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Education

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| 2016 | Duquesne University , Pittsburgh, PA
**APA Accredited
Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology
M.A. 2012 |
| 2007 | Claremont McKenna College , Claremont, CA
B.A., <i>Cum Laude</i> & Philosophy Department Honors |
| 2005 | Oxford University , Oxford, UK
Visiting Student, Philosophy |

Academic Appointments

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| 2019 – Present | Health Sciences Assistant Clinical Professor
Department of Psychiatry of the David Geffen School of Medicine
University of California, Los Angeles |
| 2019 – Present | Health Sciences Investigator
Center for the Study of Healthcare Innovation, Implementation & Policy
VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VAGLA) |
| 2017 – 2018 | Visiting Scholar
Chicano Studies Research Center
University of California, Los Angeles |
| 2014 - 2015 | Estudiante Huésped [Visiting Scholar]
<i>Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social, Oaxaca</i>
[Center for Research and Higher Studies in Social Anthropology, Oaxaca] |
| 2014 - 2015 | Guest researcher
<i>Biblioteca Fray Juan de Córdova</i>
Oaxaca, Mexico |

2011 - 2015 College Instructor
McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts
Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

Honors and Awards

- 2023 Stirling Prize, Best Published Work in Psychological Anthropology, Society for Psychological Anthropology, recognized at the 2023 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting
- 2023 Article Spotlight: “Does cultural competence need a philosophy?” [\[article link\]](#), American Psychological Association
- 2017 Distinguished Dissertation in Qualitative Inquiry Award, Division 5, American Psychological Association
- 2016 CORE Award, Sharp HealthCare’s highest company award in recognition for the development of a new psychotherapy program entitled Intergenerational Therapy.
- 2015 Dissertation Fellowship, McAnulty College of Liberal Arts, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2015 Graduate Student Award for Scholarship Excellence, McAnulty College of Liberal Arts, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2014 Graduate Student Award for Teaching Excellence, McAnulty College of Liberal Arts, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2014 Certificate of University Teaching, Recipient, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2010 – 2014 Graduate Assistant Scholarship, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2010 U.S. Patent (P-2837-00-US / ID 3705) “Expanding Ad Group Themes” on behalf of Google Inc.
- 2009 Google OSO Gold Award in recognition for co-founded project “Cast Your Net.”
- 2007 *Cum Laude* & departmental honors, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA.
- 2006 – 2007 Dunbar Fellowship, Gould Center for Humanistic Studies. Research Project: “Philosophical Responses to the Holocaust.” Claremont, CA.
- 2004 McKenna International Scholarship. Project: Sri Lanka Tsunami Relief. Claremont, CA.

Previous and Current Research

- 2019 – Present “Clinical Assessment of PTSD Symptoms and Recovery among Male Military Sexual Trauma Participants in Group Therapy”
Principal Investigator
Grant Proposal Under Review
- 2020 – Present “Helping LA Faith-Communities Prevent Veteran Suicide During Periods of Transition Back into Civilian Life”
Co-Investigator / Qualitative Researcher
- 2018 – Present “Moral Injury and Spirituality in our Network (MISSION)”
Co-Investigator / Qualitative Researcher
Grant Amount: \$150,000
Funding Source: Private Donor
- 2015 – 2016 “Social Dimensions of Alzheimer’s Disease Among Caregivers in Oaxaca”
Principal Investigator
Grant Amount: \$10,000
Funding Source: Dissertation Fellowship, McAnulty School of Liberal Arts, Duquesne University
- 2010 – 2011 Phenomenological Experiences of Family Photo Albums
Co-Investigator
Funding Source: Unfunded
- 2006 – 2007 “Philosophical Responses to the Holocaust”
Principal Investigator
Grant Amount: \$10,000
Funding Source: Dunbar Fellowship, Claremont Colleges

College Courses Taught

2011 – 2014

Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

- Brain, Behavior, & Cognition
Fall 2013 & Spring 2014
- Psychological Disorders
Fall 2012 & Spring 2013
- Introduction to Psychology
Fall 2011 & Spring 2012

*All classes independently designed and taught

Books

Yahalom, J. (2019). *Caring for the People of the Clouds: Aging and Dementia in Oaxaca*. Norman, OK: University of Oklahoma Press.

Book Chapters

Fein, E., & Yahalom, J. (2023). Ethnography in psychological research. In H. Cooper, M. N. Coutanche, L. M. McMullen, A. T. Panter, D. Rindskopf, & K. J. Sher (Eds.), *APA handbook of research methods in psychology: Research designs: Quantitative, qualitative, neuropsychological, and biological* (pp. 171–188). American Psychological Association.

Peer Reviewed Publications

Santiago, S., & Yahalom, J., et al. (2023). Faith-Based Organizations' Support of Veteran Congregants at Risk for Mental Health Conditions and Suicide: A Qualitative Study of Clergy Experiences in Los Angeles County. *Journal of Religion and Health*, Advanced online publication.

Yahalom, J., & Hamilton, A. B. (2023). Cultural pragmatism: In search of alternative thinking about cultural competence in mental health. *Journal of Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology*. Advanced online publication.

Yahalom, J., Frankfurt, S., & Hamilton, A. B. (2023). Between Moral Injury and Moral Agency: Exploring Treatment for Men with Histories of Military Sexual Trauma. *Medicine Anthropology Theory*, 10(1), 1-21.

Yahalom, J., Hamilton, A. B., Lang, A. J., Holliday, R., & Monteith, L. L. (2023). Military Sexual Trauma Among Men: Gendered Experiences, Clinical Considerations, and Treatment Options. *Current Treatment Options in Psychiatry*, 10(1), 21-34.

Yahalom, J., Yarns, B. C., Clair, K., Cloitre, M., Lang, A. J., & Hamilton, A. B. (2022). Patient

- experiences and reported effectiveness of a multimodal short-term pilot therapy group for veteran men with military sexual trauma. *Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 78(12), 2410-2426.
- Yahalom, J. (2020). Toward a methodology of chance: On obstacles to research and their advantages. *Qualitative Psychology*, 7(2), 153–168.
- Yahalom, J. (2020). Social factors of health-seeking behavior: On medical treatment for elders with dementia in Oaxaca, Mexico. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*. [Available through “OnlineFirst”]
- Yahalom, J. (2019). Pragmatic truths about illness experience: Idioms of distress around Alzheimer’s disease in Oaxaca, Mexico. *Transcultural Psychiatry*, 56(4), 599–619.
- Yahalom, J. (2017). Levinasian Caregiving: Dementia and the other-in-between. *Philosophy in the Contemporary World* 24(1), 51-62.
- Goicoechea, J., Wagner, K., Yahalom, J., & Medina, T. (2014). Group counseling for at-risk african american youth: A collaboration between therapists and artists. *Journal of Creativity in Mental Health*, 9(1), 69-82.
- Yahalom, J. (2014). Freud and Epicurean philosophy: Revisiting drive theory. *Contemporary Psychoanalysis*, 50(3), 395-417.
- Yahalom, J. (2014). A phenomenological review of Alzheimer’s disease: Philosophical and psychotherapeutic considerations. *Metaxu*. 1(1).
- Yahalom, J. (2013). Mothers and the phenomenology of the memorable photograph. *Phenomenology & Practice*, 7(1), 126-138.

Academic Presentations

- Yahalom, J. (2023, April). Panel Organizer and Presenter for “The Clinic as Fieldsite, the Anthropologist as Therapist: Reflections from Clinician-Ethnographers” at the Biannual Meeting for the Society of Psychological Anthropology, San Diego, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2022, November). “Ethnographic Research as Applied to Alzheimer’s in Oaxaca and Veteran Men with MST” for Mental Health Grand Rounds, Greater Los Angeles VA Medical Center.
- Yahalom, J. (2023, April). Ethnography in Psychological Research. Guest Lecturer for UCLA Advanced Seminar in Psychological Research, taught by Patricia Greenfield.
- Yahalom, J. (2022, August). “Ethnographic Considerations on Truth-Claims and Writing” at the Annual Conference of the American Psychological Association, Minneapolis, MN.

- Yahalom, J. (2022, April). Ethnography in Psychological Research. Guest Lecturer for UCLA Advanced Seminar in Psychological Research, taught by Patricia Greenfield.
- Yahalom, J. (2021, November). Panel Organizer and Presenter for “Truth, Competence, and Culture: Applying Anthropological Insights to Questions of Intercultural Competence” at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Baltimore, MD.
- Yahalom, J. (2021, April). Masculinity and Shame: Rape Victims Among U.S. Military Veterans. Presentation for the Society of Psychological Anthropology. Online.
- Yahalom, J. (2020, April). On Field Methods and Stigma: Conducting Research on Illness Categories that Do Not Exist Locally. Presentation for The Society for the Study of Psychiatry and Culture. Online.
- Yahalom, J. (2020, July). Psychodynamic Psychotherapy: Continuing Education (6 credit hours) at the Veterans Affairs of Greater Los Angeles. Presenter & program organizer.
- Yahalom, J. (2020, May). Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Aging, Dementia, and Care: A Case Study from Oaxaca, Mexico. Presentation for the Global Brain Health Institute, University of California, San Francisco.
- Yahalom, J. (2020, February). Investigación etnográfica y métodos interdisciplinarios: Envejecimiento y demencia en Teotitlán del Valle, Oaxaca [Ethnographic inquiry and interdisciplinary methods: aging and dementia in Teotitlán del Valle, Oaxaca]. Presentation for Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social, Oaxaca [Center for Research and Higher Studies in Social Anthropology, Oaxaca].
- Yahalom, J. (2020, February). Consejos Básicos Para Cuidar: Perspectivas de casos de Alzheimer, demencia senil, y derrame cerebral. [Basic Caregiving Tips: Perspectives on Alzheimer’s, dementia, and stroke]. Presentation delivered at the Centro Cultural for the community of Teotitlán del Valle, Oaxaca.
- Yahalom, J. (2020, January). “Mind Medicine and Culture” Visiting Lecture. Presentation for the Department of Anthropology of the University of California, Los Angeles.
- Yahalom, J. (2019, November). Cultural Pragmatism: Theoretical Origins and Clinical Applications. Paper presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Vancouver, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2019, April). Visiting Author Lecture: Caring for the People of the Clouds. Presentation for the Department of Anthropology and the Center for Latin American Studies of the University of Pittsburgh, PA.
- Yahalom, J. (2019, April). Publication Showcase: New and Forthcoming Ethnographies in Psychological Anthropology. Roundtable presentation at the Society for Psychological Anthropology Biannual Meeting in Santa Ana Pueblo, NM.

- Yahalom, J. (2019, April). Thinking and Training Across Disciplines: Toward an Anthropologically Informed Psychiatry. Roundtable presentation at the Society for Psychological Anthropology Biannual Meeting in Santa Ana Pueblo, NM.
- Yahalom, J. (2018, November). Pragmatism and Idioms of Distress: Analyzing Alzheimer's Disease in Oaxaca, Mexico. Panel presentation for session "Conceptualizing Personhood, Distress, and Lived Experience: Anthropologies of Aging and the Life Course" at the 116th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Jose, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2018, April). Caregiving in Oaxaca: Social Perspectives on Aging and Dementia. Research Seminar presented for the Chicano Studies Research Center, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2017, June). Pragmatic Etiologies and the Experience of Social Suffering. Seminar presented for the Psychological and Medical Anthropology Seminar Series, Department of Anthropology, UCSD, San Diego, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2016, November). Alzheimer's Disease in Oaxaca: Local Perceptions, Stigma, and the Social Suffering of Caregiving. Panel presentation for session "Global Change/Global Health" at the 115th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis, MN.
- Yahalom, J. (2016, March). Panel Chair: Contemporary Socio-Medical Issues within Indigenous Communities and among Indigenous Women in Mexico. Panel presentation for the 76th Annual Conference for the Society of Applied Anthropology, Vancouver, Canada.
- Yahalom, J. (2016, March). Local Understandings of Alzheimer's Disease in a Rural Oaxacan Community. Paper presentation for the 76th Annual Conference for the Society of Applied Anthropology, Vancouver, Canada.
- Yahalom, J. (2014, April). Preliminary Research on Indigenous Mexican Responses to Alzheimer's Disease. Paper presented for the Graduate Association of Psychology Symposium, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Yahalom, J. (2014, March). Ethical dimensions in Palliative Care: Reflections on Heidegger, Levinas, and Derrida. Paper presented for the 7th Annual Conference for the APA Division 32 Society of Humanistic Psychology, Palo Alto, CA.
- Yahalom, J. (2013, April). Qualitative Research in Secluded Communities: Explorations of Amish Psychology. Paper presented for the Graduate Association of Psychology Symposium, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Yahalom, J. (2012, July). Social Representations of Alzheimer's Disease: Preliminary Considerations. Poster Presentation for the Alzheimer's Association International Conference, Vancouver, Canada.
- Yahalom, J. (2012, March). Psychotherapy in Epicurean Philosophy. Paper presented for

the 5th Annual Conference for the APA Division 32 Society of Humanistic Psychology, Pittsburgh, PA.

Yahalom, J. (2011, December). Derrida and Psychology. Paper presented at the Derrida Conference, Department of Psychology, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.

Yahalom, J. (2011, April). Inculcated Identity: An Autoethnography of the Jewish-American Experience. Presentation for National Association for Ethnic Studies, National Conference. Claremont, CA.

Clinical Experience

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| 2018 – Present | Veterans Affairs , West Los Angeles, CA
<i>Staff Psychologist & Researcher</i> |
| 2016 – 2017 | Veterans Affairs , West Los Angeles, CA
<i>Integrative Health Postdoctoral Fellow</i> |
| 2015 –2016 | Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital , San Diego, CA
<i>Pre-Doctoral Intern (APA Accredited)</i> |
| 2010 –2014 | Duquesne University Psychology Clinic , Pittsburgh, PA
<i>Clinical Psychologist in Training (APA Accredited)</i>
<i>Clinic Coordinator</i> |
| 2013 –2014 | Western Psychiatric Institute & Clinic , UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA
<i>Geriatrics Behavioral Therapist, Practicum Student</i> |
| 2012 –2014 | Bob Coufal Ph.D. , Pittsburgh, PA
<i>Forensic Therapy & Assessment, Practicum Student</i> |
| 2012 –2013 | The Hill House, “CHAAT,” Pittsburgh, PA
<i>Children’s Group Therapy</i> |
| 2008 – 2010 | San Francisco Suicide Prevention , San Francisco, CA
<i>Volunteer: Crisis Management</i> |

Other Professional Experience

- 2007 – 2010 **Google, Inc.**, Mountain View/San Francisco, CA
Account Strategist
– Awarded “OSO Gold Award”
– Registered U.S. Inventor – Patent (P-2837-00-US / ID 3705)
- 2008 – 2009 **UCSF, Langley Porter Psychiatry Clinic**, San Francisco, CA
Research Assistant
- 2006 – 2007 **Dean of Student Affairs**, Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA
Resident Assistant
- 2005 – 2006 **International Red Cross**, Claremont, CA
Board of Directors, Student Representative
- 2005 **Project Humanity** (tsunami relief), Colombo, Sri Lanka
Co-founder, Project Manager