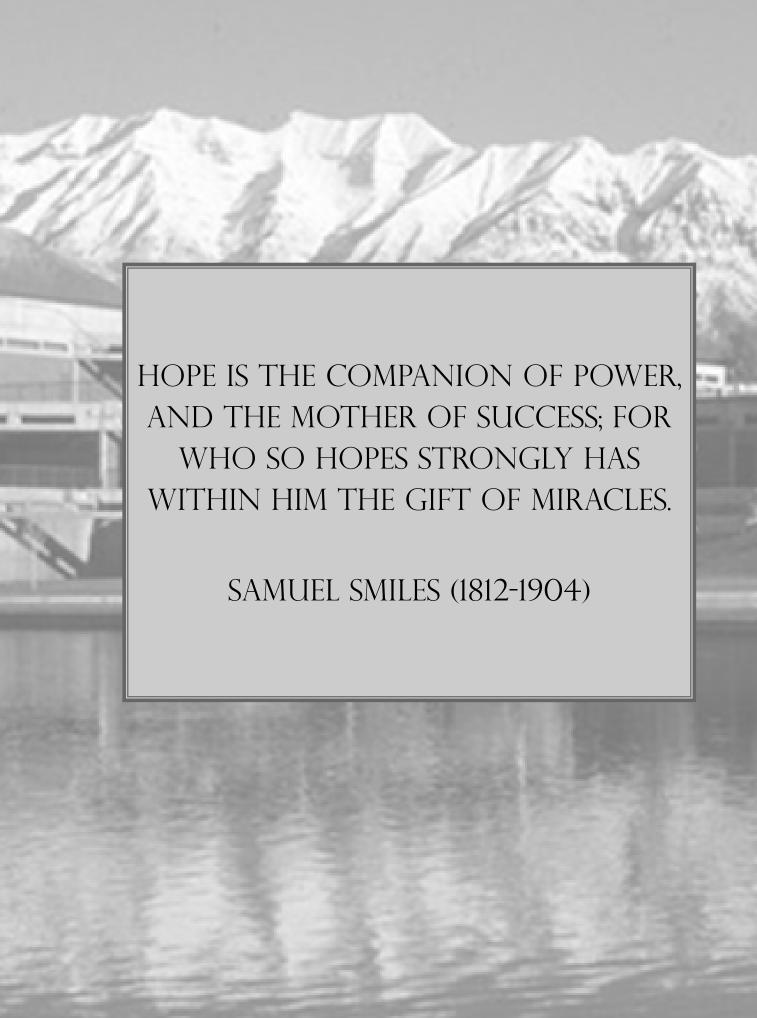


UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY'S

COLLEGE of HUMANITIES and SOCIAL SCIENCES HOODING CEREMONY

Marriage & Family Therapy Master of Arts





HOODING CEREMONY

5pm Clarke Building (CB)

Introduction Elizabeth B. Fawcett, Ph.D., LMFT

MFT Program Director

Welcoming Remarks Jessi Hill, Ph.D.

Department Chair, Behavioral Science

Keynote Speaker Alan Springer, Ph.D.

MFT Supervisor

Hooding Ceremony MFT Core Faculty

Elizabeth B. Fawcett, Ph.D. Colleen M. Peterson, Ph.D. Megan Story Chavez, Ph.D.

Closing Remarks Steven C. Clark, Ph.D.

Dean, College of Humanities and

Social Sciences

A cohort and faculty photo will be taken after ceremony.

Following the photo, there will be a reception in the South Lobby for graduates and their guests.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Alan Springer, Ph.D., LMFT

Alan Springer received a PhD in Marriage and Family Therapy from BYU-Provo in 1996. Although his favorite work is as a couples therapist, he worked first in the world of residential treatment as a family therapist, supervisor, and Clinical Director. For five years he was an adjunct professor and clinical supervisor in the Marriage and Family Therapy program at BYU-Provo. In his career it has been his privilege to supervise more than 50 AMFTs on their journey to full licensure.



Dr. Springer served a term as President of the Utah Association for Marriage and Family Therapy and

currently is a member of the UAMFT Legislative Committee. He also serves on the UVU MFT Advisory Council. For eight years he was a member of the Utah Professional Licensing Board for Marriage and Family Therapy.

Dr. Springer is the owner and director of the Marriage Clinic of Utah (MCU) in Sandy where he sees couples and mentors new therapists. Each of the other therapists at MCU was academically trained by at least one member of the current UVU MFT faculty.

The UVU MFT program is grateful to Dr. Springer for serving as a supervisor to students and an advisor to the program. We appreciate his service, legacy and impact on marriage and family therapy in Utah. We are honored to have him speak to our graduating cohort.





Dr. Springer is the proud father of one of the UVU MFT program's first graduates.



MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY

MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Dear 2022 Graduates,

The faculty and I are so very proud of you, of all you have accomplished, of what you have overcome, and the therapists you have become. We are delighted to welcome you into our profession as colleagues. We are excited about the important work you will do and the service you will provide.

As you graduate with a master's degree, I invite you to consider the word *master*, which is both a noun and a verb. In the 1200s, the verb meant *to get the better of*, or *prevail against*. In the 1700's, master meant to *overcome the difficulties* of, and learn something in a way that would allow you to *apply your learning*.

You have overcome the difficulties of learning and providing therapy during a global pandemic. You have mastered the content of the program while prevailing against the challenges of graduate school. You have also overcome the difficulties of being part of a new program with its own growth curve.

I hope that you feel immense pride in what you have mastered.

In the late 12th century, the noun form of the word, *master*, meant someone who was *eminently skilled*. In the mid-13th century, that meaning expanded to include someone *charged with care*, *direction and oversight*.

With the bestowal of this master's degree, you will be recognized as someone who is knowledgeable and skilled in therapy. You will be given opportunities to lead and the world will be better for the way you care.

I hope you are proud of the masters you have become.

"I want you to get excited about who you are, what you are, what you have, and what can still be for you. I want to inspire you to see that you can go far beyond where you are right now." -Virginia Satir

Congratulations, and best wishes for the next steps in your journey!







Graduating Class of 2022

The following individuals have earned or are completing a Master of Arts in Marriage & Family Therapy

Michael Anderson

Melissa Conover Barton

Samantha Beaumont

Kyandra Chandler

Jeremy Conetah

Taylor Cordova

Kerri Deshler

Brendan Ewell

Rebecca L.Hansen

Trevor Hanson

Shannon Higham

Adrienne Hone

Sarah Hughes

Taylor LaMont

Tawniele Maurer

Mitch McKee

Lesli Mortensen

Cassidy Ogletree Lee

Ryan Parry

Stacy Reynolds

Demetrius Romero

Whitney Sanchez



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The UVU Master in Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) trains students to be professionally competent in the field of marriage and family therapy. Through the application of systemic theories, skills, and ethics, students are prepared to serve a diverse client population. Students who successfully complete the program, including academic course work and supervised clinical practica, are eligible for em-ployment and licensure as an Associate Marriage and Family Therapist in the state of Utah. This program is offered in collaboration with the Behavioral Science Department and the family science under-graduate degree.





Academic heraldry in the form of academic dress reaches as far back as the earliest days of the oldest universities. Formal directives concerning the correct and proper wearing of academic regalia date back to the early 14th century. In the United States, as a result of our English heritage, caps and gowns have been used since colonial times.

As heraldic devices such as shields, coats of arms, standards, etc. could identify a knight and his individual heritage, academic costume can describe the academic origin and accomplishments of the wearer. Easily recognizable are holders of bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. The trained eye may also identify the university that conferred the degree, as well as an individual's field of learning.

The shape and decoration of the gown are the keys to identifying the highest degree earned by an individual. The master's gown has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist; the rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cut away. The master's gown may be worn open or closed. The doctoral gown has bell shaped sleeves, may be worn open or closed, and may be most readily identified by its velvet facing down the front and by three velvet bars on each sleeve.



It is the hood, however, that is the most important and distinctive feature of American academic pageantry. It enables anyone attending an academic function to distinguish the wearer's heritage. The master's hood is three feet long with a three inch edging. The doctoral hood is four feet long with five inch edging. The color of the hood's velvet edging represents the field in which the wearer earned his or her degree. The color for Marriage and Family Therapy is light blue. The hoods of American colleges and universities are lined with silk in the official academic colors of the institution that conferred the degrees.





MFT CORE FACULTY & STAFF

Elizabeth Fawcett, Ph.D., LMFT MFT Program Director

Colleen M. Peterson, Ph.D., LMFT MFT Clinical Director

Megan Story Chavez, Ph.D., LMFT MFT Faculty

Lori L. Duke, MAMFT MFT Associate Director



ADDITIONAL MFT INSTRUCTORS

Jeremy S. Boden Ph.D., CFLE, LMFT Family Science Faculty

Benjamin Erwin, Ph.D., LMFT Adjunct Faculty

Branden H. Henline, PhD., LMFT Adjunct Faculty

Rich Hydo, MBA, LCSW, CFLE-P Family Science Lecturer

Darryl Haslam, Ph.D., LMFT Social Work Faculty Vjollca Martinson, Ph.D., LMFT Adjunct Faculty

Megan Oka, Ph.D., LMFT Family Science Faculty

Angelea Panos, Ph.D., LCSW, LMFT SUDC Program Director

Jason Platt, Ph.D., LMFT Adjunct Faculty

Todd Spencer, Ph.D., AMFT Family Science Faculty



WITH APPRECIATION

THE MFT PROGRAM SINCERELY THANKS THE FOLLOWING INDIVUALS AND GROUPS

LOCAL SUPERVISORS & AGENCIES

Nevin Alderman, Renew Relationship Counseling

Marcia Batchelor, Meadowbrook

Jared Casey, I Am Recovery

Amanda Christenson, Hope Therapy

Tasha Diaz, Covenant Sex Therapy

Lauren Disner, Embark

Lance Dome, Redwood Family Therapy

Matthew Draper, Reflections Recovery Center

Lisa Hansen, Flourish Therapy

Branden Henline, Sage Family Counseling

Bryant Jenks & Sam Ashton, Wasatch Behavioral, American Fork Family Clinic

Sandra Jensen, Suncrest Counseling

Christine Holding, The EFT Clinic

Adam Moore, Utah Valley Counseling

Triston Morgan & Phil Scoville, The Center for Couples & Families

Rob Robison & Brad Tanner, Utah Family Therapy

Alan Springer, Marriage & Family Clinic of Utah

Sarah Stroup & Maggi Leavitt, Monarch Family Counseling

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