

David Kays, PsyD

Adjunct Faculty

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Overview

I am blessed to be an adjunct faculty in the Department of Professional Studies. I earned my MA and PsyD in clinical psychology from George Fox University and have taught for several years in both the on-ground and online environment at the university level. Additionally, I am a psychologist in a clinical setting providing inpatient rehabilitation for those suffering from addiction and trauma.

Academic Background

PsyD, Clinical Psychology, George Fox University

MA, Clinical Psychology, George Fox University

BA, Psychology, George Fox University

Expertise and Interests

I have a passion for teaching addictions and trauma-related behavioral science courses for the Department of Professional Studies at George Fox University. My clinical experience has involved working with incarcerated youth and their families, community-based care with low-income individuals, and extensive work with veterans and active duty military personnel on a variety of psychological, social, and emotional issues. I provided individual and group psychotherapy for a variety of disorders and issues, with a specialization in addiction and trauma. I also administered psychological evaluations for complex psychological presentations. Prior to my academic/clinical work, I spent approximately five years in the helping field working with at-risk youth. My research interests include meaning making, addiction, narrative treatment, and trauma recovery. My dissertation research project was titled Intimate Partner Violence, Anxiety Diagnosis, and Binge Drinking Behavior Among College Students.

Primary Teaching Responsibilities

MSBS 424 – Research Methods and Statistics

MSBS 432 – Personal and Professional Ethics

MSBS 433 – Addiction Disorders

MSBS 444 – Social and Behavioral Applied Research

Outside the Classroom

I have been married to my wife Erin for two years. I enjoy adventuring with my wife, being outdoors (when it is not too hot), reading, cooking, and going to the movies.