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Choosing MFT

Choosing Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota

Hopes and Motivations

Original expectations of the program

How expectations were met or not met

II. Description and Evaluation of Practicum Experience

Selecting a Site

Description of Practicum Site

Population Served

Staff Support

Theoretical Orientation or Treatment Philosophy

Description of the Practicum Responsibilities

Practicum Supervision

Critical Reflection on Practicum Learning

Critical Evaluation of the Practicum Site

Unique offerings (strengths)

Missing learning that can be pursued later

Practicum surprises

Discussion of Ethical Issues

Community Service Project

Identifying the need

Description of the project

How service project affected site, supervisor, or clients

III. Key Learnings Framed within Program Goals

Ethical Thinking and Practice

Cultural Competence and Responsiveness

MFT Relational/Systemic Theory

Scholarly Research

Systemic and Relational Thinking

Self of the Therapist

IV. Theory of Change/Therapy

Defining Marriage and Family Therapy

Key Elements of Your Therapeutic Work

Overall influences

Conceptualization of relational/family/mental/emotional health

Conceptualization of relational/family/mental/emotional dysfunction

Conceptualization of (relational) intervention

Conceptualization of role of therapist

Conceptualization of assessment

Conceptualization of diagnosis

Conceptualization of treatment planning

Conceptualization of closing/ending therapy

Other important aspects of your unique work

Development of Your Unique Work

Strengths and Competencies of This Personal Theory

Growth Edges or Weaknesses of This Personal Theory

V. Conclusion Themes and Reflections

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