

**Achievements by the Faculty of the Department of Psychology
James Madison University
2017-2018**

Awards:

- Department of Psychology faculty were selected for awards by the College of Health and Behavioral Studies:
 - **Kenneth Barron** has been awarded the CHBS Madison Scholar Award
 - **David Daniel** has been awarded the CHBS Distinguished Teacher Award
 - **David Szwedo** has been awarded the CHBS Outstanding Junior Faculty Award
 - <http://www.jmu.edu/news/chbs/2018/04-27-psycawards.shtml>
- **Claire Lyons** has been awarded the General Education Distinguished Teacher Award
 - <http://www.jmu.edu/news/chbs/2018/02-19-lyons-distinguished-faculty-award.shtml>
 - <http://www.jmu.edu/gened/LyonsDTA.shtml>
- **Kimberly DuVall** received the Provost's Award for Excellence in Academic Advising
<http://www.jmu.edu/universitystudies/advising-award.shtml>
- **Jessica Irons** received an educational leave for Spring 2019 for her work on improving writing across the behavioral sciences.

Appointments:

- **Natalie Kerr** was named University of Mary Washington Psychology Graduate-in-Residence.
<http://www.umw.edu/news/2017/08/29/social-psychologist-named-umw-psychology-graduate-residence/>
- **David Daniel** will be the JMU General Education Cluster 5 Coordinator for a 3 year term.
- **Jaime Kurtz** will be the Faculty Member in Residence (FMIR) for Fall 2018 in Florence.

Nominations:

- **Kenn Barron** will be nominated by JMU for a SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award.
- **Jessica Irons** was nominated for the **Provost's Award for Honor's Teaching**.
- **Jessica Irons** is the CHBS nominee for the JMU Ford Faculty Endowment Award.
- **David Szwedo** is the CHBS nominee for the Goodman Faculty Fellowship Endowment for Excellence in Teaching Award.
- **JoAnne Brewster** was nominated by a student for the Woman of Distinction Award.
- **Bill Evans** was nominated for the **Provost's Award for Excellence in Global Education**.
- The following faculty were nominated for a **Provost Advising Award**:
 - **Bill Evans**
 - **Kethera Fogler**
 - **Dan Holt**
 - **Krisztina Jakobsen**

- The following faculty were nominated for the **Make Your Next Move Award**:
 - **Kevin Apple**
 - **Matt Bukowski** (adjunct faculty member)
 - **JoAnne Brewster**
 - **Jay Davis** (graduate student teaching PSYC 101)
 - **Kimberly DuVall**
 - **Bill Evans**
 - **Bryan Saville**

In the News:

- **Jaime Kurtz** was interviewed for the web article, *How to Bring Vacation Vibes Back to Your 'Real Life.'* <http://www.health.com/anxiety/post-vacation-blues-stress-anxiety>
- **Kala Melchiori** was interviewed for the radio show "With Good Reason" for her work on confronting prejudice. In the interview, Kala provided tips on having difficult conversations without ruining a family's holiday gathering. The interview aired on WMRA 90.7 FM on November 22. <https://www.withgoodreasonradio.org/episode/lets-talk-turkey/>
- **Bill Evans** was profiled in JMU Breeze's Purple & Gold Society. <https://www.breezejmu.org/influentials/2018/>

Community Engagement:

- **Bill Evans and the Psychology Service Organization (PSO)** hosted Day with the Dukes. Approximately 60 JMU volunteer "Buddies" partnered with Special Olympic athletes throughout the day.
- **Bill Evans and the Psychology Service Organization (PSO)** once again hosted The Campus Camp. Over 30 student volunteers partnered with children who have experienced grief for this daylong camp.
- **Krisztina Jakobsen and Melanie Shoup-Knox** presented "Body Language: Measuring Thoughts without Words" as a workshop at the Expanding Your Horizons JMU conference to introduce young females to STEM. <https://www.jmu.edu/outreach/programs/all/eyh/index.shtml>

Other:

- **Melanie Shoup-Knox's** proposal for a Visiting Scholar was accepted. Thanks to Melanie's proposal, Dr. Christy Olezski visited campus during Spring 2018.
- **Michael Hall** launched a new scholarly journal titled *Auditory Perceptions & Cognition* published by Taylor & Francis Routledge.
- **Kethera Fogler and JoAnne Brewster** mentored the research team that won the Michael Serafino Award for Best Undergraduate Poster at the Society for Police & Criminal Psychology meeting. "Influences on Juror Sentencing Decisions" by Amanda Powell, Megan Parker, Kethera Fogler & JoAnne Brewster
- **Lynette Chappell-Williams** (Psychology Alum) is this year's Distinguished Alumni Award Winner for CHBS. <https://www.alumni.jmu.edu/s/1591/18/interior.aspx?sid=1591&gid=3&pgid=4710>