SHARON A. STEELE-BLAKEMAN

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EDUCATION:

University of North Texas - Denton, TX

Masters of Education / Counseling and Student Services	1991
Bachelors of Science in Education / Guidance Studies	1985

East Texas State University - Commerce, TX

Masters level courses in Guidance and Counseling

Grayson County College – Denison, TX

Associate of Science 1985

WORK RELATED SKILLS:

- Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor
- Fourteen years experience in counseling and social services field
- Extensive knowledge and experience in networking and making referrals to appropriate resources
- Ten years of experience in teaching "life skills" course to alcohol/drug abuse probationers
- Topics of instruction: drug/alcohol abuse awareness and recovery, HIV/AIDS education, stress management, conflict resolution / communication skills, and job seeking / keeping skills
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Fifteen years experience in public speaking and conducting community presentations
- Experience in administering and budgeting both State and Federal funds
- Advocate of client rights and adherence to confidentiality guidelines
- Training and experience in test administration and interpretation
- Eleven years of experience in working with persons with disabilities
- Fourteen years of supervisory experience
- Fourteen years of experience working with secondary & postsecondary institutions
- Completion of required 40 hours for LPC supervision
- Fifteen years of job development and job placement experience
- Basic grant writing knowledge and experience and familiar with state and federal regulations
- Five years of experience serving on local Private Industry Council and Workforce Boards
- Professional, organized, hard working, enthusiastic, motivated, selfstarter, and team player

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Grayson County College

Executive Director - Texoma Tech Prep Denison, TX 7/99 - Present

Texas Rehabilitation Commission

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor III Sherman, TX 3/89 - 6/99

Intervention & Consulting

Individual & Group Therapist Denison, TX 11/90 - 9/00

Brief Therapy Associates

Individual & Group Therapist Sherman, TX 1/97 - 3/98

References and transcripts available upon request.