# Two-day Workshop on Attachment Theory and Couple Counselling

(June 15 & 16, 2015)

#### Trainer: Prof. 石琳 Shi Lin

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## Trainers' Biography

Prof. Shi is full professor in the Marriage and Family Therapy Program at Northern Illinois University, a COAMFTE (Commission on Accreditation in Marriage and Family Therapy Education) in the U.S.. She is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT), and an AAMFT (American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Association) Approved Supervisor. As the senior faculty member, she teaches core MFT courses, providing live and videotaped supervision, conducting clinical research, and providing supervision toward the AAMFT Approved Supervisor status. In addition, she conducts therapy in a private practice setting where she concentrates on couples and trauma therapy.

A therapist and researcher for over 20 years, Prof. Shi has extensive publications and research studies on the subject areas of couple interaction and trauma intervention, particularly from an attachment theory perspective that is increasingly enriched by attachment research. She has conducted workshops, teaching, and clinical training in the US, Norway, Kosovo, Hong Kong, and mainland China.

### Introduction

Many intricate emotional elements are woven in couple relationships and thus making couples therapy challenging to conduct. Therapists and counselors often find that their interventions are no match for the magnitude of negativity frequently present between highly distressed couples. Research has shown that behavioral intervention alone is inadequate when working with this population.

With its roots deep in relationship dynamics, attachment theory, along with adult attachment research in the past two decades, has offered a promising clinical perspective for breaking emotional and behavioral barriers in couple therapy.

This workshop will help participants gain a sufficient understanding of attachment theory and its application in couples therapy. It will help participants achieve a competent clinical conceptualization through understanding the impact of emotional experiences on couples and couple relationships. It will help participants design and apply effective interventions that alleviate couples' emotional pain and struggles. Critical knowledge will be reviewed. Techniques will be illustrated and demonstrated.

#### Learning Objectives

In this workshop, participants will

- **1.** be informed of attachment theory and research and their clinical applications
- 2. gain a competent understanding of couple dynamic with the aid of attachment theory and research
- **3.** form and practice competent clinical conceptualization and intervention through discussing clinical cases
- 4. engage in experiential learning through discussion, role play, and clinical video watching

Target ParticipantsTherapists, counse-lors, social workers,psychologists,health care profes-sionals, and human servicepractitioners.

#### Format

Lecturing, role-play, discussion, and clinical case analy-



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