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**KAREN JEAN PRAGER**

Interdisciplinary Studies and Behavioral and Brain Sciences  
Gender Studies and Psychological Sciences

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### **Educational History**

PH.D.	THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Counseling Psychology (A.P.A. approved)	1977
INTERNSHIP	THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY Counseling and Consultation Services (A.P.A. approved; Full-Time)	1976-1977
M.A.	THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Educational Psychology Specializations in Counseling Psychology and Program Evaluation	1975
INTERNSHIP	THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Measurement and Evaluation Center	1974-1975
B.A.	THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN Plan II (Liberal Arts Honors Program) Magna Cum Laude Dean's List Special Honors in Psychology.	1973

### **Employment History – Principle Positions**

Professor		1996-Present
	School of Interdisciplinary Studies School of Behavioral and Brain Science The University of Texas at Dallas	
Program Head		2001-Present
	Program in Gender Studies School of Interdisciplinary Studies The University of Texas at Dallas	

Clinical Professor Department of Psychiatry Program in Clinical Psychology The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center	1996-Present
Assistant/Associate Professor and Special Counselor School of General Studies The University of Texas at Dallas	1981-1996
Visiting Assistant Professor and Special Counselor School of General Studies The University of Texas at Dallas	1979-1981
Senior Clinician and Coordinator of Internship Program Department of Training, St. Clare's Hospital Community Mental Health Center, Denville, New Jersey	1978-1979
Counselor Counseling Center Community College of Philadelphia	1977-1978
Licensed Psychologist Part-time Private Practice	1980-Present
Board Certified in Couple and Family Psychology American Board of Professional Psychology	2001

### **Employment History – Concurrent Visiting and Temporary Positions**

Adjunct Instructor Counseling Psychology Program, Lesley College Cambridge, MA	1986-1989
Rutgers: The State University of New Jersey at Camden Camden, NJ	1977
Psychotherapist, "Alternative 2" Partial Hospitalization Program, Thomas Jefferson Medical College Community Mental Health Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	1977-1978

### **Professional recognitions and honors (study, teaching, research, service):**

Inducted into University of Texas at Austin Chapter, Phi Beta Kappa	May, 1973
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Competitive Tuition Scholarship, U.T. Austin	1975; 1976
Inducted into Pi Lambda Theta, U.T. Austin	1976
Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi, U.T. Austin	May, 1976
Awarded Diplomat Status by the Board Association for Couple And Family Psychology	2001
Distinguished Teacher in Diversity and Multicultural Education Award UT-Dallas Office of Diversity and Community Engagement	April 15, 2011
Inducted as Charter Member, Phi Kappa Phi U.T. Dallas	April 19, 2011
Inducted as Fellow American Board of Professional Psychology	2013
<b>Professional Memberships</b>	
American Psychological Association Division of Family Psychology Division of the Psychology of Women	1976-Present
Licensed Psychologist in the State of Texas (#2-2153)	1980-Present
Texas Psychological Association	1980-Present
Dallas Psychological Association 1996-1997 Chair, Gender Issues Committee	1980-1999
Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Couples Research and Treatment Special Interest Group	1988-Present
International Association for Relationship Research	1989-Present
Member, Board of Directors The American Board of Couple and Family Psychology	2002-2008
Member of the Board of Directors Academy of Couple and Family Psychology	2013-2014

## **Achievements in Original Investigation and Research**

### Authored Books

1. Prager, K. J. (1995). The Psychology of Intimacy. New York: Guilford. Second printing, 1997.
2. Prager, K.J. (2013). The Dilemmas of Intimacy: Conceptualization, Assessment, and Treatment. New York: Routledge.

### Articles in peer-reviewed journals

1. Prager, K. and Freeman, A. (1979). Self-esteem, academic competence, educational aspirations and curriculum choice of urban community college students, *Journal of College Student Personnel*, 20, (5), 392-397.
2. Prager, K. (1982). Identity development and self-esteem in young women. *Journal of Genetic Psychology*, 141, 177-182.
3. Prager, K. (1983). Educational aspirations and self-esteem in returning and traditional community college students. *Journal of College Student Personnel*, 24, 2, 144-147.
4. Prager, K. (1983). Intimacy development in young adults: A multidimensional view. *Psychological Reports*, 52, 751-756.
5. Prager, K. (1983). Identity status, sex-role orientation, and self-esteem in late adolescent females. *Journal of Genetic Psychology*, 143, 159-167.
6. Prager, K. J. & Bailey, J. M. (1985). Androgyny, ego development and psychosocial crisis resolution. *Sex Roles*, 13, 525-536.
7. Prager, K. J. (1986). Identity development, age, and college experience in women. *Journal of Genetic Psychology*, 147, (1), 31-36.
8. Prager, K. J. (1986). Intimacy status: Its relationship to locus of control, self-disclosure and anxiety. *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, 12, 91-109.
9. Prager, K. J. (1989). Intimacy status and couple communication. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 6, 435-449.
10. Prager, K. J., Fuller, D. O., & Gonzalez, A. S. (1989). The function of self-disclosure in social interaction. *Journal of Social Behavior and Personality*, 4, 563-580.
11. Prager, K. J. (1991). Intimacy status and couple conflict resolution. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 8, 505-526.
12. Basco, M. A., Prager, K. J., Pita, J. M., Tamir, L. M., & Stephens, J. J. (1992). Depression and marital discord. *Journal of Family Psychology*, 6, 184-194.

13. Prager, K.J. & Buhrmester, D. (1998). Intimacy and need fulfillment in couple relationships. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*, 15, 435-469.
14. Lippert, T. & Prager, K.J. (2001). Daily experiences of intimacy: A study of couples. *Personal Relationships*, 8, 283-298.

### Book chapters

1. Buhrmester, D. & Prager, K.J. (1995). Patterns and functions of disclosure during adolescence. In Rotenberg, K.J. (Ed.). *Disclosure Processes in Childhood and Adolescence*. New York: Cambridge.
2. Prager, K.J. (1995) Intimacy. In D. Levinson (Ed.) *The Encyclopedia of Marriage and the Family* (pp. 402-407). New York: MacMillan.
3. Prager, K.J. (1999). The intimacy dilemma: A guide for couples therapists. In J. Carlson & L. Sperry, (Eds.), *The Intimate Couple*. (pp. 109-157). New York: Brunner/Mazel.
4. Prager, K.J. (1999). The multi-layered context of intimacy. In J. Carlson & L. Sperry, (Eds.), *The Intimate Couple*. (pp. 7-32). New York: Brunner/Mazel.
5. Prager, K.J. (2000). Intimacy in Personal Relationships. In S. Hendrick and C. Hendrick (Eds.), *Close Relationships* (pp. 229-244). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
6. Prager, K. J. (2001) Nonverbal Behavior in Intimate Interactions. In L. K. Guerrero, J. A. DeVito, and M.L. Hecht (Eds.). *The Nonverbal Communication Reader: Classic and Contemporary Readings (Second Edition)*. Long Grove, Ill: Waveland Press.
7. Prager, K.J. (2002). Intimacy. In *Encyclopedia of Marriage and the Family*. New York: MacMillon.
8. Prager, K.J. & Roberts, L.J. (2004). Deep intimate connection: Self and intimacy in couple relationships. In Mashek, D. & Aron, A. (Eds.), *The Handbook of Closeness and Intimacy*, pp. 43-60. Mahwah, NJ: Ehrlbaum.
9. Prager, K.J. (2009). Intimacy. In Reis, H. & Sprecher, S. (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of Human Relationships*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
10. Prager, K.J., Shirvani, F.K, Garcia, J.J., & Coles M. (2013). Intimacy and positive psychology. In Mahzad Hojjat and Duncan Cramer (Eds.), *The Positive Psychology of Love* (pp. 16-29). Oxford, England: Oxford University Press.

### Articles accepted for publication

1. Prager, K.J., Shirvani, F.K., Poucher, J., Cavallin, G., Truong, M., & Garcia, J.J. (in press). Recovery from conflict and revival of intimacy in cohabiting couples. *Personal Relationships* (accepted in May, 2014).

### Works in progress

1. Prager, K.J., Poucher, J., Shirvani, F.K., Pullam, M., & Allam, Z. (in preparation). Withdrawal, attachment, and recovery from conflict in couple relationships.
2. Prager, K.J., Poucher, J., Pullam, M., Allam, Z., & Truong, M. (in preparation). Self and other in intimate relationships: A relational measure of differentiation of self.
3. Poucher, J. & Prager, K.J. (in preparation). Day to day experiences of intimacy and well-being.
4. Prager, K.J., Poucher, J., Pullum, M., & Shirvani, F. (in preparation). Couples' strategies for repair and return to intimate relating following conflict.

### Other writings

1. Bryan, W.A. and Prager, K.J. (July 1976). Minority students: Major selection, S.A.T. scores, academic performance, and high school percentile rank for students who entered as freshmen in 1974 and 1975. (Res. Bull. #MMS-044076) Austin: The University of Texas at Austin, Dean of Students Office.
2. Prager, K.J., Bryan, W., Ohm, S., Areval, R. and Ditmar, N. (1976). Horizons Unlimited: Conference on Insights into Higher Education for Black and Mexican-American secondary school students. (Spec. Public, #SPO30776) Austin: The University of Texas at Austin, Dean of Students Office.
3. Prager, K. (1982). The Transition to Young Adulthood: A Developmental Process. Proceedings of the 1982 Lifelong Learning Research Conference, College Park, Md.
4. Prager, K. (1983). The impact of development on adult learning. A review of research. Proceedings of the 1983 Lifelong Learning Research Conference, College Park, Md.
5. Prager, K.J. (1994). On Dual Career Couples: Review of Stoltz-Loike, M. (1992). Dual-Career Couples: New Perspectives in Counseling. Alexandria, VA: American Association for Counseling and Development, *Contemporary Psychology*, 39, 737.
6. Prager, K.J. (1995). A step-by-step guide for evaluating couples. Review of Karpel, M.R. (1994). *Evaluating Couples: A Handbook for Practitioners*. New York: Norton, *Contemporary Psychology*.

7. Prager, K.J. (1996). Battering: Our professional responsibilities. Review of Hansen, M. & Harway, M. (Eds.) (1993). *Battering and Family Therapy: A Feminist Perspective*. Newbury Park, CA: Sage , Contemporary Psychology, 908.
8. Prager, K.J. (Fall/Winter, 1997). Thinking about and measuring intimacy. *Couples Research and Therapy Newsletter: The Newsletter of Couples Research and Therapy Special Interest Group, Association for Advancement of Behavior Therapy* (pp 5-6).
9. Prager, K.J. (1999). Constructing Ourselves Through Dialogue. Review of Montgomery, B.M. & Baxter, L. (Eds.) (1998). *Dialectical approaches to studying personal relationships*. Mahwah, New Jersey: Erlbaum. Contemporary Psychology, 44.
10. Prager, K.J. (1997). God's Covenant with Sarah. In Hyman, N.M. (Ed.). *Biblical Women in the Midrash: A Sourcebook* (pp. 23-25). New York: Jason Aronson, Inc.
11. Prager, K.J. (1998). Professional Opinion: Case Consultation. In Williams, W.M. & Ceci, S. J. (Eds.), *Escaping the Advice Trap*, pp. 21-22. Kansas City: Andrews McMeel.
12. Prager, K.J. (2000). Conceptualizing and measuring intimacy. *Bulletin of the International Society for the Study of Personal Relationships* (pp. ).
13. Prager, K.J. (2003). Review of Emotionally focused couple therapy with trauma survivors: Strengthening attachment bonds, by Susan M. Johnson; NY: Guilford Press, 2002, 228 pp., in *Bulletin of the Couples Special Interest Group, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy*.

#### Refereed presentations at professional conferences

1. Prager, K.J. and Freeman, A. (April 1978). Self-esteem and curriculum choice of urban community college students. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Two-Year Colleges, Hershey, Pennsylvania,.
2. Prager, K.J. (April 1980). Educational and career aspirations, self-esteem, and grade point average in students in two age groups in the community college. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American College Personnel Association, Boston, Massachusetts.
3. Prager, K.J. (August 1980). Identity development and sex-role self-concept in young women. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association, Montreal, Canada.
4. Prager, K.J. (November 1980). Factors associated with educational aspiration and self-esteem in returning and traditional community college students. Paper

presented at the Annual Meeting of the Adult Education Association, St. Louis, Missouri, .

5. Prager, K.J. (April 1981). Developmental issues in Counseling the Young Adult Woman. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Personnel and Guidance Association, St. Louis, Missouri.
6. Prager, K.J. (March 1982). Intimacy development, self-disclosure and locus of control in adult women. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New York City, New York.
7. Owen, D. and Prager, K.J. (November 1982). Intimacy and function of self-disclosure to strangers, friends and lovers. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Dallas, Texas.
8. Prager, K.J. (November 1982). Intimacy Development and Self-Disclosure in Young Men. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Psychological Association, Dallas, Texas.
9. Prager, K.J. (January 1983). Intimacy in Marriage. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Association of Marital and Family Therapists, Austin, Texas.
10. Prager, K.J. (April 1983). Intimacy Status and Self-Disclosure to Strangers and Significant Others. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Montreal, Canada.
11. Prager, K.J. (January 1984). Intimacy Through Adult Life: A Retrospective Study. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Association for Marital and Family Therapy, Dallas, Texas.
12. Prager, K.J. (April 1984). Self-disclosure, anxiety and intimacy status in adults. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, La.
13. Bailey, J. and Prager, K.J. (April 1984). Ego development and sex-role orientation in adults. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, La.
14. Prager, K. J. (April, 1985). Intimacy status and couple communication. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, CA,.
15. Prager, K. J. (November, 1986). Intimacy status and self-disclosure in long-term relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Texas Psychological Association, Dallas, TX,



16. Prager, K. J. & Gonzalez, A. (April, 1987). Function of self-disclosure in social interaction. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Washington, D.C., .
17. Prager, K. J. (August, 1988). Intimacy status and couple conflict resolution. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Atlanta, GA.
18. Basco, M. A. & Prager, K. J. (January, 1989). Assessment of communication and intimacy: Tools for the clinician. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Association for Marital and Family Therapy, Houston, TX, .
19. Prager, K. J. & Basco, M. A. (May, 1989). Depression and marital dysfunction. Paper presented at the International Conference on Personal Relationships, Iowa City.
20. Basco, M. A., Prager, K. J., Tamir, L., Stephens, J. J. & Pita, J. (October, 1989). Marital functioning in major depressive disorder. Paper presented at the annual meeting, American Association for Marital and Family Therapy, San Francisco, CA.
21. Basco, M. A. & Prager, K. J. (November, 1990). Relationship skill deficits in major depression. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, San Francisco, CA.
22. Prager, K.J. & Basco, M.R. (May, 1991). Dysfunctional thinking patterns of depressed persons and their spouses: Relationship to marital quality. Paper presented at the International Network for Personal Relationships Conference, Normal, IL.
23. Prager, K.J. (May, 1991). Conflict resolution strategies and intimacy capacity in married couples: A sequential analysis. Paper presented at the International Network for Personal Relationships Conference, Normal, IL.
24. Prager, K.J. & Basco, M.R. (November, 1991). Dysfunctional cognitions of depressed persons and their spouses. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, New York, NY.
25. Basco, M.R. & Prager, K.J. (June, 1992). Depression and marital discord. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, World Congress for Cognitive Therapy, Toronto, Canada.
26. Prager, K.J. & Buhrmester, D. (August, 1992). Assessing agentic and communal need fulfillment and life satisfaction. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Washington, D.C.

27. Prager, K.J. & Basco, M.R. (October, 1992). Depression and marital distress. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Dallas, TX.
28. Basco, M.R. & Prager, K.J. (November, 1992). Do depressive symptoms predict marital discord? Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Boston, MA.
29. Prager, K.J. (March, 1993). Intimacy. Invited talk, Dallas Psychological Association.
30. Prager, K.J. (November, 1995). The Intimacy Paradox: A Workshop for Clinicians. A.P.A.-approved continuing education workshop, presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association.
31. Prager, K.J. (April, 1996). Intimacy-oriented couple therapy. Continuing education workshop, presented for the Collin County Psychological Association.
32. Prager, K.J. (August, 1996). Intimacy-oriented couple therapy: An application of theory and research on intimacy. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting, International Society for the Study of Personal Relationships, Banff, Alberta, Canada.
33. Ojeda, J. & Prager, K. (July, 1997). Mutual knowledge, need fulfillment, and satisfaction in intimate relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Network on Personal Relationships, Miami, Ohio.
34. Prager, K.J. & Buhrmester, D. (July, 1997). Intimacy and need fulfillment in couple relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Network on Personal Relationships, Miami, Ohio.
35. Roberts, L. & Prager, K. (July, 1997). Intimacy, diaries, and videotape: Conceptualizing and measuring intimacy. Roundtable presented at the Annual Meeting, International Network on Personal Relationships, Miami, Ohio.
36. Prager, K.J. (November, 1997). Intimacy-Oriented Couple Therapy. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Miami, FL.
37. Prager, K.J. & Buhrmester, D. (November, 1997). The contribution of intimacy to need fulfillment in the context of couple relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Miami, FL.
38. Ojeda, J. & Prager, K.J. (November, 1997). Intimacy and partner understanding: Their effects on need fulfillment and relationship satisfaction. Paper presented at

the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Miami, FL.

39. Lippert, T., Ghandi, S., Magnis, E., & Prager, K.J. (June, 1998). The experience of intimacy in daily life: A study of couples. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Society for the Study of Personal Relationships.
40. Lippert, T., Prager, K.J. & Buhrmester, D. (November, 1998). Day-to-day intimacy in couple relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Washington, D.C.
41. Prager, K. J. (July, 2000). Intimacy research in the 21st century: A new organizational framework. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting, International Society for the Study of Personal Relationships, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.
42. Prager, K.J. (July, 2000). Building blocks of effective intimate relating. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Society for the Study of Personal Relationships, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.
43. Prager, K.J. (November, 2002). Symposium discussant, "Validating and Invalidating Behaviors in Couples and Families." Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, Philadelphia, PA.
44. Prager, K.J. (July, 2006). Intimacy-oriented couple therapy. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Rethymnon, Crete.
45. Prager, K.J. (November, 2009). Treating "I vs. We" dilemmas in Intimacy-Oriented Therapy. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Houston, Texas.
46. Prager, K.J. & Shirvani, F. (July, 2010). An attachment theory perspective on couples' emotional recovery from conflict. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Herzliya, Israel.
47. Prager, K.J. (November, 2010). Introduction to Intimacy-Oriented Therapy. Workshop presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Dallas, Texas.
48. Prager, K.J., Shirvani, F., Poucher, J., Cavallin, G., & Garcia, J.J. (November, 2011). Insecure attachment and post-conflict behavior predict problems with couples' intimate relating after conflict. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting, Association for the Advancement of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy, Toronto, Canada.

49. Garcia, J.J., Poucher, J., Ghitis, D., & Prager, K.J. (July, 2012). Intimacy and well-being in romantic relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, Ill.
50. Truong, M., Pullam, M., Prager, K.J., & Shirvani, F. (July, 2012). "It's Too Late to Apologize:" Attachment Security and Couples' Attempts to Reconcile. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, Ill.
51. Cavallin, G.L. & Prager, K.J. (July, 2012). Attributions, attachment style, and conflict in couple relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Chicago, Ill.
52. Gerwell, K. & Prager, K.J. (November, 2012). Contributions of partner understanding and similarity to couple partners' need fulfillment and relationship satisfaction. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Austin, Tx.
53. Truong, M., Pullam, M., Prager, K.J., & Shirvani, F. (November, 2012). Attachment Security and Couples' Attempts to Reconcile Following Conflict through Apology. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association, Austin, Tx.
54. Poucher, J. & Prager, K.J. (August, 2013). "They know me too well:" Suspicion and relationship satisfaction. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HA.
55. Prager, K.J., Shirvani, F., Poucher, J., Cavallin, G., Truong, M.A. & Garcia, J.J. (August, 2013). Intimacy enhances recovery from conflict in romantic relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HA.
56. Truong, M. & Prager, K.J. (August, 2013). Contemptuous behavior during couples' conflicts and attachment insecurity. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HA.
57. Shirvani, F.K. & Prager, K.J. (August, 2013). Conflict and emotion in couple relationships: An attachment perspective. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Psychological Association, Honolulu, HA.
58. Prager, K.J., Thompson, A., Mayers, R., & Shahlaee, B. (July, 2014). Attachment security, gender, and conflict that expands beyond the problem: Effects on couples' post-conflict intimacy. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Melbourne, Australia.

59. Poucher, J., Prager, K.J., & Pullum, M. (July, 2014). The Psychological Differentiation Inventory, a Couple-Centered Approach. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, International Association for Relationship Research, Melbourne, Australia.
60. Poucher, J., Prager, K.J., and Allam, Z. (October, 2014). The Self-Other Inventory: A Couple-Focused Measure of Differentiation of Self. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Association for Marital and Family Therapy, Milwaukee, WI.
61. Allam, Z., Prager, K.J., & Mayer, R. (October, 2014). Attachment security, intimacy, and conflict that escalates beyond the problem. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Association for Marital and Family Therapy, Milwaukee, WI.
62. Poucher, J. & Prager, K.J. (November, 2014). The Effects of Contingent Self-worth on Intimacy in Romantic Relationships. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association. Dallas, Texas.
63. Patell, Juhi & Prager, K.J. (November, 2014). Depressive Symptoms After Couple Conflict: Attachment Security and Contemptuous Conflict Behavior. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association. Dallas, Texas.
64. Prager, K.J., Mayer, R., & Thompson, A. (November, 2014). Recovery from Conflict, Conflict Expansion and Attachment. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association. Dallas, Texas.
65. Shahlaee, B. & Prager, K.J. (November, 2014). Recovering Intimacy after Conflict: Masculine Traits Explain Sex of Partner Effects. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, Texas Psychological Association. Dallas, Texas.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES 2008-2014  
POST-TENURE REVIEW  
September 22, 2014

**Grants and contracts submitted**

1. Couples Daily Lives Laboratory – Paving the way to improved marital well-being. Karen J. Prager, Ph.D.; A.B.P.P., Principle Investigator  
Grant proposal submitted to the Timberlawn Foundation, Dallas, Texas. *Funded, \$35,000.*

2. Recovery of conflict and relationship repair following conflict.  
Karen J. Prager, Ph.D.; A.B.P.P., Principle Investigator  
Grant proposal submitted to the Foundation for the Contemporary Family,  
Laguna Beach, California.

## Teaching

### Doctoral advisement/direction

1. Forouz Shirvani, Relationship Satisfaction, Sexual Intimacy And Mood After Couple Conflict: An Attachment Perspective. Expected date of graduation: August, 2015.
2. Jesse Poucher, Intimate Mediates Contingent Self-Worth, Feedback Suspicion, and Relationship Satisfaction. Expected date of graduation: August, 2015.

### Masters advisement/direction

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| 1. Minnie Coles, Reconciling in the face of conflict:<br>Does having sex help?                                                             | May, 2011      |
| 2. Forouz Shirvani, Conflict and Emotion in Couple Relationships: An Attachment Perspective                                                | May, 2011      |
| 3. J.J. Garcia, Intimacy and well-being.                                                                                                   | December, 2011 |
| 4. Kelsi Gerwell, Contributions of partner understanding and similarity to couple partners' need fulfillment and relationship satisfaction | May, 2012      |
| 5. Jesse Poucher, Intimacy as a mediator between contingent self-worth and relationship satisfaction                                       | August, 2012   |
| 6. Michael Truong, Contemptuous Behavior During Couples' Conflicts and Attachment Insecurity                                               | May, 2012      |
| 7. Gustavo Cavallin, Attachment Style, Attributions, and Conflict in Romantic Relationships                                                | May, 2013      |

## Classroom Teaching

- 1) Organized Courses
  - a) Spring, 2008:
    - i) GST 3301/PSY 3324 Psychology of Gender - 132 students
    - ii) COMD 6348 Counseling for Communication Disorders Professionals - 10 students
  - b) Fall, 2008:
    - i) MAIS 5301 Close Relationships - 5 students
  - c) Spring, 2009:
    - i) GST 3301/PSY 3324 Psychology of Gender - 120 students
  - d) Fall, 2009:
    - i) PSY4331 Personality Psychology- 130 students
  - e) Spring, 2010:
    - i) GST 3301/PSY 3324 Psychology of Gender - 127 students
  - f) Fall, 2010:

- i) PSY4331 Personality Psychology- 130 students
- ii) MAIS 5301 Seminar: Close Relationships- 8 students
- g) Spring, 2011:
  - i) GST 3301/PSY 3324 Psychology of Gender: 121 students
- h) Fall, 2011:
  - i) MAIS 5301 Seminar: Close Relationships- 5 students
  - ii) HDCS/PSYC 6327: Personality – 20 students
- i) Spring, 2012
- j) Fall, 2012
- k) Spring, 2013
  - i) GST 3301/PSY 3324 Psychology of Gender: 123 students
  - ii) PSY 4331 Personality: 126 students
- l) Fall, 2013:
  - i) MAIS 5301 Seminar: Close Relationships- 6 students
  - ii) GST 3301/PSY 3324: Psychology of Gender – 63 students
- m) Spring, 2014 – FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE (no organized courses)
- n) Fall, 2014
  - i) MAIS 5301 Seminar: Close Relationships – 2 students
  - ii) PSY 4331 Personality Psychology – 94 students
- 2) Masters and Dissertation Committees (not chair)
  - a) 2008
    - i) Elicka Radhar, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - ii) Jini Kanyil, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iii) Michelle Wharton, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - b) 2009
    - i) Elicka Radhar UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - ii) Jini Kandyil, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iii) Michelle Wharton, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iv) Chong Chow, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - c) 2010
    - i) Elica Radhar, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - ii) Jini Kandyil, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iii) Chong Chow, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iv) Holly Roelsi, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - d) 2011
    - i) Jini Kandyil, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - ii) Chong Chow, UTD, Behavioral and Brain Sciences
    - iii) Nadia Ceccotti, UTSW, Department of Psychology
  - e) 2012
    - i) Dawn Brinkley
  - f) 2013
    - i) Dawn Brinkley

- 3) Honors supervision
- a) 2008
    - i) Julie Kangas Spring, 2008
    - ii) David More (did not finish)
    - iii) Saraliza Anzaldua (2<sup>nd</sup> reader)
  - b) 2009
    - i) Chris Wedge Spring, 2009
    - ii) Clarissa Lushaj
  - c) 2010
    - i) Clarissa Lushaj
    - ii) Amy Fulbright Spring, 2010
    - iii) Jennifer Chukwujekwu Spring, 2010
    - iv) Kyle Schindler Spring, 2010
  - d) 2011
    - i) Clarissa Lushaj
  - e) 2012
    - i) Amy Fulbright
    - ii) Jennifer Chukwujekwu
    - iii) Kyle Schindler
  - f) 2013
    - i) Caroline Lee
  - g) 2014
    - i) Alexis Harvey August, 2014
- 4) Independent Study/Research Supervision
- a) 2008
    - i) Forouz Shirvani
    - ii) Susan Johnson (Undergraduate TA)
    - iii) Daniella Ward (Undergraduate TA)
  - b) 2009
    - i) Forouz Shirvani
    - ii) Shannon Layman (Graduate TA)
    - iii) Christine Gunderson (Undergraduate TA)
    - iv) Marissa Mazzola
    - v) Kaleb Thorshav
    - vi) Brad Shankle
    - vii) Christopher Konneker
    - viii) Rebecca Sayer (Undergraduate TA)
    - ix) Joey Rodriguez (Undergraduate TA)
    - x) Jennifer Manchak
    - xi) Sloane Skipper
  - c) 2010
    - i) Forouz Shirvani
    - ii) Marissa Mazzola
    - iii) Kaleb Thorshav
    - iv) Dasha Semenyuk
    - v) Masa Hashem
    - vi) Marissa Pullam



- vii) Charla Little
- viii) Amy Carlisle
- ix) Brittany Houston
- d) 2011
  - i) Forouz Shirvani
  - ii) Jennifer (J.J.) Garcia
  - iii) Minnie Coles
  - iv) Jesse Poucher (also as TA)
  - v) Kelsi Gerwell
  - vi) Gustavo Cavallin
  - vii) Michael Truong
  - viii) David Ghitis
  - ix) Marissa Pullum
  - x) Amy Carlisle
  - xi) Brittany Houston
  - xii) Miriam Combs
  - xiii) Amir Karami
  - xiv) Kyle Sessums
  - xv) Mimi Pollok
  - xvi) Nada Alasmi (Undergraduate TA)
- e) 2012
- f) 2013
  - i) Forouz Shirvani
  - ii) Jesse Poucher (also as TA)
  - iii) Gustavo Cavallin
  - iv) Zoheb Allam
  - v) Marissa Pullum
  - vi) Holly Bentley
  - vii) Michael Truong
  - viii) Su Lee
  - ix) Ashley Thompson
  - x) Richy Charls
  - xi) Senee Seale
  - xii) Flavia Cavalcanti
  - xiii) Eric Hernandez
  - xiv) Jessica Matton
  - xv) Juhi Patell
  - xvi) Mariah Butler
  - xvii) Dillon Liao Davis
  - xviii) Catherine Bolton
  - xix) Caroline Lee

## Service

- 5) 2008
  - a) Program Head in Gender Studies
    - i) With Erin Smith and the Galerstein Women's Center staff, organized Gender

- Studies Lecture series for 2007-2008.
- ii) With Erin Smith, wrote report for Program Review of Gender Studies
  - iii) With Erin Smith, interviewed candidates to teach GST 3302 and presented first choice to Dean Fair.
  - b) Member, 3<sup>rd</sup> year review committee, Michelle Nickerson, A & H.
  - c) Wrote annual “SACS” review of Program in Gender Studies
  - d) Invited talk, UTD Psychology Coalition, on the challenges of private psychological practice
  - e) Faculty Lecture, Scholars’ Day at UTD, “Gender Identity: What is It? What is its Source?”
  - f) Member, Committee on Educational Policy
  - g) Member, Committee on Faculty Mentoring
  - h) Member, Carolyn Lipshy Galerstein Women’s Center Advisory Committee
  - i) Service to the Psychology Profession
    - i) Member, Board of Directors, American Board of Couple and Family Psychology: Compiled materials for and wrote the Self-Study Report for the Periodic Comprehensive Review (PCR) of the Couple and Family Psychology Board
    - ii) Invited Lecture, The University of Dallas, “Gender Roles in Romantic Relationships”
    - iii) Ad hoc manuscript reviewer for:
      - (1) Journal of Social and Personal Relationships
      - (2) Personal Relationships
  - j) Community Service
    - i) Worship leader, Sabbath and High Holy Day morning worship, Temple Emanu-El.
    - ii) Member, Worship Committee, Temple Emanu-El
    - iii) Member, Israel Action Committee, Temple Emanu-El
    - iv) Ba’alat Torah (chanting from Hebrew Scriptures): Temple Emanu-El; Congregation Beth Torah.
- 6) 2009
- a) Program Head in Gender Studies
    - i) With Lauren DeCillis and the Galerstein Women’s Center staff, organized Gender Studies Lecture series for 2009-2010.
    - ii) Organized a Gender Studies Film Series
    - iii) Wrote annual SACS review of Program in Gender Studies
    - iv) Faculty Lecture, Scholars’ Day at UTD, “Gender Identity: What is It? What is its Source?”
    - v) Interviewed potential lecturers to teach Gender Studies courses
    - vi) Updated the Gender Studies website
  - b) Served on two promotion committees for senior lecturers in the School of Interdisciplinary Studies
  - c) Presentation as part of UTD’s Faculty Mentoring Program, “Having Difficult Conversations: Scary Situations, Departmental Politics and Negotiation”
  - d) Member, Committee on Educational Policy
  - e) Member, Committee on Faculty Mentoring
  - f) Member, Carolyn Lipshy Galerstein Women’s Center Advisory Committee

- g) Service to the Psychology Profession
  - h) Ad hoc manuscript reviewer for:
    - i) Journal of Social and Personal Relationships
    - ii) Personal Relationships
    - iii) Journal of Family Psychology
  - i) Outside Consultant Activity
    - i) Maintained private practice of psychology, 0.5-1 day per week.
  - j) Community Service
    - i) Reviewed Marriage and Family in the 21st Century: A BioEcological Approach, by Tasha Howe
    - ii) Worship leader, Sabbath and High Holy Day morning worship, Temple Emanu-El.
      - (1) Member, Worship Committee, Temple Emanu-El
      - (2) Member, Israel Action Committee, Temple Emanu-El
      - (3) Ba'alat Torah (chanting from Hebrew Scriptures): Temple Emanu-El; Congregation Beth Torah.
- 7) 2010
- a) Program Head in Gender Studies
    - i) With Lauren DeCillis and the Galerstein Women's Center staff, organized Gender Studies Lecture series for 2010-2011, and brought 5 speakers to UT-Dallas.
    - ii) Updated the Gender Studies website
  - b) Presentation as part of UTD's Faculty Mentoring Program, "Having Difficult Conversations: Scary Situations, Departmental Politics and Negotiation"
  - c) Faculty Lecture, Scholars' Day at UTD, "Intimacy and conflict in couple relationships"
  - d) Member, Committee on Educational Policy
  - e) Member, Committee on Faculty Mentoring
  - f) Member, Carolyn Lipshy Galerstein Women's Center Advisory Committee
  - g) Member, Faculty Review Committee, School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - h) Member, Teaching Evaluation Committee, School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - i) Service to the Psychology Profession -- Ad hoc manuscript reviewer for: Journal of Social and Personal Relationships  
Personal Relationships  
Journal of Family Psychology
  - j) Outside Consultant Activity - Maintained private practice of psychology, 0.5-1 day per week.
  - k) Community Service
    - i) Ba'alat Torah (chanting from Hebrew Scriptures): Temple Emanu-El; Congregation Beth Torah.
- 8) 2011
- a) Program Head in Gender Studies –
    - i) With Katrina Watland and the Galerstein Women's Center staff, organized Gender Studies Lecture series for 2011-2012, and hosted 4 speakers to speak at UT-Dallas.
    - ii) Identified and scheduled instructors for Gender Studies courses.

- b) Hosted a reception for Gender Studies students, faculty, and associated staff, April, 2011 to discuss the future of Gender Studies at UTD.
  - c) Presentation as part of UTD's Faculty Mentoring Program, "Having Difficult Conversations: Scary Situations, Departmental Politics and Negotiation."
  - d) Presentation for the Center for Children and Families, "When Couples Become Parents: Keeping Your Marriage Strong for Your Child," March, 2011.
  - e) Dialogue Leader, The Multi-Cultural Center's Diversity Dinner Dialogue on Gender Issues, March, 2011.
  - f) Served as a judge at the Passport to the World program sponsored by the International Student Services.
  - g) Provided a guest lecture on Depression and Suicide to students taking Carol Cokely's AUD7182, Topics in Patient Counseling and Professional Mentoring
  - h) Member, Committee on Educational Policy.
  - i) Phi Kappa Phi Charter member and member of the Board of Directors
  - j) Vice-Chair, Committee on Faculty Mentoring.
  - k) Member, UT-Dallas Diversity Equity Committee.
  - l) Member, Carolyn Lipshy Galerstein Women's Center Advisory Committee.
  - m) Member, Faculty Review Committee, School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences.
  - n) Member, Teaching Evaluation Committee, School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences.
  - o) Attended The UT Dallas Office of Diversity and Community Engagement, April, 2011, Annual Diversity Awards Gala and Scholarship Fundraiser: "Catalyst to the Future"
- 9) 2012
- 10) 2013
- a) Program Head in Gender Studies –
    - i) With Katrina Watland and the Galerstein Women's Center staff, organized Gender Studies Lecture series for 2013-2014, and hosted 4 programs at UT-Dallas.
    - ii) Identified and scheduled instructors for Gender Studies courses.

- b) Presentation as part of UTD's Faculty Mentoring Program, "Having Difficult Conversations: Scary Situations, Departmental Politics and Negotiation."
- c) Provided a guest lecture on psychology careers and my own career path for Mickey Choate's course on careers in psychology
- d) Provided a guest lecture on Depression and Suicide to students taking Carol Cokely's AUD7182, Topics in Patient Counseling and Professional Mentoring
- e) Chair, Faculty Mentoring Committee
- f) Phi Kappa Phi Charter member and member of the Board of Directors
- g) Committee on Educational Policy
- h) Member, UT-Dallas Diversity Equity Committee.
- i) Member Faculty, Center for Children and Families
- j) Member, Teaching Effectiveness Committee, BBS
- k) Service to the Psychology Profession
  - i) Board Member, Academy for Couple and Family Psychology
  - ii) Ad hoc manuscript reviewer for:
    - Journal of Social and Personal Relationships
    - Journal of Family Psychology
    - Psychology of Women Quarterly
- l) Outside Consultant Activity - Maintained private practice of psychology, 1 day per week.
- m) Community Service
  - i) Ba'alat Torah (chanting from Hebrew Scriptures): Congregation Beth Torah, Temple Emanu-El.