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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Psychology
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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 2013 Clinical Psychology, Duquesne University
Specializations: Existential-Phenomenology, Developmental Psychology,
Focusing-Oriented Research and Psychotherapy, Levinasian Ethics
Dissertation Title: Maternal Guilt: An Existential-Phenomenological Study of the
Early Experiences of First-time Mothers
Dissertation Chair and Academic Advisor: Eva-Marie Simms, Ph.D.

M.A., 2007 Clinical Psychology, Duquesne University

M.A., 1997 Psychology, Seattle University

B.A., 1995 Magna Cum Laude, Honors Program, Duquesne University
Majors: Psychology and English

TEACHING POSITIONS

2026-Present Master of Arts in Psychology (MAP) Program Director

2020-Present Associate Professor Seattle University, Seattle, WA

- Phenomenology of the Face (graduate)
- Introduction to Phenomenological Psychology (elective)
- Ethics and Phenomenology (graduate)
- Psychology of Forgiveness (elective)
- Clinical Supervision Graduate Seminar (required)
- Writing for Psychology (required)
- Growth and Development through the Lifespan (required for Nursing)

2014-2020 Assistant Professor Seattle University, Seattle, WA

- Phenomenology of the Face (graduate)
- Introduction to Phenomenological Psychology (elective)
- Ethics and Phenomenology (graduate)
- Writing for Psychology (required)
- Growth and Development through the Lifespan (required for Nursing)

- 2011-2014 Adjunct Psychology Faculty Seattle University, Seattle, WA
- Growth and Development through the Lifespan (required for Nursing)
 - Ethics and Phenomenology (graduate)
 - Therapeutic Communication (graduate)
- 2007-2010 Graduate Fellowship Instructor Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA
- Introduction to Psychology: Fall 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009
 - Developmental Psychology I: Fall 2008
 - Developmental Psychology II: Fall 2009, Spring 2010
- 2003-2005 Adjunct Psychology Faculty Seattle Central Community College, WA
- Introduction to Psychology
 - Lifespan Developmental Psychology (*service*)
 - Psychology of Human Relations (*professional-technical*)

PUBLICATIONS

- LeBeau, C., Gavin, K., & Todres, L. (2026). 'Unspecialization' as way-finder for the 'togetherness of things': A dialogue eighteen years later. *Phenomenology and Practice*
- LeBeau, C. S., Lowe, A. B., & Macdonald, H. (2026). Existential anxiety and guilt. In L. Hoffman, L. X. Vallejos, D. Hocoy, P. Tummala-Narra, & E. M. DeRobertis (Eds.), *APA handbook of humanistic and existential psychology: History, research, philosophy, and theory* (pp. 303–323). American Psychological Association.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/0000431-013>
- LeBeau, C.S. (2023). Bearing suffering through pain to passage: Forgiving our mothers and ourselves. In Halling, S. (Ed). *The lived experience of forgiveness: Phenomenological and psychological perspectives*. Lexington Books.
- LeBeau, C.S. (2022). LeBeau, C. S. (2022). In Memoriam: George Kunz (1934-2019) / Levinas Issue Introduction. *Middle Voices*, 2 (1). Retrieved from
https://dsc.duq.edu/middle_voices/vol2/iss1/1
- LeBeau, C. S., & Sinclair, K. (2022). King, Levinas and the interruption of love: The alchemy of the fire fable. *Middle Voices*, 2 (1). Retrieved from
https://dsc.duq.edu/middle_voices/vol2/iss1/2
- LeBeau, C.S., & Webster, E.J. (2021). The embodied experience of vulnerability of first-time parents: An existential-phenomenological study of the shared experiences between first-time parent couples. *The Humanistic Psychologist*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/hum0000189>
- LeBeau, C. S. (2020). Maternal guilt and the first-time mother. In Cassidy, T., Hogan, S., & LaChance Adams, S. (Eds.), *The maternal tug: Ambivalence, identity, and agency* (pp. 145-160). Demeter Press.

LeBeau, C. S. (2017). Ontological and ethical guilt: Phenomenological perspectives on becoming a mother. *Humanistic Psychologist*, 45(4), pp. 333.347.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/hum0000070>

LeBeau, C. S. (2015). Therapeutic impasse and the call of the Other to keep looking. In Krycka, K., Kunz, G. & Sayre, G. (Eds.), *Psychotherapy for the Other: A Levinas reader*. Duquesne University Press.

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

LeBeau, C. (in revision). The psychological roots of evil and its interruption. *Religions*.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

LeBeau, C. & Webster, E. (2026). *The Embodied Experience of Vulnerability Between Parent Couples: The First Five Years*, 43rd International Human Science Research Conference, University of Montréal at Quebec, Canada

LeBeau, C., Lowe, A. B., Macdonald, H. (2025). *Existential Anxiety and Guilt*. 42nd International Human Science Research Conference, Absalon University, Roskilde, Denmark

LeBeau, C. & Peprah, K. (2025). *The Practice of Phenomenology in Decolonizing the Psyche and the Classroom*, Race, Racialization, and Resistance Conference, Seattle University, Seattle, WA

LeBeau, C. (2024, August, 19). *Phenomenology is for beginners* [Video]. Interview with Jeff McCurry. Duquesne University. <https://dsc.duq.edu/phen-intro-videos/15/>

LeBeau, C., Lowe, A. B., Macdonald, H. (2024). *Existential Anxiety and Guilt*. American Psychological Association, Seattle, WA

LeBeau, C., Halling, S. & Kubai, A. (2024). Panel: *How the study of forgiveness has affected us as researchers: Lessons in Humility*. 41st International Human Science Research Conference, Molloy University, New York

LeBeau, C. & Peprah, K. (2024). *Decolonizing Clinical Practice Through Testimony and Witness in Healing Relationships*, CEU Workshop presented for the MAP program students and alumni on behalf of the Psychotherapy Cooperative, Seattle University, Seattle, WA

LeBeau, C., Sinclair, K., & Horton, R. (2021). *The Fire Fable: A Vision of Our Shared Vulnerability and Humanity*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Conference, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. & Webster, E. (2021). *Thresholds of Experience and Reflection: Embodied*

Collaborative Research with First-time Parent Couples. Paper presented at the Gendlin Symposium Webinar at Seattle University, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. (2021). *Thresholds of Experience and Reflection: Embodied Collaborative Research with First-time Parent Couples*. Paper presented at the ICNAP (Interdisciplinary Coalition of North American Phenomenologists) Webinar at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.

LeBeau, C. (2019). *The Movement of Justice through Dénucleation: Levinas, King and the Personal Dynamics of Peace*. Paper presented at the Humanistic Psychology Conference (APA Division 32). Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR.

LeBeau, C. (2018). *The Movement of Justice through Dénucleation: Levinas, King and the Personal Dynamics of Peace*. Paper presented at the 16th Annual Psychology for the Other Conference, Seattle University, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. & Webster, E. (2018). *The Embodied Experience of Vulnerability Between First-Time Parent Couples*. Paper presented at the International Human Science Research Conference (IHSRC). Wofford College, Spartanburg, SC.

LeBeau, C. & Webster, E. (2018). *The Embodied Experience of Vulnerability Between First-Time Parent Couples*. Paper presented at the Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP, APA Division 5). Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.

LeBeau, C. & Webster, E. (2018). *The Embodied Experience of Vulnerability Between First-Time Parent Couples*. Paper presented at the Giving Voice to Experience Workshop. Seattle University, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. (2017). Interview with Steen Halling. Duquesne Archive Project.

LeBeau, C. (2016). *The Paradox of Power and Weakness: Compassion and Vulnerability in Therapist Training*. Paper presented at the 2nd Annual Human Science Institute Conference, Salt Lake City, UT.

LeBeau, C. (2016). *Love and Fidelity: Reflections on Levinas and Marcel and the Labor of Love*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Conference, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. (2015). *The Baby Squirrel and a Murder of Crows: Reflections on Innocence, Compassion, and Peace*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Conference, Seattle, WA.

LeBeau, C. (2015). *Embodied Collaborative Research and Maternal Guilt: A Therapeutic Style of Inquiry*. Paper presented at the International Human Science Research Conference, Trondheim, Norway.

- LeBeau, C. (2014). *Embodied Collaborative Research and Maternal Guilt: A Therapeutic Style of Inquiry*. Paper presented at the Giving Voice to Experience Workshop. Seattle University, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. and Engel, C. (2014). *Sacred Interruption, Resistance, and Sleepy Response: The literal Call of the Other, a baby, in the middle of the night and a parent's struggle to respond*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2013). *Beyond grasp, beyond killing: Ethical resistance and the end of powers*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2012). *From Mother to the Other: A Levinasian Exploration of the Process of Becoming a Mother*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2011). *The Delicate Balance Between Naming and Bearing, Giving and Receiving, Rejection and Return to the Other: A Levinasian Exploration of Holding Pain*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2011). *Therapy on the Edge: Four Therapists Discuss Experiences of Pushing the Limits*. Panel paper presented at the APA Division 32 Conference in Chicago, IL.
- LeBeau, C. (2010). *Giving voice to the experience of maternal guilt: A therapeutic style of inquiry*. Paper presented at the International Human Science Research Conference, Seattle University, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2008). *In the same boat: The healing power of communally embodied imagery*. Paper presented at the International Human Science Research Conference, Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ.
- LeBeau, C. (2008). *From mother to the other: A Levinasian exploration of the process of becoming a mother*. Paper presented at the North American Levinas Society Conference, Seattle University, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2008). *Therapeutic impasse and the call of the other to keep looking*. Paper presented at the Third Annual Duquesne University Graduate Student Symposium, Pittsburgh, PA.
- LeBeau, C. (2007). *Therapeutic impasse and the call of the other to keep looking*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.
- LeBeau, C. (2007). *The life-world of a five-year-old in the process of moving: A narrative existential analysis*. Paper presented at the 2nd Annual Graduate Psychology Symposium, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA.

LeBeau, C. (2005). *On the way to Interiority: The need for façade and the therapeutic process towards revelation*. Paper presented at the Seattle University Psychology for the Other Seminar, Seattle, WA.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Washington State, 2001, License #LH00004994
License eligible for Clinical Psychologist

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and TRAINING

2013-Present Private Practice Seattle, WA
Clinical Psychologist
Private practice of individuals, couples, and families. Case consultation and supervision of post-graduate students working towards licensure.

2013-Present Psychotherapy Cooperative Seattle, WA
Board Member-at-Large and Supervisor
Board service and administration management of Cooperative organization including monthly meetings, annual events, consultation groups, recruitment of new members. Case consultation and supervision for Psychotherapy Co-operative therapists, a small non-profit community therapy center.

2011-2012 Samaritan Center of Puget Sound Seattle, WA
Pre-Doctoral Intern
Clinical internship providing individual and couples therapy through the Low-Income Clinic.

2009-2010 Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, Center for Children and Families
Clinical Psychology Intern Pittsburgh, PA
Clinical internship with Child Psychiatry Fellows providing short-term treatment for children, adolescents, and their families using “live team supervision” through one-way mirrors and phone-in conversations.

2006-2010 Duquesne University Psychology Clinic Pittsburgh, PA
Training Therapist
Clinical internship providing assessment, therapy, and psycho-educational services to individuals, couples, and families.

2001-2006 Private Practice Seattle, WA
Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LH#4994)
Private practice of individuals, couples, and families.

1998-2006 Psychotherapy Co-operative Seattle, WA
Therapist and Board Member
Individual and Couples therapy in small non-profit community therapy setting.

Vocational counseling, community outreach, academic advising, program coordination and instruction, fund allocation for low-income single parents, displaced homemakers, and low-income students.

Instruction of truancy workshops for truant adolescents and their families who were referred to the court system by school districts for violations under the Becca Bill.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS and ACTIVITIES

Board of Directors and President (2015) - The Psychotherapy Cooperative	(1998-2006; 2013-2023)
Supervisor of LMHC Associate level members	2013 to present
Supervision Consultation for Training Supervisors	2021 to present
Therapist – Psychotherapy Cooperative	1998 to 2006
Member American Psychological Association	
Omicron Delta Kappa – National Leadership Honor Society	
Peer-Focusing and Research Group – Duquesne University	

SERVICE

Departmental

MAP Program Director	2026 to present
Departmental Hiring Committee	2020 to present
Departmental Rank & Tenure Committee	2020 to present
MAP Admissions Committee	2014 to present
Faculty UG and MAP Advisor	2014 to present
MAP Program 90-credit Transition Committee	2023 to 2024
Conference Organization - Seattle University Psychology For the Other Conference	2012 to 2022
Undergraduate Research Symposium Coordination	2013 to present
Ongoing Alumni CEU event organization for Psychology Department	2018 to present
Organizer for 35 th MAP Anniversary Founders Round Table Event	Fall 2016
Organizer of the Duquesne University and Seattle University Graduate Student Symposium -	April 2017
Co-organizer for the 35 th MAP Anniversary Alumni Awards Ceremony	April 2017
Organizer for 40 th MAP Anniversary Event	2021-2022
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee	Fall 2016 to 2021
Graduate Curriculum Committee	2021 to present
Co-facilitator - O'Donoghue Fund Series	Fall 2016 to 2018
MAP student Integration Paper Advisor	2015 to Present
MAP Alumni Outreach Facilitation	Fall 2014 to present
Library Liaison	Fall 2016 to present
Recruitment for incoming MAP program students	Fall 2013 to present
Research and development for possible MS program in Psychology	Fall 2015 to Spring 2017
Master Thesis Advisor, Cynthia Engel	2014 to 2015
Master Thesis Advisor, Jennifer Hamann	2015 to 2016
Duquesne Archive Project Coordinator – Dr. Kunz	April 2017

Duquesne Archive Project Invited Interviewer – Dr. Halling	April 2017
Kunz Memorial	May 2019
Gerber Memorial and Gerber Library	May 2024

College

Faculty and Staff Senate Senator	August 2018 to 2023
Arts and Sciences Internal Advisory Board for Academic Advising	Fall 2015 to 2019

Profession

Guest Editor – <i>Middle Voices</i> – Volume 2, Issue 1	2021 to 2022
Peer Review Editor for journal manuscripts - <i>The Humanistic Psychologist</i> .	2015 to present
Peer Review Editor for journal manuscripts – <i>Religions</i>	2018 to present
Peer Review Editor for journal manuscripts – <i>European Journal of Qualitative Research in Psychotherapy</i>	2019 to present
Editor of International Human Science Research Newsletter	2017 to present
Supervisor for Training Clinicians	2013 to present
Board Member for Psychotherapy Cooperative -	2017 to 2023
Psychotherapy Cooperative - Trainings and Reading Group Coordination	2020 to Present
Psychotherapy Cooperative – Supervision Consultation	2023-Present
Doctoral Dissertation External Reader	2024