia to provide mental health awareness and crisis intervention training using the QPR and Mental Health First Aid curriculum. Responsible for providing appropriate, accurate, and timely reporting information, including but not limited to attendance and performance feedback, to Mental Health America of Georgia, the QPR Institute, and the National Council for Behavioral Health.

- 2018 Ridgeview Institute – Monroe  
*Program Therapist, PRN*
- Performed social services functions to include assisting patients in meeting their biopsychosocial needs while enabling them to access through therapeutic treatment skills to achieve their optimal level of emotional health, including providing basic consultation, teaching, complete specialized clinical social work services for patients/families receiving care, crisis intervention, short-term and long-term family therapy and providing information and referrals as needed; includes providing discharge planning and case management.
- 2014 – 2020 Piedmont College  
*Counselor and Case Manager*
- Provided individual, group, and crisis intervention counseling services to students and providing counsel to employees to the point of resource referrals and consultation services. Outreach activities were also performed in collaboration with other student affairs staff to enhance the personal, social, educational, and vocational development and adjustment of students and other members of the campus community. Responsible for providing case management services through the communication and flow of information related to referrals to and from campus partners, including the Behavioral Assessment Team (BAT), Dean of Student Engagement, Disability Services, Career Services, and Residential Education, as well as off-campus partners, such as various mental health, crisis intervention, judicial, and social/human services agencies. Responsible for facilitating the Brief Alcohol Intervention for College Students (BASICS) program. Responsible for training faculty, staff, student leaders, and students in mental health and appropriate response protocol. Responsible for developing and managing all assessments, reports, and budgets. Served as administrator-on-duty within a rotation each semester.
- 2013 – 2014 Peace Place, Inc.  
*Evening Empowerment Advocate, Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP) Liaison*
- Provided counseling, case management, advocacy, and coaching to women and children who reside within the shelter through individual and group support and referral to other community agencies. Provided crisis intervention to domestic violence victims and survivors in-person and on the crisis hotline. Advocated on behalf of survivors of domestic violence. Referred appropriately while working cooperatively with the criminal justice, legal, medical, and social service professionals and community agencies that also serve crime survivors.
- 2012- 2014 University of Georgia, Office of Online Learning  
*Administrative Specialist (Coordinator of Online Student Services)*
- Primary duties included collaborating with various academic and student services departments for online student services development, coordination of state authorization in each state on behalf of the University, management of financial transactions and \$1 million office budget (i.e. procurement, accounts payable, travel encumbrance), development of office policies and procedures, and management of office events/meetings. Also provided coordination and support for the day-to-day office operations as well as configured and provided information to students, faculty, and staff

about online offerings, support services, and training. Ensured that the public information disseminated by members of the office is consistent, professional and aligned with written policies and procedures.

2012 – 2014

Impact Counseling and Consulting, LLC

*Crisis Counselor and Case Manager (Independent Contractor)*

- Provided counseling, resources, mentoring, and support for families and at-risk youth, with moderate to severe behavioral, emotional, social, or psychological challenges, who were involved with the Department of Juvenile Justice, Juvenile Courts, DFCS, and CBAY. Services included family assessments, marriage and family counseling, parenting skills training, crisis intervention, anger management counseling, and social skills training, etc. Provided services with focus in cognitive behavioral psychology and humanistic therapy; Acted as a liaison between the Department of Juvenile Justice, DFCS, CBAY, Juvenile Courts, and our clients receiving services; Assisted clients in meeting/exceeding the conditions or requirements of their probation or case plan; Prepared weekly case documentation, court recommendations, and closing summaries on each case.

2010-2012

Georgia Perimeter College, Online Campus

*Coordinator of Online Student Success*

- Planned, designed and implemented comprehensive student success programs in conjunction with other student services departments, faculty, other college administrative personnel, and local and community resources for the purpose of promoting student success and academic persistence. Served as project lead/manager for Academic Coaching Initiative. Responsible for daily management and delivery of online student services and acts as a liaison to the academic functions of the college in all other online/distance learning student services issues. Key responsibilities also included academic advising, career advising, student success mentoring and interventions, problem resolution, training and coordination of faculty and on-campus liaisons for advising and student services.

2010

The Tree House, Inc.

*Crisis Counselor, Intern*

- Provided crisis counseling and case management for children and families who had been impacted by sexual abuse, physical abuse, or domestic violence; facilitated Heroes, Great and Small group sessions with children who had been sexually abused and/or their siblings; campaigned for A Night of Hope for Children Live and Silent Auction.

2009

Social Empowerment Center, LLC

*Child and Family Comprehensive Assessment (CCFA) Intern*

- Conducted in-home family interviews and reviewed DFCS files, education records, medical records, etc. in order to compile an extensive, detailed bio-psychosocial assessment for families in crisis and receiving services from DFCS, Juvenile Justice System, and various other human services agencies.

2008 - 2010

The University of Georgia, Department of Poultry Science (Athens Campus)

*Program Coordinator for Academic Advising and Pre-Collegiate Programs*

- Responsible for all activities necessary to provide effective and efficient academic/career advisement to over 500 undergraduate students. Duties included training and supporting faculty advisers, acting as the main resource and liaison for all things related to student services, developing/coordinating events and programs to enhance academic advising (i.e. information sessions), and assisting with student recruitment and activities, such as the Avian Adventures Program (a pre-collegiate program to increase interest in the sciences). Independently designed, developed, and currently manage a student information system and advising appointment scheduler. Responsible for the design and maintenance of the department website.

2007 - 2008

Covenant House Georgia, Right of Passage (Independent Living Program)  
*Weekend Youth Coordinator (Part-Time)*

- Provided supervision and delivery of independent living training and support to youth participating in the Rights of Passage program. Services included case management and the facilitation of weekend group sessions for homeless youth. Case management and group sessions were to enable young adults to make the transition toward independence within a period of five years; included discussions in financial management, career development, education, relationships, household management, and participation in various community activities (i.e. Fight to End Hunger Walk, AIDS Walk); also made referrals for medical appointments, employment, and education. Experience with counseling culturally diverse individuals.

2006 – 2007

National Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Georgia  
*Advo-Kids CASA Volunteer (Fayette/Spalding Counties)*

- Responsible for conducting in-home family interviews and home assessments, as well as reviewing DFCS files, education records, medical records, etc. in order to compile and present to the juvenile court an extensive, detailed report on behalf of an abused/neglected children involved in a deprivation case, all for the purpose of quickly securing the children a safe, permanent home.

2003 - 2008

The University of Georgia, Griffin Campus  
*Admissions Counselor/Recruiter, Office of Academic Programs*

- Acted as a resource for all things related to student support services, such as admissions, pre-advising, registration, and financial aid. Responsible for marketing campus programs and course offerings to prospective students and parents. Acted as a resource and representative on behalf of the University to prospective students and parents. Played an integral role in the design of brochures, billboards, and the campus website.

*Activities Coordinator, Assistant Dean's Office*

- Organized, managed, and supervised all campus events and activities. Ensured that all planning and preparation was completed in a timely manner; made arrangements for events, including audio/visual needs, menu preparation and food service, entertainment, decorations, seating arrangements, invitations, etc. Acted as a liaison or representative for Assistant Dean by guiding and supervising each event committee's decisions and progress.

### *Program Coordinator, Young Scholars Program*

- Organized and supervised the Griffin Campus Young Scholars Program, a summer internship experience for high school students. Provided guidance and support to students in college readiness/preparation. Made all necessary arrangements for students' participation in the international research component (i.e. Ghana and Costa Rica). Prepared budget for student's salaries, international travel, SAT preparation, award recognition, etc.

## **Personal & Professional Development**

- North American Christians in Social Work (NACSW) Annual Conference, November 9-11, 2023
- Harm Reduction and Recovery Support Services: Complementing and Supporting Pharmacotherapy for Substance Use Disorders sponsored by Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS), July 28, 2022
- Collateral Damage: The Family Experience of Substance Use Disorder sponsored by Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS), July 20, 2022
- The Changing Landscape of Substance Use Policy sponsored by Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS), June 14, 2022
- Preparing Future Practitioners to Address Substance Misuse sponsored by CSWE Learning Academy, June 23, 2022
- Dual Diagnosis of Youth Substance Use Disorders and Depression: The Nature of the Association and Treatment Implications sponsored by Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS), June 14, 2022
- Evaluating Students in the Field sponsored by the UGA School of Social Work, May 24, 2022
- Integrating Theory and Practice Ethical Decision-Making in Social Work sponsored by the UGA School of Social Work, March 29, 2022
- CIT-Y Train the Trainer sponsored by NAMI Georgia and the NCYOJ, via Zoom, March-May 2021
- Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Suicide Prevention (CBT-SP) sponsored by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) and the Beck Institute, via Zoom, August 20-21, 2020
- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) 101 sponsored by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) and the Marcus Autism Center, via WebEx, June 29, 2020
- Dialectical Behavior Training sponsored by Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD), Atlanta Metropolitan College, October 15-17, 2019
- Garrett Lee Smith College and University Suicide Prevention Conference, Middle Georgia State University, September 23-26, 2019
- Collaborative Assessment and Measurement of Suicidality (CAMS) Training sponsored by Department of Behavioral and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD), Georgia Regional Hospital, July 23-24, 2019
- 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia College Counseling Association Conference (GCCA), January 29 – February 1, 2019
- CPR Renewal Course, Ridgeview Institute, May 25, 2018
- Crisis Prevention Institute Training, Ridgeview Institute - Monroe, May 24, 2018
- Mental Health First Aid Instructor's Training, National Council for Behavioral Health, October 30 – November 3, 2017
- QPR Trainer's Training, QPR Institute, September 18, 2017
- Garrett Lee Smith College and University Suicide Prevention Conference, Middle Georgia State University, September 18-20, 2017
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy 4-Day Conference, PESI Incorporated, September 2017
- Dialectical Behavior 4-Day Conference, PESI Incorporated, August 2017

- Embark Leadership Conference, The J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development at the University of Georgia, May 18-19, 2017
- The Prevention Summit: AOD, Interpersonal Violence, and Collegiate Recovery, The Fontaine Center at the University of Georgia, May 16-17, 2017
- 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia College Counseling Association Conference (GCCA), January 24 – 27, 2017
- Garrett Lee Smith College and University Suicide Prevention Conference, Middle Georgia State University, September 19-20, 2016
- Ethics: Understanding the Composite Board Complaints and Investigations Process, Eric Groh, August 5, 2016
- What Clinicians Need to Know About Tele-Mental Health from a Treatment and Ethical Perspective, National Association of Social Workers, July 8, 2016
- Psychopharmacology and Social Work Practice: For the Non-Medically Trained, National Association of Social Workers, April 7, 2016
- Body Project Training, Body Project Collaborative and the University of Georgia's Department of Health Promotion, October 10-11, 2015
- The Georgia Network Workshop, Kennesaw State University's Center for Young Adult Addiction and Recovery, September 18, 2015 & June 17, 2016 & September 23, 2016
- Safe Zone Training, Piedmont College, facilitated by the University of Georgia, August 5, 2015
- Sources of Strength Train the Trainer Workshop, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD), held July 14 -17, 2015
- Mental Health First Aid Course, River Edge Behavioral Health Center in Macon, July 1, 2015
- Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention for College Students (BASICS), University of Georgia's Department of Health Promotion, March 26, April 30, and August 26 of 2015
- Georgia College Suicide Prevention Coalition, University System of Georgia and Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) and nonprofit SPAN-Georgia, March 20, 2015
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Georgia College Counseling Association Conference (GCCA), January 20 – 23, 2015
- Fiscal Administration Certificate Training Series, University of Georgia Finance and Administration, August 2014
- CPR and First Aid Certificate, February 2014
- Conflict Resolution: Strategies for Preventing and Working Through Conflict, November 20, 2013
- Victims Assistance Training, Office for Victims of Crime, Training and Technical Assistance Center, October 2013
- Stewards of Children Sexual Abuse Training, Darkness to Light, October 2012
- Management and Leadership Skills, Rockhurst University Continuing Education Center, February 2012
- Essential Time Management and Organizational Skills, Rockhurst University Continuing Education Center, February 2012
- 30 hours of training in Student Success Coaching, LifeBound Institute (Denver, Co), December 2011
- Powerful Communication Skills for Women, Rockhurst University Continuing Education Center, November 2011
- The Essentials of Communication & Collaboration, Rockhurst University Continuing Education Center, July 2011
- Empowering At-Risk Probationary Students using Appreciative Advising Inside and Outside the Classroom presented by Jennifer L. Bloom, University of South Carolina, Innovative Educators, April 2011
- Academic Coaching: The Road to Success, NACADA Conference at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, February 2011
- Defining Best Practices in the Administration of Distance Education, Distance Learning Administration (DLA), May 2010
- Certificate in Professional Academic Advising, University of Georgia Training and Development, February 2010
- Learning Management Systems (LMS) training, University of Georgia, August 2009
- Academic Advising in Higher Education, National Academic Advising Association (NACADA), Southeast Region 4 Conference, March 2008



## Professional Presentations

- Interprofessional Education (IPE) Day, The University of Georgia School of Pharmacy, Served as a Faculty Facilitator and/or Planning Committee Member, October 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Integrative Seminar in Generalist Social Work Practice (SOWK 5836) Class, University of Georgia School of Social Work, Presentation Title: *How to Save a Life using QPR*, September 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- youthSpark and Atlanta CASA, Romae T. Powell Juvenile Justice Center, Presentation Title: *How to Save a Life using QPR*, May 20, 2024
- 2023 Career Day, Mary McLeod Bethune Middle School, Presentation Title: *Social Work: Endless Possibilities*, March 2023
- Advanced Social Work Field Education (SOWK 7225) Class, University of Georgia School of Social Work, Presentation Title: *How to Save a Life using QPR*, September 2021
- Student/Community Training, Mercer University – Atlanta Campus, Presentation Title: *Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)*, November 2019
- Staff Training, Live Forward, Presentation Title: *Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)*, October 2019
- Staff/Community Training, Carl Vinson Institute of Government at the University of Georgia, Presentation Title: *Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)*, September 2019
- Student Leaders Training, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis using QPR*, April 2019
- Student Leaders Training, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *It's Real - College Students and Mental Health*, April 2019
- Counseling Staff Training, Georgia Connections Academy, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis using QPR*, March 2019
- Mental Health Training for Nursing Students, Emory University, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis using Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)*, February 2019
- Advanced Social Work Field Education Class, University of Georgia School of Social Work, Presentation Title: *How to Save a Life using QPR*, October 2018
- Suicide Prevention Week, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *It's Real - College Students and Mental Health*, September 2018
- Suicide Prevention Week, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *How to Save a Life using QPR*, September 2018
- Student Leadership Retreat, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis using QPR*, May 2018
- Leadership Symposium, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *Diversity in Leadership*, May 2018
- Freshman Welcome Week, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *You Have the Power to Save a Life*, August 2016, and August 2017, August 2018
- Learning Center Staff Training, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis*, February 2016, March 2016, and February 2017, November 2018
- Residence Life Staff Training, Piedmont College, Presentation Title: *Appropriate Responses to Student Mental Health Crisis using Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) or QPR*, August 2015, August 2016, and July 2017, August 2018
- Spring 2013 Academic Advising Workshop, Office of Online Learning, University of Georgia, Presentation Title: *Enhancing Online Learning Opportunities @ UGA*, February 2013
- New Online Faculty Orientation, Office of Online Learning, University of Georgia, Presentation Title: *Navigating State Authorization*, December 2012
- National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) Drive-in, Georgia Perimeter College, Presentation Title:

### *Actively Engaging Online Students in the Advising Process, September 2011*

- Online Student Success Series Webinars, Georgia Perimeter College, Presentation Title: Technology and the Job Hunt; March 2011, October 2011, and March 2012
- Online Open House Webinar, Georgia Perimeter College, April 2011 and March 2012
- Young Scholars Program information sessions, various Metro Atlanta and Athens high and middle schools, 2003-2008
- UGA Griffin Campus information sessions, various two-year colleges across the state of Georgia and Metro Atlanta high schools and middle schools, 2005-2008

## **Awards & Recognition**

- Student Career Development Influencer, UGA Career Center, February 2023, February 2024
- Online MSW Teacher of the Year, University of Georgia - School of Social Work, May 2022
- Outstanding Service and Leadership Award, The National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Alpha Pi, Piedmont College Chapter, April 2017
- Founding Member & Outstanding Service, Office of Online Learning, University of Georgia, September 2014
- Outstanding eLearning Program from Instructional Technology Council (ITC), Online Student Success Team, Georgia Perimeter College, May 2012
- Celebration of Excellence, Online Student Success Team, Georgia Perimeter College, May 2012
- Award for Dedication & Service, Crime Prevention, Athens-Clarke County Police Services, May 2002
- Award for Dedication & Service, Weed & Seed Program, Athens Clarke County Police Services, May 2002
- Nominated for National Collegiate Scholars (UGA Graduate School), January 2008
- Dean's List (UGA Undergrad), January 1999
- H.O.P.E. Scholar (UGA Undergrad), August 1998

## **Membership & Leadership**

- Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), since 2021
- North American Christians in Social Work (NACSW), since 2008
- Georgia College Counseling Association, Northeast Regional Representative, 2017-2020
- Georgia College & University Suicide Prevention Coalition, Steering Committee, 2015-2020
- Georgia College & University Suicide Prevention Coalition, Conference Planning Committee, 2015-2020
- Academic Advising Coordinating Council, University of Georgia, 2012-2014
- Registrar's Advisory Council, University of Georgia, 2012-2014
- National Academic Advising Association (NACADA), 2008-2014