

Peter F. Langman, Ph.D.

Education

Ph.D. Counseling Psychology, 2000, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA
M.A., Counseling Psychology, 1989, Lesley College, Cambridge, MA
B.A., Psychology, 1984, Clark University, Worcester, MA

Awards

- Public Service Award, Pennsylvania Psychological Association, 2020
- Distinguished Contributions to School Psychology Award, Pennsylvania Psychological Association, 2019
- Innovation in Research and Publication Award, National Association of Behavioral Intervention and Threat Assessment, 2016
- Sally K. Lenhardt Professional Leadership Award, Lesley University, 2012
- American Library Association, Outstanding Academic Title, *Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters*, 2009
- Psychology in the Media Award, Pennsylvania Psychological Association, 2008

Federal Government Work/Recognition

- Researcher, “Averting Targeted School Violence: A U.S. Secret Service Analysis of Plots Against Schools,” National Threat Assessment Center, United States Secret Service, 2021.
- Contributor, “School Threat Assessment Guide,” National Center for School Safety Bureau of Justice Assistance, 2021.
- Researcher, “Mass Attacks in Public Spaces: 2019,” National Threat Assessment Center, United States Secret Service, 2020.
- Participant, National Center for School Safety, “Initial Survey of School Threat Assessment Experts,” 2020.
- Co-presenter, “Protecting America’s Schools” with members of the National Threat Assessment Center, United States Secret Service, Washington, DC, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Miami, 2019-2020.
- Researcher, “Protecting America’s Schools,” National Threat Assessment Center, United States Secret Service, 2018-2019.
- Expert Advisory Panel, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, July, 2019.
- Presented “Psychological Insights into American Jihadis” at the Homegrown Violent Extremists Counterterrorism Practitioners Conference, National Counterterrorism Center, 2019.
- Presented “Inside the Minds of Mass Killers” at FBI Headquarters to over 1,800 federal agents, law enforcement officers, and other professionals, 2019.
- Presented “Desperate Identities: A Bio-Psycho-Social Analysis of Perpetrators of Mass Violence” at the National Science Foundation workshop on “An Evidence-Based Approach to Understanding and Countering Mass Violence in America,” 2019.
- Researcher/writer, National Threat Assessment Center of the United States Secret Service for their report, “Protecting America’s Schools: A U.S. Secret Service Analysis of Targeted School Violence,” 2018 to 2019.

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- Invited participant, Department of Homeland Security's National School Security Roundtable, 2018.
- Researcher, "Mass Attacks in Public Spaces: 2017," National Threat Assessment Center, United States Secret Service, 2018.
- Researcher, National Police Foundation project funded by U.S. Department of Justice, 2017-2018.
- Trainer, Department of Homeland Security, 2016.
- Recruited by the State Department to present to international audiences, 2016
- Presented "Preventing School Shootings" to over 200 high-ranking law enforcement officers from 47 states and 27 countries at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA, 2016.
- The CEO of the American Psychological Association presented my recommendations on school safety to President Barack Obama, 2013.
- Research cited in congressional testimony on Capitol Hill, 2009.

State Government

- Trainer, Maryland Active Assailant Interdisciplinary Work Group, 2022
- Trainer, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, 2022
- Trainer, Utah Department of Public Safety, 2022
- Trainer, Massachusetts Juvenile Police Officers Association, 2022
- Trainer, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, 2020.
- Research cited in "School-Based Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management: Best Practices Guide for South Carolina K-12 Schools," 2020.
- Trainer, Nevada Department of Education/Department of Public Safety, 2019.
- Website cited in "Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Safety Commission: Initial Report Submitted to the Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Senate President," 2019.
- Trainer, Colorado School Safety Resource Center, 2019.
- Trainer, Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of School Safety, 2019.
- Member, Workgroup for the School Safety and Security Assessment Criteria, School Safety and Security Committee, Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, 2018.
- Research cited in Colorado School Safety Guide, 2018.
- Trainer, Vermont Department of Public Safety, 2016.
- Consultant, School Security and Standards Task Force, Illinois State Board of Education, 2016.
- Member, Pennsylvania's Joint State Government Commission's Advisory Committee on Violence Prevention, 2013.
- Trainer, Wisconsin Juvenile Officers Association, 2011.
- Trainer, Pennsylvania Juvenile Officers Association, 2011.

Publications

Langman, P. (submitted). Irrational Rationales: Vicarious and Fictional Justifications Among Ideological Killers.

Langman, P. (2021). *Warning Signs: Identifying School Shooters Before They Strike*.

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Allentown, PA: Langman Psychological Associates, LLC.

Langman, P. (2020, November). Osama bin Laden: Humble Megalomaniac. *Aggression and Violent Behavior*.

Langman, P. (2020, June 17). The Mindset of an Ideological Attacker: Internal and External Contributors to Violent Extremism. *Police Chief Magazine*, International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Langman, P. (2020, March). Perpetrators of Ideological Mass Violence. *The Pennsylvania Psychologist*, 80 (3), pp. 22-23.

Langman, P. (2020, February 17). Reading Between the Lines: Recognizing Insider References to School Shooters. *Campus Safety Magazine*.

National Threat Assessment Center. (2019). Protecting America's Schools: A U.S. Secret Service Analysis of Targeted School Violence. U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security. (contributed research and writing)

Langman, P. (2019). Psychological Insights into Homegrown Jihadists. *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, 7, pp. 46-55.

Langman, P. (2019). "Desperate Identities: A Bio-Psycho-Social Analysis of Perpetrators of Mass Violence," *Criminology and Public Policy*, Vol. 19, pp. 61-84.

Langman, P., and Straub, F. (2019). *A Comparison of Averted and Completed School Attacks from the Police Foundation Averted School Violence Database*. Washington, DC: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

Langman, P. (2018). "Different Types of Role Model Influence and Fame Seeking Among Mass Killers and Copycat Offenders," *American Behavioral Scientist*, Vol. 62, No. 2, 2018, pp. 210-228.

Langman, P. (2017). "A Bio-Psycho-Social Model of School Shooters," *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, Vol. 5, pp. 27-34.

Langman, P. (2017, Spring). "School Threat Assessments: Psychological and Behavioral Considerations," *Journal of Health Service Psychology*, Vol. 43, pp. 32-40.

Langman, P. (2016). "Multi-Victim School Shooters in the United States: A 50-Year Review," *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, Vol. 4, pp. 5-17.

Langman, P. (2015). *School Shooters: Understanding High School, College, and Adult Perpetrators*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

Langman, P. (2015). "The Enigma of Adam Lanza's Mind and Motivations for

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Murder,” *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, Vol. 3.

Langman, P. (2014). “Elliot Rodger: An Analysis,” *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, Vol. 2.

Langman, P. (2013). “School Shooters on College Campuses,” *The Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*, Vol. 1, pp. 6-39.

Langman, P. (2013). “Thirty-Five School Shooters: Trends, Patterns, and Typology.” In *School Shootings: International Research, Case Studies and Concepts for Prevention*, edited by Nils Bockler, Thorsten Seeger, Wilhelm Heitmeyer, and Peter Sitzer, New York: Springer, pp. 131-156.

Langman, P. (2013). “The Complexity of School Shooters,” *Healing Magazine*, Vol. 18, No. 1, pp. 8-9, 30-31.

Langman, P. (Winter-Spring, 2012). “School Shootings: The Warning Signs,” *Forensic Digest*, pp. 38-53.

Langman, P. (2009). *Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.

- Russian translation: *Почему дети убивают* (2022)
- German translation: *Amok Im Kopf: Warum Schuler toten* (2009)
- Finnish translation: *Koulu-Ampujat: Miksi Nuori Tappaa?* (2009)
- Dutch translation: *Waarom Jongeren Moorden* (2011)

Langman, P. (2009). “Rampage School Shooters: A Typology.” *Aggression and Violent Behavior*, 14, 79-86.

Langman, P. (2009). “School Shooters: The Need for Nuance,” *The Pennsylvania Psychologist*, July/August, pp. 1,7.

Langman, P., & Swiatek, M. (2007). “Cutting Yourself Down: The Painful Truth about Self-Injurious Behavior and How to Heal the Scars,” pp. 126-146, in *I’ve Got This Friend Who... What Teens Want to Know About Life’s Tough Issues*, edited by A. Radev, Center City, MN: Hazelden.

Langman, P. (2006). “Tourette’s Syndrome: The Burden and the Blessing,” *Healing Magazine*, 11 (1), 28-29.

Langman, P. (2005). “Can School Shootings Be Prevented?” *Healing Magazine*, 10 (2), 24-26.

Langman, P. (2000). “Assessment Issues with Jewish Clients.” In R. Dana (Ed.), *Handbook of cross-cultural and multicultural personality assessment*. Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

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Langman, P. (2000). *A Qualitative Investigation of Multicultural Education*. Unpublished doctoral dissertation, Lehigh University.

Langman, P. (1999). *Jewish Issues in Multiculturalism: A Handbook for Educators and Clinicians*. Northvale, NJ: Jason Aronson (currently published by Rowman & Littlefield).

Langman, P. (1997). "White Culture, Jewish Culture, and the Origins of Psychotherapy," *Psychotherapy*, 34, 207-218.

Langman, P. (1995). "Including Jews in Multiculturalism," *Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development*, 23, 222-236.

Psychology in the Media

I have been interviewed on psychology and mental health issues nearly 500 times by television, radio, print, and online media outlets in thirty-one countries in North America, South America, Europe, Oceania, Asia, and the Middle East. I have appeared on The Today Show, 20/20, Nightline, CNN, Fox, NPR, and the BBC. I have been quoted in The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, Forbes, USA Today, Newsweek, MSNBC, Yahoo News, Politico, Mother Jones, the Associated Press, and thousands of other news outlets. I have also been interviewed for multiple documentaries.

Website: SchoolShooters.info

- I maintain the world's largest website relating to school shooters
- Annual traffic: 50,000 individual users from around the world
- The Database contains information on 150 perpetrators
- The Library contains over 500 documents totaling nearly 70,000 pages
- The site is utilized as a resource for numerous articles, research studies, and dissertations, as well as being used routinely by media outlets, including the *Washington Post* and the *New York Times*
- In addition to the published articles listed above, I have written numerous articles and compiled data in multiple documents posted on the site. These include:
 - On-Scene Behavior of School Shooters: The Resolution of Rampage Attacks
 - Psychiatric Medications and School Shootings
 - Adult School Shooters
 - Expanding the Sample: Five School Shooters
 - Two Finnish School Shooters
 - Nathaniel Brazill: A Profile
 - Robert Butler, Jr.: A Case History
 - Eric Harris: The Search for Justification
 - The Search for Truth at Columbine
 - Influences on the Ideology of Eric Harris
 - T. J. Lane: Further Reflections
 - Myron May: Descent into Delusions
 - The Enigmatic Case of Tyrone Mitchell

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- Duane Morrison: A Profile
- Brendan O'Rourke: A Profile
- Karl Pierson: "A Psychopath with a Superiority Complex"
- Jose Reyes: A Profile
- Clay Shroud: An Analysis
- Michael Slobodian: A Case History
- Robert Benjamin Smith: An Analysis
- Brenda Spencer: Sorting Out the Contradictions
- Charles Andrew Williams: Sorting Out the Contradictions
- Luke Woodham: The Search for Justification
- Aaron Ybarra: An Analysis
- Education: Failure and Family Involvement
- Intended and Targeted Victims
- Legal Histories of School Shooters
- The Origins of Firearms Used in School Shootings in the United States
- Patterns Among School Shooters: Body-Related Issues and the Military
- Role Models, Contagions, and Copycats: An Exploration of the Influence of Prior Killers on Subsequent Attacks
- School Shooters: A Miscellany
- School Shooters: The Myth of the Stable Home
- Tally of Shooters' Use of Psychiatric Medications and Substance Abuse
- A Timeline of School Shootings
- School Shooters: Complete Spreadsheet
- The Influence of Columbine
- JCSO Columbine Documents Organized by Theme
- Court Cases in the Ramsey Family
- Themes in the Writings of Eric Harris

Feature Articles

- My research has been the featured subject of articles published by:
 - The Associated Press
 - Newsweek
 - APA Monitor on Psychology
 - The Washington Post

Contract Researcher

- United States Secret Service, November, 2018 to present
 - Conduct research for the National Threat Assessment Center for multiple projects
- Police Foundation, April, 2018 to February, 2019
 - Conducted research into the perpetrator of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School massacre
 - Wrote report on the findings
- Police Foundation, November, 2016 to 2019
 - Assisted with the creation of databases on incidents of school violence and incidents of averted school violence

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- Contributed data to the databases
- Analyzed the data in the database on incidents of school violence and wrote a report on the results and key findings

Trainings/Presentations

“The Psychological Dynamics of School Shooters,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice (virtual), October 28, 2022.

“Pathways to Violence,” Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office, CA (virtual), October 27, 2022.

“Pathways to Violence,” Vermont Psychological Association (virtual), October 19, 2022.

“The Minds, Lives, and Warning Signs of Mass Attackers,” Prevention and Intervention: Pathways to Reducing Acts of Mass Violence, Active Assailant Interdisciplinary Work Group, Annapolis, MD, October 14, 2022.

“Warning Signs in Student Assignments,” National Threat Assessment Conference for Educational Institutions, Virginia Beach, VA, October 11, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” “Lessons Learned from a Threat Assessment that Failed,” and “Warning Signs in Homework Assignments,” Judson Independent School District, Converse, TX, September 22, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings: Perpetrators and Prevention,” Psychological Assessment Resources (virtual), September 20, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Utah Department of Public Safety, Logan, UT, September 14, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts,” Bethlehem, PA, August 24, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” PESI (virtual), August 3, 2022.

“Lessons Learned from a Threat Assessment that Failed,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association (webinar), June 24, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” “Lessons Learned from a Threat Assessment that Failed,” and “Warning Signs in Homework Assignments,” Green River Regional Educational Cooperative, Bowling Green, KY, May 23, 2022

“A Safe Place to Learn: A Virtual Conference Series on School Safety,” Harvard Kennedy School of Government, May 13, 2022.

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“Preventing School Shootings,” Massachusetts Juvenile Police Officers Association, Norwood, MA, May 11, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Rockland BOCES, West Nyack, NY, April 1, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Salem County Vocational and Technical School District, Woodstown, NJ, March 11, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Lake County Regional Office of Education, Gurnee, IL, March 7, 2022.

“Beyond Warning Signs,” Academia Security Virtual Symposium,” University of North Carolina and FBI, February 9, 2022.

“Preventing School Shootings,” DuPage County Regional Office of Education/Northern Illinois School Safety Administrators Association, Glen Ellyn, IL, January 10, 2022.

“The Motivations and Justifications of Mass Attackers,” (virtual), Northeastern Chapter of ATAP, November 3, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Safe and Sound Schools, Virtual Summit, October 28, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” SPELL JIF (Joint Insurance Fund), Cape May, NJ, September 23, 2021.

“The Motivations and Justifications of Mass Attackers,” NABITA, September 22, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Hanover Area School District, Wilkes-Barre, PA, August 26, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Pennsylvania Association of School Resource Officers, Harrisburg, PA, July 26, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings: How Behavioral Analysis and Assessment Can Prevent School Shootings,” Campus Safety Conference, San Antonio, TX, July 21, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” National Association of School Resource Officers, Orland, FL, July 16, 2021.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Colorado Association of School Resource Officers, Grand Junction, CO, June 28, 2021.

“Pathways to Rampage: Three Types of School Shooters,” School Safety and Security Committee of the National Sheriffs’ Association, (virtual), March 8, 2021

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“Warning Signs in Student Assignments, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, (webinar), November 19, 2020.

“Warning Signs: Threats, Leakage, Attack-Related Behavior, and Insider References,” Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, (webinar), November 12, 2020.

“Pathways to Violence: Three Types of Targeted Attackers,” Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, (webinar), November 5, 2020.

“Averted School Violence Project,” with Frank Straub and Jeff Allison, 2020 Virtual National Summit on School Safety, Safe and Sound Schools, October 9, 2020.

“Why Kids Kill,” The Alabama Association of School Resource Officers, June 1, 2020.

“Protecting America’s Schools,” co-presented with National Threat Assessment Center of the United States Secret Service, Miami, FL, February 19, 2020.

“Protecting America’s Schools,” co-presented with National Threat Assessment Center of the United States Secret Service, Los Angeles, CA, December 5, 2019.

“Protecting America’s Schools,” co-presented with National Threat Assessment Center of the United States Secret Service, Rosemont, IL, November 13, 2019.

“Reasons Behind Radicalization: The Psychology of Homegrown Violent Extremists,” National Behavioral Intervention Team Association Annual Convention, Coconut Point, Florida, November 12, 2019.

“Protecting America’s Schools,” co-presented with National Threat Assessment Center of the United States Secret Service, Washington, DC, November 8, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Lehigh Valley Psychological and Counseling Association, Allentown, PA October 26, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” National Summit of State Tip Lines: Intersection of Law Enforcement, Education, and Mental Health,” Reno, NV, October 22, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, Norristown, PA, October 18, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Myron L. Powell Elementary School, Cedarville, NJ, October 11, 2019.

“The Psychology of Homegrown Violent Extremists,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice,” Bethlehem, PA, September 27, 2019.

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“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” 13th Annual Psychiatric Conference, Violent Threat Assessment: A National Emergency—The Cutting Edge in Recognition, Management, Prevention of Violent Behavior,” Ewing, NJ, September 26, 2019.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” New York School Insurance Reciprocal, Tarrytown, NY, July 31, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Hatboro-Horsham School District, Horsham, PA, June 18, 2019.

“Psychological Insights into American Jihadis,” Homegrown Violent Extremists Counterterrorism Practitioners Conference, National Counterterrorism Center, McLean, VA, June 5, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Massachusetts Association of Crime Analysts, Hyannis, MA, May 14, 2019.

“Inside the Minds of Mass Killers,” FBI Headquarters, Washington, DC, May 6, 2019.

“Desperate Identities: A Bio-Psycho-Social Analysis of Perpetrators of Mass Violence,” National Science Foundation, George Mason University, Arlington, VA, April 11, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of School Safety, River Falls, WI, April 2, 2019.

Panel discussion on mental health and suicide prevention, Maimonides Society and Jewish Federation, Allentown, PA, March 31, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of School Safety, Lake Geneva, WI, March 19, 2019.

“Understanding Threat Assessments and Knowing Your Students,” Egg Harbor Township School District, Egg Harbor Township, NJ, March 15, 2019.

“School Shooters: Who They Are and How They Can Be Identified,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association/Wellspan, Hershey, PA, March 8, 2019.

Crucial Conversations: “A Focus on School Shootings: What Everyone Should Know,” Panel Discussion, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA March 5, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Threat Assessment Symposium, Colorado School Safety Resource Center, Thornton, CO, February 5, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Pleasant Valley School District, Brodheadsville, PA, February 1, 2019.

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“Suicide Prevention in Private Practice,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, Bethlehem, PA, January 25, 2019.

“Preventing School Shootings,” National Association of School Resource Officers, Baltimore, MD, December 3, 2018.

“School Shooters: Who They Are and How They Can Be Identified,” Crisis Intervention Association of Pennsylvania, Farmington, PA, November 15, 2018.

“School Shooters: Who They Are and How They Can Be Identified,” Association of School Psychologists of Pennsylvania, College Park, PA, October 24, 2018.

“Promote Psychology and Social Justice via News Media: It’s Our Ethical Duty,” Parts 1 and 2, Pennsylvania Psychological Association webinars, October 3 and October 10, 2018. (co-presenter)

“Preventing School Shootings: Threat Assessment and Warning Signs,” Job Corps/Humanitas, Webinar, October 1, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit #13, Lancaster, PA, September 26, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Fabius-Pompey School District, Fabius, NY, September 4, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Pennridge School District, Perkasio, PA, August 30, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Central Dauphin School District, Harrisburg, PA, August 22, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts, Bethlehem, PA, August 21, 2018.

“School Shooters: The Dynamics of Violence,” Jobs Corps/Humanitas, Webinar, August 14, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Judson Independent School District, Live Oak, TX, August 6, 2018.

“School Safety: Prepare, Don’t Panic,” Allentown Diocese, Galloway, NJ, July 19, 2018.

“School Shooters: Who Are They and How Can They Be Identified?” Spread the Love Foundation, Atlantic City, NJ, July 11, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Upper Moreland School District, Willow Grove, PA, June 11, 2018.

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“Preventing School Shootings,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Harrisburg, PA, May 4, 2018.

“School Shooters: Who Are They and How Can They Be Identified?” Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit, Schnecksville, PA, April 26, 2018.

“School Shooters: Pathways to Violence,” Pennsylvania Association of School Nurses and Practitioners, University Park, PA, April 14, 2018.

“School Safety: Be Informed, Not Afraid,” Conrad Weiser Area School District, Robesonia, PA, April 12, 2018.

“Preventing School Shootings,” Southeast PA Regional Safe Schools Symposium, Malvern, PA April 5, 2018

“Preventing School Shootings,” Easton Area School District, Easton, PA, March 29, 2018.

“The Psychology of School Shooters and the Prevention of Rampage Attacks,” American Psychological Association, Washington DC, August 4, 2017.

“School Shooters: Who Are They and How Can They Be Identified?”, Colonial Intermediate Unit, Easton, PA May 10, 2017.

“School Shooters: The Dynamics of Violence,” Penn State—Berks, Reading, PA March 29, 2017.

“Suicide Prevention,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, Bethlehem, PA, February 24, 2017.

“School Shooters: Who Are They and How Can They Be Identified,” Manitoba Association of School Teachers of At-Risk Students, Winnipeg, Manitoba, October 21, 2016.

“School Shootings as Violence Against Women” and “Identifying Potential School Shooters,” The Sexual and Cyber Misconduct Policy Institute for School Administrators,” Elmira College, Elmira, NY, August 8-9, 2016.

“Preventing School Shootings,” FBI National Academy, Quantico, VA, July 21, 2016.

“The Minds and Lives of School Shooters,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Harrisburg, PA, June 17, 2016.

“Making Sense of School Shooters,” The Quadrangle, Haverford, PA, June 2, 2016.

“Identifying Potential School Shooters,” The Horsham Clinic, Ambler, PA, May 12, 2016.

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“Identifying Potential School Shooters,” Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security/Vermont Department of Public Safety, Randolph, VT, May 4, 2016.

“Identifying Potential School Shooters,” Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security/Vermont Department of Public Safety, S. Burlington, VT, May 3, 2016.

“Warning Signs and Threat Assessments,” Society for College and University Planners, University of Delaware, March 30, 2016.

“Prophetic Words: An Analysis of School Shooter Writings,” National Behavioral Intervention Team Association, San Antonio, TX, November 20, 2015.

“Prelude to Rampage: The Pre-Attack Circumstances and Behaviors of School Shooters,” National Behavioral Intervention Team Association, San Antonio, TX, November 19, 2015.

Panelist, “Preparation and Protection: Active Shooter Incident Response,” DeSales University, Center Valley, PA, October 8, 2015.

Guest lecture in Criminal Justice class, Northampton Community College, Bethlehem, PA, October 6, 2015.

“School Shooters: Who Are They and How Can They Be Identified?” Schuylkill County Intermediate Unit, Pottsville, PA, August 13, 2015

“School Shooters: Who, Why, and What to Look For,” Lehigh Valley Pennsylvania Psychiatric Society, Center Valley, PA July 2, 2015.

“Threat Assessment and Management,” Bux-Mont (Bucks and Montgomery Counties) Human Resources Association, Telford, PA, 4/15/15

“School Shooters: Who, Why, and What to Look For,” Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities, Baltimore, MD, 4/13/15

“The Psychology Behind Active Shooters: Recognizing the Warning Signs,” at the New England Regional Summit on Active Shooter Incidents, Advanced Leadership Consortium/Yale University, Orange, CT, 12/05/14

“Threat Assessment and Management,” Society of Human Resource Management, Bethlehem, PA 10/27 and 10/28/14

“Threat Assessment: Preventing School Violence,” Rutgers University Behavioral Healthcare, Edison, NJ 10/24/14.

“Identifying Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” Lehigh University School Study Council, Bethlehem, PA 10/8/14

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“School Shooters and Threat Assessment,” Lehigh County Crisis Intervention Team, Allentown, PA 9/16/14.

“School Shooters and Threat Assessment,” Advanced Leadership Consortium/Active Shooter Summit, Loyola University, Timonium, Maryland, 8/1/14.

“Suicide Prevention,” Lehigh County Student Assistance Program Staff, Allentown, PA 11/14/13.

“Suicide Prevention,” Northampton County Student Assistance Program Staff, Allentown, PA 11/11/13.

“School Shootings on College Campuses,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Harrisburg, PA, 6/21/13.

“Threat Assessment: The Warning Signs of School Shootings,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, Bethlehem, PA 5/10/13.

“Identifying Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” Hannibal School District and Police Department, Hannibal, MO, 5/3/13.

“What Parents Need to Know about Violence Prevention,” Hannibal, MO, 5/2/13.

“The Spectrum of School Shooters,” Lesley University, Cambridge, MA, 3/4/13.

“The Spectrum of School Shooters,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, Bethlehem, PA 2/22/13.

Multiple presentations, National Conference, National Behavioral Intervention Team Association, Bonita Springs, FL, 12/1/11 to 12/3/11

- “The Psychology of School Shooters”
- “Campus Shootings: Random Victims vs. Targeted Attacks”
- “Preventing Campus Shootings: A Discussion of Warning Signs and Case Examples”

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Pennsylvania Juvenile Officers Association, Harrisburg, PA, 10/19/11.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Wisconsin Juvenile Officers Association, Wisconsin Dells, WI, 9/21/11.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Jewish Community Center, Allentown, PA, 2/28/11.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA 11/3/10.

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“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Manitoba Association of Secondary Teachers of At-Risk Students, Winnipeg, Canada, 10/22/10.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” National Association of School Safety and Law Enforcement Officers, Los Angeles, CA 7/19/10.

“Identifying Youth at Risk of Committing School Shootings,” Northern New Jersey Maternal/Child Health Consortium, Teaneck, NJ 6/30/10.

“Identifying Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” Lehigh Carbon School Counselors Association, Schnecksville, PA, 5/19/10.

“Identifying Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” colloquium at Holy Family University, Newtown, PA, 4/8/10.

“Reducing School Violence, Identifying School Shooters,” training for Grand Rapids Public School personnel, Grand Rapids, MI, 3/26/10.

“Reducing School Violence, Identifying School Shooters,” presentation to parents, Grand Rapids, MI, 3/25/10.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” guest lecture, Penn State (Lehigh Valley Campus), Fogelsville, PA, 3/16/10.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Lehigh Carbon Community College, Schnecksville, PA, 10/22/09

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” American Psychiatric Nurses Association, Orefield, PA, 10/1/09.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” Lake County Educational Service Center, Ohio, 5/1/09.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” guest lecture, Penn State (Lehigh Valley Campus), Fogelsville, PA 3/20/09.

“Why Kids Kill: Inside the Minds of School Shooters,” guest lecture, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, PA 3/12/09.

“Preventing Columbine: Assessing Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” Northampton County Juvenile Probation, September 12, 2008.

“Understanding School Shooters,” Lafayette College, Easton, PA, April 17, 2008.

“Assessing Youth at Risk of School Shootings,” KidsPeace Children’s Hospital, April 16, 2008.

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“Pathways to Rampage: The Psychology of School Shooters,” Pennsylvania Council of Children, Youth, and Family Services, Harrisburg, PA, April 4, 2008.

“Pathways to Rampage: The Psychology of School Shooters,” Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA, March 24, 2008.

“Pathways to Rampage: The Psychology of School Shooters,” Pennsylvania State University, Lehigh Valley Campus, Fogelsville, PA, March 18, 2008.

“Assessing Youth at Risk for School Violence,” Foundations Community Partnership, Doylestown, PA, March 5, 2008.

“Kids Who Hurt Themselves,” KidsPeace National Conference, Orefield, PA, October 11, 2007.

“Preventing Columbine: Assessing Youth at Risk for School Shootings,” Pennsylvania Psychological Association Annual Convention, Harrisburg, PA, June 29, 2007.

“Preventing Columbine: Assessing Youth at Risk for Rampage School Shootings,” Lehigh Valley Psychological Association, Bethlehem, PA, June, 2007.

“Recognizing and Responding to School Shooting Risk,” Symposium: Safe Schools: Creating an Environment Conducive to Learning, Bucks County Intermediate Unit, Doylestown, PA, May 10, 2007.

“Understanding School Shooters,” Lafayette College, Easton, PA, April 17, 2007.

“Understanding School Shooters,” Penn State University, Lehigh Valley Campus, March, 2007.

“Violence in the Hallways: Bullying and School Shootings,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, Bethlehem, PA, January 26, 2007.

“Lost in the Looking-Glass: Thought Disordered Children,” KidsPeace National Conference, Orefield, PA October, 2006.

“Bipolar Disorder in Children and Adolescents: Research and Case Examples,” Academy of Psychologists Engaged in Private Practice, April, 2006.

“Understanding Asperger’s,” Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA, April, 2006.

“Preventing Columbine: Assessing Youth at Risk for School Shootings,” KidsPeace National Conference, Orefield, PA, September, 2005.

“Exploring Reactive Attachment Disorder,” KidsPeace Continuing Clinical Education Series, Orefield, PA, December, 2003.

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“Tourette’s Syndrome: More than a Tic Disorder,” KidsPeace Continuing Clinical Education Series, Orefield, PA, May, 2002 (with Madeleine Langman, Ph.D.).

“Including Jews in Multiculturalism,” Presented at the 103rd Annual Conference of the American Psychological Association, New York, August, 1995.

Professional Experience

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND SCHOOL SAFETY TRAINING, Drift Net Securities,
Allentown, PA, 4/20 to present

- Conduct research on perpetrators of school shootings and other acts of mass violence
- Conduct webinars on preventing school shootings
- Conduct in-person trainings on preventing school shootings

PSYCHOLOGIST, Private psychotherapy practice, Allentown, PA, 9/10 to present

I work with adults and adolescents on depression, anxiety, trauma, relationship issues, work-related stress, self-esteem, and quality of life.

SENIOR PSYCHOLOGIST, Clinical Consultative Services, KidsPeace, Orefield, PA 5/10 to 5/11

Clinical Consultative Services functions as the clinical “think-tank” of the organization. I provided clinical supervision of therapists, trained staff, assisted with the design of new initiatives including a grief and loss curriculum, served on committees related to quality of care, conducted psychological assessments, and chaired the Corporate Clinical Practices Committee.

DIRECTOR OF CLINICAL SERVICES, KidsPeace, Orefield, PA 11/08 to 5/10

I had oversight of the clinical staff of the residential programs in Pennsylvania, serving approximately 200 children and adolescents. This position involved supervision, consultation, and training of KidsPeace staff, as well as interacting with state, county, and agency representatives to insure compliance with regulatory and best-practice standards.

DIRECTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY, KidsPeace, Orefield, PA 5/04 to 11/08

I was responsible for psychological services throughout KidsPeace, including supervision of psychologists in four states, assessing quality of evaluations, hiring staff, and training and supervising doctoral students. Other duties included psychological assessments, program development, policy-making, creating new tools and initiatives to maintain client safety, conducting clinical training for direct care staff, contributing to internal research projects, and presenting psychological issues to the community through trainings and media interviews.

CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, 2004 to 2010

Psychology Department, Psy.D. Program

Provide clinical supervision to doctoral interns in psychology.

SENIOR PSYCHOLOGIST, KidsPeace Intensive Services, 8/01 to 5/04

I directed psychological services for a 56-bed psychiatric hospital for children and adolescents and a 101-bed residential program for adolescents. Hired, trained, and supervised

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psychology staff, trained and supervised graduate students, conducted psychological evaluations, provided individual therapy, provided Clinical Consultation to clinicians.

PSYCHOLOGIST, KidsPeace Hospital 9/99 to 8/01

Provided psychological assessment and diagnosis of children and adolescents.

INSTRUCTOR, "American Cultural Minorities," Muhlenberg College, 1999 to 2000

Taught class to undergraduates for two semesters.

CLINICAL DIRECTOR, Salisbury House, Allentown, PA 12/97 to 9/98

Salisbury House is an in-patient psychiatric facility for adults in crisis. Clinical duties included intakes, psychological evaluations, individual therapy, discharge summaries, and on-call. Administrative duties included overseeing the program, interfacing with referral agencies and funding sources, and hiring and training staff.

PSYCHOTHERAPIST, Jewish Family Services, Allentown, PA 1/98 to 5/00

Conducted individual therapy, marital therapy, family therapy, and career counseling. Client issues included marital and parenting difficulties, depression, and career issues.

BEHAVIORAL SPECIALIST CONSULTANT, Valley Youth House, Allentown, PA 11/96 to 3/00

Conducted assessments and developed behavioral interventions for children and parents, supervised the therapeutic staff, coordinated services with mobile therapists, school personnel, and other human service providers, and monitored the progress of the family.

CLINICAL THERAPIST, Concern: Professional Services for Children, Youth and Families

Bethlehem, PA 9/95 to 12/97

Conducted individual and family therapy primarily with children and adolescents in foster care who suffered physical, sexual, and/or emotional abuse.

PSYCHOTHERAPIST, Florence Child Guidance Center, Allentown, PA 10/92 to 8/93

Conducted individual and family therapy with children and adolescents in foster care. Issues included abuse, abandonment, grief and loss, self-esteem, and social skills.

STAFF PSYCHOTHERAPIST, Adolescent and Family Center

Youth Opportunities Upheld, Inc., Worcester, MA 4/1/91 to 6/30/92

Conducted individual and family therapy in an outpatient clinic servicing children, adolescents, and their families. Co-designed and co-led grief and loss group for adolescents.

CLINICAL COUNSELOR, Comprehensive Family Services

Youth Opportunities Upheld, Inc., Worcester, MA 10/2/89 to 4/1/91

Conducted individual and family therapy with multi-problem families.

COUNSELOR, Community Treatment Complex, Worcester, MA 9/85 to 2/87

I counseled self-mutilating and suicidal adolescents, as well as those with conduct disorders, psychoses, sex offense histories, abuse histories, and personality pathology.

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Graduate Clinical Training

PSYCHOLOGY INTERN, KidsPeace National Hospital for Kids in Crisis 9/98 to 9/99

Conducted individual psychotherapy and psychological assessment of personality and intellectual functioning of children and adolescents.

COUNSELOR, Student Counseling Center, Kutztown University 8/94 to 5/95

Conducted individual therapy, career counseling, psychological and career assessment.

COUNSELOR, University Counseling Service, Lehigh University 9/93 to 5/94

Conducted individual therapy, and career counseling.

COUNSELOR, Wheaton College Counseling Center, Norton, MA 9/88 to 5/89

Conducted individual therapy and career counseling. Researched student transition to college and developed programming to address eating disorders on campus.

Academic Honors

Summa Cum Laude

Phi Beta Kappa

1st Honors: Qualified 1980-84

Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology

Paul Vouras Award as the Outstanding Student in the Social Sciences, 1984

Workplace Recognition

KidsPeace, Nominated, *The Leadership Award*, 2008

KidsPeace, *Maryanne Domchek Training Superstar Award*, 2006

KidsPeace, Nominated, *The Leadership Award*, 2005

KidsPeace, Nominated, *The Teamwork Award* for KidsHope Program Committee, 2003

KidsPeace, Nominated, *The Teamwork Award* for Behavior Management Committee, 2003

Youth Opportunities Upheld, Inc., Employee of the Year, 1991

Licensure

Licensed Psychologist in Pennsylvania, License #PS015115

Current Community/Academic Involvement

- Member, Advisory Board, National Behavioral Intervention Team Association
- Reviewer, *Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention*
- Member, Interpersonal Violence Committee, Pennsylvania Psychological Association
- Clinical Advisory Committee, Jewish Family Services, Allentown, PA

Past Community Involvement

- President, Board of Directors, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention—Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter

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- Co-Chair: Suicide Prevention Subcommittee of the Interpersonal Violence Committee, Pennsylvania Psychological Association.
- Board of Directors, National Alliance on Mental Illness—Lehigh Valley
- Program Committee, Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding
- Public Education Committee, Pennsylvania Psychological Association

Professional Memberships

American Psychological Association

Pennsylvania Psychological Association

Lehigh Valley Psychological and Counseling Association

Dramatists Guild of America

Personal Interests

Writing plays and poetry.