### Clinical work experience

### **Psychotherapist**

**2003 – Present** 

Working with adults and adolescents in individual therapy as a full time Clinical Psychologist at Trad Hospital and Medical Center, Clemenceau, Beirut, Lebanon and in a private office in Achrafieh, Beirut, Lebanon. Working primarily online for the past 2 years.

### **Psychotherapist**

2003 - 2006

Worked in individual therapy at the Institute for Medical and Psychological Assistance (IMPA) as part of a team of 10 psychiatrists, psychologists and speech therapists who worked with children, adolescents and adults.

# Psychotherapist and Counselor at College Melkart in Lebanon 2004 – 2008

- Counseling for adolescents.
- Parental guidance.
- Guidance for teachers.

# Psychotherapist and Counselor on a TV program 2005

- The biggest loser, TV program on MBC, a Middle Eastern TV station.
- Counseling of participants.
- Participated in various live television and radio talk shows in Beirut. Topics covered: the psychological aspects of Breast Cancer, AIDS, Obesity, OCD, Anger, Anxiety and Parental Guidance on child anger management and other issues.

#### Additional work experience:

Journalist at Agence France Presse in Paris, France 1986 – 1987

Research on The Desk Afrique Asie.

### Journalist at UNESCO in Paris, France 1985 – 1986

Assistant to the Lebanese Ambassador.

#### **Education:**

# Workshops, seminars and online courses leading to qualifications 2006 – present

- Workshop with Dr. Christine Padesky on new ways of treating personality disorders.
- Workshop with Dr. Lilian Dindo on Acceptance and Commitment Therapy.
- Couples therapy workshop with Mr. Jacques Salome.
- Workshop on interviewing skills under the direction of Georges Cognet, Psychologist at the University Rene Descartes, Paris, France.
- Different workshops with Drs. Aaron and Judith Beck and Dr. Leslie Sokol from the Academy of Cognitive Therapy.
- Putting Dialectical Behavioral Therapy into your practice with Dr. Fiona Kennedy from Oxford University.
- Dialectical Behavioral Therapy with Psychologist Marsha Linehan.
- Motivational interviewing with clinical psychologists William R. Miller and Stephen Rollnick.

# Diplomate in the Academy of Cognitive Therapy, Philadelphia 2006

Certified Cognitive therapist, trained with Drs Aaron and Judith Beck.

# Beck institute, Philadelphia, PA. 2004 – 2006

Specialized in Cognitive Behavior Therapy. Under the clinical supervision of Dr. Aaron and Judith Beck.

18 months of cognitive behavior therapy training with a weekly supervision by Dr. Leslie Sokol from the Beck institute and the Academy of Cognitive Therapy (ACT).

### American University Of Beirut Hospital, Psychiatry Department February 2001 – February 2004

Clinical Training in Psychotherapy.

Research Assistant at the American University of Beirut 2002 – December 2003

Summer

Research Assistant to Dr. Brigitte Khoury at the Psychiatry Department at American University of Beirut for the studies on child sexual abuse in Lebanon and on women's sexuality in Lebanon in cooperation with Mrs. Marie-Therese Khair-Badawi, psychoanalyst. Both studies were funded by the Ford Foundation and presented during the Sexuality Conference in May 2003

MA in Psychology at the American University of Beirut 2003

Degree in Journalism in Paris, France 1984 – 1986

Degree in Journalism, Centre de Formation et de Perfectionnement des journalistes et des cadres de la Presse (CFPJ) Paris, Rue du Louvre.

BA in Political Studies and Public Administration at American University of Beirut 1983

Schools attended leading to a the obtention of a French and Lebanese Baccalaureate in 1980

- Institut de l'Assomption, Rue de Lubeck, Paris, France
- Lycée Franco Libanais, Beirut, Lebanon
- College Notre Dame de Nazareth, Beirut, Lebanon

## Languages spoken

Arabic: mother tongueFrench: mother tongueEnglish: fluent