

DENAE **BOGGS**

New Ways To Work Consultant

LOCATION

San Luis Obispo, California

EXPERTISE

Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Counseling Pathway

DOL Pathway

Employer Engagement

EDUCATION

Chapman University
M.A., Counseling Psychology
2007

California State University at Chico
B.A., Psychology with Development Emphasis
1989

WORK EXPERIENCE

College Instructor, Full-Time & Adjunct 2009–Now
Cuests College

Marriage & Family Therapist, Intern & Licensed 2007–2017
Private Practice

Inclusion Support/Paraeducator 2000–2006
Templeton Unified School District

Resource Paraeducator 1997-1999
Modoc Unified School District

Preschool Teacher 1989-1995
Paso Robles Co-op Preschool

ABOUT ME

Denae Boggs, MA, LMFT is a seasoned educator with a background in Marriage & Family Therapy. She is a Cuesta College Professor Emerita from the Addiction Studies, Social Work, and Human Services Department, earning the Teaching Excellence Award in 2023. As the full-time faculty lead of Addiction Studies and Human Services, Denae consolidated the addiction courses into an Addiction Treatment Studies Certificate of Achievement and Associate of Arts Degree, applying for and obtaining accreditation with two California state recognized agencies, CCAPP and CADTP. To help meet the statewide workforce gap in Substance Use Disorder Counselors, she encouraged the transition to offering the program online and in-person, with synchronous Zoom classes for skills based courses to maintain the high quality learning experience. She helped develop the local Human Services (HS) AA Degree and transfer partnership with SNHU Bachelor's in HS. Denae returned to Cuesta College as an adjunct professor and serves as the Strong Workforce funded Addiction Treatment Studies Coordinator. In academic year 2025-2026, she reapplied for and obtained the ATS Program, CCAPP accreditation renewal and enhanced the ATS Program curriculum to align with AB2473 requirements. As a New Ways to Work Consultant, Denae has served as the Cuesta College Liaison for the Substance Use Disorder Earn and Learn Grant and contributes to the CalVIP and DOL Pathway Home Grants.

EMPATHIC, COLLABORATIVE PURSUER OF SUPPORT FOR LEARNING AND CAREER PATHWAYS

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