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EDUCATION

Air War College, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama, July 2004: a certified two-year military degree program in Strategic Leadership.

The University of South Carolina, Columbia, May 1998: Doctor of Philosophy degree in Counselor Education and Supervision, Department of Educational Psychology, College of Education.

The University of South Carolina, Columbia, August 1993: Educational Specialist degree in Counselor Education and Supervision, Department of Educational Psychology, College of Education.

Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, May 1979: Master of Divinity degree with a concentration in Pastoral Care and Counseling.

Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina, May 1976: Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion with a concentration in Philosophy and the Humanities.

EXPERIENCE

James Madison University (JMU), Harrisonburg, Virginia, 1994-1996; 1998 – Present: Instructor/Assistant/Associate/Full Professor for the School and Department of Psychology. I teach Cross-Cultural Psychology in Italy, Thanatology, the Psychology of Adulthood, a Senior Seminar in Leadership & Service, and I also supervise undergraduate independent reading and research projects as well as senior honors work. I am the JMU faculty advisor for the Psychology Service Organization, Fast for Food, Every Nation Campus, the Arnold Honor Society, the United States Air Force ROTC, and the International Justice Mission.

United States Air Force (USAF)/Air National Guard (ANG), 1984 – 2010: Chaplain, Brigadier General (Retired/2010); I served as the ANG Assistant to the USAF Command

Chaplain, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, 2006-2010. Command Wing Chaplain of the 169th Fighter Wing, the 157th Fighter Squadron, the 240th Combat Communications Squadron and the 245th Air Traffic Control Squadron of the South Carolina Air National Guard (SCANG) from 1988-2005, and as Staff Chaplain, SCANG, 1984-1988. I also served as the Chaplain Cell Coordinator of the Crisis Action Team (CAT) for the Air National Guard Readiness Center, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland, from 1998-2004, and as the Director of National Chaplain Service Conferences from 1998-2006.

AWARDS AND HONORS

James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia: *Recipient of the Alger Family Faculty Endowment Award, 2019*. Inducted in the Inaugural Class of the JMU Purple and Gold Society, 2018; Nominated for the JMU Provost Award for Global Education and Engagement, 2018; Nominated for the Alger Family Faculty Endowment Award, 2015, 2016; Recipient of the Career and Academic Planning “Make Your Next Move Award,” 2013; Nominated for Provost Award for Excellence in Advising, 2006, 2010, 2012, 2018; Nominated for the Bluestone Award for Outstanding Faculty Advising, 2010; Nominated by the Department of Psychology for the CISAT Distinguished Service Award, 2008-2009; Nominated for the Hall Award for Outstanding Faculty Leadership and Service, 2009; Recipient of the Hall Award for Outstanding Faculty Leadership and Service, 2008; Nominated for CISAT Outstanding Teaching Award by Department of Psychology, 2006. Recipient of the JMU Bluestone Award for Outstanding Faculty Advising, 2006; Received promotion and tenure, May 2004; Recipient of the JMU “All Together One” Award, April 2004; Nominated for the College of Integrated Science and Technology Distinguished Service Award by the Department of Undergraduate Psychology for 2003-2004; Inducted into Golden Key International Honor Society (2003); Nominated for the JMU Alumni Association Distinguished Faculty Award (2003); Recipient of the Hall Faculty Award for Outstanding Leadership and Service, 2002; Nominated for the JMU Bluestone Award, 2001; Recipient of the JMU Alpha Phi Foundation Professor of the Year, 2000; Recipient of the JMU Mortar Board, 2000; Inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Society, 1996.

Viktor Frankl Institute, Vienna, Austria: Member of the International Advisory Board, 2010-Present.

United States Air Force (USAF)/Air National Guard (ANG): Retired in 2010 as a Brigadier General after 25 years and 8 months of service; served as the ANG Assistant to the Command Chaplain, Air Combat Command, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, 2006-2010. Recipient of the following medals: the Air Force Retirement medal, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal (Three Oak Leaf Clusters), the Palmetto Cross, the Air National Guard Exceptional Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal (One Oak Leaf Cluster), the Air Force Achievement Medal (One Oak Leaf Cluster), the National Defense Medal, the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Air Force Longevity Service Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Medal; the Air Force Reserve Medal with 'M' Device; the South Carolina Meritorious Service Medal. I am a Veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Storm, 1990-1991; I also served in Coronet Vampire, 1987; Global Patriot, 1998; Operation Allied Force/ANG Crisis Action Team, Cell Coordinator, 1999;

Operation Joint Forge, 1999-2000; Operation Northern Watch, 2000; Operation Southern Watch, 2001; Operation Noble Eagle/ANG Crisis Action Team Cell Coordinator, 2003.

American Counseling Association/Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (ACA/ASERVIC): Board Member, 2008-2010.

Virginia Counselors Association (VCA) - President of the Virginia Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (VA-ASERVIC): member of the VCA Board of Directors, and member of the VCA Ethics Committee, 2001-2002.

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Evans, W.F. (2023). *Leading and serving with excellence and integrity*. JMU Air Force ROTC graduation and commissioning ceremony. [Invited]

Evans, W.F., Evans, C.M., *Pace, E., *Jones, M., *Spiers, N., & *Traylor, C. (2022). *Adjusting to the COVID-19 pandemic*. American Psychological Association, Southeastern Division (SEPA) Conference. [Peer Reviewed]

Evans, W.F., Evans, C.M., *Pace, E., *Albright, J., *Buyea, C., *Jones, M. (2021). *Anxiety and life meaning in a pandemic*. American Psychological Association, Southeastern Teaching of Psychology (SETOP) Conference. [Peer Reviewed]

Evans, W.F., Evans, C.M., *Pace, E., *Albright, J., *Buyea, C., *Jones, M. (2021). *Death anxiety and purpose in life in a pandemic*. American Psychological Association, Southeastern Division (SEPA) Conference. [Peer Reviewed]

Evans, W.F. (2018). *Examining altruism, empathy, service motivation, and life purpose among college students*. Moscow, Russia: the 4th International Viktor Frankl Congress on Logotherapy and Existential Analysis. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]

Evans, W. (2018). *Want more meaning in life? Learn to serve*. James Madison University: University Program Board Keynote speaker. [Invited Address]

Evans, W. (2018). *Finding meaning through servant leadership*. James Madison University: Make Your Mark on Madison guest speaker. [Invited]

Evans, W.F. (2018). *Character, competency, and caring: Living the US Air Force core values*. James Madison University US Air Force ROTC Commissioning Ceremony Keynote Speaker. [Invited Graduation Address]

Evans, W., Dioszeghy, B.*, Goerl, T.*, Samoel, M.*, Serrels, G.*, Shegda, D.*, Vaught, E.*, Walker, H.*. (2018). *Service learning and purpose in life*. Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA) conference in Charleston, South Carolina. [Peer Reviewed Poster]

- Evans, W., Savastano, D. (2018). *Service learning as a path to purpose in life*. Virginia Association of Counselor Educators conference: Lynchburg, Virginia. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]
- Evans, W. (2018). *We need more servant-leaders!* JMU “Madison Leads” student leadership conference. [Invited Workshop Address]
- Evans, W., Warner, M., Dioszeghy, B.*, Goerl, T.*, Noel, M., Robinson, H.*, Sergent, K., Satkus, P., Vaught, E.*. (2017). *Service learning, purpose in life, and positive global change*. The International Leadership Association (ILA) conference in Brussels, Belgium. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]
- Evans, W.F. (2017). *Service and service learning as a path to meaning in life*. Address for JMU’s Make Your Mark on Madison (MYMOM) student leadership organization. [Invited Keynote Address]
- Evans, W., Windsor, N.*, Goerl, T.*, Noel, M.*, Patton, T.*, Price, J.*, Robinson, H.*, Sergent, K.*, Satkus, P.*, Vaught, E.*. (2017). *Service learning as a path to purpose in life among undergraduate and graduate students*. Vancouver International conference on the Teaching of Psychology: Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]
- Evans, W., Goerl, T.*, Noel, M.*, Sergent, K.*, Satkus, P.*, & Vaught, E.*. (2017). *Service learning as a path to purpose in life*. Southeastern Teaching of Psychology (SETOP) Conference: Atlanta, Georgia. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]
- Evans, W., Gonzalez, C.*, Savastano, D.*, Windsor, N.*, Bornheimer, K.*, & Sergent, K.*. (2016). *Service and service leaning as a path to purpose in life*. Viktor Frankl Institute World Congress on Logotherapy: Vienna, Austria. [Peer Reviewed Presentation]

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- Evans, W., & Evans, C. (2023) *Altruism, Service Motivation, and Life Purpose among Undergraduate and Graduate Students*. Book chapter in the next edition of *Proceedings of the Viktor Frankl Institute World Congress*. Springer Press. [Peer Reviewed Chapter]
- Evans, W., Umstead, L., & Evans, C. (2023). *Altruism, Motivation to Serve, and Purpose in Life among College Students*. Book chapter in the next edition of *Proceedings of the Viktor Frankl Institute World Congress*. Springer Press. [Peer Reviewed Chapter]
- Warner, M. & Evans, W. (2021). *Leadership: from integrity to impact*. Sage Publishing. [Publisher Approved/Reviewed E-Book]

Batthyany, A., with Evans, W. & Neugebauer, W. (2021). *Frankl and the Shoah*. Springer Press. [Peer Reviewed]

Echterling, L., Cowan, E., Staton, R., McKee, E., Presbury, J., Sturm, D., Stewart, A. & Evans, W. (2016). *Thriving! A manual for students in the helping professions*. (3rd ed.). Sage Publishing.

Evans, W.F. (2016). *The world still cries for meaning – are we still listening?* Book chapter in *Logotherapy and Existential Analysis: Proceedings of the Viktor Frankl Institute*. Springer Press. [Peer Reviewed]

RESEARCH INTERESTS

The search for meaning and purpose in life; the relationship between meaning, health, and spirituality; the motivation to lead and serve; stress management; death anxiety; grief; existential psychotherapy and the psychology of religion.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Viktor Frankl Institute and the Viktor Frankl Zentrum, Vienna, Austria

International Leadership Association (ILA)

American Counseling Association (ACA)

Association for Spiritual, Ethical and Religious Values in Counseling (ASERVIC)

Chi Sigma Iota International Honor Society (JMU Alpha Sigma Chapter Advisor 1998-2012)

Golden Key International Honor Society

Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society

Prepare/Enrich/Mate Certified National Counselor and Trainer