

PROGRAM AGENDA

Forensic Evaluations of Adults

Monday, December 12 – Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Monday, December 12, 2022	
9:40-10:00 AM	Arrive, Get Settled
10:00-10:15 AM	Welcome, Introductions, and Overview Daniel Murrie PhD, ILPPP, UVA
10:15-11:45 AM	Evaluation of Trial Competence: Advanced Issues Daniel Murrie, PhD, ILPPP, UVA
11:45-1:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK (<i>on your own</i>)
1:00-2:00 PM	Exercises in Competence Evaluation
2:00-4:30 PM	Evaluation of Legal Sanity Daniel Murrie PhD, ILPPP, UVA
Tuesday, December 13, 2022	
9:00-9:30 AM	Arrive, Get Settled
9:30-11:00 AM	Introduction to the Forensic Evaluation Oversight System Angela Torres PhD, ABPP
11:00-12:15 PM	Exercices in Sanity Evaluation
12:15-1:30 PM	LUNCH BREAK (<i>on your own</i>)
1:30-2:45 PM	Report writing and Communication Daniel Murrie, PhD, ILPPP, UVA
2:45-4:30 PM	Exercices in Report Writing and Communication Daniel Murrie, PhD, ILPPP, UVA
Wednesday, December 14, 2022	
9:00-9:30 AM	Arrive, Get Settled
9:30-11:30 AM	Ethics in Forensic Evaluation Sharon Kelley JD, PhD & Heather Zelle JD, PhD
11:30-12:45 PM	LUNCH BREAK (<i>on your own</i>)
12:45-2:00 PM	Assessment of Malingering Scott Bender PhD, ABPP-CN
2:00-3:00PM	Final Discussions and Exercices Daniel Murrie, PhD, ILPPP, UVA

Note: Times are approximate and will depend on the flow of the discussion. Breaks available as needed. Presented by the Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy at the University of Virginia, and by the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. Jointly presented by the Office of Continuing Medical Education of the University of Virginia School of Medicine

FACULTY CREDENTIALS

Scott Bender, PhD, ABPP-CN

Scott D. Bender is a board-certified clinical neuropsychologist (ABPP-CN) and Associate Professor of Psychiatry & Neurobehavioral Science at the University of Virginia School of Medicine. He obtained his PhD. at the University of North Texas where he began his studies of malingering and response styles under the mentorship of Richard Rogers, PhD. After completing his internship in clinical neuropsychology at Yale University, Dr. Bender completed his postdoctoral fellowship in the department of Neurology at the University of Virginia. He joined the Neurocognitive Assessment Clinic within the Department of Psychiatry at UVA in 2002, and has been with the Department's Institute of Law, Psychiatry & Public Policy since 2005. His primary duties include conducting clinical and forensic neuropsychological evaluations, teaching, and publishing. His areas of research involve differential diagnosis of malingering and the effects of traumatic brain injury (particularly concussion) on neurocognitive and emotional functioning. He is frequently called to testify in both civil and criminal cases, and has authored multiple published manuscripts, articles, and chapters. He is co-editor of the 4th edition of *Clinical Assessment of Malingering and Deception*.

Dr. Bender enjoys supervising both forensic and neuropsychology fellows on civil and criminal cases. Common civil referrals include requests for opinions regarding diagnoses of concussion, post-concussive syndrome, PTSD, and other trauma. Criminal cases typically involve neurological complications relating to questions of competency to stand trial, mental status at the time of the offense, or mitigating factors.

Sharon Kelley, JD, PhD

Sharon Kelley, JD, PhD, is a clinical psychologist and Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences at the University of Virginia, Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy (ILPPP). Her primary clinical and research interests involve forensic evaluation and offenders' legal competencies, particularly *Miranda* rights comprehension and interrogation/confession issues. She also conducts forensic evaluations with juveniles and adults on a wide range of psycholegal issues, including competence to stand trial, sanity, *Miranda* rights comprehension, disputed confessions, and capital sentencing. Dr. Kelley is a graduate of the law-psychology program at Villanova University School of Law and Drexel University. Prior to working at ILPPP, she completed a postdoctoral fellowship in forensic psychology at the University of Virginia and a clinical internship at University of Massachusetts Medical School. She has worked in psychiatric hospitals (on forensic, acute care, and adolescent continuing care units), juvenile justice facilities, jails, outpatient clinics, and primary care centers.

Daniel Murrie, PhD

Daniel Murrie serves as Associate Director of UVA's Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy. He is also a Professor of Psychiatry and Neurobehavioral Sciences in the UVA School of Medicine. He oversees the ILPPP's training programs in forensic evaluation and the Postdoctoral Fellowship in Forensic Psychology. As a clinician, he performs forensic evaluations in criminal and civil cases through the ILPPP's Forensic Psychiatry Clinic. As a scholar, his research and teaching address a variety of topics in forensic psychology, particularly topics addressing reliability, bias, and quality improvement in forensic evaluation. He also works as a consultant or court-appointed monitor for systems across the U.S. working to improve forensic services. He is President-Elect of the American Psychology-Law Society.

Angela Torres, PhD, ABPP

Angela Torres completed her undergraduate degree at the University of California at Berkeley. She obtained her master's and then doctorate in clinical psychology with a forensic focus from Sam Houston State University. She is a licensed clinical psychologist practicing in Virginia and is board certified in forensic psychology. Prior to her current position, she worked for seven years at Central State Hospital (Petersburg, VA), most recently as Chief Forensic Coordinator. In this role she acted as the administrative and clinical liaison between the hospital, court officials, and other stakeholders. She then acted as the Region IV Jail Team Program Supervisor, providing supervision to a team of restoration counselors and case managers, as well as completing court-ordered evaluations. Next, she was employed as the Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services's (DBHDS) Forensic Evaluation Oversight Manager. In this capacity, she created a process for peer review and quality control of court ordered adult competency to stand trial and sanity at the time of the offense evaluations. Currently, Dr. Torres is the Senior Director of Forensic Services for the DBHDS. She has extensive experience in completing competency to stand trial and sanity at the time of the offense evaluations for the Federal courts and in Texas and Virginia, as well as violence risk assessment. She is involved in legislation and policy development at the regional and state levels regarding mental health and criminal justice. Angela also lectures on behalf of the DBHDS and the University of Virginia's Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy, and she publishes regarding various topics in forensic psychology. Angela's email is Angela.Torres@dbdhs.virginia.gov.

Heather Zelle, JD, PhD

Heather Zelle, JD, PhD, is an Associate Professor of Research with the UVA Department of Public Health Sciences and the Associate Director of Mental Health Policy Research at the UVA Institute of Law, Psychiatry, and Public Policy. She holds a juris doctorate from Villanova University School of Law, and a doctorate in clinical psychology with a forensic concentration from Drexel University. She is licensed as an attorney in Pennsylvania (voluntary inactive status) and as a clinical psychologist in Virginia. Dr. Zelle's current policy and research work focus on the public mental health system and mental health policy in Virginia. She serves on state work groups studying topics such as involuntary civil commitment procedures and behavioral health dockets in Virginia courts. Dr. Zelle co-chaired the Criminal Justice Diversion Expert Panel that provided expert assistance to state legislators on issues including funding, policy, and statutory amendments concerning the Sequential Intercept Model, Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Centers, behavioral health dockets, jail mental health care standards, and information sharing between law enforcement and behavioral health providers. Dr. Zelle's policy and research experience include work with Dr. Patty Griffin for the Philadelphia Department of Behavioral Health and Intellectual disabilities Services, including CIT training for Philadelphia law enforcement, assessment of specialty courts, and Cross Systems Mapping activities. She has co-authored several publications, including chapters in *University and Public Behavioral Health Organization Collaboration in Justice Contexts*, *Routledge Encyclopedia of Psychology in the Real World: Psychology and Law*, *Forensic Assessment in Criminal and Civil Law: A Handbook for Lawyers*, *Advances in Psychology and Law*, and *Oxford Handbook of Public Health Ethics*.