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Education

- 2007 - Present Ph.D Student, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston
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Research Interests: Asian and Minority Mental Health and Gay and Lesbian Mental Health
- 2006 M.A., Clinical Psychology, University of Houston – Clear Lake
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- 2004 B.S., Psychology, University of Houston – Main Campus
Houston, Texas 77004
- Senior Honors Thesis: *The influences of acculturation, spiritual beliefs, and cultural barriers on the usage of mental health services in the Vietnamese American population.*
Advisers: Dale L. Johnson, Ph.D., Patrick Leung, Ph.D., and Sue Nash, Ph.D.
- 1992 B.S., Business Science, University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas 66045

Professional Experience

- 2006 - Present Licensed Professional Counselor, Montrose Counseling Center (MCC)
401 Branard Street
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- 2003 - Present Program Assistant, Vietnamese American Volunteer Association
6626 Westwick Drive
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- 2001 - 2007 Program Assistant, Inner City Learning Centers
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Scholarship & Awards

- 2006 Ethnic Minority Student Travel Award from The Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Issues, American Psychological Association, Division 44
- 2008 Employee of the Month Award from Montrose Counseling Center (September, 2008)

Presentations

- Luu, T. D.** & Bartsch, R. *Acculturation and Vietnamese American attitudes toward gay men and lesbians.* American Psychological Association Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana, August 12, 2006. Poster Presentation.
- Luu, T. D.**, Leung, P., & Nash, S. G. *Variables contributing to attitudes toward seeking mental health services among Vietnamese Americans.* Annual Conference of the Council on Social Work Education in Chicago, Illinois, February 18, 2006. Paper Presentation.
- Luu, T. D.** *The effects of acculturation and gender on attitudes toward homosexuality in the Vietnamese American community.* Research and Creative Arts Conference in Houston, Texas, April 19, 2005. Paper Presentation.

Published or In-Press Papers

- Luu, T.D., & Bartsch, R.A. (In Press, 2009). Relation between acculturation and attitudes toward gay men and lesbians in the Vietnamese American community. *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*, to be published in 12-18 months.
- Luu, T.D., & Cheung, M. (2010). GLBT Vietnamese Americans: Building a conceptual framework to examine minority help-seeking behavior. *Journal of GLBT Family Studies*, 6(4), 365-380. doi:10.1080/1550428X.2010.511082.
- Luu, T.D., Leung, P., Nash, S.G. (2009). Help-seeking attitudes among Vietnamese Americans: The impact of acculturation, cultural barriers, and spiritual beliefs. *Social Work in Mental Health*, 7(5), 476-493.

Papers Reviewed

- Luu, T.D. (Invited Reviewer, Fall 2007). Measuring Traumatic Stress Reactions: A Review of Theoretical Terms and Methodological Problems. *Perspectives on Social Work*.
- Luu, T.D. (Invited Reviewer, Fall 2008). Risk Factors and Service Needs for Homeless Older Adults. *Perspectives on Social Work*.

Membership

Vietnamese American Volunteer Association – Member