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EDUCATION

Master, Clinical Mental Health
Counseling, Trauma focus
Grand Canyon University,
Phoenix, AZ
Expected in August 2026
Currently studying

- Summa Cum Laude

DANIEL KLAASSE

SKILLS

- Relationship counseling
- Anxiety management
- Suicide
- Trauma counseling
- Depression management
- Building rapport

WORK HISTORY

January 2025 - Current

Intrseed - Founder and President, Grand Rapids, Michigan

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- Faith-based wilderness therapy
- Evidence-based wilderness therapy

January 2025 - Current

Cognitive Edge - Mental Health Coach/Owner, Alma, MI

- Guided clients in setting realistic goals, implementing effective action plans, and monitoring progress for long-term success.
- Implemented stress-reduction techniques into coaching sessions for improved mental well-being among clients.
- Maintained records of clients' health progress and compared to health goals.
- Maintained thorough documentation of client interactions to ensure continuity of care and track progress effectively.
- Utilized motivational interviewing techniques to identify client barriers and facilitate behavior change.

September 2024 - Current

Church of God - Counseling Intern, National

- Limited Licensed Professional Counselor (LLPC) for approximately 100 church members
- Provide assessment testing and counseling for pastoral on-boarding process
- Developed strong rapport with clients, fostering supportive and safe environment for self-exploration and growth.
- Advanced professional development by attending workshops, seminars, and conferences related to mental health counseling practices.
- Enhanced client well-being by utilizing evidence-based therapy techniques and individualized treatment plans.
- Implemented evidence-based therapeutic interventions to promote positive behavior change.
- Provided education on mental health topics and resources to clients.

- Used cognitive behavior therapy to assist clients in recognizing and redirecting poor habits.
- Developed treatment plans to help clients build self-confidence and resilience.
- Provided emergency response in crisis situations to diffuse tensions and prevent violence.
- Determined clients' risk of self-harm or other dangerous behaviors.
- Supervised meetings with family members to help create support system for clients.
- Managed caseload of diverse clients, tailoring interventions to meet their unique needs and goals.
- Delivered psychoeducation presentations to community groups on topics such as PTSD, stress management, coping skills, and mental health awareness.

April 2013 - Current

Western Michigan Veterans Ranch Non-profit - Peer Support Specialist, Cedar Springs, Michigan

- Limited Licensed Professional Counselor
- Provide psychotherapy for over 30 veterans and families of veterans
- Special focus on trauma and family therapies
- Developed strong rapport with clients, fostering a supportive and safe environment for self-exploration and growth.
- Conducted outreach programs to raise awareness and reduce stigma associated with mental health.
- Led psychoeducational groups to increase awareness and understanding of mental health issues.
- Advocated for clients' needs, connecting them with community resources to support their well-being.
- Implemented group therapy sessions, facilitating open communication among participants and promoting mutual support.
- Coordinated referrals between agencies to ensure seamless transitions for clients receiving multiple services.
- Provided crisis intervention services to individuals experiencing acute distress or dangerous situations.
- Developed and facilitated group therapy sessions for increased social support and skill-building opportunities.

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dedicated professional student with strong background in providing evidence-based and faith-based counseling services to individuals, couples and families. Skilled in trauma counseling. Committed to advocating for mental health and well-being of clients.

Experienced leader with strong background in guiding teams, managing complex projects, and achieving strategic objectives. Excels in developing efficient processes, ensuring high standards, and aligning efforts with organizational goals. Known for collaborative approach and commitment to excellence. Team-oriented with strong focus on collaboration and adaptable to changing client needs, demonstrating empathy and active listening skills.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Church of God - Church Planting Team and Counseling Intern

Encounter Community Church Outreach team

Founder/President, Peer support specialist - Inspiring Our Heroes 501c3 Veteran nonprofit - Founded November 1, 2013 (this nonprofit seeks to provide intervention strategies for Veteran combat trauma through outdoor therapy.)

CEO, Peer support specialist - West Michigan Veterans Ranch – Founded March 2017 (provide transitioning services to military members transitioning out of the military and into civilian life. Provide additional care services for all in the veteran community.)

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

- Marine Corps and Army
- Scout Sniper Team Leader Marine Scout Sniper Platoon, Al Qaim, Iraq, 2005-2006, 2007-2008
- Scout Sniper Patrol Leader
- Conducted over 200 counter intelligence and surveillance missions
- Lead and planned over 60 missions
- Instructed over 15 Marines- mission planning, scout and patrolling, shooting, stalking, observation, hide sites, radio operation, and call for fire missions.
- Provided enemy protection support as a Scout Sniper for the President of Iraq.
- Conducted and led over 200 counter terrorism and over-watch missions
- Scout Sniper - A Marine highly skilled in field craft and marksmanship, who delivers long range precision fire, at selected targets, from concealed positions in support of combat operations; also serving as an all weather ground reconnaissance and surveillance asset.