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Widener University
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BIRTHDATE:

January 3, 1950

EDUCATION

Case Western Reserve University	1978-1979	APA-approved clinical training program
Fordham University	1973-1976	Ph.D., Theoretical Psychology, with distinction
Fordham University	1971-1973	M.A.
University of Dayton	1969-1971	B.A. Psychology, Philosophy, Summa cum laude
Marywood College	1967-1969	

PENNSYLVANIA LICENSE: May 20, 1981 #PS 3532 L

AMERICAN BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY: Diplomate, Clinical Psychology, 1990

FELLOWSHIP: Divisions 12 and 49, American Psychological Association
American Group Psychotherapy Association

PROFICIENCY DESIGNATION: Personality Assessment

INTERNSHIP

Connecticut Valley Hospital Middletown, CT 06457	9/79-8/80	APA-approved
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EMPLOYMENT

Widener University Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology Chester, PA 19013	6/10-present 7/97 – 6/10 8/89—6/97 8/89 – present	Professor Associate Dean and Program Director Director of Internship Training Director, Group Psychotherapy cluster
Hahnemann University Philadelphia, PA	9/88 - 7/89	Assistant Professor Director of Internship Training
Friends Hospital Philadelphia, PA 19124	8/80 - 9/88	Senior Staff Psychologist

St. Lawrence University
Canton, NJ 10458

9/76 - 6/78

Assistant Professor

ORGANIZATIONS

National

American Group Psychotherapy Association

Member	1980-present
Fellow	1990-present

American Psychological Association -

1974-present

Society for Personality Assessment

1980-present

Member	
Fellow	1990-present
Secretary	1992-2001
Membership Chair	1992-1998
President	2007-2009
Past-president	2009-2011
Liaison to Board of Educational Affairs	2011-present

Division 12 (Society of Clinical Psychology)

Member	2009-present
Fellow	2011-present

Division 49 (Group Psychology and Group Psychotherapy)

Member	1989-2006
Fellow	2006-present

Section IX (Assessment Psychology), Division 12 (Society of Clinical Psychology)

Member	2007-present
President	1/2010-1/2011
Past-president	1/2011-present

State And Regional

Eastern Psychological Association

1978-2009

Pennsylvania Psychological Association

Fellow	1988- present
	1995-present

Local

Family Support Line of Media, Board of Directors

1992 - 1994

Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists

Executive Board of Directors	1991 - 1994
	1985 - 1988

Human Services Center of the

Philadelphia Society of Clinical Psychologists

Chairperson of Continuing Education	1984 - 1987
Secretary	1985 - 1987
President	1987 - 1988

Philadelphia Area Group Psychotherapy Society

Corresponding Secretary

1986-1988

Member-at-large

1993-1995

President-Elect

1995-1996

President

1996-1998

EDITORIAL PositionsInternational Journal of Group PsychotherapyVideo review editor
Editorial BoardJournal for Personality AssessmentEditorial Board, Editor of
Book, Test, and Software
Reviews Section**AWARDS****Outstanding Philosophy Student Award-2nd place**

1971

University of Dayton

Who's Who in Universities and Colleges

1976

Fordham University

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

(Induction, 1994)

Widener University

Teaching Excellence Award, Graduate Class of 1990

1990

Widener University

The Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology

Walter G. Klopfer Award

1994

Distinguished Statistically-Based Contribution to the Literature
in Personality AssessmentSociety for Personality Assessment in collaboration with
Psychological Assessment Resources, Inc.**Outstanding Scholar Award**

1995

Widener University

The School of Human Service Professions

Teaching Excellence Award, Graduate Class of 1995

1995

Widener University

The Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology

Teaching Excellence Award, Graduate Class of 2001

2001

Widener University

The Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology

Sr. Kathleen Burns Award

2006

Immaculata University

ACADEMIC WORK

Courses Taught

Advanced Differential Diagnosis
 Assessment Case Conference
 Introduction to Group Psychotherapy
 Introduction to the Rorschach Inkblot Method
 Models of Group Inpatient Psychotherapy
 Short-term Dynamic Psychotherapy
 The Nontraditional Family
 The Role of the Leader in Group Psychotherapy

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (in preparation, under contract). *Group psychotherapy in context: inpatient partial hospital, and residential care (formerly Models of inpatient group psychotherapy)* (2nd ed.) Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- Fallon, a., Brabender, V. (in preparation, under contract). *Awaiting the therapist's baby: A guide for expectant parent practitioners*. Philadelphia, PA: Taylor and Francis (Routledge).
- Brabender, V., & Mihura, J. (Eds.) (February, 2016). *Handbook of gender and sexuality in psychological assessment*. Philadelphia, PA: Taylor and Francis (Routledge). (3 co-authored chapters)
- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (Eds.) (2013). *Working with adoptive parents: Research, theory, and therapeutic interventions*. New York, NY: John Wiley. (4 co-authored chapters).
- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (2009). *Group development in practice: Guidance for clinicians and researchers on stages and dynamics of change*. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- Brabender, V., Fallon, A. & Smolar, A. (2004). *Essentials of group therapy*. New York, NY: Wiley.
- Fallon, A., & Brabender, V. (2003). *Awaiting the therapist's baby: A guide for expectant parent practitioners*. Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum Associates. (second edition in preparation).
- Brabender, V. (2002). *Introduction to group therapy*. New York, NY: Wiley.
- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (1993). *Models of inpatient group psychotherapy*. Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.

Journal articles and Book chapters (listed chronologically)

- Brabender, V. (accepted for 2016 publication). Chaos theory and group psychotherapy, fifteen years later. *Group, 40* (1).
- Brabender, V. (accepted for 2016 publication). Mad Men: A group psychotherapy instructor's perspective. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy, 66* (4).

- Winzinger, M., Fallon, A., Brabender, V. (2016). Mothers' experiences in creating an emotional connection with their adopted children: A qualitative study. In S. Akhtar (ed.) *The new motherhoods: Patterns of early child care in contemporary culture*. (pp. 81-106). Lanham, Md: Rowman & Littlefield.
- Brabender, V., Knauss, L., & Foster, E. (2015). Psychotherapy supervision: Ethical considerations and resources. *Psychotherapy Section Review*, 56 (Winter), 38-56.
- Padovano, A., Brabender, V., & Ritter, P. (2015). Young adult daughters of lesbian mothers speak: A qualitative study on identity formation. *Journal of GLBT Family Studies*, 1-28.
- Brabender, V., & Slater, C. (2014). The group as a medium for personal and professional renewal. In R. J. Wicks & E. A. Maynard. *Clinician's guide to self-renewal: Essential advice from the field*. (pp. 265-284). New York, NY: Wiley.
- Zenkert, R., Brabender, V., & Slater, C. (2014). Therapists' responses to religious/spiritual discussions with trauma versus non-trauma clients. *Journal of Contemporary Psychotherapy*, 28, DOI 10.1007/s10879-014-9264-1
- Brabender, V. (2013). The group psychotherapist consulting in organizations: Toward less fear and more treading. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 63 (2), 259-266.
- Del Guidice, M. J., & Brabender, V. M. (2012). Rorschach assessment of leadership traits in college student leaders. *Comprehensive Psychology*, 1 (1).
- Fallon, A., & Brabender, V. M. (2012). A secure connection: The tethering of attachment and good-enough maternal care. In S. Akhtar (Ed.). *The mother and her child: Clinical aspects of attachment, separation and loss*. (pp. 15-43). Lanham, Md: Jason Aronson.
- Schultz, D., & Brabender, V. (2012). More Challenges Since Wikipedia: The effects of exposure to internet information about the Rorschach on selected Comprehensive System variables. *Journal of Personality Assessment*, DOI:10.1080/00223891.2012.725438.
- Swartz, A., Brabender, V., Fallon, A., & Shorey, H. (2012). The maternal bonding trajectory for mothers who adopt young, international children: *A qualitative analysis*, 21 (3 & 4), 138-167.
- Brabender, V. (2011). Group psychotherapies. In S. Messer and A. Gurman (eds). *Essential psychotherapies*. (3rd Ed., pp. 460-493). New York, NY: Guilford
- Brabender, V., & Whitehead, M. (2011). Using the *Psychodynamic Diagnostic Manual* in training the competent assessor. *Journal of Personality Assessment*. 9 (2), 185-193.
- Brabender, V. (2010). Group development. In R. Conyne (ed). *The Oxford handbook of group counseling*. (pp. 182-204). New York, NY: Oxford Press.
- Brabender, V. (2010). The developmental path to expertise in group psychotherapy. *Journal of Contemporary Psychotherapy*. 40, (3), 163-173.
- Brabender, V. (2010). The Society for Personality Assessment. *Corsini Encyclopedia*, 1. DOI: 10.1002/9780470479216.corpsy0910
- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (2009). Ethical hot spots of combined individual and group therapy: Applying

four ethical systems. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 59 (1), 127-147.

Brabender, V. (2007). The ethical group psychotherapist: A coda. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 57 (1), 41-47.

Brabender, V. (2006). The ethical group psychotherapist. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 56 (4), 395-414. (lead article for special issue on ethics and group psychotherapy)

Brabender, V. (2006). On the mechanisms and effects of feedback in group psychotherapy. *Journal of Contemporary Psychotherapy*, 36 (3), 121-128.

Brabender, V. (2006). Ethical awareness development in the group psychotherapist. *Directions in Mental Health Counseling*, 16 (4), 43-54.

Brabender, V. (2002). Videotape resources for group psychotherapists: A 5-year retrospective. *International Journal of Personality Group Psychotherapy*, 52(2), 253-263.

Brabender V. (2001). The future of group psychotherapy: Expanding the conversation. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 51(2), 39-47.

Brabender, V., & Bricklin, P. (2001). Ethical issues in psychological assessment in different settings. *Journal of Personality Assessment*, 77(2), 192-194. (lead article in special issue on ethics and assessment)

Yalof, J., & Brabender, V. (2001). Ethical dilemmas in personality assessment courses: Using the classroom for in vivo training. *Journal of Personality Assessment*, 77(2), 203-213.

Brabender, V. (2000). Chaos, group psychotherapy, and the future of uncertainty and uniqueness. *Group*, 24(1), 23-32.

Brabender, V. (1998). That first Rorschach course. In L. Handler and M. Hilsenroth (Eds.). *Teaching and Learning Personality Assessment*. (pp. 235-246). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum, Inc.

Brabender, V. (1997). Chaos and order in the psychotherapy group. In F. Masterpasqua and P. Perna (Eds.). *The Psychological Meaning of Chaos: Self-Organization in Human Development and Psychotherapy*. (pp. 225-252). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

Gacono, C. B., DeCato, C. M., Brabender, V., & Goertzel, T. Vitamin C or Pure C: The Rorschach of Linus Pauling. (1997). In R. Meloy, M. W. Acklin, C. G. Gacono, J. F. Murray, & C. A. Peterson (Eds.). *Contemporary Rorschach interpretation*. (pp. 421-435) Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum.

Brabender, V., & Fallon A. (1996). Termination in inpatient groups. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy*, 46(1), 81-98.

Klein, R. H., Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (1994). Inpatient Group Psychotherapy. In A. Fuhrman and G. Burlingame (Eds.), *Handbook of group psychotherapy: An empirical and clinical synthesis* (pp. 370-415). New York, NY: John Wiley and Sons.

- Brabender, V. (1993). Inpatient group psychotherapy. In H. I. Kaplan & B. J. Sadock (Eds.) *Comprehensive Textbook of Group Psychotherapy/III*. (pp. 607-618). Baltimore, MD: Williams & Wilkins.
- Brabender, V., & Deutsch, F. (1993). The generalizability of the false consensus effect in chronic psychiatric patients. *Journal of Social Psychology, 133*(2), 215-223.
- Singer, H., & Brabender, V. (1993). The use of the Rorschach to Differentiate Unipolar and Bipolar Disorders. *Journal of Personality Assessment, 60*(2), 333-345. (Walter Klopfer Award paper)
- Brabender, V. (1992). The growth of women in inpatient group psychotherapy. *Group, 16*(3), 131-146.
- Brabender, V. (1992). Rust Inventory of Schizotypal Cognitions. In D. J. Keyser and R. C. Sweetland (Eds.) *Test Critiques* (Vol. IX), pp. 438-446, Austin, Texas: Pro-Ed.
- Brabender, V. (1988). A closed model of short-term inpatient group psychotherapy. *Hospital and Community Psychiatry, 39*(5), 542-545.
- Albrecht, E., & Brabender, V. (1988). Alcoholics in inpatient, short-term interactional group psychotherapy: An outcome study. *Group, 7*, 50-54.
- Brabender, V. (1987). Vicissitudes of countertransference in inpatient group psychotherapy. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy, 37*(4), 549-567 (also translated in Dutch).
- Brabender, V. (1985). Time-limited inpatient group therapy: A developmental model. *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy, 35*(3), 383-390.
- Brabender, V., Albrecht, E., Sillitti, J., Cooper, J., and Kramer, E. (1983). Curative factors in inpatient, short-term, closed, group psychotherapy. *Hospital and Community Psychiatry, 34*(7), 643-644.
- Brabender, V., & Landrigan, D. (1978). Visual and nominal matching of physically dimensioned polygons. *American Journal of Psychology, June*, 275-294.

PRESENTATIONS (a sampling)

- Brabender, V. Lazar, M., & Rourke, M. (March, 2015). A team approach to assessment training and supervision. Presentation in a symposium "Swimming upstream: Advances in education and training of assessment." Annual convention of the Society for Personality Assessment. Brooklyn, NY.
- Brabender, V. (May, 2014). Poster, *Insight in adoption through psychological assessment*. 8th Biennial Adoption Initiative conference. St. John's University. Queens, NY.
- Brabender, V. (March, 2014). *Trans on the Rorschach: Incongruous combination or real life?* Annual meeting for the Society for Personality Assessment. Washington, DC. (with Wayne Bullock & Nick Wood).
- Brabender, V. (March, 2014). Symposium presentation, *From novice to proficient: Sequential development of personality assessment proficiency through graduate education and training*. Annual meeting for the Society for Personality Assessment. Washington, D. C.

- Brabender, V. (March, 2013). Symposium presentation, *Teaching and learning the Rorschach Performance Assessment System (R-PAS)*, annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment. San Diego, CA.
- Brabender, V. (March, 2013). Presentation, *Supervising personality assessment: Establishing best practices*. Annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment. San Diego, CA.
- Brabender, V. (March, 2013). Presentation, *What keeps personality assessment instructors up at night: Seeking antidotes*. Annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment, San Diego, CA.
- Brabender, V. M. (March, 2012). Symposium presentation “The ethically reflective personality assessor: Proceeding rationally while acknowledging the irrational,” *Making the right call: Addressing ethical quagmires in personality assessment*, annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment. Chicago, IL.
- Brabender, V. (August, 2011). Symposium presentation “Proficiency in personality assessment,” *The Process of Recognition of Specialties and Proficiencies and its Implications for Your Practice: With Reactions from Neuropsychology, Geropsychology, and Personality Assessment*, annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.
- Brabender, V. (March, 2011). Integration of personality assessment data. Presenter and symposium moderator at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment. Boston, MA.
- Brabender, V. (2010, August). Integration of psychological assessment data—learning it, teaching it. Symposium moderator at the annual meeting of the American Psychological association, San Diego, California.
- Brabender, V. (2007, March). The integration of research in practice doctorates in other health disciplines—Implications for nursing. Panel discussion conducted at the first national conference on The Doctor of Nursing Practice: Meanings and Models, Annapolis, MD.
- Brabender, V. (2006, March). The contemporary personality assessment curriculum in doctoral and internship training. Symposium conducted at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment, San Diego, CA.
- Brabender, V. (2005, August). Group therapist identity development: Student and faculty perspectives. Symposium conducted at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC.
- Brabender, V. (2005, March). Ethical awareness in the group therapist. Symposium presentation at the American Group Psychotherapy Association Annual Meeting, New York.
- Brabender, V., Marczyk, G., Barbera, K., Mack-Allen, J., Wolan-O’Connor, C., & Ventrone, R. (2004, October). The Chester 21st century skills and assessment center: A model for civic engagement. In *Civic Engagement in the community*, Symposium conducted at the Tenth Annual Conference of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, New York City, New York.
- Brabender, V., Wilhite, S., Dole, R., Silver, P. and Wepner, S. (2003, October). Promoting civic engagement through urban partnerships. In T. Harden (Moderator) *Urban Partnerships in human services delivery*,

Symposium conducted at the Ninth Annual Conference of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, Ypsilanti, Michigan.

- Brabender, V. (2002, August). Doctor of Psychology degree. In A. Vlok (Chair), Types of doctoral degrees – does it really matter? Your options. Symposium conducted at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Chicago, IL.
- Brabender, V. (1997, February) Short-term Group Psychotherapy. Symposium presentation at the American Group, Psychotherapy Association Annual meeting, New York.
- Brabender, V. (1997, March) Contemporary Issues in Personality Assessment: Teaching, Supervision, and Research. Paper presented at the Mid-winter Meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment, San Diego.
- Brabender, V. (1996, July) Rorschach 101: Triumphs and Tribulations. Talk given at the XV Annual International Congress on the Rorschach and other Projective Techniques, Boston, MA.
- Brabender, V. (1996, March). Assessing student Rorschach competence on practica and internship. Workshop given at the Society for Personality Assessment, Denver, Colorado.
- Brabender, V. (1994, February). A Developmental Model of Inpatient Group Psychotherapy. Workshop given at the American Group Psychotherapy Association, Washington, D.C.
- Brabender, V. (1993, June). Character Pathology and the Rorschach. Annual Convention of the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, Pittsburgh.
- Brabender, V. (1992, March). Symposium on Graduate Training in Assessment. Annual Meeting of the Society for Personality Assessment, Boston, MA.
- Brabender, V., & Fallon, A. (1992, February). Two Day Institute on Models of Inpatient Group Psychotherapy. Annual Meeting of the American Group Psychotherapy Association, New York.

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