

EMILY KIRSCHBAUM, LCSW

bravespacecounseling@gmail.com

Cell Phone: 317-740-1001

EDUCATION

- University of Illinois at Chicago, Jane Addams College of Social Work** – Chicago, IL May 2013
Masters of Social Work (CSWE certified) – Mental Health Concentration GPA: 3.66/4.0
- Advanced Standing Program
 - Jane Addams College of Social Work Tuition Fee Waiver for Spring 2013
- The Philadelphia Center** – Philadelphia, PA Spring 2012
Domestic Study Abroad Program
- Completed a 420-hour Social Work Field Practicum at two urban social service organizations in Philadelphia
 - Enrolled in a Senior Seminar, an Urban Living & Working Seminar, and one elective course
- Hope College** – Holland, MI May 2012
Bachelor of Arts: Social Work (CSWE certified) Minors: French GPA: 3.65/4.0
- Graduated Cum Laude
 - Dean's List – 5 semesters
 - Michigan Competitive Scholarship
 - Michigan Promise Scholarship
 - Hope Grant
 - Hope College Presidential Scholarship

RELEVANT TRAINING

- Level 1 Clinical Training, *The Gottman Institute*** – Virtual Feb. 2024
- Intro to Intuitive Eating, *The Intuitive RD*** – Virtual Feb. 2022
- Why Weight? Learning Collaborative, *Fenway Health*** – Virtual Jan. 2022
- Boundaries in Ethical Non-Monogamy, *She Loves Radically*** – Virtual Jan. 2022
- Developmental Model for Change, *The Couples Institute*** – Virtual Jan. 2022
- Attachment & Child Development, *Seleni Institute*** – Virtual Dec. 2021
- Transfeminizing Bottom Surgery, *IU LGBTQ+ ECHO*** – Virtual Dec. 2021
- Cultivating Inclusive Treatment for Eating Disorders in the LGBTQ+ Community, *thirdwheelED*** - Virtual Nov. 2021
- Starting the Polyamory Journey, *She Loves Radically*** – Virtual Nov. 2021
- Gynecologic Care for Gender Diverse Individuals, *IU LGBTQ+ ECHO*** – Virtual Nov. 2021
- The Body Keeps Score Trauma Training** – Virtual Dec. 2020
- Introduction to Measuring Your Impact** – Evaluate for Change, Online Course based in Manhattan, NY Sept. – Nov. 2016
- Six-week training for helping and non-profit professionals to learn how to make your work data-driven and results-oriented
- HIV Prevention Education for Healthcare Professionals** – Seattle, WA April 2016
- University of Chicago Professional Development Program: CBT Principles & Practice** – Chicago, IL Nov. 2015
- Mental Health First Aid** – Skokie, IL July 2015
- The Chicago LGBTQ Behavioral Health Training Consortium:
Strengths-Based Perspectives on Working with Transgender & Gender Variant Clients** – Chicago, IL Oct. 2014
- University of Chicago Professional Development Program: Motivational Interviewing** – Evanston, IL March 2014
- Safe Zone Project Training** – Virtual 2014

LICENSURE

Telehealth Certificate Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, License No. TH0001868	2021 – Present
Licensed Clinical Social Worker Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, License No. 34008656A	2019 – Present
Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker Washington State Department of Health, License No. LW 60763557	2017 – 2020
Licensed Social Worker: Masters Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, License No. 150.014768	2014 – 2017

EXPERIENCE

- Owner & Therapist**, Brave Space Counseling, LLC – Indianapolis, IN Aug. 2021 – Present
- Opened my private therapy practice specializing in working with the LGBTQIA+ population, people struggling with fertility and family planning, and people who've experienced religious trauma.
 - Co-facilitated a 6-week support group for queer people who've experienced religious trauma.
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker**, Eskenazi Health – Indianapolis, IN Oct. 2021 – Present
- Part-time therapist (20 hours/week) working in the Gender Health clinic for trans and non-binary people who are exploring or seeking to medically transition.
 - Attended the 2021 USPATH conference for transgender health.
- Capital § 2255 Unit Mitigation Specialist**, Indiana Federal Community Defender – Indianapolis, IN July 2019 – Sept. 2021
- Conducted mitigation investigations in capital post-conviction cases by identifying, locating, and interviewing witnesses with cultural competency, gathering, reviewing, and analyzing records relevant to the client's personal and familial history.
 - Through witness interviewing and rapport building, drew out clients' stories, including trauma history, mental health, substance use, and other sensitive topics that were used to draft reports and memos for legal teams on findings.
- Social Worker**, Federal Public Defenders of the Western District of Washington – Seattle, WA March 2016 – June 2019
- Investigated & wrote mitigation reports, family impact assessments, & re-entry plans for use in sentencing. Identified and interviewed expert witnesses specific to the mitigating factors of the case & intensive case management.
 - Created the first Social Work program in the district and wrote a program manual based on research from forensic social work programs nationally. Also created the MSW intern program at our site and supervised student interns.
 - Supported attorneys in providing a social work lens to their legal strategy, crisis intervention, sentencing advocacy, and client referral and engagement.
 - Served as a liaison between community agencies, our office, and the United States Probation Office in the district.
 - Surveyed the community for referral resources and created an internal database for these services.
- Client Support Services Social Worker**, Cabrini Green Legal Aid – Chicago, IL Sept. 2012 – Feb. 2016
- Intensive Case Management with a 40+ person caseload from all legal programs (housing law, family law, criminal defense, or criminal records relief) involving a collaborative working style with attorneys to coordinate clients' service plans & legal goals.
 - Accompaniment and advocacy in court and informal hearings as well as community and governmental organizations
 - Conducted an outcome measurement study for the effectiveness of utilizing social services in partnership with legal services.
 - Supervision of MSW student interns
 - Support and advocacy for criminal justice and transformative justice-minded policy in the state of Illinois
- Social Work Intern**, COMHAR, Inc. – Philadelphia, PA March 2012 – May 2012
- Observed, created, facilitated, and participated in therapeutic groups for individuals dually diagnosed with Severe Mental Illness (SMI) and Substance Abuse and led a therapeutic poetry workshop once per week.
- Family School Intern**, Family Support Services, Inc. – Philadelphia, PA Jan. 2012 – March 2012
- Observed and participated in the Family School program in which parents of children placed in foster or kinship care could have supervised visitation over the course of a 7-hour day, two days per week.
 - Attended family court hearings for status updates and termination of parental rights hearings

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Volunteer at Pasado's Safe Haven	Sept. 2018 – June 2019
Skater, Interleague Coordinator, Co-Head of Bouts, & Board Member at Rainier Roller Riot	Sept. 2017 – June 2019
Skater & Scrimmage Coordinator with Potential Fresh Meat Roller Derby	Sept. 2016 – Dec. 2017
Spirit Pride Project Retreat Volunteer – La Grange, TX	May 2016 – 2018
National Association of Social Work (NASW) Member	Jan. 2013 – Jan. 2017
Emotional & Behavioral Support Team Member at Camp Ten Trees – Seattle, WA	Aug. 2014, 2015, 2016, & 2017
GLOBE Hope Co-Leader	Aug. 2011 – Dec. 2011
Social Work Organization Co-Leader	Sept. 2010 – May 2011