

CURRICULUM VITA

KENNETH H. KESSLER, Ph.D.

Business Address:

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Licensing:

Licensed Clinical Psychologist

Educational History:

Clinical Internship

North Chicago Veterans Affairs Medical Center,
North Chicago, IL. 9/1/93-8/31/94
Major Rotation-Dual Diagnosis Unit
Major Rotation- Neuropsychology Laboratory
Minor Rotation-Medical/Surgical /Primary Care
Minor Extra VA Rotation-Midwest Neurological
Rehabilitation Center, Waterford, WI.

Ph.D.

Finch University of Health Sciences/The Chicago Medical School
North Chicago, IL. 1995 (Clinical Psychology-Neuropsychology
Track)

M.S.

University of Health Sciences/The Chicago Medical School,
North Chicago, IL. 1992 (Clinical Psychology-Neuropsychology
Track)

B.S.

Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois
1987 (Psychology/Sociology)

University of Wisconsin, Green Bay Campus
(Sophomore Year - National Student Exchange Program)

Fluent in Modern Greek

Employment Positions:

**11/12/07 – present Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, North Chicago, IL
Associate Professor of Psychology and Director of Clinical Counseling program**

Implement and direct all aspects of the Clinical Counseling program. Teach courses in psychology (e.g., Research Methods, Ethics and Professional Practice, Introduction to Forensic Psychology, Intercultural Healthcare) and other departments as assigned by the Department Chairman and Dean of the College of Health Professions. Supervise doctoral students as necessary and serve on or chair thesis and dissertation committees.

**07/14/03- 12/21/07 Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Chicago, IL
Associate Professor of Forensic Psychology &
Track Director Forensic Distance Learning Program**

Core program faculty in Forensic Psychology Program. Former Lead Faculty Member - Lake County and DuPage County Campuses. Graduate level teaching responsibilities include Introduction to Forensic Psychology, Professional Development, Ethics and Professional Practice, Forensic Interviewing, Documentation and Report Writing, Research Methods and Practicum Seminar. Responsible for thesis and dissertation supervision, graduate student advisement. Current administrative duties include oversight of faculty and students in distance learning M.A. program and making programmatic decisions along with the Chair of Distance Learning. Review of student applications and ultimate decision maker on admission applications. Responsible for regulatory compliance of distance learning program as well as the development of new M.A. level programs and initiatives.

**11/1/99 - present Paradigm Consulting & Clinical Services, Ltd. Mundelein, Illinois. President &
Clinical Psychologist.**

Conduct court ordered and clinically referred psychological, neuropsychological and custody evaluations of children, adolescents and adults. Prepare written reports of findings and provide feedback to patients, parents and referral source. Provide individual and family psychotherapy and behavioral interventions for children, adolescents and adults. Provide consultative services to various agencies and businesses, such as police departments. Conduct work-site based nicotine dependence treatment seminars. Serve as a Medical Expert for United States Office of Hearings & Appeals. Provide supervision and training of post-doctoral associate. Qualified expert in State and Federal Courts. (11/99-07/03 full-time 08/03-present part-time)

2/1/96-7/31/00 PsychCare Associates, Aurora, Illinois. Clinical Psychologist

Conduct cognitive, neuropsychological, academic, social, emotional, behavioral and personality evaluations of children, adolescents and adults. Prepare written reports of findings and provide feedback to patients, parents and referral source. Provide individual, group and family psychotherapy and behavioral interventions for children, adolescents and adults. Provide consultations to staff physicians when patients have a psychological component to their illness. Leader of brain injury support group. Prepare and deliver numerous invited lectures to health care professionals and the public. Supervision and training of a post-doctoral fellow in Psychology.

**9/1/94-1/31/96 Lakeshore Neuropsychological Services, Ltd. Evanston, IL.
Post-Doctoral Associate in Neuropsychology.**

Conduct cognitive, neuropsychological, academic, social, emotional, behavioral and personality evaluations of children, adolescents and adults. Provide feedback to parents, patients, and/or referring physicians, as appropriate. Prepare written reports of findings. Participate in the development of a treatment plans and Individualized Educational Programs. Prepare materials for and participate in case study presentations and informational lectures.

**6/15/92-8/31/93 Evanston Hospital Center for Psychological Evaluation and Learning, Glenview, IL.
Psychometrician**

Conduct supervised cognitive, neuropsychological, behavioral and personality evaluations for pediatric patients and adult patients. Assist in the pre-and post surgical evaluation of epilepsy surgery patients including Wada testing pre-surgery. Prepare written reports and discuss the findings of examinations conducted with staff members, patients and families.

**6/15/91-6/15/92 Evanston Hospital Center for Psychological Evaluation and Learning, Glenview, Illinois
Pediatric Neuropsychology Extern.**

Conduct supervised cognitive, neuropsychological, behavioral and personality evaluations for pediatric patients and for adult patients as needed. Assist in the pre and post-surgical evaluation of epilepsy surgery patients including Wada testing pre-surgery.

**7/1/89-10/1/89 Evanston Hospital Psychological Evaluation and Testing Service, Evanston, Illinois Summer
Neuropsychology Extern.**

Provide supervised neuropsychological testing services to patients in neurology, psychiatry, and outpatient services. Provide summary report to referring service for use in treatment planning and diagnosis.

**5/1/89-5/8/95 Chicago Medical School Psychology Research Laboratory (Bonnie Spring, Ph.D.),
North Chicago, Illinois. Research Assistant and Behavior Therapist**

Provide behavior therapy to patients enrolled in an experimental smoking cessation protocol which combines drug treatment and behavior therapy. Assist with planning and management of protocols, statistical and design planning, etc. Co-supervision of junior research assistants.

1/1/89-7/1/89 St. Therese Medical Center, Waukegan, IL. Nursing Psychiatric Technician.

Provide individual therapy in order to assist patients in reaching their personal treatment goals. Conduct group therapy, triage assessments, and intake assessments.

10/1/87-6/15/91 North Chicago VA Medical Center, North Chicago, IL. Psychology Service Extern

Assigned to: Stress and Lifestyle Smoking Cessation Program, Pulmonary Service Smoking Cessation, Psychiatry Triage, Counseling Psychology, Behavioral Neurology Neuropsychology Service. Responsibilities include providing individual and group therapy, and psychological testing services.

Academic Appointments:

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, Psychology Department, North Chicago, IL
2001 - 2007 Adjunct Professor of Psychology
2007-present Associate Professor of Psychology

Instruct graduate students in psychology who are enrolled in Ethical Issues & Professional Standards in Clinical Psychology II, Personality Theory and other classes as assigned by the Department Chairman and Dean.

Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Chicago, IL
2003-2007 Associate Professor of Forensic Psychology

Instruct graduate students in forensic psychology who are enrolled in various core curriculum classes including Ethics and Professional Practice, Research Methods, Introduction to Forensic Psychology, Forensic Interviewing, Forensic Documentation and Report Writing. Conduct supervision and professional development seminars for students who are completing practicum training, research projects or dissertations.

9/1/90-12/15/93 College of Lake County, Grayslake, Illinois. Part-Time Faculty, Social
6/7/99-12/21/99 Science Division

Instruct students enrolled in Introduction of Psychology and Child Development.

Community Involvement

Mayor, Mundelein, IL Term of Office 2005-2013
\$44 M budget – 180 full-time employees

Village Trustee, Mundelein IL Term of Office 1999-2003
Chair Police Committee
Vice-Chair Fire Committee
Member Finance Committee

Educational Honors and Achievement

University Honors Program Member (Illinois State University)
Psychology Department Honors Program Member (Illinois State University)
Golden Key National Honor Society Member (Illinois State University)
Dean's List- Four Semesters (Illinois State University)
Red Tassel/Mortar Board - WTA Chairman (Illinois State University)
Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities - 1987

Membership in Professional Societies and Associations

1992-Present	Illinois Psychological Association
1990-2007	American Psychological Association
1989-1991	Midwest Neuropsychology Group
1990-1991	Society of Behavioral Medicine
1986-1987	Midwest Sociological Society

Professional Volunteer Activities

2012-present	Board Member-Professional Counselor Licensing and Disciplinary Board, Illinois Department of Professional Regulation
2000-2012	Board Member- Psychologists Licensing and Disciplinary Board, Illinois Department of Professional Regulation
2002-2003	President- Illinois Psychological Association
1996-2000	Council Representative - Illinois Psychological Association Council
1995-Present	Member- Illinois Psychological Association Legislative Committee
2004-2006	Co-Chair Illinois Psychological Association Legislative Committee
1999-2002	Chairman- Illinois Psychologists Political Action Committee (PAC)
2004-present	Chairman- Illinois Psychologists Political Action Committee (PAC)

Publications:

Hammer, S & Kessler, K.H., (2012). 'Ethical and Legal Aspects of Private Practice '. In: Stout, C.E. (ed), *Getting Better at Private Practice*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley, John & Sons, Incorporated.

Sierles, F., Mintz, M., , Beck, G., Starr, S., Lynn, D.J., Chao, J, Shore, W, Cleary, L., Brodkey, A.C. & Kessler, K.H. (2012 June). Changes in Medical Students' Exposures to and Attitudes about Drug Company Interactions from 2003-2012: Preliminary Results from Three Schools. Poster presented at the Association of Directors of Medical Student Education in Psychiatry annual meeting, Blaine, WA.

Spring, B., Bowen, D., Wurtman, J., Pingitore, R., & Kessler, K. (1993). Weight gain related to tobacco withdrawal. In E. Ferrari, F. Brambilla & S.B. Solerte (Eds.) Primary and secondary eating disorders: A psychoendocrine and metabolic approach (pp. 501-506). New York: Pergamon Press.

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Spring, B., Pingitore, R., & Kessler, K. (1992). Cigarette smoking and body weight: Strategies to minimize weight gain after smoking cessation. International Journal of Obesity, 16 (Suppl. 3), S19-S23.

Cox, W.M., Cohen, E.C., & Kessler, K. (1991). Conditioning. In R. Dulbecco (Ed.), Encyclopedia of Human Biology. San Diego: Academic Press.

Spring, B., Wurtman, J., Gleason, R., Wurtman, R., & Kessler, K. (1991). Post-smoking cessation weight gain: Preventive intervention with d-Fenfluramine. Health Psychology, 10, 216-223.

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