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Education

PhD, Counselor Education and Supervision | Mercer University, 2015
MA, Professional Counseling | Richmont Graduate University, 2012
BA, Psychology | Taylor University, 2009

Licensure and Certifications

Licensed Mental Health Counselor, State of Florida, 2025-
Approved Clinical Supervisor, Center for Credentialing and Education, 2022-
Licensed Professional Counselor, State of Georgia, 2020-
Nationally Certified Counselor, National Board for Certified Counselors, 2020-
Certified Professional Counselor Supervisor, Professional Counselors Association of Georgia, 2020-2022

Advanced Clinical Training

Relational Psychodynamic Supervision and Consultation, Contemporary Psychodynamic Institute, 2023
Relational Psychodynamic Therapy, Contemporary Psychodynamic Institute, 2022

Academic and Administrative Appointments

Associate Professor, Clinical Counseling Program, Point Loma Nazarene University, 2026-
Assistant Dean, School of Counseling, Richmont Graduate University, 2022-2026
Program Director (Online), School of Counseling, Richmont Graduate University, 2020-2022
Associate Professor, School of Counseling, Richmont Graduate University, 2020-2026
Assistant Professor, Graduate Program in Counseling, Messiah University, 2015-2020

Adjunct Faculty Appointments

Affiliate Faculty, The Family Institute, Northwestern University, 2023-2025
Adjunct Faculty, School of Counseling, Richmont Graduate University, 2014-2015
Adjunct Faculty, Department of Counseling & Human Services, Mercer University, 2012-2015

Clinical Practice

Licensed Professional Counselor, Independent Practice, 2020-
Pre-Licensed Professional Counselor, Tapestry Psychological Associates, 2012-2015
Counseling Intern, Hope Counseling Center at West Ridge, 2011-2012

Peer Reviewed Conference Presentations

Sherwood, C., & Hoover, S.C. (2026, March). Incarnational intersubjectivity: Forming the self of the therapist made in the image of God. To be presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Columbus, OH.

Hoover, S.C., Hall, J., & Barsness, R. (2025, November). My truth, your truth, our truth: Relational truth in psychoanalytic group supervision. Presented at the International Forum for Psychoanalytic Education, Washington, DC.

Hoover, S.C., & Blackburn, A. (2025, October). Negotiating relational space in clinical training and supervision: Transforming anxiety into courageous speech. Presented at the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Bland, C., & Hoover, S.C. (2025, March). Unintended consequences: Trainee fears of countertransference harm. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Denver, CO.

Hoover, S.C., Blackburn, A., Bazile, K., Morse, A., Land, L., & Plisco, M. (2025, March). Awe and wonder in counselor education. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Denver, CO.

Bland, C., & Hoover, S.C., Bradshaw, A., Lee, C., Johnson, S., & Shults, S. (2024, March). Empowering practicum trainees: Developing the self of the therapist. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Blackburn, A.M., Hoover, S.C., & Plisco, M. (2024, March). And they wrote a devotional instead: Enhancing experiential integration in counselor education and group supervision. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Mesimer, B.A., Chien, J., & Hoover, S.C. (2024, February). Three experiential learning activities for the online environment. Presented at the Counselor Education Distance Learning Virtual Conference.

Hoover, S.C., & Bazile, K. (2023, October). Analyzing psychoanalysis in counseling theories textbooks. Presented at the Association of Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Denver, CO.

Hoover, S.C., & Mills, D. (2022, November). Ethical complexity in clinical practice and supervision: A relational perspective. Presented at the Southern Association of Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Baltimore, MD.

Hoover, S.C., & Jones, M.S. (2022, February). iThou relationality in online counselor education. Presented at the Counselor Education Distance Learning Virtual Conference.

Hoover, S.C. (2020, March). Spirituality in the wake of trauma: A content analysis of victim impact statements in a case of child sexual abuse. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2020, February). Essential self-care for trauma counselors. Presented at the Greater Philadelphia Area Counseling Association Trauma Symposium, Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2020, February). Adults abused as children: Client autonomy and the counselor's duty to report. Presented at the Law and Ethics in Counseling Conference, University of Holy Cross, New Orleans, LA.

Hoover, S.C. (2019, July). Spiritual sensitivity in response to trauma. Presented at the Philadelphia Trauma Training Conference, Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA.

Hoover, S.C., & McGinnis, C.Z.A. (2018, September). Celebrating remediation: Best practices for student support and gatekeeping. Presented at the North Atlantic Region of the Association of Counselor Education and Supervision Conference, Burlington, VT.

Hoover, S.C. (2018, April). Enhancing trauma-focused clinical supervision. Presented at the American Counseling Association Conference and Expo, Atlanta, GA. (Advanced Program)

Barna, J., Hoover, S.C., Stinchfield, T., Brumfield, K., Mayer, S., & Wahesh, E. (2017, November). Gatekeeping and the role of the counselor educator: A panel discussion for the Pennsylvania Association of Counselor Education and Supervision (PACES). Presented at the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference, King of Prussia, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2017, July). Trauma-focused clinical supervision. Presented at the American Mental Health Counselors Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

Hoover, S.C. (2017, July). Addressing religion and spirituality in trauma counseling. Poster presented at the American Mental Health Counselors Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

Hoover, S.C. (2017, February). Souls enslaved: The psychological trauma of injustice. Presented at the Humanities Symposium, Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2016, September). Breaking the taboo: Addressing romantic and sexual attraction in counselor education. Presented at the North Atlantic Region of the Association of Counselor Education and Supervision, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY.

Hoover, S.C. (2015, October). Keeping faith, transforming faith: Understanding and responding to spiritual struggles. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies Regional Conference, Eastern University, St. David's, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2015, November). No need to whisper: Addressing religion and spirituality in professional counseling. Presented at the Pennsylvania Counseling Association Conference, Penn State University, State College, PA.

Hoover, S.C., Morse, A., & Rowland, K.D. (2014, October). Still taboo? Addressing sexual attraction in counselor education. Presented at the Southern Association of Counselor Education and Supervision Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL.

Hoover, S.C. (2014, April). Healing the brokenhearted, binding their wounds: Religious coping in response to trauma. Presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2014, April). Praying the Psalms: An intervention for spiritually oriented trauma counseling. Poster presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Overzat, T., Hoover, S.C., & Morse. A. (2014, February). From homeless to college: Addressing housing trauma within the challenges of the higher education classroom. Poster presented at the Conference on Higher Education Pedagogy, Virginia Tech University, Blacksburg, VA.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, November). Religious and spiritual coping across the lifespan. Presented at the Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Health, Religion, and Spirituality, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, November). Coping with childhood trauma: The effects of religion and spirituality. Presented at the Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Health, Religion, and Spirituality, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, June). Understanding and treating complex trauma. Poster presented at the Annual Convention and Regional Conference of the Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia, Savannah, GA.

Overzat, T., Hoover, S.C., & Morse, A. (2013, June). Developing best practices for teaching and counseling homeless students. Presented at the Curriculum Studies Summer Collaborative Conference sponsored by Georgia Southern University, Savannah, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, April). Spiritually oriented counseling for trauma survivors. Presented at the Atlanta Research Conference, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, March). Enhancing empathy in professional counseling: Imagination and the arts. Presented at the Student Affiliate Organization of the Licensed Professional Counselors Association of Georgia Annual Conference, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Professional Trainings and Invited Talks

Hoover, S.C. (2026, September). Deepening the treatment: Relational concepts in therapeutic action. Presented at Cumberland Counseling Centers, Marietta, GA.

Sherwood, C., & Hoover, S.C. (2026, June). Incarnation and intersubjectivity: The person of the therapist made in the image of God. Presented at Richmont Graduate University, Student Affairs Lunch and Learn, Atlanta, GA.

Sherwood, C., & Hoover, S.C. (2026, March). The sacred space between us: How attuned relationship reflects God's presence in psychotherapy. Presented at the Wings Center at Eagle Ranch, Flowery Branch, GA.

Hoover, S.C., & Land, L. (2024, November). Supervision through a relational lens: A psychodynamic approach. Presented at the Internship Fair Supervision Workshop, Richmont Graduate University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2024, October). Facing anxiety together: Relational pathways to resilience. Presented at The Psychology Symposium, Southern Adventist University, Collegedale TN. Keynote Address.

Hoover, S.C. (2023, April). Slouching toward articulation: From deep listening to courageous speech. Presented at the Contemporary Psychodynamic Institute Spring Retreat, Scottsdale, AZ.

White, J., Hoover, S.C., & Land, L. (2022, November). Images of God in psychodynamic perspective. Presented at the Integration Seminar, Richmont Graduate University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2022). Anxiety in children and adolescents. Presented at Engage: Intentional Parenting Through the Seasons, Passion City Church, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C., Cravey, K., & Georgieva, M., & Zinsmeister, L. (2019, May). Teaching academic writing to graduate students. Presented at Educators' Day, Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Georgieva, M., McGinnis, C., & Hoover, S.C. (2019, May). Christianity and mental health. Chapel presentation at Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Clarke, L.K., & Hoover, S.C. (2019, April). An introduction to trauma-informed care. Presented for Bridge of Hope, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2018, December). Walking by prayer and faith. Invited presentation for the C.S. Lewis Institute Fellows Program, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Barto, H., Hoover, S.C., LaGrande, J.B., & Manzullo-Thomas, D. (2018, May). Academic integrity in digital times. Presented at Educator's Day, Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Hoover, S.C., & Good, J. (2017, April). Trauma-focused counseling supervision. Presented at the Site Supervisor Luncheon, Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2017, April). Created and called for community: The role of the church in Christian spiritual formation. Invited presentation for the C.S. Lewis Institute Fellows Program, Harrisburg, PA.

Hoover, S.C. (2016, April). Clinical mental health counseling. Invited presentation in Community Services for Individuals and Families, an undergraduate course at Messiah University, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Redmond, D., & Hoover, S.C. (2015, April). Ethical and professional responsibilities. Presented in the Substance Abuse Certification Program, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S. C. (2015, February). Before the storm: Preparing for trauma and crisis. Invited presentation for the Disaster Relief Ministry at the Catholic Church of St. Anne, Marietta, GA.

Hoover, S. C. (2014, October). Ethical and professional responsibilities. Presented in the Substance Abuse Counseling Certification Program, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2014, June). Trauma-informed care at a glance. Invited presentation for the Atlanta Children's Shelter Board of Directors, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2014, March). After the storm: Responding to trauma and crisis. Invited presentation for the Disaster Relief Ministry at the Catholic Church of St. Anne, Marietta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2014, March). Trauma-informed care in social service organizations. Presented at the Atlanta Children's Shelter, Atlanta, GA.

Williams, A., Glover Barnett, N., Carlson, C., Cunningham, G., Dunbar, L., & Hoover, S.C. (2014, January-February). Counseling skills and techniques. Presented in the Substance Abuse Counseling Certification Program, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, October-December). An introduction to trauma-informed care: Principles and application. Presented at the Atlanta Children's Shelter, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C. (2013, July). Addressing ethical and professional issues in faith-based counseling. Invited presentation in Faith-Based Counseling, a graduate course in the Clinical Mental Health Program, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Hoover, S.C., Lane, D.E., Lane, W.D., Kim, D., Rezaei, S., & Williams, A. (2013, April). Working with people affected by trauma. Presented at the Clergy and Crisis Conference, Wilton Baptist Church, Wilton, CT.

Williams, A., Redmond, D., Cunningham, G., Hoover, S.C., & Dunbar, L. (2013, March-April). Principles of active listening. Presented in the Health Coach Certification Program, The Center for Health and Learning, Mercer University and Piedmont Healthcare, Atlanta, GA.

Williams, A., Cunningham, G., & Hoover, S.C. (2013, January-February). Counseling skills and techniques. Presented in the Substance Abuse Counseling Certification Program, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA.

Peer Reviewed Publications

Bland, C., & Hoover, S.C. (in preparation). Psychodynamic group supervision in counselor education: Developing the person of the counselor.

Hoover, S.C. (under contract). Defense mechanisms. In ACA encyclopedia of counseling. American Counseling Association.

Hoover, S.C. (under contract). Neo-Freudian approaches. In ACA encyclopedia of counseling. American Counseling Association.

Hoover, S.C. (under contract). Psychoanalysis. In ACA encyclopedia of counseling. American Counseling Association.

Mesimer, B. A., Chien, J., & Hoover, S. C. (2024). Experiential learning activities for the online environment. The Journal of Technology in Counselor Education and Supervision, 5(1), Article 2. https://doi.org/10.61888/2692-4129.1104

Davis, J., & Hoover, S.C. (2024). Christian integration in helping relationships. In J. King & K. Ford, Christian integration in counselor education (pp. 127-138). Kendall Hunt.

Hoover, S.C. (2020). A prayerful response to suffering. Interaction, 30(2-3), pp. 12-13.

Hoover, S.C. (2016). Trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy. In J. Carlson & S. B. Dermer (Eds.), Encyclopedia of marriage, family, and couples counseling (pp. 1729-1734). SAGE.

Podcasts

Hoover, S.C. (Guest). (2024, January). Online teaching and learning at Richmont Graduate University. [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from https://rss.com/podcasts/richmont/1410376/.

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2024, March). An interview with Brad Strawn on psychodynamic therapy.

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2022, January). An interview with Timothy Sisemore on cognitive behavior therapy.

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2020, May). Pass the mic! Making space for others to speak: Trauma and cultural humility with Dr. Thema Bryant-Davis [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/pass-mic-making-space-for-others-to-speak-trauma-cultural/id1511983987?i=1000473776602

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2020, May). People make sense: On Story, meaning, and spirituality with Dr. Jana Pressley [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/people-make-sense-on-story-meaning-spirituality-after/id1511983987?i=1000473776601

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2020, May). Dissociation: An escape when there is no escape with Dr. Bethany Brand [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/dissociation-escape-when-there-is-no-escape-dr-bethany/id1511983987?i=1000474101639

Hoover, S.C. (Producer). (2020, May). Relationship is the heart of healing trauma with Dr. John Norcross [Audio podcast]. Retrieved from https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/relationship-is-heart-healing-trauma-dr-john-norcross/id1511983987?i=1000474101638

Leadership, Service, and Consultation

Institutional

Richmont Graduate University
Continuing Education Committee, 2024-2026
Thesis Mentor/Reader, 2023-2024
Faculty Sponsor, LGBTQ+ Student Support Group, 2022-2026
Strategic Planning Committee, 2022-2026
Administrative Council, 2022-2025
Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, 2022-2026
Admissions Council, 2022-2026
Curriculum Committee, 2021-2026
Student Performance and Disposition Review Committee, 2021-2026
Semester Term Transition Task Force, 2021-2022
Faculty Search Committee, 2021-2026
Trauma Certificate Program Coordinator, 2021-2023
Integration Task Force, 2021-2022
Academic Affairs Committee, 2020-2026

Messiah University
Community of Educators Senate, 2016-2020
Institutional Review Board, 2018-2020
President's Generative Thinking Team, 2018-2020
Remediation Committee (Chair), Graduate Counseling Program, 2016-2020

Faculty Search Committee, Graduate Counseling Program, 2016-2019
Tenure and Promotion Readings Task Force, Graduate Counseling Program, 2018
Universal Design for Learning Training Module Reviewer, 2018

Professional

Member, Psychoanalytic Track Committee, Christian Association Psychological Studies, 2026-
Consultant, Cumberland Counseling Centers, 2026-
Reviewer, Christian Integration in Counselor Education, Kendall Hunt Publishing, 2023
Consultant, Oakwood Roots Center for Clinical Development, 2022-2023
Member, Research and Knowledge Committee, American Counseling Association, 2020-2023
Regional Site Coordinator, Christian Association for Psychological Studies Conference, 2022
Proposal Reviewer, The Counselor Education Distance Learning Virtual Conference, 2021
Facilitator, Symposium on Faith and Flourishing, Human Flourishing, Harvard University, 2021
Reviewer, Tomorrow's Counselors Essay Competition, American Counseling Association, 2021
Proposal Reviewer, Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, 2021
Proposal Reviewer, Behavioral Sciences, Springer Publishing Company, 2021
Proposal Reviewer, Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, 2020
Consultant, Bridge of Hope of Harrisburg Area, 2018-2019
Proposal Reviewer, North Atlantic Association for Counselor Education and Supervision, 2018, 2021
Proposal Reviewer, Pennsylvania Counseling Association Annual Conference, 2018
Faculty Representative, Student Ethics Competition, American Counseling Association, 2018
Proposal Reviewer, American Counseling Association Conference and Expo, 2017
Consultant, Disaster Relief Ministry, Catholic Church of St. Anne, 2014-2015
Consultant, Training and Program Development, The Atlanta Children's Shelter, 2013-2015

Professional Memberships

American Counseling Association
Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
Christian Association for Psychological Studies
Contemporary Psychodynamic Institute
Society for the Advancement of Psychotherapy

Awards and Honors

Teaching Fellow, American Psychoanalytic Association, 2023-2024
Fellow, Contemporary Psychoanalysis, Emory University Psychoanalytic Institute, 2023-2024
Faculty Fellow, Sawyer Digital Proficiency Initiative, Messiah University, 2019-2020
New Faculty Institute Scholarship, Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, 2017
Emerging Leader, North Atlantic Region Association for Counselor Education & Supervision, 2016
Dissertation Scholarship, Center for the Study of Narrative, Mercer University, 2015
Research Scholarship, Center for Spirituality, Theology, & Health, Duke University, 2013