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### An Interview with Drs. Rikki Patton & Jessica Chou



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Rikki Patton, PhD, LMFT, is an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work and Family Sciences at Akron University. Jessica Chou, PhD, LPC, LMFT, is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Counseling and Family Therapy Department at Drexel University. They are the research and training leads of the Interdisciplinary Training Initiative for Children, Adolescents and Families Impacted by Opioid Use Disorder, a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant funded project.

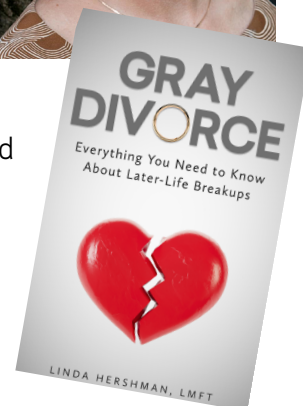
### An Interview with Linda Hershman, LMFT

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Linda Hershman, LMFT, has been working with couples and families for 20 years in a variety of contexts. One area she felt a calling to was the underserved clientele of people divorcing over 50 years of age. While she did not coin the term “gray divorce,” she applied to a family systems model and eventually wrote a self-published book on it.

This is a growing area of concern for people around the world, and her guidance and insight has been found helpful by many. She recently presented at IFTA on adult children of gray divorce and will also be presenting at next year’s conference in Spain.

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2023 World Family Therapy  
**Málaga, Spain**  
 March 30 - April 1, 2023



The 2023 World Family Therapy Congress and the 36th Anniversary of IFTA will be held March 30 - April 1, 2023 in Málaga, Spain. We invite you to join colleagues from around the world at the Congress' Hotel, the ILLUNION, near Málaga's Cathedral.

The 2023 Congress theme, "International Family Therapy: 36 Years of Change" celebrates the evolution of family therapy around the world. The Congress, like all IFTA Congresses, will also feature many approaches to a variety of problems and ways of coping with them. The Congress aims to help heal hurting couples and families in various cultures.

## Call For Proposals

OPEN NOW UNTIL  
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Proposals are sought for the 2023 IFTA World Congress in the following categories:

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## The Official Language

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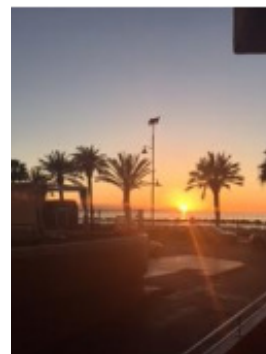
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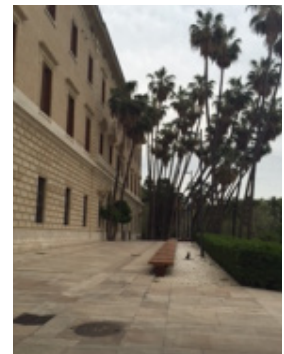
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The required application materials include a vitae detailing the candidate's editorial experience, including relevant skills and background; a written statement of intent to serve, if chosen; a written statement concerning how the candidate views the editorship role, including future directions of the JMFT; a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion statement; descriptions of university/employer support for the editorship; and names and contact information for three references who can speak to the quality of their work and their qualifications for the editorship role.

The Search Committee may solicit additional information such as: samples of the candidate's recent published writing, previous editorial work, or a description of resources or support services needed to successfully fulfill the editorship role.

Before submitting materials, all potential applicants should review, and be very familiar with, the JMFT Strategic Plan. That plan, as well as a detailed job description, and additional information concerning the JMFT editorship can be found at <http://networks.aamft.org/editssearch/home>. A detailed timeline concerning the JMFT search also appears on the website.

**Application materials should be submitted by July 31, 2022** to:  
the AAMFT Editorial Search Committee ([jmfteditorsearch@aamft.org](mailto:jmfteditorsearch@aamft.org)).

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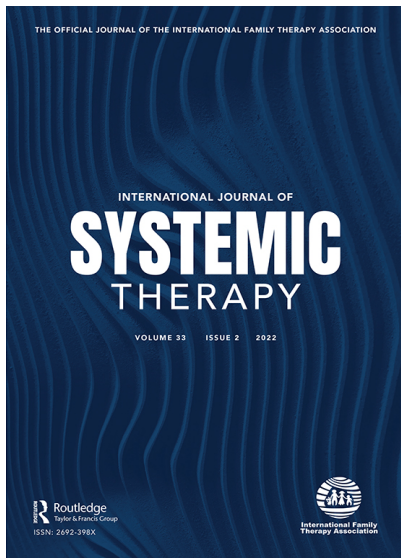
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