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**CURRICULUM VITAE** 

#### Education

The Graduate School at Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ

In progress

Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, Forensic concentration

The Graduate School at Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ

May 2018

M.A. in Clinical Psychology, Forensic concentration

GPA: 3.85

Ramapo College of New Jersey, Mahwah, NJ

May 2016

B.A. in Psychology with a Minor in Criminology

GPA: 3.73

Magna Cum Laude

### Clinical Experience

# University Correctional Health Care- East Jersey State Prison Forensic Psychology Extern | PhD practicum 1

Sept. 2019 - May 2020

- Conducted individual CBT-based therapy sessions with clients on a weekly basis, treating such issues as depression, anxiety, adjustment disorder, etc.
- -Conducted clinical intake interviews for new clients and documented client history, presenting problem(s), discussed intervention strategies, etc.
- -Wrote treatment plans with clients for long- and short-term therapy goals.
- -Evaluated prisoners convicted of sex offenses to see if they met criteria to be considered Sexually Violent Predators. This included a detailed record review of treatment and institution notes, scoring the Static-99R, conducting a clinical interview, and compiling this information into a comprehensive report for state evaluators.
- -Assessed client's mental status and competency upon receiving a disciplinary charge.
- -Conducted reduction-in-status and clemency evaluations for prisoners who were eligible; involved an interview and review of records, and writing a report detailing the findings to the reviewing committee.
- -Gave orientation lecture to classrooms of newly-arrived inmates.
- -Responsible for giving Suicide Awareness training to DOC officers.

# Special Treatment Unit - East Jersey State Prison Forensic Psychology Extern | MA practicum

**Sept. 2017 – May 2018** 

- Observed and participated in Process Group therapy sessions with the lead counselors, offering feedback to the inmates on their use of treatment interventions, and consulted with treatment staff on inmates' progress.
- -Observed and co-facilitated sex offender treatment/rehabilitation in the Sex Addiction and Relapse-Prevention training modules with the lead counselors.
- -Observed the annual Treatment Plan Review Committee (TPRC) clinical interviews with inmates and learn forensic interviewing techniques.
- -Researched background literature necessary to this and other Forensic positions, such as: Stable-2007 and PCL-R manuals, peer-reviewed papers on psychopathy, forensic assessment, the proper use of risk assessment instruments, the Risk-Needs-Responsivity model, etc.

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# Clinical & Forensic Psychological Consulting Services, CFPCS, LLC, Morristown, NJ

Summer 2017 & 2018

### **Report writer and Clerical Assistant**

-Assisted with group administrations of psychological measures and drafting summary information from self-report personal history questionnaires for background sections of assessment reports.

#### Honors and Awards

# **Faculty Award for Distinction in Psychology,** Ramapo College Recognition received from Ramapo Psychology Department for

**April 2016** 

Recognition received from Ramapo Psychology Department for contributions to the Psychology program.

### Dean's list, Ramapo College

2013 - 2016

#### Awarded Research Grants

American Psychology-Law Society Student Grants-in-Aid How big is too big? The potentially coercive effects of plea discount on innocent defendants

Nov. 2017

Amount: \$1,000

Principle Investigator: Ryan A. Schneider, B.A.

### Research Experience

### **Perceiving People Lab**

# (Director: John Paul Wilson, Ph.D.), Montclair State University Graduate Assistant

Sept. 2018 – May 2020

- Created Qualtrics surveys for research on the perception of faces and how this relates to innate qualities (e.g. trustworthiness).
- -Edited photos of volunteers' faces in Photoshop to create stimuli for use in ongoing research projects.
- -Recruit and run participants in research studies.
- -Manage lab team by organizing meetings and booking lab and office space; responsible for handling difficulties between lab members and/or participants.

# Adolescent Decision Making and Legal Competencies Lab (Director: Tina M. Zottoli, Ph.D.), Montclair State University Research Assistant

Spring 2017 - Present

- -Collaborate with Dr. Zottoli on the development and execution of studies related to guilty plea decision making.
- -Serve as the PI on a project studying the effects of time pressure on guilty plea decisions.
- -Provided project support coding files on a study comparing juvenile and adult plea decisions and on a national survey of laws pertaining to the guilty plea process in the US.
- -Responsible for conducting the analysis of an upcoming paper using Bayesian analysis. Responsibilities include conducting an exhaustive literature review on Bayesian techniques, finding the appropriate methods to analyze lab data, gathering and learning the R packages necessary to conduct the analysis, and writing the R scripts to carry them out.

### MA Thesis (Mentor, Dr. Tina M. Zottoli):

May 2017 - May 2018

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How Big is Too Big: The potentially coercive effects of plea discount on innocent defendants.

- This study examined the effects of discount size and threatened trial penalty on plea decisions of mock guilty and innocent defendants.
- -The results have been published in Legal and Criminological Psychology.

### Papers and Presentations

- **Schneider, R.A.,** Bartlett, J., & Zottoli, T.M. (In press). Wrongful convictions. In R. Roesch (Volume Ed.), *Psychology and law*, a volume of *Routledge encyclopedia of psychology in the real world*. New York: Routledge.
- Kalal, D., Leff, A., **Schneider, R.A.,** (2019, October). *Be Mindful!* Presentation presented at annual CQI Fair at NJ Department of Corrections, Trenton, NJ.
- **Schneider, R. A.** (2019, August 6). *Intro to R*. Lecture presented at Lab meeting: Introduction to Coding in R at Montclair State University, Montclair.
- **Schneider**, **R. A.**, & Zottoli, T. M. (2019). Disentangling the effects of plea discount and potential trial sentence on decisions to plead guilty. *Legal and Criminological Psychology*, 24(2), 288-304.
- **Schneider, R.A.** & Zottoli, T.M. (March 2019). The effect of plea discount and potential trial sentence on guilty plea decisions. Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Psychology and Law Society. Portland, OR.
- Zottoli, T.M. & **Schneider, R.A**. (2018, October). *Bayesian "New Statistics."*Discussant, Journal Club, Psychology Department, Montclair State University.
- **Schneider, R.A.** & Zottoli, T. M. (2018, March). How big is too Big? The potentially coercive effects of plea discount on innocent defendants. Poster presented at the annual conference of the American Psychology and Law Society. Memphis, TN.
- **Schneider, R.A.** (2015, April). Can humans create randomness? Poster presented at the Ramapo Student Research Symposium, Ramapo College of NJ. Mahwah, NJ.

### Additional Training

# Krame Center for Contemplative Studies and Mindful Living/ Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ

**Spring 2015** 

-Attended and completed an eight-week Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) training course.

-Helped to launch and manage the Mindfulness club at Ramapo

College as one of the three founding members.

-Attended seminars on Mindfulness-based practices.

### Morris County Prosecutor's Office, Morristown, NJ

Sept. 2012 – Oct. 2012

-Eight Week Certificate Course of Study in Law Enforcement.

Memberships and University Involvement

American Psychological Science, student member

**2019 - present** 

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### **Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student Organization**,

Montclair State University, member	<b>2018 - present</b>
Faculty Affairs Committee, Montclair State University, member	<b>2018 - present</b>
American Psychology-Law Society (APA Div. 41), member	2017- present
Golden Key Honor Society, member	<b>2015 - present</b>
Mindfulness Club, Ramapo College, member	2014 - 2016
Psychology Coalition, Ramapo College, member	2014 - 2016
Archery Club, Ramapo College, member	2014 - 2016

### Montclair State University Director of Clinical Training (DCT):

Dr. Jeremy Fox Professor, Montclair State University Dickson Hall, room 253 Psychology Department psychpracticum@montclair.edu 973-655-7379 Office Hours (Fall, 2018): Monday, 12-2pm

Days available for externship in Fall 2019 & Spring 2020

Tuesday- all day Thursday- all day