

Dave Kolar

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Dave Kolar is an associate professor of psychology at the University of Mary Washington.

Biography

How does short-term mentoring impact the lives of at-risk youth in schools? That's just one of many research topics that Dave Kolar has explored throughout his career. An associate professor of psychological science at the University of Mary Washington, Dr. Kolar has also conducted research on social perception, accuracy in personality judgment and applying psychological principles to environmental behavior. Dr. Kolar has presented his work at numerous professional conferences, and his research on social perception and mentoring at-risk children has been published in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, the Journal of Personality and Mentoring & Tutoring: Partnership in Learning. In addition, he is currently the external evaluator on a 5-year, \$996,000 National Science Foundation grant. He also served as the assessment and evaluation coordinator on 3-year, \$475,000 grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Education and co-authored a 3-year, \$300,000 grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Kolar earned a Ph.D. (1995) in social and personality psychology from the University of California, Riverside, after receiving an M.A. (1993) in psychology from the University of California, Riverside and a B.A. (1989) in psychology from San Diego State University.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Research

Areas of Expertise

Social Psychology, Personality Assessment, University Teaching, Mentoring, Program Evaluation, SPSS, Grant Writing, Assessment, At-Risk Teens

Education

University of California

Ph.D. Psychology

University of California

M.A. Psychology

San Diego State University

B.A. Psychology

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