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I was browsing the Valpo website, and looked for the first time at the web page of the social work department--I graduated with a double major in social work and English in 1967. You asked for career stories, so here's mine.

After graduation from Valpo, I went to graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and received my MSW. My first jobs were in child welfare, particularly adoptions. My family later moved to California, where I received my LCSW, the California license that qualifies social workers for independent practice. I worked at agencies doing counseling and psychotherapy. After some years of agency practice, I decided to go into private practice, and was invited to join a practice group of social workers, psychologists, and psychiatrists. While I was working with this group, I decided to get my Ph.D., and was accepted into the Sanville Institute. I completed my Ph.D. in clinical social work in spring of 2008. My dissertation was "A Study of the Ways That Psychoanalytic Psychotherapists Hold a Sense of Their Patients' Futures, and How This Impacts Therapeutic Action." Though my practice group broke up 5 years ago, I continue solo private practice, doing psychotherapy with individuals and couples.

Best wishes,

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