

# Courtney L. Kowalczyk

## *Curriculum Vitae*

Department of Psychology  
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### **Education:**

Walden University	Minneapolis, MN
Doctorate of Clinical Psychology (2017)	
Emphasis: Clinical Assessment and Pediatric Psychology	
Master of Science in Psychology (2013)	
Emphasis: Clinical and Pediatric Psychology	
Grand Valley State University	Allendale, MI
Master of Education (2006)	
Emphasis: Early Childhood Development with Early Childhood Developmental Delay Approval	
Bachelor of Arts (2004)	
Major: Psychology/Special Education	
Minor: Elementary Education	
Emphasis: Psychology and Cognitive Impairment	

### **Professional Experience:**

Grand Valley State University	Allendale, MI
<i>Affiliate Psychology Professor</i>	August 2024 - Present
Bright Side Psychology	Grand Rapids, MI
<i>Limited License Psychologist (Part-Time Private Practice)</i>	October 2023 - Present
Grand Valley State University	Allendale, MI
<i>Visiting Psychology Professor</i>	August 2023 - April 2024
Grand Valley State University	Allendale, MI
<i>Adjunct Psychology Professor</i>	August 2022 - April 2023
Walden University	Minneapolis, MN
<i>Psychological Assessment Graduate and Teaching Assistant</i>	July 2011 - July 2013
Helen DeVos Children's Hospital	Grand Rapids, MI
<i>Doctoral Psychology Intern/Resident</i>	June 2011 - December 2012
Horizons Developmental Resource Center	Caledonia, MI
<i>Developmental/Behavioral Therapist and Limited License Psychologist</i>	June 2005 - October 2023
Caledonia Community Schools	Caledonia, MI
<i>Moderate Cognitive Impairment Teacher</i>	June 2005 - June 2008

## Teaching Experience:

Grand Valley State University  
PSY 101: Introductory Psychology  
PSY 310: Behavior Modification  
PSY 364: Life-Span Development

Allendale, MI

Walden University  
PSYC 8341: Psychological Assessment: Cognitive  
PSYC 8351: Psychological Assessment: Personality

Minneapolis, MN

Caledonia Community Schools  
Moderate Cognitive Impairment Elementary Program Teacher

Caledonia, MI

## Publications:

Kowalczyk, C. (2017). *The relationships among kindergarten entrance age, preschool experience, and reading achievement* (Doctoral dissertation). Retrieved from <https://scholarworks.waldenu.edu/dissertations/4071/>

Kowalczyk, C. (2016). Be the calm in your child's storm: Strategies for guiding your child through a meltdown. *On the Horizon*.

Kowalczyk, C. (2010). How do I know if my child is anxious? *On the Horizon*.

Kowalczyk, C. (2010). What should I do when my child is anxious? *On the Horizon*.

Beurkens, N., Roon, E., & Kowalczyk, C. (2009). *Learning as we grow*. Publisher: Author.

Kowalczyk, C. (2009). Standardized assessments: Tips for supporting students with special needs. *On the Horizon*.

## Conference Presentations:

Kowalczyk, C., & Roon, E. (2020). *Maintaining a healthy relationship with each other: Strategies for couples*. Breakout session presented at the Lead Empower Assist Parents (LEAP) Conference/Kent Intermediate School District in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Roon, E. (2018). *Maintaining a healthy relationship with each other: Strategies for couples*. Breakout session presented at the Lead Empower Assist Parents (LEAP) Conference/Kent Intermediate School District in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Roon, E. (2018). *STOP and THINK: Strategies for building early executive function skills*. Breakout session presented at the Camp Fire West Michigan 4 C's Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Bisson, S. (2017). *STOP and THINK: Strategies for building early executive function skills in young children*. Breakout session presented at the Camp Fire West Michigan 4 C's Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Roon, E. (2017). *Understanding & supporting students with autism spectrum disorder and related impairments*. Plenary session presented at the National Heritage Academy Teacher Training in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Thomas, A. (2017). *Epilepsy and relationships*. Invited speaking presentation for the Learn and Share Statewide Conference Call for the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan.

Kowalczyk, C., & VanderHeide, M. (2017). *Maintaining a healthy relationship with each other: Strategies for couples*. Breakout session presented at the Lead Empower Assist Parents (LEAP) Conference/Kent Intermediate School District in Grand Rapids, MI.

Roon, E., & Kowalczyk, C. (2017). *Positive behavioral supports that promote healthy parent-child relationships*. Breakout session presented at the Kent County Great Start Program in Grand Rapids, MI.

Kowalczyk, C., & Bisson, S. (2016). *STOP and THINK: Strategies for building executive function skills in students*. Breakout session presented at the Fire Up! Student Teacher Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.

Ragsdale, B., & Kowalczyk, C. (2013). *Tips for recruiting and training graduate student teaching assistants in blended learning environments*. Poster presentation at the Sloan-C Conference in Orlando, FL.

Beurkens, N., Roon, E., & Kowalczyk, C. (2009). *Autism in the classroom: Simple and effective strategies to learn today and use tomorrow*. Plenary session presented at the Horizon Developmental Resource Center's Educator Conference in Grand Rapids, MI.

### **Grants:**

Kowalczyk, C., Grant, "Fully Accessible Brain Models for PSY 101 Students," FTLC Sandbox Learning Innovation Grant, Grand Valley State University, \$500, Funded. (Start: October 11, 2024, End: In Progress)

Kowalczyk, C., Grant, "Gardner Institute: Symposium on Transforming the Postsecondary Experience," FTLC Sponsored Teaching and Learning Event Grant, Grand Valley State University, \$3,000, Funded. (Start: October 9, 2024, End: October 24, 2024)

Kowalczyk, C., Grant, "Teaching Underprepared Students," FTLC Faculty Conference Grant, Grand Valley State University, \$329, Funded. (Start: December 31, 2023, End: May 16, 2024)

Kowalczyk, C., Grant, "Teaching Fundamentals for New College Instructors," FTLC Faculty Conference Grant, Grand Valley State University, \$329, Funded. (Start: March 17, 2023, End: May 12, 2023)

### **Unit and University Service:**

*Advisor, Crafts for a Cause (Student Org.), Grand Valley State University* (2024 - Present)

*Gardner Institute Course Redesign Faculty Member, Grand Valley State University* (2024 - Present)

### **Licensure, Awards, & Affiliations:**

*Top Mental Health Professional Grand Rapids Honoree, Grand Rapids Kids* (2025 - Present)

*Member, Society for the Teaching of Psychology* (2024 - Present)

*Member, Society for Clinical Neuropsychology* (2024 - Present)

*Member, Division 7/Developmental Psychology* (2024 - Present)

*Member, Michigan Psychological Association* (2023 - Present)

*Essential Piece Award Recipient, Autism Family Network* (2018)  
*Successful Completion of EPPP Licensure Exam, Michigan Board of Psychology* (March 2015)  
*Limited Psychology License Recipient, Michigan Board of Psychology* (June 2013)  
*Member, American Psychological Association* (2008 - Present)  
*Professional Teaching Certificate Recipient with Endorsements in Elementary Education, Cognitive Impairments, and Early Childhood Education, State of Michigan* (2004 - Present)  
*Member, Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Grand Valley State University* (2003 - Present)  
*Honoree, Dean's List, Grand Valley State University* (2001 - 2006)

## **Training:**

*Gardner Institute: Symposium on Transforming the Postsecondary Experience, Pittsburg, PA* (October 2024)  
*Teaching Underprepared Students, Magna Publications Online Course* (April 2024)  
*Teaching Fundamentals for New College Instructors, Magna Publications Online Course* (April 2023)  
*Developing and Teaching an Online Course, Magna Publications Online Course* (February 2023)  
*Yale Child Study Center SPACE: (Supportive Parenting for Anxious Childhood Emotions) Program Training, New Haven, Connecticut* (June 2020)  
*Advanced Training in Interventions to Improve Executive Function Skills, DuPage, Illinois* (June 2016)  
*Cutting Edge Strategies to Improve Executive Function Skills, DuPage, Illinois* (June 2016)  
*Play Therapy for Children, Adolescents, and Adults, Grand Rapids, Michigan* (September 2015)  
*Low Energy Neurofeedback Advanced Training, Grand Rapids, Michigan* (June 2013)  
*Low Energy Neurofeedback Foundations Training, Lansing, Michigan* (June 2012)  
*Rhythmic Entrainment Intervention Provider Training, Grand Rapids, Michigan* (February 2012)  
*Visual Processing Therapy, Kalamazoo, Michigan* (August 2011)  
*Rhythmic Movement Training Level 3, Grand Rapids, Michigan* (February 2011)  
*Rhythmic Movement Training Level 1 and 2, Novi, Michigan* (June 2010)  
*HANDLE Introductory Course, Caledonia, Michigan* (May 2008)  
*Feuerstein Introductory Course, Detroit, Michigan* (April 2008)  
*Advanced RDI® Consultant Training, Houston, Texas* (November 2007)  
*Beginning and Intermediate RDI® Consultant Training, Houston, Texas* (January 2007)