

Gabriel S. Dy-Liacco, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor
Regent University

EDUCATION

2006 Ph.D., Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland
1999 M.S., Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland
1992 A.B., Psychology, Ateneo de Manila University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Teaching

2009 – Present Assistant Professor of Counseling
On-line M.A. in Community Mental Health Counseling
School of Psychology and Counseling
Regent University

2007 – 2009 Assistant Professor of Pastoral Counseling
Department of Pastoral Counseling
Loyola College in Maryland

Courses: Research Design
Advanced Quantitative Methods
Religion and Psychological Research
Psychopathology
Clinical Supervision
Human Growth and Development

Service: Director of Ph.D. Admissions
Clinical Committee Member
Dissertations (committees & mentoring)
Student Advising
Professional Assessment and Review
Supervisor, Pastoral Counseling Service, Loyola Clinical Centers

2007 – 2009 Adjunct Faculty, Regent University School of Psychology and Counseling
Washington, D.C. / Northern Virginia Graduate Center

2005 – 2007 Assistant Professor
School of Psychology and Counseling
Regent University Washington, D.C. Graduate Center

Courses Taught: Addictive Behaviors, Career Counseling, Community Counseling,
Concepts of Family Systems, Counseling Skills and Techniques, Group Counseling,
Multicultural Counseling, Practicum, Research Methods & Program Evaluation, Theories
of Counseling

Committees: Survey (Chair 2006); Human Subjects Review; Collegiality

Other Service: Founding Chapter Faculty Advisor, *Chi Sigma Iota* Counseling Honors Society, *Rho Alpha Upsilon* Chapter (Regent University, Washington, D.C. Program); Ad hoc work group for incorporation of Collegiality into faculty manual; Ad hoc work group for programmatic review of Counseling Skills and Practicum Courses; Washington, D.C. Program CACREP workgroup

2003 – 2004 Doctoral Teaching Assistant for Research Courses
Department of Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland

Research

2008 Principal Investigator, *The Cross-Cultural Generalizability of Spiritual Transcendence, Faith Maturity, and Spiritual Struggles to an Indonesian Islamic Sample: Spirituality as a Human Universal*, Loyola College in Maryland

2006 – Present Principal Investigator, *Spirituality and Psychological Flourishing*, Regent University and Loyola College in Maryland

2006 – Present Investigator, *Spirituality & Positive Psychology Research Group*
Principal Investigators: Dr. Joseph Ciarrocchi, Loyola College in Maryland; Dr. Gina Brelsford, Penn State Harrisburg

2004–2005 Doctoral Research Assistant
Psychology Department, Loyola College in Maryland
Supervisor: Dr. David Powers, Associate Professor, Chair (2003-2006, 2008–)

2003–2004 Doctoral Teaching Assistant for Quantitative Courses
Department of Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland
Supervisor: Dr. Ralph L. Piedmont, Professor, Director of Research

2002–2003 Doctoral Research Fellow
Institute for Religious & Psychological Research, Loyola College in Maryland
Supervisor: Dr. Ralph L. Piedmont, Professor, Institute Director

Grants

2008 *The Cross-Cultural Generalizability of Spiritual Transcendence, Faith Maturity, and Spiritual Struggles to an Indonesian Islamic Sample: Spirituality as a Human Universal*. Summer Research Grant awarded to Dr. Dy-Liacco by the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences, Loyola College in Maryland

2007 *Latent Variable Modeling of Spirituality and Psychological Flourishing in a Longitudinal Sample*. Grant awarded to Dr. Dy-Liacco by the Regent University Faculty Senate

Clinical

2006 – 2009 Outpatient Psychotherapist, Saint Luke Institute, Silver Spring, Maryland

2006 – 2009 Practicum and Individual Clinical Supervisor, School of Psychology and Counseling
Regent University Washington, D.C. Graduate Center

- 2006 – 2009 Individual Clinical Supervisor, Pastoral Counseling Department,
Loyola College in Maryland
- 2005 – 2007 Psychotherapist and Pastoral Counselor
Pastoral Counseling and Consultation Centers of Greater Washington
- 2003 – 2009 Clinical Supervisor, Private Practice
- 2002 – 2003 Site Supervisor, Pastoral Counseling Department, Loyola College in Maryland
- 2000 – 2004 Outpatient Adult and Adolescent Psychotherapist
Emergency Telephone Service Responder
Key Point Health Services, Inc. – OMHC, Catonsville, MD
JCAHO Committees: Business, Peer Training, Patient Care

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Dy-Liacco, G. S., Piedmont, R. L., Murray-Swank, N. A., Rodgerson, T. E., & Sherman, M. F. (2009). Spirituality and religiosity as cross-cultural aspects of human experience. *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality, 1*, 35-52.
- Piedmont, R. L., Sherman, M. F., Sherman, N. C., Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Williams, J. E. G. (2009). Using the Five-Factor Model to identify a new personality disorder domain: The case for experiential Permeability. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, 96*, 1245-1258.
- Piedmont, R. L., Ciarrocchi, J. W., Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Williams, J. E. G. (2009). The empirical and conceptual value of the spiritual transcendence and religious involvement scales for personality research. *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality. In press.*
- Breslford, G. M., Marinelli, S., Ciarrocchi, J. W., & Dy-Liacco, G. S. (2009). Generativity and spiritual disclosure in close relationships, *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality. In press.*
- Ciarrocchi, J. W., Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Deneke, E. (2008). Gods or rituals? Relational faith, spiritual discontent, and religious practices as predictors of hope and optimism. *Journal of Positive Psychology, 3*, 120-136.
- Dy-Liacco, G., Kennedy, C., Parker, D., & Piedmont, R. L. (2005). Spiritual transcendence as an unmediated causal predictor of psychological growth and worldview among Filipinos. *Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion, 16*, 261-286.
- Dy-Liacco, G., Piedmont, R. L., Leach, M. M., & Nelson, R. (2003). A content analysis of Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion from 1997 to 2001: Where we have been and where we hope to go. *Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion, 14*, 277-288.
- Dy-Liacco, G. (2002). Test review: The Adjective Check List. *Newsnotes, 40 (2)*, 3-4.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Ciarrocchi, J. W., & Brelsford, G. M. Spirituality and psychological flourishing. *Manuscript in preparation.*

Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Piedmont, R. L. Personality traits and spirituality as causal predictors of psychological flourishing without mediation by positivity. *Manuscript in preparation.*

Chen, T., Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Piedmont, R. L. The validity of the Assessment of Spirituality and Religious Sentiment (ASPIRES) in an adult conservative Christian sample. *Manuscript in preparation.*

Books/Booklets/Book Chapters

Encyclopedia Entries, Interviews & Book Reviews

Magazine Articles

PRESENTATIONS

National and International Conferences

Ciarrocchi, J. W., Brelsford, G. M., & Dy-Liacco, G. S. (2009, April). What is the point of all this? Spirituality, meaning, and growth in diverse populations. Co-chaired symposium at the 7th annual mid-year conference of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Ciarrocchi, J. W., & Brelsford, G. M. (2008, August). Negative spirituality, positive spirituality, positivity, and flourishing. Poster presented at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association, Boston, Massachusetts.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Brelsford, G.M., & Ciarrocchi, J. W. (2008, March). Bad God stronger than good God? – Yes and no: Unique associations of negative and positive spirituality with human flourishing in the immediate terrain. Poster presented at the 6th annual mid-year conference of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Brandt, R., Arveson, K., Keyes, B. B., Piedmont, R. L., Ciarrocchi, J. W. (2008, March). Negative spiritual experience and psychological flourishing. Symposium at the 6th annual mid-year research conference on religion and spirituality of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Ciarrocchi, J. W., & Deneke, E. (2007, August). Spiritual struggles as predictors of well-being and religious practices. In Piedmont, R. L. (Chair), *spirituality and religious sentiments relations with affective and characterological distress*. Symposium accepted for presentation at the 2007 annual convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, California.

Dy-Liacco, G. S. (2007, March). Cross-observer, structural, and incremental validity of the Experiential Permeability Scale. In Piedmont, R. L., *Experiential Permeability Scale: A new Axis II construct based on the five-factor model of personality*. Paper session presented at the Society for Personality Assessment Annual Meeting, Arlington, Virginia.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Ciarrocchi, J. W., & Yanni-Brelsford, G.M. (2007, March). Spiritual struggle, social support, personality, and flourishing. In Yanni-Brelsford & Ciarrocchi (co-Chairs), *Spiritual stability or disturbance as markers of human flourishing: Empirical findings and theological dialogue*. Symposium at the 5th annual mid-winter research conference on religion and spirituality of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Piedmont, R. L., Murray-Swank, N. A., Rodgeron, T. E., & Sherman, M. F. (2006, August). The generalizability of western spirituality to a non-western culture. Poster presented at the 114th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., & Piedmont, R. L. (2006, March). A structural equation model of spirituality and personality traits as causal predictors of positivity and psychological flourishing. Poster presented at the 4th annual mid-winter research conference on religion and spirituality of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Piedmont, R. L., & Leach, M. M. (2004, March). The generalizability of western spirituality scales to Indian and Philippine samples: Spirituality as a universal aspect of human experience. Poster presented at the 2nd annual mid-winter research conference on religion and spirituality of Division 36 (Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Nnabuaku, N., Piedmont, R. L., & Dy-Liacco, G. S. (2004, March). Spirituality, religiosity, and gender as predictors of well-being. Poster presented at the 2nd annual mid-winter research conference on religion and spirituality of Division 36 (the Psychology of Religion) of the American Psychological Association, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Piedmont, R. L., Leach, M. M., & Nelson, R. (2003, August). Interdisciplinary research on religion and spirituality: A five-year review of the literature (1997 - 2001). Poster presented at the American Psychological Association annual convention, Toronto, Canada.

State and Regional Conferences

Dy-Liacco, G. S., Piedmont, R. L., & Leach, M. M. (2004, April). The generalizability of the Faith Maturity Scale to Indian and Philippine samples: Spirituality as a universal aspect of human experience. Poster presented at the Eastern Psychological Association annual convention, Washington, D.C.

Dy-Liacco, G. S. (2003, March). The relative predictiveness of spirituality versus religiosity. In R. L. Piedmont (Chair), *Spirituality versus religiosity: An empirical analysis*. Symposium at the Eastern Psychological Association annual convention, Baltimore, Maryland.

Invited Addresses, Workshops, Seminars

Dy-Liacco, G. S. (April 2006). Life after Loyola. In D. LaSure-Bryant (Chair), *Masters students' career panel discussion*. Department of Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland, Columbia, Maryland.

Dy-Liacco, G. S. (November 2005). How my Ph.D. helped me get into academia. In R. L. Piedmont (Chair), *What happens after graduation*. Doctoral Student Colloquium. Department of Pastoral Counseling, Loyola College in Maryland, Columbia, Maryland.

DISSERTATION:

“The Cross-Cultural Generalizability of the *Faith Maturity Scale* and *Religiosity Index* to the Philippines: Toward Spirituality as a Universal Aspect of Human Experience”

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 7th Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, April 2009.

American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Boston, MA, August 2008.

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 6th Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, March 2008.

American Psychological Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, CA, August 2007.

Society for Personality Assessment Annual Conference, Arlington, VA, March 2007.

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 5th Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, March 2007.

American Psychological Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA, August 2006.

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 4th Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, March 2006.

American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington, D.C., August 2005.

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 3rd Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, March 2005.

Eastern Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington D.C., April 2004.

American Psychological Association, Division 36, the Psychology of Religion, 2nd Annual Mid-Winter Research Conference, Loyola College, Columbia, MD, March 2004.

Eastern Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington D.C., March 2003.

American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Chicago, IL, August 2002.

CONSULTING WORK

- 2006–Present Positive Psychology Research Group, Department of Pastoral Counseling,
Loyola College in Maryland
2003–Present Independent clinical, research, and thesis consultation

LICENSES, PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

- 2006–Present Licensed Professional Counselor (#0701004068), Commonwealth of Virginia Board of
Counseling
2002–Present Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (# LC1462), Maryland State Board of
Professional Counselors and Therapists
1999–Present National Certified Counselor (NCC #57200), National Board of Certified Counselors
- 2005–Present American Counseling Association, Professional Member
2001–2005 American Mental Health Counselors Association, Member
2005–Present American Psychological Association, Division 36, Member
- 2005–2006 Imago Relationship Therapy Training
February 2006 Motivational Interviewing I & II. Trainor: Dr. Joseph W. Ciarrocchi, Ph.D., Loyola
College in Maryland
1999 Certificate of Training in the NEO Personality Inventory – Revised
1999 Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), 2 Basic and 2 Advanced Units
Awarding institution: Loyola College in Maryland

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

- 2008–Present Associate Editor, *Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*, American Psychological
Association
2006–2008 Ad Hoc Reviewer, Division 36 (Psychology of Religion), *American Psychological
Association Annual Convention*
2006–present Editorial Advisory Board, *Scientific Journals International*
2005 Editorial Assistant, *Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion*
2005 Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*
2003–present Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion*

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- William James Dissertation Award, Council on Spiritual Practices, 2005
Alpha Sigma Nu National Jesuit Honor Society, 2005, Lifetime member
Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, 2002-2003
Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Honors Society, 1999
Marquis' Who's Who in America, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009
Marquis' Who's Who in Medicine & Healthcare, 2004-2005, 2006-2007, 2008-2009
Marquis' Who's Who of Emerging Leaders, 2007
Marquis' Who's Who in the World, 2006, 2009
Madison's Who's Who, 2006