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## **PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**

### ***Degrees***

Ph.D.	Psychospirituality, Integrative Medicine, Expressive Arts, Union Institute & University, Cincinnati, Ohio.	2008
	<i>Dissertation: Incarnation: Arts-Based Research for Personal and Societal Health, Growth, and Transformation</i> (Creative synthesis of arts-based research and social action to develop the personal and leadership skills necessary to design and initiate a health and human services organization).	
MSSA	Social Work and Social Administration. Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.	2001
MA	Ministry. Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio. Thesis: <i>Called and Gifted: Continued Adult Formation and Celebration of the American Catholic Laity.</i>	1998
MA	Art Therapy. Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio. Thesis: <i>Now with You Is Wisdom: Personal Integration of Psyche and Soul through Art Making.</i>	1993
BA	Secondary Education, English and Art. Notre Dame College, South Euclid, Ohio	

### ***Registrations and Certifications***

Board Certified Spiritual Director	Ignatian Spirituality Institute, John Carroll University	2013
Board-Certified Art Therapist	American Art Therapy Certification Board	2006
Reiki Master Teacher	International School of Reiki	2003
Board Certified Pastoral Minister	Cleveland Catholic Diocese	1996

Registered Art Therapist	American Art Therapy Certification Board	1994
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***Licensure***

Ohio Teaching License (7-12)	Ohio Board of Education (Renewal)	2011
Licensed Independent Social Worker with Supervisory Designation	Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage & Family Counselor Board (Renewal)	2016

***Certificates***

Certificate in Nonprofit Management	Case Western Reserve University	2006
Certificate In Drawing	Cleveland Institute of Art	2005

**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

2012 - Present	Presenter and Instructor for Continuing Professional Education	Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio
2010 - Present	Art Therapy Site Supervisor for Art Therapy and Counseling Graduate Students	Art Therapy & Counseling Program, Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio
2010 – 2012	Field Supervisor for Graduate Social Work Students	School of Social Work, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio
2011 - Present	Special Adjunct/Lecturer/Instructor for Professional Social Workers and Counselors, Mental Health and Older Adults: Art Psychotherapy	Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
2006 – Present	Mentor for Graduate Social Work Students	Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
2005 – Present	Field Supervisor for Graduate Social Work Students	Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio; Cleveland State University
2001 – 2007	Instructor for Doctoral Students (Expressive Arts, Civil Law and Psychology, Doctoral Studies and Self-Care)	Union Institute & University, Cincinnati, Ohio.

2000 - 2012	Field Supervisor for Occupational Therapy Assistant Students	Cuyahoga Community College, Ohio
1996	Continuing Education Instructor, Art As Therapy	Cuyahoga Community College, Ohio
1994	Instructor, Art Therapy and Aging	Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio

### **ADMINISTRATIVE/LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

2012-Present	Founder and Adult Education Specialist of the Benjamin Rose Education and Training Program for Health and Human Services Professionals, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio. Program designed to provide continuing education for health and human services professionals and paraprofessionals to enhance the quality of services they provide to clients and patients.	
2005 – 2012	Member of the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging’s Eldercare Services Institute, Management Team, Cleveland, Ohio. Team managed five departments that provide therapeutic services to older adults. Services include: including Adult Day Services, Homecare Services, Mental Health Services, Partial Hospitalization Services, and Social Work Services.	
1997 - 2012	Founder, Director, Supervisor and Psychotherapist, Benjamin Rose Mental Health Partial Hospitalization Program in Cleveland and Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Established this partial hospitalization program to provide intense psychotherapy for individuals with severe and chronic mental illness (Bipolar disorder, depression, personality disorders, schizophrenia, et al.)	
1990 – 2012	Director, Benjamin Rose Adult Day Program, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Administered program, supervised staff, developed therapeutic arts program, served as art therapist.	

### **RESEARCH**

#### ***Research, Awards, Grants, Scholarship***

2015	\$5,000 grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture to assist in funding expressive arts and social action activities at the Rose Centers of Cleveland.	
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- 2014                    \$3,750 grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture to assist in funding expressive arts and social action activities at the Rose Centers of Cleveland.
- 2013                    \$5,000.00 grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture to assist in funding an expressive arts conference in Fall, 2014.
- 2009                    Awarded \$10,000 by the Ridgecliff Foundation to expand Benjamin Rose Partial Hospitalization Program and establish a second treatment site on the West Side of Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2007                    Dissertation: *Incarnation: Arts-Based Research for Personal and Societal Health, Growth, and Transformation.*
- 2005                    Awarded \$10,000 for research and initiation of an art therapy/family art therapy program at the Benjamin Rose Adult Day Program and Partial Hospitalization Program in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.
- 2002-2005            Awarded scholarships for graduate study and a Certificate in Nonprofit Management at Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations/Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2000                    Awarded President's Scholarship for graduate study at the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1998                    Awarded scholarships for graduate study in ministry, Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1989                    Awarded partial scholarship for graduate study in art therapy by the Greater Cleveland Neighborhoods Association.

### **TEACHING INTERESTS AND SPECIALTIES**

Complementary and alternative therapies, ethics, expressive arts therapies, creative therapies for holistic health and wellness, art therapy and older adults, art psychotherapy with mental health populations, DSM-5, group therapy, integrative medicine, neuroscience and the arts, mental health topics, program development and evaluation, spirituality and the arts, clinical writing and APA style.

## PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

### *Professional Presentations*

- August 2015      ***Ethics: How to Provide Support to Persons with Dementia and Their Caregivers.*** Ethics presentation for professional counselors, nurses and social workers at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio.
- June 2016      ***Ethics: Practicing on the Dark Side.*** Ethics presentation for professional counselors, nurses and social workers at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio.
- March 2015      ***Ethics: Revisiting the Limits of Client Confidentiality.*** Ethics presentation for professional counselors, nurses, and social workers at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio.
- February 2015      ***Ethics: Making Difficult Decisions.*** Ethics presentation for professional counselors, nurses, and social workers at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio
- January 2015      ***Ethics: Clients Rights and Professional Responsibilities.*** Ethics presentation for professional counselors and social workers at the Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio
- May 2014      ***How Do We See Our World: Expressive Arts and Creativity, Healing, and Social Consciousness.*** Planned conference and presented at this conference in order to demonstrate how the expressive arts can be used for social action. The Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio.
- April 2014      ***DSM-5: Introduction and Changes.*** Presentation to undergraduate and graduate students and faculty of the Cleveland Music Therapy Consortium at Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, Ohio
- March 2014      ***Who We Are Is What We Do: Ethics and Boundaries*** Updated presentation to health and human services professions. The Conference Center at Benjamin Rose, Cleveland, Ohio

- July 2013            **DSM -5.** Benjamin Rose Education and Training Program, Cleveland, Ohio.
- June 2013            **Who We Are Is What We Do: Ethics and Boundaries.** Benjamin Rose Education and Training Program, Cleveland, Ohio.
- September 2012    **Spiritual Development: Faith, Spirituality, Community.** Presentation to the Spiritual Development Commission of the Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.
- March &  
November 2011    **Mental Health and Older Adults.** Seminar for healthcare professionals at the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.
- May 2011            **Partial Hospitalization Therapeutic Services.** Presentation for the professional staff of the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging's Partial Hospitalization Program, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.
- November 2010    **The Quiet Caregiver Crisis.** Presentation at the annual Aging Your Way Conference sponsored by the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio.
- June, 2009           **Partial Hospitalization Services: An Overview.** Presentation to Certified Group Home Operators, Cleveland, Ohio.
- November 2008    **Incarnation: Arts-Based Research for Personal and Societal Health, Growth, and Transformation.** Presentation at the annual conference of the American Art Therapy Association, Cleveland, Ohio.
- December 2007    **Expressive Arts Retreat for Health Professionals.** Annual retreat for the staff of the Benjamin Rose Adult Day Program and Benjamin Rose Partial Hospitalization Program, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.
- June 2006           **Expressive Arts Therapies.** Seminar for doctoral students at Union Institute & University, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- October 2005       **Civil Law and Psychology.** Seminar for doctoral students at Union Institute & University, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 2005 - 2002        **Psychospirituality, Integrative Medicine, and the Expressive Arts from a Holistic Perspective.** Presentations for professionals at Case Western Reserve University, the Cleveland Foundation, Cleveland Social Venture Partners, and health practitioners.

- 2005                    ***Signs, Symptoms, and Interventions for Older Adults with Mental Illness and Memory Loss.*** Training for police officers sponsored by the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County.
- 2004                    ***Partial Hospitalization and Expressive Arts Interventions.*** Presentation for professional staff at Euclid Hospital, Euclid, Ohio
- 2000                    ***Working with Older Adults with Cognitive and Functional Impairments.*** Orientation for case managers at the Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2000                    ***Strategic Planning for Adult Day Services and Partial Hospitalization Services.*** Board of Directors, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1999                    ***The Message of "I Am Rappaport."*** Panel presenter as a member of the Benjamin Rose Institute Cultural Diversity Task Force, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1998                    ***Care of the Soul.*** Half-day retreat on leadership and self-care for the parish staff and parishioners of Our Lady of the Angels Church, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1998                    ***Therapeutic Interventions for Older Adults.*** Presentation for the caregivers of older adults with Alzheimer's disease, The Alzheimer's Association, Cleveland, Ohio.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Elliott, L. C. (2013). *Arts-based research and its implications for societal healing, growth, and transformation.* Manuscript in preparation.
- Elliott, L. C. (2008). *Incarnation: Art-based research for personal and societal health, growth, and transformation.* Unpublished manuscript of doctoral project demonstrating excellence, Union Institute & University, Cincinnati, Ohio.
- Elliott, L. C. (2005). A study of holistic health centers affiliated with teaching hospitals. [Unpublished manuscript]

## SAMPLE OF EXHIBITIONS

- Spirituality and Art.*** Exhibition for the 10th anniversary of the Ignatian Spirituality Institute at John Carroll University, University heights, Ohio.

**Art Therapy.** Exhibition at the Wasmer Gallery, Ursuline College, Pepper Pike, Ohio.

**Calligraphic Art.** Beck Center for the Arts, Lakewood, Ohio.

### **ART DISPLAYED IN PRIVATE COLLECTIONS**

Chardon, Ohio

Cleveland, Ohio

Cleveland Heights, Ohio

Euclid, Ohio

Highland Heights, Ohio

Lyndhurst, Ohio

Montville, Ohio

South Euclid, Ohio

Rhode Island, New York

University Heights, Ohio

Wickliffe, Ohio

Willowick, Ohio

Willoughby, Ohio

### **VOLUNTEERISM**

#### **Ministry**

2015 – Present Member, Worship Commission, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio

2013 – Present Certified Spiritual Director in Northeast Ohio

2013 – Present Chairperson/Member, Ignatian Identity Committee, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.

2012- 2015 Member, Faith Formation Commission, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.

2012 – Present Spiritual Director for students at John Carroll University, University Heights, Ohio

2011- 2012 Chairperson, Spiritual Development Committee, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.

2011- 2014 Member, Parish Pastoral Council, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.

1998-1999 Member of Advisory Council, Ursuline College Graduate Ministry Program, Pepper Pike, Ohio.

1996-2000 Member of Advisory Board, Pastoral Ministry Office, Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio.



- 1996-1998 Member of Advisory Board, Mediation Office, Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1994-1996 Chairperson of Diocesan Pastoral Council, Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 1994 Chairperson of Gesu Parish Pastoral Council, Church of the Gesu, University Heights, Ohio.

## **RETREATS**

- September 2012 - Present Conduct 32-Week Individual and 8-Week Group Ignatian Spirituality Retreats at the Church of the Gesu in University Heights, Ohio.
- August 1996 Conducted weekend retreat for the Diocesan Pastoral Council of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, St. Joseph Christian Life Center, Cleveland, Ohio
- December 1996 – May 1997 Conducted a four-part series entitled *Called and Gifted: Continuing Adult Formation and Celebration of the American Catholic Laity* at Our Lady of the Angels Church in Cleveland, Ohio.
- March 1996 Conduct Lenten Afternoon of Reflection, St. Christopher Church, Rocky River, Ohio.
- August 1995 Conducted weekend retreat for the Diocesan Pastoral Council of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, St. Joseph Christian Life Center, Cleveland, Ohio
- March 1994 Conducted weekend retreat for Women’s Twelve-Step Program, St. Joseph Christian Life Center, Cleveland, Ohio

## **Community**

- 2010 – 2013 Board Member, Department of Education, Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, Ohio

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2010 - Present     Steering Committee Member, Northeast Ohio Center for Creative Aging,  
Cleveland, Ohio

2004 – 2006        Member, Western Reserve Chorale, Cleveland, Ohio

2001 – 2002        Founding Member: Shaker Heights Business Association, Shaker Heights,  
Ohio

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Art Therapy Association  
Northeast Ohio Center for Creative Aging  
Spiritual Directors International