

# Curriculum Vitae

Robert G. McInerney, Ph.D.  
Professor of Psychology  
Coordinator of Undergraduate Psychology Program Founder  
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Founder/supervisor of The Mobile Thriving Respite

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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Clinical Psychology: Duquesne University, 2005  
MA Psychology: Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA, August 1999  
BA Psychology: Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ, August 1996

## CERTIFICATION

Certification in Interpretive and Qualitative Research: Center for Interpretive and Qualitative Research, Duquesne University, 2008

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

### **As Full-Time, Tenured Faculty member and Undergraduate Psychology Program Coordinator:**

- **Courses taught:** Introduction to Community Psychology, Research in the Human Sciences, Psychology of Consciousness, Critical Social Psychology, Interpersonal Relations, Characterological and Psychotic in Film, Seminar in the Human Sciences, Zombies and Psychological Life, Music and Psychological Life, Ecopsychology, Cyborgs, Pos-humanism and the Anthropocene (2022), Foundations to Community Psychology (graduate), Social and cultural transformation (graduate).

### **As Adjunct Faculty at Point Park University (2003-05):**

- Courses taught: Foundations of Psychology, Social Psychology
- Courses taught: Social Psychology, Psychological Foundations

### **As Teaching Assistant at Duquesne University (2001-03):**

- Courses taught: Intro. to Psychology, Existential-Phenomenological Psychology

## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND PROJECTS

- 2022 Established practicum partnership with **Visible Hands/Community Integrated Therapy**
- 2021 to present Established practicum partnership with **Abolitionist Law Center/Court watch and Mental Health Court**
- Established partnership/internship with **Bridge to the Mountains**
- Established partnership/internship with **Inside our Minds**
- Founded **The Mobile Thriving Respite**
- Established research and activist partnership between Point Park University Clinical-Community MA Program and **Operation Safety Net** (Mercy Behavioral). Includes ongoing advocate ethnography and community based, participatory action research.
- Established ongoing training of undergraduate and graduate students at **Pittsburgh Action against Rape.**

## PROGRAM, DEPARTMENT and SCHOOL SERVICE

- Coordinator of the Undergraduate Psychology Program (Fall 2022)
- Institutional Review Board committee 2017-present
- Title IX training as investigator 2015
- SafeZone training, 2015
- PhD community engagement committee 2015
- Marketing committee 2014/2013
- Diversity & Inclusion 2012-2013 Summit
- Co-Developer of the Master of Arts in Clinical-Community Psychology, Fall 2012
- Graduate School Panel, Point Park University (Fall, 2012)
- Graduate School advising for Psychology and Behavioral Majors (Fall, 2012)
- Marketing and Communications RFI committee (by invitation from Dr. Karen McIntyre, Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Dean of Faculty )
- Volunteer Faculty Mentoring (2011)
- Volunteer Summer Faculty Advising Team, (2011)
- Teaching “First Class” at the Pioneer Experience, (2011)
- Oral Communication Assessment of students (core courses, 2011)
- Graduate School Panel, Point Park University (Spring and Fall, 2011)
- Library Oversight Committee, (2011)
- Cinema and Digital Arts Search Committee (2011)
- Open House Recruitment volunteer, December, 2010
- Open House Recruitment volunteer, November, 2010.
- Open House Recruitment volunteer, October, 2010.
- Development of Proposal for graduate program, (Spring 2010-present)
- Development of Psychology course objectives, (Summer and Fall 2010)
- Development of Psychology program objectives, (Spring 2010)
- Presentation at Accepted Students Day, April 17th 2010

- Registration for Freshman Orientation, (Summer, 2010)
- Library Oversight Committee, (2010)
- Co-wrote psychology program assessment (with Dr. Brent Robbins), 2010
- Co-Chaired the first annual *Undergraduate Humanities Symposium*. Point Park University, April, 2010.
- Founder/advisor to *The Confluence Undergraduate Journal of Humanistic Psychology* (2009)
- Open House Recruitment Committee (2009)
- Library Services Committee (2009)
- Helped create and promote *Teaching Circle* (2009)
- Philosophy Search Committee (2009)
- Presentation at Accepted Students Day (2009)
- Volunteer member of Middle States Sub Committee (2009)
- Created Student Committee for Candidate evaluation (2008)
- Created the *Confluence* Lectures series (2008)
- Created Professional Development Course (2007)
- Created Undergraduate Qualitative Research Conference (2007-2009)
- Implemented, and distributed the *Anthony J. Dyda Scholarship* information (2008, 2009)
- Organize, implemented and help distribute Persad Practicum and all practicum information for undergraduates (2007-2009)
- Pittsburgh Promise Committee (2008)
- Student Affairs Committee (2008)
- Chair, Search Committee for faculty hire in Psychology (2008)
- Mentoring Initiative Committee (2007)
- Student Affairs Committee (2007)
- Founder and Advisor to *Confluence Humanistic Psychology Alliance* (2006-09)
- Reactivated and became Advisor to *Psi Chi* (2007-2008)
- Website development: rewrote and redesigned psychology web page (2006-07)
- Website development: rewrote and redesigned various course descriptions (2006-07)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022 Grant Award. *Awesome Pittsburgh* for the Mobile Thriving Respite.
- Research Spotlight: Dr. Robert McInerney and the Mobile Thriving Respite, *The Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology newsletter*, Fall 2019.
- 2019 awarded Social Impact Micro Grant from the Center for Inclusive Excellence and the Department of Community Engagement.
- 2018 awarded Carmi Harari Mid-Career Award for community work excellence
- Certificate of Recognition, 2004. Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Teaching (University-wide Nominee) Honored at Celebration of Teaching Excellence, Duquesne University.
- Teaching Excellence Award, 2003. Duquesne Psychology graduate student
- Who's Who Among Graduate Students in American Universities, 2003
- McAnulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts Scholarships, 2000-2003
- Duquesne University, Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center, MA Scholarship
- Summa Cum Laude, Montclair State University (BA), 1996
- Seidman Award, MSU, for academic excellence in psychology, 1996
- Montclair State University Honors Program, 1995-1996

- Dean's List, Montclair State University, 1991-1994

## APPOINTMENTS AND OFFICES

- 2021 to present. Board Member. Bridge Outreach.
- 2018 to present member of Communication/Education Committee as directed by Continuum of Care, Housing Advisory Board of the city of Pittsburgh
- Submission reviewer for the *Sidney M. Jourard Memorial Award*, APA, Division 32
- Editorial Review Board, *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*
- Appointed by President of APA, Division 32, *The Conference Review Committee*
- Society for Humanistic Psychology (APA, Division 32) Taskforce on membership.
- Conference Co-Chairperson 5<sup>th</sup> of the annual conference of The American Psychological Association's Society for Humanistic Psychology, Point Park University, April 12-16, 2011.
- Chair, *Undergraduate Special Interest Group*, American Psychological Association Division 32
- Editorial Board, *Janus Head: Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies*

## PANELS, INVITED SPEAKING AND CONSULTATION

- Invited speaker at Annual Alumni Colloquia Series, Duquesne University. Community based participatory action research with PAAR and OSN (2018).
- Invited speaker: Greater Pittsburgh Psychological Association. November 16th, 2018 at the University of Pittsburgh Wellness Center. Working outside the confines of the consulting room and into the community.
- Panel chair at American Psychological Association (Division 32) conference: Transforming the Master's Tools? Navigating within Prevailing Power Structures using Feminist Epistemology and Intersectionality (with Point Park University students). Naropa University.
- Ongoing consulting and curriculum development: ASSET STEM Education, Pittsburgh, PA. (2012-2013).
- Student Panel discussion: Queering the University with adjunct instructors Luke Niebler and Rachael Goss. *Humanities Symposium*, Point Park University. April, 2013.
- Invited speaker: at Multicultural Leadership Center (East Liberty), Pittsburgh, PA. April, 27, 2013.
- Invited panelist: at Sewickley Community Center, *Juneteenth*; Panel discussion on the social construction of race and race relations. June, 15, 2013.

## PUBLICATIONS

- McInerney, R. G., Autumn Redcross, Hannah Felix, Tea Johnson, and Sam Merhaut (2022). Community Psychology. Chapter in *APA Handbook of Humanistic and Existential Psychology*, forthcoming.
- McInerney, R. G. (2021). Qualitative methodologies when working with our Street Community, *Qualitative Psychology*, forthcoming.
- McInerney, R.G., Kelsey Long, MA and Rachel Stough (2020). The Mobile Thriving Respite. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*. Forthcoming.

- McInerney, R. G., Kainaroi, C., & Northup, J. (2019). Presenting an existential foundation for community-based research using Richard Brautigan's In Watermelon Sugar. *The Humanistic Psychologist. Humanistic Psychologist.*
- McInerney, R.G. (2020). Student Activism in a Neoliberal University: A hermeneutic phenomenological analysis. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology.* With Justin Karter and Brent Dean Robbins.
- McInerney, R.G. (2016). A hermeneutics of love for community based, participatory action research. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology*, (1), 1-23.
- McInerney, R.G. (2016). Threshold Researchers in the Community: Toward a Queering Practice as a Hermeneutic of Love. *Journal of Humanistic Psychology.*
- McInerney, R.G. (2015). *A Phenomenological Account of the Shooting Spree.* Janus Head, (13) 2, 45-60.
- McInerney, R.G. and Jake Glazier. Neurophenomenology in Bargdill, R. and Broome, R. (2015) *Humanistic Contributions for Psychology 101; Growth, Choice, and Responsibility.* University Professors Press.
- McInerney, R.G. (2013). I know why the Moon loves the Sun: A Personal Phenomenology of three Depressions. *The Dasein Project.* [blog]
- McInerney, R.G. (2013). *Neurophenomenological Praxis: Its Applications to Learning and Pedagogy* (Chapter) in *Neurophenomenology: Its Applications to Psychology* with Brent Dean Robbins, Susan Gordon, Eugene Taylor and Olga Louchakova-Schwartz. Springer Publishers.
- McInerney, R. G. (2013). Neurophenomenology. *The Encyclopedia of Critical Psychology.*
- McInerney, R.G. (2012). On the Movement and Interrelation of Youth and Diversity. *The New Existentialists.* [blog]
- McInerney, R. (in press) with Louis Hoffman, Jason Dias and Christy Dyer Thrash. Using Neuropsychology to Enhance Existential Psychotherapy forthcoming in *The Humanistic Psychologist.*
- McInerney, R.G. (2010). Oz Never Did Give Nothing to the... Scarecrow: Neurophenomenology and Critical Pedagogy. *Phenomenology and Practice*, 4 (1), 68-87.
- McInerney, R. (2011). Book review: A Transcontinental Journey brings Transcendental Understanding. *Existential Psychology East-West.* Edited by Louis Hoffman, Mark Yang, Francis J. Kaklauskas & Albert Chan, Colorado Springs: University of the Rockies Press. *Janus Head: Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature.*
- McInerney, R.G. (2010). Inspiring Students and Aspiring Teachers: A Reflection on the Psychological Life of Learning and Teaching. *The Society for Humanistic Society Newsletter*, Winter, 2010-2011.
- McInerney, R.G. (2011). Zombie Seeks Help with Anger Issues: My First Experience of Therapy. *The Society for Humanistic Society Newsletter*, Spring, 2011.
- McInerney, R.G. (2002). Toward a method of neurophenomenological assessment and intervention. *The Humanistic Psychologist* 30 (3), 180-192.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

- McInerney, R. G., Hannah Felix, Sarah Edmiston. (2022). *Inside our Minds and Radical Mental Health.* Upcoming.

## DISSERTATION

- McInerney, R.G. (2005). Dissertation (Unpublished). Learning Disabilities: Miscreant Brains, Pupils and Practices.

## PRESENTATIONS and PANELS

- McInerney, R.G. (2017). Mother did it Need to be so High? The Dreadful and Continuing Relevance of Pink Floyd's The Wall. Division 32, American Psychological Association.
- McInerney, R.G. (2015). *Phenomenology and Advocate Ethnography: Information and Training*. At Operation Safety Net, Pittsburgh, PA.
- McInerney, R.G. (2015). *Teaching Humanistic-Existential Community Psychology Using Richard Brautigan's In Watermelon Sugar* with undergraduate psychology students Calla Kainaroi and Jeremy Northup.
- McInerney, R.G. (2013). Invited panelist: *There is no race?* Annual Juneteenth Celebration. Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The SCC Community Room, Community Center. Sewickley, PA. Moderated by Betty Asche Douglas
- McInerney, R.G. (2013). Existential-Humanistic Foundations to Community Action Research. Sample class presentation at Point Park University, June 27, 2013.
- McInerney, R.G. (2012). *A Hermeneutics of Love for Community Research: Suffering and Acting on the Trembling Ground of Humility* to be presented at the 6th Annual Conference of the Society for Humanistic Psychology, Community in Difference: Cultivating a Home for Love and Justice in an Indifferent World. February 28th- March 3rd. 2013.
- McInerney, R.G. (2012). *Who is the Meta-cogitator? Metacognitive Knowledge as Embodied and Enactive in Situations*. Presented at ASSET (Achieving Student Success through Excellence in Teaching) STEM Education, Pittsburgh, PA. ASSET STEM Education
- McInerney, R.G. (2011). *Visual Representations of Childhood Mental Disorder: A Critical Discourse and Semiotic Analysis of Media Images*. Presented at the 2011, American Psychological Association Convention, August 4-7, Washington, D.C.
- McInerney, R.G. (2011). *The Discursive Construction of Childhood Consciousness: Improperly Mooted, Out of Control, Split, and Monstrous*. Presented at the 119th, 2011 American Psychological Association, Hospitality Suite, The Society for Humanistic Psychology, August 4-7, 2011.
- McInerney, R.G. (2011). *Aspiration and Inspiration: The Psychological Life of Being a Student*, presented at *In the World...On the Edge* 2011 Annual Conference of The Society for Humanistic Psychology, Division 32 of the American Psychological Association, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. April 15-17, 2011 **Note: Presentation with 5 Point Park University psychology undergraduate students (Meghan Higgins, Ellen Lohr, Veronika Panagiotou, Dave Marciso, Danette Caruso).**
- McInerney, R.G. (2011). Herman Hesse's *Siddhartha* and Humanistic Psychology. With Brent Dean Robbins and Steven Handwerker presented at *In the World...On the Edge* 2011 Annual Conference of The Society for Humanistic Psychology, Division 32 of the American Psychological Association, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. April 15-17, 2011.

- McInerney, R.G. (2011). *Graduate Level Research and Writing*, Graduate School Workshop, March 24, 2011, in conjunction with the Career Development and Honors Program at Point Park University.
- McInerney, R.G. (2010). Chaired/presented: *Interpersonal Relations: Discourse Analysis and Critical Ethnographies*. Undergraduate panel discussion at the *Undergraduate Humanities Conference with student panelists: Rebecca Gimeno, Danielle Gruzosky, Katherine Over and Chanel Smith*. Point Park University, Pittsburgh, PA. April, 2010.
- McInerney, R.G. (2010). *Oz Never Did Give Nothing to the Scarecrow: A Phenomenology of Situated Learning and Embodied Cognition*. Point Park University Neurophenomenology Symposium, February, 20th, 2010.
- McInerney, R.G. (2019). *Neurophenomenology and the Enactive Approach to Cognition: Oz Never Did Give Nothing to the Scarecrow: A Phenomenology of Situated Learning and Embodied Cognition*. Division 32, APA convention in Toronto, to be presented at 117th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (August 6-9, 2009) with Susan Gordon, Brent Dean Robbins, and Eugene Taylor. August 6-9<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- McInerney, R.G. (2009). Chaired the APA, Division 32 *Undergraduate Special Interest Group*, Seminar, Hospitality Suite, APA convention in Toronto, to be presented at 117th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, (August 6-9, 2009)
- McInerney, R.G. (2009). Poster session: *The Undergraduate Special Interest Group of APA, Division 32, Humanistic Psychology with Point Park University student Lindsay Herforth*. 3rd Annual Conference of the Society for Humanistic Psychology. University of the Rockies, Colorado Springs, CO. October 8-11, 2009
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). Introducing the *Teaching Circle*. Presentation with Brent Dean Robbins to Point Park University administration and faculty. November, 2008.
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). Panel Presentation: New Student Orientation. *The Psychological Life of Learning and Being a Student*. Point Park University. Fall, 2008.
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). *Psychological Crisis Intervention*. Presentation for Community Facilitator Training, Point Park University. August, 2008.
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). *Recognizing the Serendipitous in Psychotherapy: How to Teach Undergraduates, and Anyone Else, the Seemingly Un-teachable*. **NOTE: presented with Point Park University undergraduates (Erin Coffman and Katriona Ablaiza Nardini)** at *Humanistic Psychology in Practice*, the 2nd Annual Conference of The Society for Humanistic Psychology Sponsored by the Division 32 of American Psychological Association. August 11-13, 2008
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). *Daydreamer, Dunce, Dullard and Dimwit: Subjugated Knowledges on the Edge of the Light of Reason*. Presented at the International Human Science Research Conference: Imagination and the Human Sciences, Ramapo College, N.J. June 11-14, 2008.
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). *The Docile Body of the Brain: A Foucauldian Discourse Analysis of Capacity*. Presented at: Center for Interpretive and Qualitative Research, Duquesne University. April, 2008.
- McInerney, R.G. (2008). Panel Presentation: New Student Orientation (Fall 2007). *The Psychological Life of Learning and Being a Student*. Point Park University.
- McInerney, R.G. (2007). *The Docile Body of the Brain: A Discourse Analysis of Capacity*. Presented at: From the Brain to Human Culture: Intersections between the Humanities and Neuroscience, Bucknell University. April 20-22, 2007
- McInerney, R.G. (2003). *Miscreant Pupils: Toward a Re-Understanding of Modern, Postmodern and Neurological Descriptions of Learning Disabilities*. Presented at the

- Supporting the 21st. Century College Student: The Why's and How's. Sponsored by the Michel P. Weber Learning Skills Center, Duquesne University.
- McInerney, R.G. (2003). Teaching Assistant Panel, Center for Teaching Excellence, Duquesne University.
  - McInerney, R.G. (2002). *The Contribution of Neurophenomenology to further Understanding Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury*. Presented at the International Human Science Research Conference, Victoria, B.C. June 21, 2002.
  - McInerney, R.G. (2002). *Spatial Interrelationships with Subjectivity: The Miscreant in Institutional Space*. Presented at The Visual in Relation Roundtable Conference, The Mattress Factory. Pittsburgh, PA. May 2002.
  - McInerney, R.G. (2002). Poster presentation: *Toward a Method of Neurophenomenological Assessment* with Monica M. Walker, M.A. Presented at the Greater Pittsburgh Psychological Association, April 2002.
  - McInerney, R.G. (2000). *You and I and the Eschatological Shooting Spree*. Presented at the Graduate Student Conference, Duquesne University. November, 2000.
  - McInerney, R.G. (1999). *The Thing Called Gun: Toward a Phenomenological Understanding and a Cultural Therapeutic*. Presented at the Graduate Student Conference, Duquesne University. November 1999.

## CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- Psychotherapist/Counselor (post-doctoral internship) at Carnegie Mellon University, 2005-2006. Included psychodynamic assessment, crisis management (triage), on-call responsibilities, inter-disciplinary case consultation, and psychiatric consultations, supervision of practicum students and individual psychotherapy and group counseling. Created learning disabilities support group as an outreach to campus community
- Psychotherapist/Counselor (pre-doctoral internship) at Carnegie Mellon University, 2004-2005. (See above responsibilities). Presented programs on crisis management
- Therapist at Duquesne University Psychology Clinic, 1999-2003  
Included individual psychotherapy, couples therapy and outreach programs
- Intake Therapist, Duquesne University Psychology Clinic, 2002-03. Included clinical assessment/testing and integrated report writing
- Counselor, Duquesne University Learning Skills Center, Practicum. Included academic and psychological assessment, individual counseling in both learning skills and psychotherapy, and group counseling

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2017-2022. *The Mobile Thriving Respite* (see above).
- 2010-to 2012: organizing administrator of *People Helping People* (Pittsburgh, PA) - Meetup.com.
  - Organize, facilitate, and participate in blanket and clothing drive for those homeless in Pittsburgh. In conjunction with Ward Home, Secret Agent L.
  - Organize, facilitate and participate with bag-it-forward schools supplies for children in back packs in conjunction with Ward Home.
  - Organize, facilitate and participate in service with Ronald McDonald House
- In conjunction with HEARTH and as part of documentary (*Dark Days*) presentation on the homeless, collected supply donations (November 11<sup>th</sup> 2007).
- Volunteer, arrange, and support Blanket Drive as part of student drive for homeless in Pittsburgh (collected and distributed over 60 blankets). Winter 2008-2009 and ongoing.



## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

APA Division 24: Theoretical/Philosophical Psychology

APA Division 27: Society for Community Research and Action

APA Division 32: Society for Humanistic Psychology

APA Division 32: Membership Task Force (2011-2012)