

## *Curriculum Vitae*

# Susan Larcombe

### Education

**California University State, Fresno; Fresno, California**                      **2005 – 2009**

Master of Science in Counseling - Marriage and Family Therapy option

**University of Alberta; Edmonton, Alberta**    **1996 – 2004**

Bachelor of Arts, English

### Related Work Experience

**Square Peg Psychology – Owner/Operator and Registered Psychologist**    **2021-present**

Providing psychological services to clients as well as on-site and external supervision to Masters' students and Provisional Psychologists across Alberta.

**Co-Director of Red Tree Psychology – a practice of independent psychologists**    **2016-2021**

Our small team of directors created a safe and welcoming space and built a strong reputation in the community and amongst colleagues.

## Related Work Experience (cont.)

### **Private Practice - Reg. Psychologist since June 5, 2012**

**2012-present**

I provide psychological counselling to adults (individuals and relationships) in my private practice. I work with clients concerned with gender and sexuality, depression, anxiety, relationship issues, trauma (including interpersonal trauma/assault as well as motor vehicle accidents), workplace stress, life stage transitions, and grief and loss. I have also been a supervisor to Provisional Psychologists since 2018, and to Masters of Counselling students since 2019.

### **Lousage Institute - Reg. Provisional Psychologist/Intern.**

**2010-2011**

I provided counselling to individuals ages 16+ and couples under the supervision of Andrea Magill, M. Ed., Reg. Psychologist (Reg. #2807) in a private practice setting towards my registration as a psychologist.

### **Alberta Health Services-Addiction & Mental Health – Addictions Counsellor II.** 2009-2010

I provided one on one counseling, facilitated both psychoeducational and process groups, and worked as part of the Intensive Outpatient Treatment team. My work involved adult clients with various co-occurring presenting issues besides substance use, and included assessment reports.

### **Canadian Mental Health Association – Family Support Worker.**

**2009-2013**

I facilitated a structured support group for family members and friends supporting a person living with mental illness. The group was a forum for members to both provide and receive mutual peer support and encouraged focusing on one's own needs first in order to better support their loved one.

## Related Volunteer Experience

### **Sexual Assault Centre of Edmonton Crisis Line – Supportive Listener.**

**2013-2015**

Crisis intervention and supportive listening with callers dealing with the aftermath of sexualized violence.

### **Walk-In Counselling Society of Edmonton – Volunteer Counsellor.**

**2012-2015**

A once-monthly volunteer commitment using single-session solution-focused counselling with our clients.

**The Pride Centre of Edmonton & The Support Network – Volunteer Counsellor 2008-2009**

I had a once-monthly volunteer commitment with both agencies working with a diverse clientele within single-session and short-term formats.

**Jewish Family Services – Counselling Practicum Student. 2007-2008**

As part of my degree program, my field placement at Jewish Family Services engaged me with a wide range of clients both individually and in co-facilitating a bereavement group.

**Walk-In Counselling – The Support Network – Counselling Practicum Student. 2007**

As part of my degree program, I worked with a variety of clients in all age ranges (from children to seniors). I had the opportunity work with families, couples and children as well as individuals within both short-term and single-session formats and to co-facilitate a suicide bereavement group for parents.

**Distress Line – The Support Network – Supportive Listener. 2004-2005**

I worked on the Distress Line doing crisis intervention work and supportive listening with callers who present with a wide variety of psychological, emotional and pragmatic issues including suicide and severe psychological issues.

## Workshops and Trainings

### Foundational Skills

**LGBTQ+ Centred Emotion Focused Therapy** - 4 day Externship (June 2023)  
- 8 day Core Skills (October 2024 – April 2025)

**Sexual Health Alliance – Sex Therapist Certification Online Program (2023 – 2024)**  
Certified Sex Therapist through SHA since January 15, 2024

**Somatic Experiencing Trauma Training 3 year Program, 2014 – 2016**  
Somatic Experiencing Practitioner since December 2, 2016.

**Hakomi Institute of Edmonton 2-year Professional Skills Training & 1-Year Professional Supervision**  
(450 hours) 2011 – 2014  
Certified Hakomi Therapist since December 6, 2014.

**Attending to Attachment: Mindfulness-based approaches to healing adult attachment systems**  
(72 hours, including 8 hours advanced group supervision)  
Julie Murphy CHT. Presented by Hakomi Edmonton 2016-2017

**Intensive Sex Therapy Training Program (7-day course)**  
University of Guelph 2008

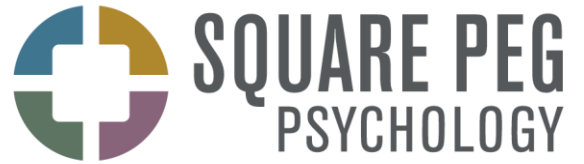
**Foundations of Play Therapy/Advanced Theories and Techniques in Play Therapy** (150 hours)  
Presented by Rocky Mountain Play Therapy Institute 2009

### Supervision Skills

**Peer Supervisors' Consultation Group** (monthly, 2 hours via Zoom)  
2019 to current

**Certificate in Advanced Clinical Supervision in Psychology** (3-credit course)  
Dr. Jeff Chang. Presented by University of Calgary Continuing Education 2016

**Current & Emerging Best Practices in Supervision** (8 hours)  
Presented by University of Alberta Department of Educational Psychology, attended 2017, 2018, 2019



**Decolonizing Clinical Supervision** (2.5 CE credits)

Dana Stone, PhD, LMFT & Jessica ChenFeng, PhD, LMFT Presented via SimplePracticeLearning.com 2021

## Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

### **Beyond Multicultural Counseling: Psychotherapy on the Margins** (1.5 hrs)

Travis Heath, PhD. Presented by SimplePracticeLearning.com 2022

### **Indigenous Canada** (12-module self-study course)

Dr. Paul L. Gareau. Presented by Coursera.org 2022

### **Kink, BDSM, and Mental Health** (1 hr)

Maria Carrington, LICSW. Presented by SimplePracticeLearning.com 2021

### **Gender as Trauma: A training for somatic psychologists** (4 hours)

Alex Iantaffi, PhD, LMFT. Presented virtually via Zoom, 2021

### **Challenging Ableism in Therapy: A trauma-informed somatic perspective** (4 hours)

Alex Iantaffi, PhD, LMFT. Presented virtually via Zoom, 2021

### **Kink-Affirmative & Trauma-Informed: BDSM in the therapy room** (4 hours)

Alex Iantaffi, PhD, LMFT. Presented virtually via Zoom, 2021

### **Embodied Anti-Racism** (10 hours video content + reading materials)

Francesca Marguerite Maxime. Presented virtually by the Academy of Therapy Wisdom 2020.

### **Do No Harm: Using an Anti-Racist Lens as a White Therapist** (2-hr workshop)

Richla Davis, Psychotherapist and Anti-Oppression Consultant (virtual) 2020.

## Specific Clinical Issues

### **Panic Attacks: A Brief Intervention (1 hr)**

Dr Bonnie Zucker. Presented by SimplePracticeLearning.com 2022

### **“Pure O” OCD Subtypes: How to identify and treat them (2 hrs)**

Nikki Rubin, PsyD, Licensed Psychologist. Presented by SimplePracticeLearning.com 2021.

### **Sexual Desire Discrepancy in Couples (1.5 hrs)**

Lisa Elieson, MA, LPC-S. Presented by SimplePracticeLearning.com 2021

### **Diagnosis & Treatment of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (4-day workshop)**

Elna Yadin, Presented by University of Alberta Department of Educational Psychology 2019

### **Trauma & PTSD in First Responders (8 hours)**

Dr Megan McElheran. Presented by PAA 2019

### **Overcoming Problems Caused by Sexual Abuse, Sexual Addiction & Pornography (2-day workshop)**

Wendy Maltz 2008

## General Clinical Skills

**Irvin Yalom and the Art of Psychotherapy** (7.5 CE credits).  
Presented virtually by the Psychotherapy.net Academy, 2021

**A Matter of Death and Life** (1.5 CE Credits)  
Irvin Yalom. Presented by OnlineEvents.co.uk, 2021

**Becoming a Master Therapist** (15 hours video content + reading materials)  
Drs. Tori Olds and Charlotte Howard. Presented virtually by the Academy of Therapy Wisdom 2020.

**Protecting Patients from Sexual Abuse and Misconduct** (online course)  
Presented by the Alberta Federation of Regulated Health Professions (AFRHP), 2020  
\*Mandatory for all Psychologists in Alberta.

**Healing and Treating Trauma, Addictions and Related Disorders** (3-day workshop)  
Presented by Jack Hirose and Associates 2010

**Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training**  
Presented by Bosco Homes 2007

**Suicide Intervention Training**  
Presented by Bosco Homes 2007

**Self-Harm Workshop**  
Presented by The Support Network 2007

**Restorative Justice Training**  
Presented by Pacific University (Fresno, CA) 2005

**Advanced Training: Compassionate Listening Project** (WA) 2004-2005