David Desplaces, Ph.D. Executive and Career.Coach.Principal



For nearly two decades, Dr. David Desplaces has dedicated himself to the stewardship of learning by educating entrepreneurs, executives, and future leaders with one goal in mind: unlocking the potential in each of them. He has distinguished himself through the employment of individuals by applying his expertise in the areas of international management, global commerce & trade, cultural management, leadership, change management, and entrepreneurial venturing.

Dr. Desplaces' extensive experience include starting an entrepreneurship institute, leading a separate entrepreneurial center, supporting various domestic and international entrepreneurial ventures, being as part owner in various businesses, helping launch a professional certification program, leading international cultural and professional development initiatives, and empowering his community through various leadership initiatives. He recently earned a Distinguished Service Award at the College of Charleston, received various team commendations and awards as a member of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, and was honored as being elected Fellow of the CASE Association. His latest work on management-lead conflict resolution was published in Conflict Resolution Quarterly.

Trained by the Berkeley Executive Coaching Institute where he did his clinical work in Milan, Italy, his clients include entrepreneurs, executives, MBA students, and administrators with coaching engagements in Italy, UAE, Bermuda, and throughout the USA. He recently become a Certified Coach from the movement to live a well-lived, joyful life by acclaimed authors Bill Burnett and David Evans, and is authorized to us the Designing Your Life framework. David completed his Certificate in Business Excellence from the Hass School of Business at the University of Berkeley, CA and earned his Ph.D. in Management from the University of Rhode Island with a focus on change management, after receiving his Master in Science in Education from Syracuse University in Instructional Design, Development and Evaluation. He received his MBA and BS in Management with honors from Bentley University, MA. He also earned his Certificate in Global Business Professional from NASBIT for which he has served as a certified trainer. David is fluent in French and English.