

# Julia Chan, MSW, LCSW

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## Education:

Master of Science in Social Work: *Columbia University, New York, NY* 2006  
Bachelor of Arts in Economics: *University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA* 1998

Undoing Racism Workshop: *People's Institute for Survival and Beyond* 2015  
Teaching Fellowship: *Ackerman Institute for the Family* 2012-2014  
Live Clinical and Clinical Externship: *Ackerman Institute for the Family* 2007-2009, 2011-2012

## Teaching Experience

**Faculty** 2013 to Present  
*Ackerman Institute for the Family, New York, NY*

- Clinical Externship Supervisor Sept 2018 to Present
- Project Director, Therapists of Color Consultation Project 2016 to Present
- Project Clinician, Healing Oppressive Legacies Project 2016 to Present
- Lead Foundations Teacher 2014-2017

## Workshops and Presentations:

Navigating Race and Gender—Couple Therapy in the Age of Trump June 2018  
*Ackerman Institute for the Family*

Beyond the White Gaze—A Sanctuary for Therapists of Color April 2018  
*Ackerman Institute for the Family*

Introduction to Family Therapy April, May 2018  
*Office of School Health, New York, NY*

Introduction to Couple Therapy April 2018  
*Children's Home Society, Trenton, NJ*

Introduction to Family Therapy Oct 2016, Oct 2017  
*Ackerman Institute for the Family*

The Ackerman Relational Approach May 2016  
*AIGLE therapists from Argentina, Chile and Guatemala*

**Adjunct Lecturer** 2017 to Present  
*New York University Silver School of Social Work, New York, NY*

- Teach the Social Work Practice with Families course. Students are in their second year of the MSW program.

**Adjunct Lecturer**

2016

*Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY*

- Teach the Social Work Practice with Families course. Students are in their second year of the MSW program.

**Work Experience:****Individual, couple and family therapist**

2011 to Present

*Private Practice, New York, NY*

- Specialties include working with interracial couples, immigrant families, families impacted by a serious illness, grief, and the use of mindfulness.
- Offices in Union Square and Park Slope.

**Senior Social Worker**

2010

*Henry Street Settlement, New York, NY**Outpatient Mental Health Clinic*

- Clients were predominantly Chinese immigrants with a history of severe mental illness.
- Collaborated closely with the psychiatrist, nurses, and case managers.
- Responded to crises such as acute psychiatric decompensation and elevated suicidality.
- Family members and outside agencies such as ACS and ICM providers were often involved in the treatment depending on the individual's situation and needs.

**Oncology Social Worker**

2008-2010

*St Vincent's Comprehensive Cancer Center, New York, NY*

- Counseling services focused on issues surrounding the initial shock of a cancer diagnosis, feelings of loss, guilt, anger, fear or sadness related to changes in health status, how and what to disclose to children and other loved ones, and how to cope with changes with work, finances, sexuality, fertility, and family roles.
- Collaborated closely with oncologists, nurses, psychiatrist, and other members of the medical team.
- Served as a liaison between patients and hospice providers in the planning of end-of-life care.

**Fee-for-service Clinical Social Worker**

2006-2008

*Child Center of New York, Elmhurst, NY**Asian Outreach Clinic*

- Provided individual and family therapy to children aged between 6 and 18 and their families. Clients were referred by local schools, family courts, ACS, hospitals, and community service agencies. Issues related to domestic violence, child abuse or neglect, truancy, and poverty often precipitated treatment.

- Clients were primarily Chinese immigrants, and treatment embodied the families' developmental stages, immigration experience, acculturation processes, and intergenerational differences in such experiences and processes.

**Oncology Social Worker**

2006-2008

*CancerCare, New York, NY*

- Provided in-person and telephone counseling for cancer patients, caregivers and loved ones. Facilitated oncology support groups such as caregivers groups and bereavement groups.
- Assisted clients in navigating the medical system, accessing entitlements, obtaining reliable educative materials on cancer diagnosis and treatment, and connecting to other support services.
- Outreached to the Chinese community through partnerships with community organizations and hospitals, and participation in community events.

**Case Manager, New York, NY**

2003-2004

*Hamilton-Madison House, New York, NY*

*Chinatown Resource Center*

- Case management at a one-stop walk-in community center. Services included accessing 9/11 disaster benefits, individual counseling, vocational assistance, and referrals for business assistance, public benefits, medical, mental health, immigration, and legal services. Clients were primarily monolingual Chinese immigrants.
- Co-facilitated monthly workshops on topics such as anger management, PTSD, how to manage stress, education on government entitlements, and how to access community resources.

**Counselor/Advocate**

2001-2003

*New York Asian Women's Center, New York, NY*

- Assisted battered women and sexual assault survivors through hotline and in-person crisis counseling, shelter support, and advocacy within the legal, health, public benefits, housing, and immigration systems.
- Conducted outreach and community education addressing domestic violence issues in the Asian communities.
- Supervised case managers, and participated in the development of the expanded residential program.

**Eligibility Worker**

2000-2001

*Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services, Norwalk, CA*

- Interviewed public assistance applicants, explained eligibility and application process, made referrals to county and local community resources, reviewed and processed applications.

**Languages:**

Fluent in Cantonese and conversational in Mandarin