**Christa McCrorie**

EDUCATION **Master of Social Work** August 2017

 The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

 Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0

**Bachelor of Social Work** **with Honors** December 2015

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

Minor: Psychology

 Social Work GPA: 4.05/4.0 Overall GPA: 3.88/4.0

 Honors BSW Program University Honors Program

CERTIFICATIONS **Licensed Clinical Social Worker (Mississippi)** September 2024

* License Number: C11146

**Licensed Social Work Clinical Supervisor** January 2024

* License Number: 4409C-S

**Private Independent Practice in Social Casework (Alabama)** December 2020

* Certificate Number: 1640-4409C

**Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (Alabama)** December 2019

* License Number: 4409C

**Licensed Master Social Worker (Alabama)** October 2017

**Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (Alabama)** March 2016

PROFESSIONAL-National Association of Social Workers

AFFILIATIONS - The World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)

 - The United States Professional Association for Transgender Health (USPATH)

 -American Counseling Association (previous)

-Alabama Chapter of Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities (Alabama Counseling Association) (previous)

RELEVANT **Instructor and Continuing Education Coordinator** May 2025-Present

EXPERIENCE School of Social Work, University of Alabama

* Plan and Host continuing education programs for the School of Social Work
* Instruct in person and virtual classes for the BSW and MSW programs
* Advise BSW and MSW students
* Serve on BSW and MSW committees

**Clinical Therapist,** **Business Owner and Founder** March 2020- Present

 Creative Therapeutic Solutions LLC, Birmingham, AL

* Specialized in queer needs and trauma processing
* Meet with clients individually for therapy
* Guide upcoming social workers in clinical social work supervision

**Adjunct Professor** August 2022- April 2025

 School of Social Work, University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL

* Teach upcoming social workers social work skills
* Educate students and facility on special topics
* Create course content for BSW and MSW students in the School of Social Work
* IDEA Student Evaluation Average Score 4.8/5

**Clinical Therapist** January 2020-January 2021

 Alabama Clinical Schools, Birmingham, AL

* Manage caseload of around 10 boys with problematic sexual behaviors
* Implement Rational-Emotive Behavioral Therapy techniques
* Conduct group therapy with 10 participants
* Conduct family sessions and support aftercare transitions
* Participate in teams involving court and child welfare systems for clients

**Senior Social Worker I** July 2017-January 2020

 Cullman County Department of Human Resources, Cullman, AL

* Manage a case load of about 20 children in foster care and their families
* Continually assess safety, case planning, ensure needs are met of children in foster care
* Lead teams to build strength based individualized service plans to meet complex needs
* Intervene in crisis situations and respond to oncall emergency abuse/neglect reports
* Document interactions, meet deadlines, create extensive assessments per policy
* Highly rated in appraisals for excellent permanency planning and development

PUBLISHED WORKS **Reviewer**

-2025 United States Professional Association of Transgender Healthcare Abstract/Symposia Reviewer

**Articles**

 -Contributor of *Fatherly* Article: "Is Watching Porn Cheating?"

- Contributor of *Teaching & Learning in Social Work* Article "How Becoming an Adjunct Improved My Social Work Practice”

-Contributor of *MindBodyGreen* Article: "What Does It Mean To Be Polysexual? 4 Common Signs and FAQ's"

-Contributor of *MindBodyGreen* Article: "What Is Romantic Attraction? 6 Signs You're Experiencing It"

-Contributor of *Exit* Article: "How to Survive a Queer Friendship Breakup"

-Contributor of *Abundantly Healthy You* Article: "Romantic Attraction & Romantic Orientation, Explained"

-Highlighted Social Worker in *Social Workers Speak* Feature "News Items" November 2022

-Featured Social Worker in "Social Work Update" May 2023

 **Blog**

-Author of multiple articles on mental health topics on Creative Therapeutic Solutions’ website

**Videos**

-Host and Consultant of the “Emotional Regulation” Web Series for the National Center on Health, Physical Activity, and Disability

-Highlighted Alum for the University of Alabama’s video on the importance of license exam prep

-Host of various educational Youtube shorts on clinical queer needs

 **Podcasts**

-Host of “Exploring Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation as an Established Adult” Podcast

 -Featured Guest on “Fit for Joy” Podcast by Valeria Teles

 **Books**

-Author of “Rediscovering You: Exploring Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation for Established Adults” Workbook

 -Contributor to “101 Things to Do with a Social Work Degree” By Hitchcock and Sage

PRESENTATIONS **NASW-AL Conference** April 2025

 Birmingham, Alabama

* Speaker on "Improving Wellbeing of LGBTQIA2S+ Youth...in a Poorly Resourced State" CEU Workshop

**Conference on Independent Living Program** April 2025

 Children's Aid Society of Alabama; Guntersville, AL

* Speaker on working with youth with “difficult behaviors”

**Transgender Health Needs** March 2025

Association of Transgender Healthcare of India; Delhi, India

* Speaker and panelist on physical and emotional needs of trans people in India

**2025 ACSW Conference** February 2025

Alabama Conference on Social Work; Gulf Shores, AL

•Speaker on "Improving Wellbeing of LGBTQIA2S+ Youth...in a Poorly Resourced State" CEU Workshop

**Community Engagement and Outreach** January 2025

Association of Transgender Healthcare of India; Delhi, India

* Speaker and panelist on how communities can support trans needs in India

**ACA Virtual School-Based Mental Health Professionals Summit** January 2025

American Counseling Association

•Speaker on “How Schools Can Enhance LGBTQIA2S+ Youth Well-Being with Practical Solutions for Gender Dysphoria in Low-Resource States”

**Advocacy Day Conference (University of Montevallo)** August 2024

 Hoover, AL

* Speaker on "Improving Wellbeing of LGBTQIA2S+ Youth...in a Poorly Resourced State" CEU Workshop

**CEU Workshop with UAB** April 2024

Birmingham, AL

* Co-presented on "Trauma Informed Care with LGBTQIA+"

**CEU Lunch and Learn Workshop with UAB** March 2023

Birmingham, AL

* Presented on "LGBTQ+: An Overview for Social Work Practice"

**Trussville Public Library Mental Health Fair** May 2022

Trussville, AL

* Spoke on topic "LGBTQ+: An Overview for Social Work Practice"

**Alabama/Mississippi Social Work Education Conference** October 2016

Phenix City, AL

* Presented research on Character Building Detention Program

**Undergraduate Research and Creativity Conference** May 2013

Tuscaloosa, AL

* Presented findings on Germanic Affixoids

RESEARCH **Research Assistant** January 2015-July 2016

EXPERIENCEThe University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

* Collect data through surveys for Alabama Department of Labor
* Converse with Alabama citizens about jobs in the area

**Research Assistant** November 2014-May 2015

Dr. Rebecca Allen, Center for Mental Health and Ageing,

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

* Collected and analyzed data on art therapy effects on seniors with

Dementia and Alzheimer’s

 **Research Assistant in Germanic Linguistics** January 2013-May 2013

 Dr. Douglas Lightfoot, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

* Researched Germanic affixoids
* Presented research at Undergraduate Research and Creativity Conference

OTHER -DONA Int. Certified Birth Doula, Lactation Consultation, Perinatal Advocate

SKILLS -SAG-AFTRA Eligible Actor (Improv, Method, Opera, Film, Web Series, Drama, Stand-Up)

 -Vocalist (Chorister, Opera, Soloist, Musical Theater)

-Ordained layperson of the Order of Interbeing from Plum Village (“Patience of the Source”)

STUDY ABROAD **Social Services in Mexico** June 2016

 Dr. Ellen Csikai, Cuernavaca, Mexico

* Visited and assisted several service agencies
* Immersed in Mexican culture by staying with host family
* Learned basics of Spanish in four hour language classes daily

VOLUNTEER **NICU Volunteer** October 2023 – Present

EXPERIENCE Children’s Hospital, Birmingham, AL

* Hold, soothe, and play with premature or sick babies

**Volunteer Doula** November 2024-Present

BirthWell Partners, Birmingham, AL

* Birth doula for under resourced families in Alabama