

# **JEREMY A. BLANK, PsyD, QME**

*Clinical and Forensic Psychologist and Neuropsychologist  
Qualified Medical Evaluator*

Curriculum Vitae – January 2024

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## **EDUCATION**

### **The Wright Institute**

PsyD in Clinical Psychology, September 2013

MA in Clinical Psychology, September 2010

- APA-accredited clinical psychology doctoral program

September 2008 – September 2013

Berkeley, CA

### **University of California, Davis**

BS in Neurobiology, Physiology, and Behavior

- 3.95 GPA, Phi Beta Kappa, Division of Biological Sciences Citation for Outstanding Achievement, Senator Robert C. Byrd 4-year Academic Scholarship

September 2003 – June 2005

Davis, CA

### **Santa Rosa Junior College**

AS in General Science Studies

- 3.91 GPA, Highest Honors, Ellis Nixon Life Science Scholarship, Courtney W. Anderson Chemistry Scholarship, Santa Rosa Rotary Club Scholarship

August 2001 – May 2003

Santa Rosa, CA

## **LICENSURES AND CERTIFICATIONS**

- Licensed California Psychologist (PSY27148), 2015 - Present
- California Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME), 2019 - Present

## **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE: ASSESSMENT**

### **Forensic Psychiatric Associates (fpamed)**

Forensic Neuropsychologist and Psychologist

- Comprehensive independent medical-legal evaluations
- <https://fpamed.com/our-team/jeremy-blank-psyd-qme-forensic-psychologist/>

April 2023 – Present

### **Litigation Legal Insight Group (LITIL)**

Forensic Neuropsychologist

- Comprehensive medical-legal evaluations

June 2022 – Present

### **Arrowhead Evaluation Services**

Neuropsychologist, Qualified Medical Evaluator

- Worker's compensation evaluations and fitness-for-duty evaluations for psychological and neuropsychological injuries
- Comprehensive testing, scoring, interviewing, report writing, and record review
- Deposition testimony

December 2019 - Present

**Examworks - Newton Medical Group**

Neuropsychologist, Assistant to James Cole, PhD

April 2017 - Present  
Sacramento and Oakland, CA

- Neuropsychological testing and comprehensive scoring

**Private Practice in Clinical and Forensic Assessment**

Licensed Psychologist and Neuropsychologist

February 2015 – Present  
Temecula, CA

- Adult neuropsychological and psychological evaluations for clinical and forensic matters
- Presenting issues include neurodegenerative diseases (Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, etc.), traumatic brain injury, ADHD, learning disorders, stroke, and other conditions
- Capacity evaluations for medical and financial decision making

**Bayview Medical Clinic**

Disability Evaluator

July 2015 – December 2019  
Oakland, Sacramento, Vallejo, and Concord, CA

- Conducted over 1,200 Social Security disability evaluations
- Claimants included children ages 6+ to adult
- Testing, interview, and comprehensive report writing

**San Francisco VA Medical Center**

Staff Neuropsychologist - Part Time

March 2016 – July 2016  
San Francisco, CA

- Psychological and neuropsychological evaluations
- Conditions assessed included dementia, TBI, movement disorders
- Supervised interns and post-doctoral fellows

**San Francisco Institute on Aging (IOA)**

Evaluator

September 2015 – February 2016  
San Francisco, CA

- Neuropsychological and functional capacity evaluations

**San Francisco Clinical Neurosciences**

Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Clinical/Forensic Neuropsychology

September 2013 – October 2015  
San Francisco, CA

- 2-year fellowship structured according to Houston Conference guidelines
- Responsible for all aspects of assessment process, including administration, scoring, and interpretation of test battery; client interview; comprehensive medical record review; writing of comprehensive reports; and provision of feedback
- Cases comprised of medico-legal (civil forensic) and clinical (e.g., TBI, stroke, tumor, movement disorders, psychological disturbance, etc.)
- Psychotherapy to individuals with acquired brain injuries
- Weekly neuropsychology didactics at San Francisco General Hospital/UCSF
- Supervisor: Ronald Ruff, PhD, ABPP

**Louis Stokes Cleveland Veterans Affairs Medical Center**

APA Pre-Doctoral Internship

August 2012 – April 2013  
Cleveland, OH

- Selected as sole Neuropsychology Track intern from ~50 applicants
- Completed two rotations providing outpatient neuropsychological assessment: main hospital (4 months) and Parma Outpatient Clinic (4 months)
- TBI, dementias, PTSD, substance-abuse, chronic pain syndrome, movement disorders, stroke, tumor, autism spectrum disorders, capacity examinations
- Brain-cutting laboratory sessions at Case Western Reserve University
- Supervisors: George Serna, PhD; Daniel Harvey, PhD, ABPP-CN

**Cleveland Clinic Foundation**

August 2012 – August 2013

Pre-Doctoral Trainee

Cleveland, OH

- Participated in CCF Department of Neuropsychology weekly case conferences and weekly multi-disciplinary Epilepsy Case Conference
- Supervisors: Richard Naugle, PhD, ABPP-CN; Michael Parsons, PhD, ABPP-CN

**Wright Institute Assessment Service**

July 2011 – July 2012

Graduate Student Assessor

Berkeley, CA

- Comprehensive neuropsychological and psychodiagnostic assessments for ADHD, learning disabilities, dementia, chronic pain, TBI, personality disorders
- Extensive training in Rorschach scoring and interpretation
- Supervisor: Howard Friedman, PhD, ABPP-CN

**Clinical and Forensic Neuropsychology Private Practice**

August 2011 – June 2012

Psychometrician for Laeeq Evered, PsyD

- Assessment and comprehensive report writing for individuals with TBI

**Santa Rosa Junior College, Student Psychological Services**

August 2010 – May 2012

Psychology Practicum Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- Neuropsychological and psychodiagnostic assessments
- TBI, memory disorders, ADHD, learning disabilities, and emotional/personality issues

**New Directions Adolescent Services**

August 2009 – July 2010

Psychology Practicum Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- Personality assessments, IEP meetings

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCE: PSYCHOTHERAPY**

**Private Practice**

February 2015 – Present

Licensed Psychologist

Temecula, CA

- Adolescent and adult psychotherapy for varied clinical presentations (anxiety, depression, somatoform conditions, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, personality disorders, PTSD)

**Louis Stokes Cleveland Veterans Affairs Medical Center**

April 2013 – August 2013

APA Pre-Doctoral Internship

Cleveland, OH

- 4-month individual and group therapy rotation in prolonged exposure (PE) for PTSD, and mindfulness-based treatments including ACT and DBT
- Supervisor: Kevan McCutcheon, PhD, national VA ACT trainer

**Santa Rosa Junior College, Student Psychological Services**

August 2010 – May 2012

Psychology Practicum Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- Individual, group, and couples therapy, including crisis work
- Employed MBSR and relaxation strategies

**New Directions Adolescent Services**

August 2009 – July 2010

Psychology Practicum Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- Day-treatment center and high school for teenagers ages 13-19 with serious emotional disturbances, many also with learning disabilities and substance-abuse issues

- Wrap-around services with teaching staff, case managers, psychiatrists, parents, and juvenile justice system; individual, group, and milieu psychotherapy

**Progress Foundation – Sonoma County**

August 2008 – August 2009

Psychology Practicum Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- 10-bed adult crisis-residential inpatient setting
- Clients with schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, personality disorders, PTSD, and substance-use disorders
- Group and individual psychotherapy, comprehensive intake assessments

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**Doctoral Dissertation: *Malingering Madness: Distress as a Diagnostic Alternative***

- Primary data-collection study, correlational and descriptive statistics
- Committee: Laeeq Evered, PsyD (chair); Ronald Ruff, PhD; Dale Watson, PhD

**UC Davis M.I.N.D. (Medical Investigation of Neurodevelopmental Disorders) Institute**

Post-Graduate Researcher

June 2005 – July 2006, Sacramento, CA

- 2,000+ hours of clinical and research experience
- Studied neuroimaging and neuropsychology in pediatric developmental disorders including autism, fragile X syndrome, and bipolar disorder
- Ran 1.5T and 3T MRIs at UC Davis Imaging Research Center, performed image digital volumetric analyses, and ran statistical programs
- Co-managed several clinical drug trials for depression and bipolar disorder
- Supervisors: Robert Hendren, DO; Sufen Chiu, MD, PhD

**Medtronic, Inc.**

March 2000 – September 2000

Research and Development Intern

Santa Rosa, CA

- Stent and catheter design using AutoCAD and SmartCAM software
- Ran controlled experiments on electropolishing, acid cleaning, sand blasting, metallurgy, spectrophotometry, and laser cutting of saphenous-vein-graft stents

**TEACHING/CONSULTING EXPERIENCE**

**Research and Editing Consulting Program (RECP)**

*International Neuropsychological Society's International Liaison Committee*

Volunteer Editor

April 2015 – April 2017

- Provided textual manuscript editing and consultation for ESL authors

**The Wright Institute**

Berkeley, CA

Volunteer Neuropsychology Supervisor

March 2015 – March 2017

- Supervision of neuropsychology cases for students in advanced neuropsychology course

Teaching Assistant, *Advanced Assessment: Neuropsychology*

September 2011 – June 2012

- Provided training in administration, scoring, interpretation, and report-writing for wide variety of neuropsychological tests

Teaching Assistant, *Assessment I, II, III*

August 2010 – June 2011

- Tests of focus included: WAIS-IV, Woodcock Johnson-III, PAI, MMPI-2, MMPI-2-RF, MCMI-III, Rorschach

**UC Davis Department of Neurobiology/Physiology**

Teaching Assistant, *Advanced Physiology Lab (111L)*  
*Beginning Physiology Lab (101L)*

Davis, CA  
January 2005 – June 2005  
September 2004 – December 2004

Tutor, *Physiology for Non-Majors*

January 2005 – June 2005

**Academic Tutoring**

1997 – 2010

Self-Employed

- Specialization in chemistry, physiology, math, biology, SAT prep, and writing

**OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Self-Employment**

*Edit or Regret It* Editing Services

2006 – 2018

- Started business in proofreading, copyediting, and APA formatting of a variety of documents including dissertations, scientific articles, essays, novels
- Edited: Ruff, R. M., & Chester, S. (2014). *Effective psychotherapy for individuals with acquired brain injury*. New York, NY: Guilford Press.

**PUBLISHED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Ruff, R. M., **Blank, J.**, & Schraa, J. (2016). How can emotions be more effectively assessed in individuals with traumatic brain injury? *Brain Injury Professional*, 13, 18-21.

Ruff, R. M., Klopfer, J., & **Blank, J.** (2016). Determining homogenous base rates for malingering in neuropsychological examination of litigants. *Psychological Injury and Law*, 9, 143-153.

Chiu, S., Widjaja, F., Bates, M., Voelbel, J., Pandina, G., Marble, J., **Blank, J.**, Day, J., Brule, N., & Hendren, R. (2008). Anterior cingulate volume in pediatric bipolar disorder and autism. *Journal of Affective Disorders*, 105, 93-99. (Note: error in journal citation incorrectly lists me as 7<sup>th</sup> author rather than 2<sup>nd</sup>, which was intended order)

Chiu, S., Wegelin, J., **Blank, J.**, Jenkins, M., Day, J., Hessel, D., Tassone, F., & Hagerman, R. (2007). Early acceleration of head circumference in fragile X syndrome and autism. *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*, 28, 31-35.

**POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

**Blank, J.**, Evered, L., Watson, D., & Ruff, R. (2014, November). *Malingering madness: Distress as a diagnostic alternative*. National Academy of Neuropsychology Conference, Fajardo, Puerto Rico.

Chiu, S., **Blank, J.**, Brule, N., Day, J., Marble, J., Pandina, G., Voelbel, G., Bates, M., & Hendren, R. (2006, October). *Anterior cingulate volume in pediatric bipolar disorder*. American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP), 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Widjaja, F., Day, J., **Blank, J.**, Buonocore, M., Copeland, L., Maddock, R., Chiu, S., & Hendren, R. (2006, October). *Symposium: Proton magnetic resonance spectroscopy in pediatric developmental disorders*. AACAP, 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Bacalman, S., Chiu, S., **Blank, J.**, Widjaja, F., Goodlin-Jones, B., & Hagerman, R. (2006, July). *Presence of psychiatric disorders in young males with fragile X full mutation*. 10<sup>th</sup> National Fragile X Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Chiu, S., Wegelin, J., **Blank, J.**, Jenkins, M., Day, J., Hessler, D., Tassone, F., & Hagerman, R. (2006, June). *Early acceleration of head circumference in fragile X syndrome and autism*. International Meeting for Autism Research (IMFAR), Montreal, Canada. UC Davis Medical Center Research Conference, Sacramento, CA.

Widjaja, F., Chiu, S., **Blank, J.**, Voelbel, G., Pandina, G., Nguyen, D., Bates, M., & Hendren, R. (2006, June). *Psychosis in autism*. IMFAR, Montreal, Canada.

Day, J., **Blank, J.**, Voelbel, G., Hamstra, J., Nguyen, D., Pandina, G., Chiu, S., Bates, M., Mostafavi, I., Marble, J., & Hendren, R. (2005, October). *Correlation between cognitive disorganization severity and MRI-derived brain volumes in children with bipolar disorder and autism spectrum disorders*. AACAP, 52nd Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada. UC Davis Semiannual Campus Research Conference, Davis, CA.

### **PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

**Blank, J.** (2011, October 12). *Life: A balancing act*. Presented to students at Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, CA.

**Blank, J.** (2011, September 27). *Health and student success*. Presented to students at Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, CA.

**Blank, J.**, & Katz, D. (2011, September 13 & 20). *Anger management*. Presented to students at Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa, CA, and Petaluma, CA, campuses.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN)

American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology (AACN), Affiliate