

## **Emin Gharibian, Psy.D.**

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### **EDUCATION**

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| Psy.D. | 2016 | <p><b><u>Alliant International University</u></b><br/> <b>California School of Professional Psychology – Los Angeles</b><br/>         Clinical Psy.D. Program - Health Emphasis Area (APA accredited program)</p> |
| M.A.   | 2014 | <p><b><u>Alliant International University</u></b><br/> <b>California School of Professional Psychology – Los Angeles</b></p>  |
| M.A.   | 2010 | <p><b><u>Phillips Graduate Institute</u></b><br/>         Psychology</p>  |
| B.A.   | 2008 | <p><b><u>California State University - Northridge</u></b><br/>         Psychology – Summa Cum Laude</p>   |

### **POST-DOCTORAL EDUCATION**

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| 2018 – 2020 | <p><b><u>Fielding Graduate University</u></b><br/>         Post-Doctoral Respecialization Certificate in Neuropsychology</p> |
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### **COURT/PANEL APPOINTMENTS**

- 2019 – Appointed to Los Angeles Juvenile Court Expert Witness and Competency Panel
- 2022 – Appointed to Los Angeles Adult Criminal Court Expert Witness Panel
- 2024 – Appointed to California Board of Psychology Expert Witness Panel

### **CLINICAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Offenders with Mental Health Disabilities Unit (OMHD), Psychologist (March 2021 – Present)**

- Conducting forensic psychological evaluations with inmates to determine if they meet the criteria for civil commitment pursuant to PC 2962.
- Preparing written reports based on records and direct examination and testifying in Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) as an expert witness.
- Completing suicide reviews based on interviews and record reviews to develop corrective action plans to reduce suicide risk in the future.

**Verdugo Psychological Associates, Founder/ Clinical Director (December 2017 – Present)**

- Private practice specializing in psychological and neuropsychological evaluations for clinical and forensic settings.
- Providing psychological and neuropsychological evaluations for competency to stand trial, civil competencies (e.g., testamentary capacity), personal injury, worker's compensation, immigration hearings, fitness for duty, pre-employment evaluations for law enforcement, and military pre-enlistment evaluations.
- Providing neuropsychological evaluations for ADHD, intellectual disabilities, learning disabilities, and cognitive impairment with adolescents and adults.

**Gunn Psychological Services, Psychologist (August 2018 – December 2022)**

- Independent contractor conducting comprehensive psychological and neuropsychological assessments for ADHD, intellectual disabilities, learning disabilities, and cognitive impairment with adolescents and adults.
- Experience working with veterans and active military conducting evaluations for VA benefits.
- Providing treatment recommendations regarding academic accommodations for classroom learning and standardized tests for high school, college, and graduate students.

**Department of State Hospitals, Patton State Hospital, Psychologist (January 2019 – March 2021)**

- Patton State Hospital is a 1,500-bed maximum-security forensic psychiatric hospital housing judicially committed patients under the following commitment types: Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI), Incompetent to Stand Trial, Mentally Disordered Offender, and Mentally Disordered Sex Offender.
- Conducting forensic psychological evaluations on patients for a variety of legal commitments (e.g., Incompetent to Stand Trial, Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity & Mentally Disordered Offenders).
- Completing annual violence risk assessments using the HCR-20 and START for patients committed under 1370, 2962, and 1026 PC commitment codes.
- Writing court reports on the patient's progress and testifying in court and Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) as an expert witness.

**California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, California State Prison: Los**

**Angeles County, Psychologist (June 2017 – January 2019)**

October 2017 – January 2019, Mental Health Crisis Bed (MHCB) psychologist:

- Providing crisis intervention, assessing for dangerousness and grave disability with patients with severe mental illness and cognitive impairment. Providing psychotherapeutic services, and coordinating acute or long-term intensive care placements for patients in need of additional care.
- Assessing and evaluating patients for diagnostic clarification, mental competency, and malingering and feigning of psychiatric symptoms.
- Responsible for overseeing and coordinating the evaluations of patients charged with rule violations to determine if their behaviors were due to mental illness.
- Developing treatment and safety plans based on presenting symptoms, history of psychiatric problems, and psychosocial history.
- Consulting with interdisciplinary treatment teams to determine the appropriateness of treatment and level of care, as well as inmate-patients' progress in treatment.
- Credentialed to admit and discharge patients from inpatient hospitals.

June 2017 – October 2017, Enhanced Outpatient Program (EOP) psychologist:

- Providing psychotherapeutic and supportive services to a caseload of up to 25 inmate patients with severe mental illness.
- Consulting with the interdisciplinary treatment team to determine the appropriateness of treatment and level of care, as well as inmate-patients' progress in treatment.
- Conducting crisis intervention and evaluations (e.g., suicidality, homicidality, grave disability). Coordinating appropriate intervention after the determination of the level of risk, monitoring inmate-patients recently discharged from the inpatient hospital, and assisting inmate-patients to prepare for parole.

**Hamlin Psyche Center, Worker's Compensation Evaluator (May 2018 – August 2018)**

- Worker's compensation evaluator for applicant denied and accepted claims.
- Experience conducting comprehensive evaluations for patients with depression, anxiety, and trauma symptoms due to workplace stress, harassment, wrongful termination, or exposure to a traumatic event.

**Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Psychological Services Bureau, Post-Doctoral Fellow (October 2016 – May 2017)**

- Experience in assessing and evaluating problems, diagnosing issues, and providing therapeutic interventions to LASD employees and their families.
- Experience providing critical incident interventions for sworn and non-sworn law enforcement personnel involved in shootings, dangerous situations, or traumatic incidents.
- Experience researching topics and presenting comprehensive training programs, workshops, and lectures on a variety of topics to department recruits, supervisors, management, and training officers.
- Consulting, assisting, and advising departmental management/ supervisors in approaches to law enforcement-related problems. Providing consultation and presenting training to the department's Peer Support and Addiction Recovery Programs.

**California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, California Institution for Men,  
Pre-Doctoral Psychology Intern (August 2015 – August 2016)**

- Providing mental health treatment and crisis intervention to adult inmates in the facility's Reception Center, Administrative Segregation Unit, and Mental Health Crisis Bed.
- Providing individual therapy, group therapy, and crisis intervention to inmates with moderate to severe mental health illnesses, behavioral problems, and co-occurring disorders using CBT and motivational interviewing techniques.
- Administering, scoring, and writing personality, cognitive, and neuropsychological testing batteries to assist with differential diagnoses, treatment planning, malingering, and violence risk assessment.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**Principal Investigator (September 2012 – August 2015)**

Dissertation Title: "Associations of Job Strain, Health-Related Quality of Life, Mental Health Stigma and Seeking Mental Health Treatment: A Focus on Police Officers".

- Chair: Lekeisha Sumner, Ph.D., ABPP
- Committee Member: Robert Sack, Ph.D.

**Wayne State University: Imagery-Based Trauma-Resiliency Training for Urban Police,  
Co-Investigator (May 2013 – September 2013)**

- Co-investigator in a research project aimed at developing and testing an imagery-based

trauma and stress resiliency training program to be utilized with rookie police officers.

- Responsible for outreach and recruitment of local law enforcement agencies to participate in the project.
- Adapting surveys for use in the project and assisting with the implementation of the treatment program in local law enforcement agencies.

### **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### **Glendale Police Department, Reserve Police Officer (February 2011- Present)**

- Responding to calls for service regarding accidents, emergencies, crimes, threats, altercations, and/or requests for aid.
- Interviewing, interrogating, and recording statements from witnesses, suspects, and victims.
- Serving subpoenas, testifying in court, and consulting with the District Attorney's Office to provide information for case preparation.

### **PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

- Judicial Council of California: Competency to Stand Trial Evaluations (7 hours). November 2023.
- Evidence-Based Evaluation of Criminal Responsibility (6 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. August 2022.
- Case Law - Criminal Responsibility (3 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. August 2022.
- Evaluation of Fitness for Duty: Foundations & Methods (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. May 2020.
- Evaluation of Police Candidate Suitability: Advances in Empirically-Based Methods (4 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. May 2020.
- HCR-20 Advanced Training (6 hours). Department of State Hospitals. May 2019.
- Short-Term Assessment of Risk and Treatment (START) Advanced Training (7 hours). Department of State Hospitals. April 2019.
- STATIC-99 Sex Offender Risk Assessment Training (12 hours). Department of State Hospitals. April 2019

- HCR-20 Fundamentals Training (6 hours). Department of State Hospitals. February 2019.
- Assessing Civil Competencies (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. January 2019.
- Conducting Second-Opinion Pre-employment Psychological Evaluations of Police & Other Public Safety Candidates (6 hours). Mindset CE. June 2018.
- Psychological Evaluation of Causation and Damages in Personal Injury Cases (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. May 2018.
- Clinical Neuropsychology for the Forensic Psychologist (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. November 2017.
- Assessing Reports of Trauma in Forensic Contexts (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. November 2017.
- Comprehensive Assessment of Malingering (4 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. November 2017.
- Personal Injury Evaluations: Law & Psychology Practice (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2017.
- Evidence-Based Screening of Police Candidates Using the MMPI-2 RF (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2017.
- Test-Based Evaluation of Feigning in Clinical Forensic Assessments (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2016.
- Forensic Evaluation in Disability Matters (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2016.
- Forensic Report Writing (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2016.
- Evaluation of Competence to Stand Trial (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2016.
- Officer-Involved Shootings: Understanding the Event, the Impact, and the Role of a Psychologist (7 hours). American Academy of Forensic Psychology. February 2016.