

## **Kevin Berg, M.A., MSW, LSW** ***Assistant Professor, Counseling***

Kevin Berg has served as a Tenure Track Counseling Faculty member at Cuyahoga Community College's Western Campus since 2011.

Previously, Mr. Berg has worked as a Children's Program Specialist at the Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health (ADAMHS) Services Board of Cuyahoga County, oversaw the development of two drug courts as the Drug Courts Coordinator at Erie County Common Pleas Court, and was a Social Service Intervention Specialist III at Erie County Children's Services.

Mr. Berg's research interests include the impact of trauma, mental health and chemical dependency on adolescents and their families, the role of poverty and its impact, and the hidden rules of social class. He earned his Master's in Social Work from Cleveland State University in 2010, a Master's of Arts in Sociology from Bowling Green State University in 2001, and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Psychology from Bowling Green State University in 1999.

Mr. Berg is also a proud graduate of the Great Lakes Addiction Technology Transfer Center's Leadership Institute and the Walt Disney World College Program.

### **Speech Topics:**

- **Drugs and Alcohol: Where We Have Been and What We're Currently On-** This informative, entertaining presentation provides an understanding of the history of drugs in the USA, current drug trends, and policy issues facing both the local community and nation. This presentation can be tailored to multiple age groups to help educate and/or aide in prevention. Next steps are also offered. This presentation will be interactive with audience questions greatly appreciated.
- **The Impact of Social Class: Re-Framing the Conversation to Increase Success-** This informative, entertaining presentation provides an in-depth analysis of what social class really means and how difficult the transition between classes can become. This presentation is interactive and will produce lively conversation and debate for attendees.
- **Internet Safety for Children and Teens** – Helping children and teens to understand dangerous situations that exist on the internet, and what parents can do to put safeguards in place to protect their children.
- **Other Topic Areas that presentations can be tailored:**
  - **Substance abuse, chemical dependency, drugs and alcohol**
  - **Mental health issues, particularly co-occurring disorders**
  - **Diversity**
  - **Juvenile Justice and the Adolescent System**