Melissa Singh

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Melissa Singh is a Clinical Associate Professor of Social Work and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

Biography

Melissa Singh, EdD, LCSW has over twenty years of online teaching experience at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. She is a Clinical Associate Professor at the Virtual Academic Center at the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work. Dr. Singh is in the Social Change and Innovation Department and is the course lead for Design Laboratory for Social Innovation I & II. She earned her doctorate in Organizational Change and Leadership from USC Rossier School of Education. She received her master?s in Health Services Administration in 2000 and her master?s in Social Work in 2006 both from the University of Central Florida. Dr. Singh?s research interests include building inclusive learning environments, trauma-informed education, environmental justice through disaster preparedness and response as well as creative disruption to induce innovation. Trained by The National SEED (seeking educational equity and diversity) Project as a SEED leader. She serves on the CSWE Council for Racial, Ethnic, and Cultural Diversity as well as the NASW National Committee on Nominations & Leadership Identification, Region VII Representative. Dr. Singh is an NASW Advanced Certified Hospice, Palliative Care Social Worker, and Board-Certified Pharmacy Technician. She is trained in EMDR and Field Traumatology. She has extensive healthcare knowledge in hospice, hospital, and private settings as well as disaster response experience. Dr. Singh serves on the board of directors at Central Florida Community Health Centers. A program that she co-led won the Award for Innovative Teaching in Social Work Education from SAGE/CSWE for Educating Social Work Students for Macro Practice. Dr. Singh was awarded the Hutto Patterson Distinguished Faculty Award for excellence in teaching; service to the university, the school, and the community; and accessibility to students.

Industry Expertise

Social Services, Mental Health Care, Health Care - Services, Health Care - Providers, Health and Wellness, Corporate Leadership, Corporate Training, Human Resources, Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Pharamaceuticals, Online Pedagogy, Diversity & Inclusion, Social Work, Social Work Education, Healthcare Administration, Field Instruction, Social Justice and Equal Rights, Equity, Hospice and Palliative Care, Innovation & Creativity, Mental Health Recovery, Diversity & Inclusion in the Workplace, Non Profit Management, Environment

Affiliations

Cornerstone Hospice, Community Health Centers FL, The National SEED Project, Council on Social Work Education, National Association of Social Work, Association for Community Organization & Social Action

Education

USC Rossier School of Education EdD Organizational Change and Leadership

University of Central Florida MS Social Work

University of Central Florida
MS Health Services Administration

University of South Florida BA Psychology

Valencia Community College AA

Accomplishments

USC Center for Excellence in Teaching Faculty Fellow

The CET Faculty Fellow Leadership Institute is a program designed to assist senior faculty in becoming teacher leaders?developing practices, initiatives, and policies to further their school?s goals toward teaching excellence. Faculty Fellows will be trained to facilitate the CET-developed curriculum for School-Based Institutes for mid-career colleagues in their own schools, helping them apply best teaching practices to the unique learning environments and pedagogies of their discipline.

SEED Leader

The National SEED Project (Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity)SM partners with schools, organizations, and communities to develop leaders who guide their peers in conversational communities to drive personal, organizational, and societal change toward social justice. SEED New Leaders Week is a seven-day, residential workshop at which 50 to 60 educators, parents, community leaders, and professionals from different fields are immersed in multicultural SEED materials and methods.

Hutto Patterson Distinguished Faculty Award for excellence in teaching; service to the university, the school, and the community; and accessibility to students

Recognizes a faculty member for excellence in teaching who has demonstrated outstanding service to the university, the school, and the community.

SAGE/CSWE Award for Innovative Teaching in Social Work Education

The annual SAGE/CSWE Award for Innovative Teaching in Social Work Education is presented by SAGE, working in collaboration with the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). The award's purpose is to promote innovative teaching in social work by highlighting it as it emerges, and recognize the individuals who have played significant roles in bringing it about. https://www.cswe.org/Events-Meetings/APM-Archives/2016-APM/About/Awards/SAGE-CSWE-2016-Award-for-Innovative-Teaching

Testimonials

Jane Batten

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