

**James M. Geidner**  
University of Wisconsin, Superior  
Health and Human Performance  
Superior, WI 54880

**Education:**

- 1995-2003      **Doctor of Philosophy**  
Major: Child Development  
Minor 1: Psychodynamic Theory  
Minor 2: Clinical Social Work  
Dissertation Title: *Mediated activity of schizophrenic mothers and their preschool children during a problem-solving task*  
Erikson Institute  
Loyola University of Chicago
- 1993-1995      **Master of Education**  
**Illinois Type 04 Teaching Certification**  
**Early Childhood Education (birth-3<sup>rd</sup> grade)**  
**ESL Endorsement**  
**WI, MI & IL Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor**  
Major: Early Childhood Development  
Minor: Early Childhood Education  
Erikson Institute  
Loyola University of Chicago
- 2014-2018      **Master of Education**  
**Educational Administration**  
Eastern New Mexico University
- 1989-1990      **Carl G. Jung Institute of Chicago**  
No degree conferred  
Course of study in Child Analytical Psychology
- 1985-1989      **Bachelor of Science**  
Major: Psychology  
Minor: English  
Loyola University of Chicago

**Faculty Appointments:**

2017-current      **Department Chair**  
Health and Human Performance Department  
UW-Superior

2012-current      **Associate Professor**  
University of Wisconsin, Superior  
Health and Human Performance  
Coordinator, Early Childhood Education,  
Child Life Program & Substance Abuse Counseling  
Director, Child Development Project

2010-2012      **Assistant Professor**  
University of Wisconsin, Superior  
Health and Human Performance  
Coordinator, Early Childhood Education  
Coordinator, Child Life Program  
Director, Child Development Project

2007-2010      **Assistant Professor**  
**Head, Counseling and Psychological Professions Department**  
University of Wisconsin, Superior  
Teacher Education Department  
Human Development Programs  
Coordinator, Early Childhood Education

2004-2007      **Department Chair**  
Southern New Hampshire University  
School of Education  
Department Chair of Child Development and Counseling,  
Graduate School  
Department Chair of Child Development and Early Childhood Education,  
Undergraduate School

2003-2007      **Assistant Professor**  
Southern New Hampshire University  
Education Department

2002-2003      **Academic Instructor**  
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater  
Department of Education  
Educational Foundations

**Clinical Supervision:**

- 2012-current      **Clinical Supervisor**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
School of Social Work  
Provide clinical supervision for MSW interns.
- 2013-current      **Clinical Supervisor**  
College of Saint Scholastica  
School of Social Work  
Provide clinical supervision for MSW interns
- 2007-current      **Clinical Supervisor**  
University of Wisconsin-Superior  
Art Therapy Program  
Provide clinical supervision for MA art therapy interns.
- 2007-current      **Clinical Supervision**  
University of Wisconsin-Superior  
Counseling and Psychological Professions  
Provide clinical supervision for Master level clinical interns.
- 1997-2002      **Adjunct Faculty**  
University of Chicago  
School of Social Service Administration  
Provide clinical supervision for graduate social work students interested in maternal mental illness, psychiatric rehabilitation, and child psychopathology.
- 1997-2002      **Clinical Supervisor**  
University of Illinois, Chicago  
Jane Addams School of Social Work  
Supervise graduate students during MSW internships.
- 1997-2001      **Clinical Supervisor**  
University of Illinois in Chicago  
School of Nursing  
Supervise residents during their rotation in psychiatric rehabilitation/community mental health. Supervise child wellness clinic.
- 1999-2001      **Clinical Supervisor**  
Rush Medical School  
School of Nursing  
Supervise residents during their rotation in psychiatric rehabilitation/community mental health.

- 1997-1999            **Clinical Supervisor**  
 Adler School for Professional Psychology  
 Provide clinical supervision for graduate students studying family intervention with mentally ill mothers.
- 1998-1999            **Field Supervisor**  
 North Park University  
 School of Education  
 Supervise graduate level students in field placement. Provide weekly supervision and integrate coursework into field practice.
- 1998-1999            **Field Supervisor**  
 Loyola University of Chicago  
 School of Education  
 Supervise undergraduate level students in field placement. Provide weekly supervision and integrate coursework into field practice.

**Relevant Courses Taught:**

- Undergraduate Level:      Cognitive Development of Infants and Young Children  
 Social Emotional Development of Infants and Young Children  
 Assessment and Intervention in Early Childhood  
 Early Childhood Reading Methods  
 Child Development  
 Human Development  
 Early Childhood Methods  
 Early Childhood Special Education  
 Play  
 Human Sexuality  
 Introduction to Mental Health and Stress Management
- Master's Level:            Cognition and Learning  
 Multicultural Counseling  
 Behavioral Therapy  
 Interpersonal Psychotherapy  
 Neurocognition  
 Lifespan Development  
 Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy  
 Psychodynamic Psychotherapy  
 Group Therapy
- Doctoral Level:            Advanced Cognitive Behavioral Therapy  
 Advanced Group Therapy  
 Methods and Analysis of Quantitative Research

**Other Experience:**

- 2013-present      **Pearson**  
Certified edTPA portfolio reviewer
- 2014-present      **CDA PDS**  
Certified CDA Professional Development Specialist
- 2012-2014        **Adjunct Faculty**  
Walden University  
Riley College of Education  
Child Development
- 2007-2009        **Adjunct Faculty**  
Argosy University Online  
Counseling Department  
Doctoral Program
- 2002-2003        **Academic Instructor**  
University of Wisconsin-Whitewater  
Department of Education
- 2002-2003        **Private Practice**  
Private practice in Winnetka, IL focusing on children and families.
- 2002-2003        **Teacher**  
*Evanston-Skokie School District 65*  
Teach first grade regular education classroom.
- 1998-2002        **Director, Children's Programming**  
*Thresholds Mothers' Project*  
Direct clinical programming including an early childhood intervention program for children and their mothers with severe mental illness.. Develop and direct G.E.D and adult education program for mentally ill teenage and adult mothers. Provide dyadic therapy with mentally ill mothers and their children, individual therapy with school age children, group therapy with mentally ill mothers. Coordinate research projects with University of Illinois at Chicago, University of Chicago, and internal research activities. Plan, prepare and administer grants. Coordinate staff development and training for a multidisciplinary team. Supervise twelve staff, clinical interns and education interns.

- 1997-1998      **Lead Educational Therapist**  
***Thresholds Mothers' Project***  
 Direct early childhood intervention program for children of mentally ill mothers; focus on clinical supervision of staff, development of a research program and grant writing. Coordination of staff development and training for a multidisciplinary team of educators, therapists, and case workers.
- 1993-1997      **Learning Resource Center Director**  
***St. Joseph's Carondelet School***  
 Direct resource program for emotionally disturbed children focusing on literacy, computer skills, hands on education, community development and staff development. Supervise eight teachers. Develop I.E.P's and coordinate reintegration of children into the public school system. Supervise specialized services for children including reading, speech therapy, and learning disability services. Develop teacher training program in cooperation with the Teachers Academy for Math and Science. Develop and write grants.
- 1994-1995      **Research Assistant**  
***Erikson Institute***  
 Research cultural differences in the literacy development of African American children ages 2-5. Research peer tutoring of and by emotionally disturbed children.
- 1994              **Student Teacher**  
***Greeley Elementary School***  
 Winnetka, IL  
 Co-Teach in a third grade classroom.
- 1990-1993      **Special Education Teacher**  
***St. Joseph's Carondelet School***  
 Teach LD, BD, and ED students preK-8 in a self-contained residential therapeutic day school classroom.
- 1990              **Director of Children's Activities**  
**Director of Volunteers**  
***House of the Good Shepherd***  
 Develop and implement therapeutic play programs for children from infancy through age 12 at a domestic violence shelter. Create resource centers for both adults and children. Recruit, train, and evaluate volunteers working with the children.

- 1989-1990      **Family Educator**  
*Maryville City of Youth*  
Recommend placements for neglected and abused children residing at a short-term residential diagnostic home.
- 1989-1990      **Co-Teacher**  
*Saint Margaret Mary Early Childhood Education Center*  
Work on a team of four teachers in carrying out teaching assignments for kindergarten and preschool age children.
- 1988-1989      **Research Assistant**  
*Loyola University Chicago Psychology Department*  
Participate in two projects: i) stress and coping in adolescents, and ii) effects of maternal employment on children of single mothers.
- 1986-1989      **Teaching Assistant**  
*Loyola University Day School*  
*Charles Doyle Award 1989*  
Doyle Award for outstanding community service. Perform basic teaching support for developmentally delayed children age 3-11.
- 1988              **Life Skills Instructor**  
*Horizon's Unlimited Home for the Developmentally Disabled*  
Teach everyday living skills and social interaction skills to severely/profoundly delayed adolescents and adults.
- 1988              **Research Assistant**  
*Psychological Associates of Northern Wisconsin*  
Research the effects of divorce mediation on children; initiate the setup of a divorce mediation service; work intimately with Child Clinical Psychologists and Marriage and Family Therapists.

## **Committees**

2018-	<b>Faculty Senate</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2009-current	<b>University Academic Affairs Committee</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2013	<b>Chair, Academic Affairs</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2008-2015	<b>Institutional Review Board</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2009-2010	<b>Search Committee</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior Educational Leadership Early Childhood Tenured Faculty Search
2009-2010	<b>Search Committee</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior Educational Leadership Community Counseling Tenured Faculty Search
2009-2010	<b>General Education Subcommittee of UAAC</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2009-2010	<b>CETL Advisement Subcommittee for Incoming Faculty</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2009	<b>Personnel Council</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2009	<b>Student Assessment Committee</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2008	<b>Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2007	<b>Voluntary Student Assessment System, Co-Chair</b> University of Wisconsin, Superior
2004-2006	<b>Faculty Senate</b> Southern New Hampshire University



2003-2006            **University Curriculum Committee**  
Southern New Hampshire University

2003-2006            **School of Education Curriculum Committee**  
Southern New Hampshire University

**Peer Reviewed Presentations, Writing and Invited Lectures:**

2018                    **Head Start Conference, WI**  
*The physiological and psychological effects of drugs on infants and young children born with addiction.*

2017                    **Editor, *Journal of Rural Mental Health***  
Nominated and accepted editorship of this APA journal  
Selection still in process.

2017                    ***Infant Mental Health Journal***  
*Meta-analysis of the effects of psychotherapy with preschool age children*  
(prepress)

2017                    ***Psychotherapy with Infants and Young Children***  
Linus Books  
draft text outlining a theory of psychotherapy based on my 10 year longitudinal study, The Child Development Project (draft)

2017                    **Ireland International Education Conference**  
*Early Childhood Mental Health in the Classroom*

2017                    **Midlothian Sure Start Conference**  
Edinburgh, Scotland  
*Using Storytelling to Foster Emotional Regulation*

2015                    **National Rural Institute on Alcohol and Drug Abuse**  
*Infant-Early Childhood Mental Health and maternal addiction in rural America*

2015                    **International Writing Across the Curriculum Conference**  
*A Pebble Making Ripples in the Stream: A Writing Mentors Pilot Program at a Small Public Liberal Arts Institution*  
Co-presented with Dr. Deb Schlacks

2015                    **Wisconsin Head Start Conference**  
*Early Childhood in Rural Communities*

2014                    **Positive Behavior Practices**

Text using evidence based practice for clinical interventions for children with emotional and behavioral disorders in early childhood classrooms (draft)

- 2013                    **National Training Institute**  
**Zero to Three**  
*Infant Mental Health in Rural America*
- 2013                    **National Association for Rural Mental Health**  
*Developing IMH/ECMH Services in Rural America*
- 2013                    **WAC Poster Presentation**  
Poster presentation for WAC at UWS highlighting research conducted with WAC grant in Early Childhood Program.
- 2011                    **Minnesota Children's Mental Health Conference.**  
*Early Childhood Mental Health for Clinicians.*
- 2011                    **Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference.**  
*Emotional and Behavioral Interventions in the Preschool Classroom.*
- 2010                    **Family Forum Head Start.**  
*Relationship of infants, toddlers and preschoolers behavior to parenting variables.*
- 2010                    **Minnesota Children's Mental Health Conference**  
*Early Childhood Mental Health: Report from an ongoing longitudinal research project.*
- 2010                    **Social Work Ethics: From Classroom to Field** (textbook)  
*Ethical Considerations in Clinical Work with Children*  
James Marley, Editor  
Pearson Publishing
- 2009                    **Choosing Child Care (working title)**  
Submitted to Dorrance Publishing  
Initial confirmation to edit
- 2009                    **Wisconsin Adoption Conference**  
**Post Adoption Resource Center**  
*Creative Approaches for Challenging Behaviors*  
*Attachment and Adoption*
- 2009                    **Wisconsin Counseling Association**  
**Annual Conference**

*Infant Mental Health for Counselors*

- 2009            **State 4K Program, Superior WI**  
*Child Guidance: Early Childhood Mental Health*
- 2009            **Midwest Qualitative Research Conference, Annual Conference**  
*Being and Becoming*  
Presentation of nonlinear dynamic modeling techniques in the developmental sciences using qualitative analyses.
- 2009            **DAEYC Training**  
*Math and Science for Young Children*  
Presents the latest curricular innovations for young children in the areas of math and science.
- 2009            **Wisconsin Head Start Association Annual Conference**  
*Using play to promote brain growth and recovery from trauma*  
Presents the latest research from the developmental sciences on brain growth and how specific interventions in the classroom can help young children recover from trauma.
- 2009            **Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children**  
*Play therapy and Neural Development*  
Presents the latest information from the developmental sciences on brain development and recovery from trauma. Interactive projects for all participants, focusing on trauma and recovery, are integrated throughout the presentation.
- 2009            **University of Wisconsin Superior**  
**Art Therapy Department**  
*Play and Neural Development*  
A lecture presented to the Art Therapy department on the relationship between play and neurological development
- 2009            **Journal of Counseling and Development. Summer 2009.**  
*Developmental Science and Counseling.*
- 2008            **International Journal of Play Therapy, Winter 2008**  
*Developmental Science and Play Therapy.*
- 2008            **Wisconsin Infant Mental Health Association Annual Conference**  
*Promoting Relationships among mothers with severe and chronic mental illness and their young children*

- 2008                    **Minnesota Kindergarten Conference**  
*Physics for Fives: real science for real kids.*  
 A workshop presenting a model science curriculum I developed for early childhood.
- 2008                    **Wisconsin Head Start Association Annual Conference**  
*RTI: How Should Head Start Teachers Respond?*  
 Workshop presenting the role of recent changes in federal law and its impact on early childhood. This workshop specifically addresses the change from standardized measures of assessment to Response to Intervention as a primary method for determining eligibility for special education.
- 2008                    **CEC-DEC Annual Conference**  
*RTI with complex families: mothers and children with disabilities*
- 2008                    **Midwest Qualitative Research Conference, Annual Conference**  
*Assessing dyadic relationships*
- 2008                    **University of Wisconsin, Superior**  
**Art Therapy Department**  
*Jungian Analysis and Art Therapy*  
 A lecture presented to the Art Therapy department on the relationship between Analytic Psychology and Art Therapy
- 2007                    **University of Wisconsin, Superior**  
**Counseling Department**  
*Developmental Counseling*  
 A lecture presented to the counseling department on a recent publication of mine
- 2004                    **Community Upstream Services, Vermont**  
 Working with depressed mothers and their children
- 2003                    *Mediated Activity of Schizophrenic Mothers and their Preschool Age Child During a Problem Solving Task.* Dissertation.
- 2001                    **Education Seminar**  
 Jewish Family and Community Services  
 Integrating clinical and educational perspectives when working with mentally ill mothers and their children.
- 2001                    **Lecture**  
 The Salvation Army  
 Clinical Social Work Seminar

Establishing effective communication with dually diagnosed mentally ill and developmentally delayed clients.

2000

**Lecturer**

Ounce of Prevention

Working with resistant adolescent mothers.

1999

**Guest Lecturer**

School of Social Work

Loyola University Chicago

Dyadic therapy with mentally ill mothers and their preschool age child.

1999

**Lecture**

Jewish Children's Bureau

Maternal-child interaction and cognitive interventions.

1998

**Guest Lecturer**

School of Social Work

Loyola University Chicago

Clinical work with mentally ill mothers and their children.

1997

**Lecture**

Thresholds Psychiatric Rehabilitation

The role of the therapeutic nursery in psychosocial rehabilitation.

**Grant Writing:**

2014

**Pathways to Quality in Child Care via Online Degree Completion Strategies From Credentials to Degrees Project**

University of Wisconsin System

Grant for program development written in cooperation with UW-Platteville. Grant moves students from Platteville's credentialing program into UWS ECE and Child Development degree programs.

2014

**Wisconsin Bridge: 2+2 for ECE**

Grant written in collaboration with UW Whitewater and other campuses to standardize transfer agreements between 2 and 4 year institutions.

2011

**Writing Across the Curriculum Grant**

University of Wisconsin System

Grant to fund a study on improving writing skills of pre-service early childhood teachers.

- 2009                    **Play Therapy Grant**  
Association for Play Therapy
- 2008                    **Race and Ethnicity Institute**  
Response to Intervention Study
- 2006                    **Beane Foundation**  
Early Literacy Grant  
Seed grant for researching literacy interventions with minority and immigrant populations
- 2005                    **New Hampshire Department of Education**  
New Hampshire Teacher Quality Enhancement System  
Grant written and implemented in collaboration with SNHU faculty.
- 2004                    **Early Reading First**  
Grant written in collaboration with the Manchester Public Schools.  
Grant awarded \$350,000
- 1999-2002            **Illinois State Board of Education**  
State Pre-K Subcontracting Grant  
Grant for continued funding of the State pre-K program.  
Funding award \$78,000.
- 1999                    **SAMHSA**  
Chicago S.A.F.E. Project  
Assist a larger team in the writing of the Thresholds Mothers' Project portion of this grant funded by SAMHSA. This grant is a collaboration among Thresholds, The University of Chicago, and the National Opinion Research Center.
- 1999                    **Department of Human Services**  
Program Enhancement Grant  
Develop, write, submit and administer a grant for play groups for families currently on the waiting list to enter psychiatric rehabilitation programs.  
Funding award of \$58,000.
- 1998                    **Illinois State Board of Education**  
State Pre-K Subcontracting Grant  
Develop, write, submit and administer state pre-K grant for 17 children of mentally ill mothers. Funding award of \$79,000.
- 1997-1999            **Women Mental Health Consumers and their Children**  
Coordinate the Thresholds portion of this UIC directed research grant.
- 1997                    **Department of Human Services**

Assist in the revision of a DHS contract for child care. Award amount \$210,000.

1995

**Helen Brach Foundation**

Develop, co-write and administer a grant for a computer lab at St. Joseph's Carondelet Learning Resource Center. Funding award of \$35,000.

**Consulting:**

2010-current

**Family Forum**

Infant mental health and early childhood mental health consultations for Head Start service providers.

2005

**SAMSHA**

Consulting/Grant reading on funding for Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention.

2002

**Mental Health Association of Milwaukee**

Invisible Children Program

Select, design, develop, and administer grants for a Therapeutic Nursery program for young children. Develop after school program and psychiatric clinic for school age children.

2000

**DuPage County Health Department**

Parents Of Infants Program

Consultant on the development of a State Pre-k funded therapeutic nursery program for mentally ill mothers and their young children.

1999-2000

**Evanston Childcare Network**

Head Start

Consultant on the development of an early intervention program for mentally ill mothers and their young children.

1998-1999

**Madden Mental Health**

Maternal-Child Health Project

Provide consultation for a inpatient State Psychiatric Hospital on the development of a maternal-child clinic for mentally ill mothers and their children.

1998-1999

**Project Hope**

Early Intervention Program

Consultant on the development of an intervention program for dual diagnosed minority mothers and their young children.

1997-1998

**Illinois State Board of Education**

Office of Early Childhood Education  
Consultant on funding early childhood programs for children at risk.

**Appointments and Memberships:**

2009-present	<b>WITC: Early Childhood Advisory Committee</b>
2010-present	<b>Mental Health Consultant</b> Family Forum
2009-2010	<b>Early Childhood Mental Health Resource Team</b> Committee member SMDC/Polinski Rehabilitation
2010-2011	<b>Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children</b> Past-President (ex-officio)
2009-2010	<b>Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children</b> President
2009-2010	<b>Saint Michaels School</b> Board of Directors
2008-2010	<b>Saint Paul's Social Welfare Committee</b> Board member
2008-2009	<b>Duluth Association for the Education of Young Children</b> Vice President
2006-2007	<b>President Elect</b> Council for Exceptional Children, NH
2005-2006	<b>Vice President</b> Council for Exceptional Children, NH
2004-present	<b>American Counseling Association</b>
2003-2007	<b>NH Infant Mental Health Society</b> Board of Directors
1997-2003	<b>Infant Mental Health Society</b> Education Committee



Develop and plan annual training for the Infant Mental Health Society.  
Develop ongoing education seminars for educators, researchers and practitioners.

- 1997-present      **Council for Exceptional Children**
- 1997-2001        **Illinois Infant Mental Health Society**
- 1997-2001        **International Infant Mental Health Society**
- 1998-present     **National Association for the Education of Young Children**
- 1997-2003        **Society for Research in Child Development**
- 2001-2003        **Greater Chicago Mental Health Association**  
Assist in the development of a social-emotional learning curriculum pilot tested in the Chicago Public School System.

**Awards:**

- 2011                **Future Teachers of America  
FTA Award**  
Award given by student run FTA Club at UW-Superior for excellence in teaching.
- 1995                **Friends of Saint Joseph's Award**  
Saint Joseph's Carondelet Child Center  
The Friends of Saint Joseph's Award is granted to an individual making outstanding contributions to the lives of children living in residential treatment.
- 1989                **Father Charles Doyle, S.J. Award**  
Loyola University Chicago  
The Doyle Award is granted to one member of the university providing outstanding service to the community.