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In 2021, she earned a PhD in Psychology from Grand Canyon University, with an emphasis in Industrial and Organizational Psychology. Her doctoral research investigated the described experiences of DSPs as role models for jobseekers with Down syndrome. Dr. Martin lives in Arvada, and enjoys traveling, writing, and spending time with family and friends.

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