

Curriculum Vitae  
David V. Powers, Ph.D.  
Professor of Psychology and Dean Emeritus  
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EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Stanford University Medical School, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, and VA Palo Alto Health Care System, 1995-1997  
Ph.D., Psychology, Clinical Geropsychology Track, Washington University, St. Louis, MO (APA Approved), 1995  
Clinical Psychology Internship, VA Palo Alto Health Care System, Palo Alto, CA (APA Approved), 1995  
M.A., Clinical Psychology, Washington University, St. Louis, MO., 1993  
B.S., Psychology, *Magna Cum Laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA, 1989

POSITIONS HELD

**Faculty Appointments:**

Seattle University: Professor of Psychology and Dean Emeritus, 2024 – present; Dean and Professor of Psychology, 2009-2024

Loyola University Maryland: Professor of Psychology, 2009; Associate Professor, 2003-2009; Assistant Professor, 1997-2003

**Key Administrative Activities/Accomplishments (all in collaboration with others):**

**Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, Seattle University, 2009 – 2024**

Provided administrative and academic leadership to fulfill the Jesuit, Catholic higher education mission of the College of Arts & Sciences and Seattle University for 25 academic departments and independent programs/institutes in humanities, social/behavioral sciences, and professionally oriented graduate programs. Oversaw 139 tenured and tenure track faculty, 49 full-time, non-tenure track faculty, 35 FTE part-time faculty, 37 staff FTE, approx. 2,000 undergraduate students and 400 graduate students within a \$24M annual budget.

- Strategic Leadership: Led strategic planning processes that resulted in two multi-year strategic plans.
- Student Support: Created Dean's Research Fellowship to support student engagement in faculty scholarship with summer research grant support for students and faculty. Co-sponsored the establishment of the Seattle University Undergraduate Research Journal, published annually and read worldwide, in collaboration with the Lemieux Library. Supported establishment of the radio station KXSU. Introduced student representatives on the college's Leadership Committee for Intersectionality and Justice. Led move for

- increased flexibility for students across the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. Supported the establishment of the Seattle University Undergraduate Research Journal with resources to provide coursework and faculty leadership from the English Department.
- Faculty Support: Grew tenure track coverage from 51% (111 lines) to 62% (139 lines) coverage from 2010-2020. Dramatically improved shared governance and transparency. Led development of NTT promotion system to Senior Instructor and worked with NTT faculty developing new Teaching Professoriate track for the university. Established annual A&S New Chairs' Workshop beginning in 2014. Standardized first-year course release for all new tenure track faculty.
  - Staff Support: Supported development of Faculty-Staff Senate. Met regularly with College Staff Committee leadership. Advocated for establishment of university-level Staff Council, founded in 2019.
  - Academic Program Support: Oversaw and supported the establishment of a new Master of Social Work program, M.S. in Movement Science program, 3 fully online graduate certificate programs, one new undergraduate major and a new cross-college specialization in Education and Interdisciplinary Studies for undergraduate students. Supported and approved development of LGBTQ Studies Minor in the Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies (formerly Women and Gender Studies) program. Successfully integrated a formerly free-standing college, Matteo Ricci College, and a Master of Arts in Couples and Family Therapy into the College of Arts & Sciences.
  - Advancement and Alumni Relations: Increased fundraising and development to over \$1M annually. Met the college's 2021 fundraising goal of \$6.5M for the University Capital Campaign in May 2019, two years early, then set and met new goal of \$10M. Developed \$20M Capital Campaign in 2024.
  - Intersectional, including anti-racist, work to support centering the margins in the College and advance Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Developed and initiated A&S Leadership Committee on Intersectionality and Justice to address issues raised in the University Climate Survey. First dean to institute requirement that at least one member of any search committee attend a two-session training workshop on equitable hiring practices. Provided 2-day workshop on Undoing Institutional Racism in 2018 and 2019 for CAS students faculty and staff. Supported "centering the margins" as a central tenet for most recent CAS Strategic Plan. Affirmed college's support for BIPOC community members during increase in racist violence across Summer 2020 and again following anti-Asian violence in Winter 2021.
  - University Leadership roles: Chaired successful Dean Search Committees for Dean of Education, Dean of the University Library and Dean of Nursing. Served as Dean representative on university-wide committee on financial modeling, then served as Dean's Council representative to standing Budget Advisory Group 2019-24. Hosted AJCU Arts & Sciences Deans Conference as Conference Chair, with approx. 80 participants from 22 AJCU schools in Spring 2016. Served as a member of the Instructional Continuity Working Group during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**Chair, Department of Psychology, 2003-2005 and Interim Chair, Department of Psychology, 2008-2009, Loyola University Maryland**

Oversaw 25 faculty, 4 staff, approx. 250 undergraduate majors, 120 master's students and 70 doctoral students within an approx. \$2M budget. Department included academic and clinical

center operations. Oversaw initial American Psychological Association Accreditation process for new Doctor of Psychology program.

**Associate Chair, Department of Psychology, Loyola University Maryland, 2002-2003**

Role grew to include oversight of all aspects of departmental operations except tenured faculty evaluation, pending my own tenure review in 2003.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

2024	Awarded Dean Emeritus status after 15-year service as Dean
2020	Recognition from College Shared Governance for COVID engagement
2018	Elected Honorary Member, Alpha Sigma Nu
2014	Completed Ignatian Colleagues Program
2000	Loyola College Junior Faculty Sabbatical (competitive)
1990- 1993	Public Health Service Traineeship
1989	Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Chapter of Louisiana
1988	Elected to Phi Kappa Phi
1988	Elected to Psi Chi
1987	Elected to Phi Eta Sigma
1985	(non-academic) Eagle Scout

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

**Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities Conference of Arts & Sciences Deans**

2013 Chair AJCU A&S Deans' Conference  
2009 – 2024 Member

**American Psychological Association**

2012 Past President, Society of Clinical Geropsychology (APA Division 12, Section II)  
2010-2011 President, Society of Clinical Geropsychology (APA Division 12, Section II)  
2009 President-Elect, Society of Clinical Geropsychology (APA Division 12, Section II)  
2004 – 2009 APA Representative to the National Coalition on Mental Health and Aging  
2004 – 2009 Member of the APA/American Bar Association Joint Working Group for the Assessment of Capacity in Older Adults  
April 2006 – Provided testimony regarding the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act to the United States Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee.  
2000 – 2005 Liaison of APA to the Commission on Law and Aging of the American Bar Association  
1995 – Present Member, Society for Clinical Geropsychology (Division 12, Section II)  
1991 – Present Student member (1991 – 1995) and member (1996 – present), American Psychological Association

**Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies (ABCT, formerly AABT)**

1997 – 2002 SIG Leader, Behavior Therapy and Aging Special Interest Group (SIG)

**Washington Consortium for the Liberal Arts (WaCLA)**

2013 – 2017 WaCLA Representative for Seattle University  
2013 - 2015 Essay contest reviewer  
2012 Attended WaCLA founding conference at Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA

**Gerontological Society of America (GSA)**

1999 – 2004 Representative of GSA to the National Coalition on Mental Health and Aging

**Humanities Washington** (oversees all statewide NEH funding & independent programming)

2019 – 2021 Chair, Board of Trustees  
2018 – 2019 Chair-elect, Board of Trustees  
2015 – 2021 Member, Board of Trustees Executive Committee  
2015 – 2018 Chair, Program Committee  
2013 – 2021 Member, Board of Trustees, by appointment of Washington State Governor Jay Inslee  
2012 – 2018 Member, Program Review Committee

**Ignatian Colleagues Program**

2012 – 2014 Cohort 5 Participant 18-month program of immersion trips and group discussion of Ignatian pedagogical approaches

**Psychologists in Long Term Care**

2003 – 2009 PLTC representative to the National Coalition on Mental Health and Aging  
1999 – 2009 Member of the PLTC Public Policy Committee

**Phi Beta Kappa**

2006 – 2009, President, Phi Beta Kappa, Eta Chapter of Maryland  
2003 – 2005, Vice President, Phi Beta Kappa, Eta Chapter of Maryland  
2001 – 2003, Secretary/Treasurer, Phi Beta Kappa, Eta Chapter of Maryland

**Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honor Society**

2018 – Inducted as Honorary Member – Gamma Mu Chapter, Seattle University

**Ad hoc reviewer:** *Clinical Gerontologist, The Gerontologist, Journals of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences, Psychology and Aging, Professional Psychology: Research and Practice, and Journal of Mental Health and Aging.*

PUBLICATIONS

Powers, D. (2019). Recruiting and retaining Jesuit faculty: Flexibility and preparation are key. *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education* 55(1), 40-41.

Lehavot, K., Barnett, J. E., & Powers, D. V. (2010). Psychotherapy, professional relationships, and ethical considerations in the MySpace generation. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice* 31(2), 160.

- Thompson, L. W., Dick-Siskin, L., Coon, D. W., Powers, D. V., & Gallagher-Thompson, D. (2009). *Treating Late-Life Depression: A Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy Approach*. New York: Oxford University Press USA.
- American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging & American Psychological Association. (2008). *Assessment of older adults with diminished capacity: A handbook for psychologists*. Washington DC: American Bar Association and American Psychological Association. (Contributor as member of Working Group)
- Cramer, R. J., Griffin, M. P., & Powers, D. V. (2008). A Five-Factor analysis of spirituality in young adults: Preliminary evidence. *Research in the Social Scientific Study of Religion*, 19, 43-58.
- Powers, D. V., (2008a). Psychotherapy in long term care I: Practical considerations and the link to policy and advocacy. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice*, 38(2), 251-256.
- Powers, D. V. (2008b). Psychotherapy in long term care II: Empirically based psychological treatments and other outcome research. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice*, 38(2), 257-263.
- Powers, D. V., Thompson, L.W., & Gallagher-Thompson, D., (2008). The benefits of using psychotherapy skills following treatment for depression: An examination of “afterwork” and a test of the skills hypothesis in older adults. *Cognitive and Behavioral Practice*. 15(2), 194 – 202.
- Powers, D. V., Cramer, R.J., & Grubka, J.M., (2007). Spirituality, life stress, and affective well-being. *Journal of Psychology and Theology*, 35, 235-243.
- Snow, A.L., Powers, D., & Liles, D. (2006). Cognitive-behavioral therapy for long term care patients with dementia. In R. Intrieri and L. Hyer (Eds.). *Clinical applied gerontological interventions in long-term care*. (pp.265-293). New York: Springer.
- American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging & American Psychological Association. (2005). *Assessment of older adults with diminished capacity: A handbook for lawyers*. Washington DC: American Bar Association and American Psychological Association. (Contributor as member of Working Group)
- Kabitsi, N., & Powers, D. V. (2002). Spousal motivations of care for demented older adults: A cross-cultural comparison of Greek and American female caregivers. *Journal of Aging Studies*, 116, 383 – 399.
- Powers, D.V., Gallagher-Thompson, D., & Kraemer, H. C. (2002). A longitudinal examination of coping and depression in Alzheimer’s caregivers. *Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences*, 57B, 205 – 211.

- Powers, D. V., Thompson, L., Gallagher-Thompson, D., & Futterman, A. (2002). Depression in later life: Epidemiology, assessment, impact and treatment. In I. Gotlib and C. Hammen (Eds.), *Handbook of depression*, (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). New York: Guilford Press.
- Thompson, L. W., Powers, D. V., Coon, D. W., Takagi, K., McKibbin, C., & Gallagher-Thompson, D (2000). Older adults. In J. R. White and A. S. Freeman (Eds.). *Cognitive behavioral group therapy for specific problems and populations*. Washington DC: American Psychological Association.
- Jefferson, A. L., Powers, D. V., & Pope, M. (2000). Beck Depression Inventory II (BDI-II) and the Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS) in older women. *Clinical Gerontologist*, 22, 3-12.
- Gallagher-Thompson, D., Coon, D. C., Powers, D. V., Rivera, P., & Zeiss, A. (1998). Family caregiving: Stress, coping, and intervention. In M. Hersen and V. B. Van Hasselt (Eds.). *Handbook of clinical geropsychology* New York: Plenum.
- Gallagher-Thompson, D., & Powers, D. V. (1997). Primary stressors and depressive symptoms in caregivers of dementia patients. *Aging and Mental Health*, 1 (3), 248 - 255

#### **Peer-reviewed Newsletter publications**

- Powers, D. V. (2004). Jobs, life, and tenure at a “teaching college.” *the Behavior Therapist*, 27, 7.
- Powers, D.V. (2002). Aging and BT/CBT. *the Behavior Therapist*, 25 (1), 3.

#### **Clinical Therapy Manual for Professional Audience**

- Dick, L. P., Gallagher-Thompson, D., Coon, W. C., Powers, D. V., & Thompson, L. W. (1996). *Cognitive-behavioral therapy for late-life depression: A client manual*. Published by the VA Palo Alto Health Care System.

#### COURSES TAUGHT

- Abnormal Psychology (Undergraduate)  
Psychology of Personality (Undergraduate) – **Community-Engaged Learning course**  
Psychological Research Methods I (Undergraduate)  
Psychological research Methods II (Undergraduate)  
Introduction to Counseling and Psychotherapy (Undergraduate)  
Theories of Counseling (Master’s & Doctoral level)  
Advanced Topics: Psychotherapy with Older Adults (Doctoral level)  
Developmental Psychology: Adulthood and Aging (Masters level)  
Research Seminar (Masters level)  
Research Methods I – Thesis track (Masters level)  
Research Methods II – Thesis track (Masters level)  
Life-Span Development (Doctoral level)  
Doctoral Research Methods I (Doctoral level)  
Advanced Techniques: Cognitive Models (Doctoral level)

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- 1998 - 2013 Licensed Clinical Psychologist, State of Maryland, #3462
- 1998 - 2002 Contracted Licensed Psychologist, Comprehensive Geriatric Services, Towson, MD
- 1995 - 1997 Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford University Department of Psychiatry, Palo Alto, CA
- 1994 - 1995 Psychology Intern, Department of Veterans Affairs, Palo Alto CA. APA-approved internship.
- 1991 - 1994 Psychotherapy Trainee, Washington University Psychological Services Center, St. Louis, MO.
- 1992 - 1993 Psychotherapy and Assessment Trainee, Inpatient Psychiatry, St. Mary's Health Center, St. Louis, MO.
- Fall 1989 Assistant Activities Director, St. Francis Adult Day Health Care, Baton Rouge, LA.

INVITED LECTURES

- May 9, 2018 Keynote Speaker, Seattle Federal Executive Board's Annual Celebration of Public Service