

Erin Sinnema, MSC, CCLS



Education

Bachelor of Science – Human Development and Family Studies

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

- August 2003

Masters of Science in Counseling

University of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ

- April 2008

Professional Experience

School Counselor

Tempe Elementary School District

July 2016-Present

- Provide individual and group counseling for students facing academic, home, or interpersonal challenges.
- Conduct bi-monthly ASCA-standard classroom counseling lessons for K-5.
- 504 for 504s and IEPs, ensuring goal achievement and attending meetings.
- Manage and lead IT and PBIS teams, handling data, paperwork, and meetings.
- Support students through behavior check-ins/outs, FBAs, and de-escalation.
- Oversee Spracale Student Council.

Guidance Counselor Intern

Maricopa High School

August 2007-April 2008

- Conducted credit checks and provided support for students facing academic, home, or interpersonal challenges.
- Assisted students with class mapping for on-time graduation and college preparation.
- Encouraged and assisted seniors in finding and applying for scholarships.
- Conducted weekly self-esteem group for Special Education class.
- Assisted with 504 and IEP meetings, including AIMS testing proctoring.

Certified Child Life Specialist, Child Life Internship Coordinator
Cardon Children's Medical Center, Mesa, AZ
January 2004 – July 2016

- Provided age-appropriate play, education, and distractions in Pediatric ICU, Emergency Department, and general medicine.
- Trained medical staff and families in the Pediatric Diabetes Team.
- Submitted successful grants for programs benefiting the medical center.
- Led the PICU bereavement team and facilitated Child Life Internship program.

Certifications, Awards, and Presentations

- Certified Child Life Specialist, Certified School Counselor, CPR/First AID, NCI certification.
- Awarded World Of Difference twice by Banner Desert/Cardon Children's Senior Management team.
- Presented to various healthcare and emergency nursing organizations.
- Presented to tribal EMS teams on working with and distracting children.
- Presented to nursing staff, nursing aides, and physicians on multiple topics.