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# Professional Training and Education

## **Board Certification in Clinical Neuropsychology**

Diplomate #10086 | American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) Earned July 2022

# Fellowship in Clinical Neuropsychology (APA-accredited, APPCN member)

South Texas Veterans Health Care System, San Antonio, TX Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2019

# Ph.D., Clinical Psychology (APA-accredited, Houston Conference Guidelines)

University of Houston, Houston, TX Aug. 2012 – Aug. 2017

## Internship in Clinical Psychology (APA-accredited)

University of Alabama Birmingham / Birmingham VA Medical Center, Birmingham, AL July 2016 – July 2017

# M.A., Clinical Psychology (APA-accredited)

University of Houston, Houston, TX Degree conferred Dec. 2014

## **B.S., Psychology**

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA Aug. 2006 – Dec. 2009

## **Employment**

### **Clinical Neuropsychologist, Clinic Director**

Neurocognitive Specialty Group, Atlanta, GA Dec. 2023 – present

## **Clinical Neuropsychologist**

Shepherd Center, Department of Psychology, Atlanta, GA Sept. 2019 – Nov. 2023

### **Care Specialist**

SimpleC, LLC, Atlanta, GA Dec. 2009 – Dec. 2012

#### <u>Research</u>

Kraemer, L.D.R., Soble, J.R., Phillips, J.I., Webber, T.A., Fullen, C.T., Highsmith, J.M., **Alverson, W.A.**, Critchfield, E.A. (2020) Minimizing evaluation time while maintaining accuracy: Cross-validation of the Test of Memory Malingering (TOMM) Trial 1 and first 10-item errors as briefer performance validity tests. *Psychological Assessment*, 32(5), 442–450.

Messerly, J.M., Soble, J.R., Webber, T.A., **Alverson, W.A.**, Fullen, C.T., Kraemer, L.D.R., Marceaux, J.C. (2019). Evaluation of the classification accuracy of multiple performance validity tests in a mixed clinical sample, *Applied Neuropsychology: Adult* 

**Alverson, W.A.**, O'Rourke, J.J.F., Soble, J.R. (2019). The Word Memory Test Genuine Memory Impairment Profile Discriminates Genuine Memory Impairment from Invalid Performance in a Mixed Clinical Sample with Cognitive Impairment. *The Clinical Neuropsychologist* 

Kirton, J.W., Soble, J.R., Marceaux, J.C., Messerly, J.M., Bain, K.M., Webber, T.A., Fullen, C.T., **Alverson, W.A.**, McCoy, K.J.M. (2019). Comparison of Models of Premorbid IQ Estimation Using the TOPF, OPIE-3, and Barona Equation, with Corrections for the Flynn Effect. *Neuropsychology* 

Webber, T.A., Bailey, K.C., **Alverson, W.A.**, Critchfield, E.A., Bain, K.M., Messerly, J.M., O'Rourke, J.J.F, Kirton, J.W., Fullen, C., Marceaux, J.C., Soble, J.R. (2018). Further Validation of the Test of Memory Malingering (TOMM) Trial 1 Performance Validity Index: Examination of False Positives and Convergent Validity.*Psych. Injury and Law*, 11: 325.

Critchfield, E.A., Soble, J.R., Marceaux, J.C., Bain, K.M., Bailey, K.C., Webber, T.A., **Alverson, W.A.**, Messerly, J.M., González, D.A., O'Rourke, J.J.F. (2018) Cognitive Impairment Doesn't Cause Invalid Performance: Analyzing Performance Patterns Among Cognitively Unimpaired, Impaired, and Noncredible Participants Across Six Performance Validity Tests. *The Clinical Neuropsychologist* 

Grabyan, J.M., Collins, R.L., **Alverson, W.A.**, Chen, D.K. (2018) Performance on the Test of Memory Malingering is predicted by the number of errors on its first 10 items on an inpatient epilepsy monitoring unit, *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*, 32:3, 468-478.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Massman, P.J., Doody, R.S. (2016) Prevalence and correlates of cognitive asymmetry in a large sample of Alzheimer's Disease patients. *Journal of Clinical and Experimental Neuropsychology*, 38:5, 516-526.

## **Conference Presentations / Invited Talks**

**Alverson, W.A.**, Grabyan, J.M., Collins, R.L., Chen, D.K. (2020) *Establishing Symptom Validity Cutoffs Embedded in the World Health Organization Disability Assessment Schedule 2.0*. Poster presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Denver, CO.

**Alverson, W.A.** (June 2019). *I need that like I need a hole in the head: A case of Porencephaly*. Invited talk for Neuropsychology Grand Rounds, San Antonio, TX.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Critchfield, E.A. (February 2019). *Functional Improvement Following Participation in a Community Reintegration Program for Brain Injury Rehabilitation*. Poster presented at the 47<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, New York, NY.

**Alverson, W.A.**, O'Rourke, J.J.F., Soble, J.R. (October 2018). *Cross-Validation of the Word Memory Test (WMT) Genuine Memory Impairment Profile for Detecting Noncredible Test Performance Among Cognitively Impaired Veterans.* Poster presented at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, New Orleans, LA.

**Alverson, W.A.** (October 2018). *Hypothyroidism for the Neuropsychologist*. Invited talk for Neuropsychology Grand Rounds, San Antonio, TX.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Grabyan, J.M., Dunn, C.B., Sheppard, D.P., Stinson, J.M., Collins, R.L. (February 2018). *Interrelations Among Cognition, Symptom Validity, Depression, and Self-Reported Disability.* Poster presented at the 46<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Washington, D.C.

Collins, R.L., **Alverson, W.A.**, Grabyan, J.M., Dunn, C.B., Sheppard, D.P. Stinson, J.M. (February 2018). *WHODAS 2.0 and Symptom Validity in an Inpatient Seizure Disorder Sample.* Poster presented at the 46<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Washington, D.C.

**Alverson, W.A.** (January 2018). *Neuropsychology of Anoxic/Hypoxic Brain Injuries.* Invited talk for Neuropsychology Grand Rounds, San Antonio, TX.

**Alverson, W.A.** (November 2017). *Symptom and Performance Validity: Implications for Psychotherapy.* Invited talk for Psychology Grand Rounds, San Antonio, TX.

**Alverson, W.A.** (May 2017). *Can you believe this guy? Symptom and performance validity in the practice of neuropsychology*. Invited talk for Neuropsychology Case Conference, Birmingham, AL.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Massman, P.J., Doody, R.S. (February 2017). *Longitudinal Cognitive Asymmetry and Decline in Alzheimer's Disease Patients*. Poster presented at the 45<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, New Orleans, LA.

**Alverson, W.A.** (March 2016). *Prevalence, correlates, and stability of cognitive asymmetry in a large sample of Alzheimer's Disease patients.* Invited talk for monthly meeting of Houston Neuropsychological Society, Houston, TX.

Grabyan, J.M., Collins, R.L., **Alverson, W.A.**, & Chen, D. (February 2016). *Errors on the First 10 Items of the Test of Memory Malingering Predicts Failure on Later Trials of the Test of Memory Malingering*. Poster presented at the 44<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Boston, MA.

**Alverson, W.A.** (May 2015). *Stress Management and Mindfulness.* Presentation conducted for the annual all-staff meeting of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Houston, TX.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Massman, P.J., Doody, R.S. (February 2015). *Characteristics Associated with Cognitive Asymmetry in a Large Sample of Alzheimer's Disease Patients*. Poster presented at the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Denver, CO.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Massman, P.J., Grabyan, J.M., & Doody, R.S. (February 2014). *Progression and Stability of Cognitive Asymmetry in a Large Sample of Alzheimer's Disease Patients*. Poster presented at the 42<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Seattle, WA.

Grabyan, J.M., Massman, P.J., **Alverson, W.A.**, & Doody, R. S. (February 2013). *A Simple Method for Enhancing Prediction of Longitudinal Decline in Instrumental Activities of Daily Living in Alzheimer's Patients*. Poster presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Waikoloa, HI.

**Alverson, W.A.**, Corballis, P.M. (May 2009) *Steady State Potentials as a Correlate of Neural Competition in the Visual System*. Poster Presented at the annual Undergraduate Research Symposium at Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA.

### Pre-doctoral Clinical Training

Mentis Neuro Health Neuropsychology Practicum Sept. 2015 – May 2016

**Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center Psychology Practicum** Oct. 2015 – May 2016 **Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center Neuropsychology Practicum** Sept. 2014 – Aug. 2015

Houston Methodist Hospital Neuropsychology Practicum

Sept. 2013 - Aug. 2014

**Univ. of Houston Psychology Research and Services Center Psychology Practicum** Aug. 2013 – May 2016

Teaching / Supervision / MentorshipNon-supervising mentorAPPCN-accredited neuropsychology fellowship | Shepherd Center, Atlanta, GA

Nov. 2023 – present

# Mentor, American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology

Mentorship Program for Candidates for Board Certification Aug. 2022 – present

## Supervisor

APPCN-accredited neuropsychology fellowship | Shepherd Center, Atlanta, GA Mar. 2020 – Mar. 2023

### Tiered supervision of practicum student and intern

South Texas Veterans Health Care System, San Antonio, TX Aug. 2018 – Jan. 2019

## **Teaching Fellow; Physiological Psychology**

University of Houston, Department of Psychology, Houston, TX Aug. 2015 – Jul. 2016

## Teaching Assistant; multiple undergraduate courses

University of Houston, Department of Psychology, Houston, TX Aug. 2012 – Aug. 2013

### Professional Affiliations

Member of the American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology July 2022 – present

Member of the National Academy of Neuropsychology Oct. 2018 – present

**Student representative for University of Houston Neuropsychology Track** Aug. 2013 – Jul. 2014

#### **Other Professional Service**

Member, Professional Affairs and Information Committee, National Academy of Neuropsychology

Jan. 2025 - Dec. 2027

Member, Public Education Committee; Co-Chair of the Science Festival Committee, Georgia Psychological Foundation

Nov. 2024 - Present

Member, Program Committee, National Academy of Neuropsychology Jan. 2024 - Dec. 2024

**Practice Sample Reviewer, American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology** Aug. 2023 – present

Ad-hoc reviewer, Applied Neuropsychology: Adult, The Clinical Neuropsychologist Nov. 2020 – present

Neuropsychologist member, Stroke Committee, Shepherd Center Jan. 2020 – Nov. 2023