

Dr. Brian D. Ray: Biographical Sketch

Dr. Brian Ray is the Associate Dean and Director of the School of Business at the University of Florida. Previous to that, he was the Director of MBA Student Services. Dr. Ray has also served in a variety of administrative positions at the Florida State University College of Law and Career Resource Center.

Dr. Ray received his bachelor's degree in *Finance* from Stetson University. While at Stetson, he served as Student Body Vice President during his junior year and Student Body President during his senior year. After his time at Stetson, Dr. Ray went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Central Florida and a Ph.D. in *University Administration* from Florida State University. Dr. Ray is also a graduate of Harvard University's *Management Development Program*.



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In addition to his work in higher education, Dr. Ray also serves in the Army National Guard. During his military career, Dr. Ray has been recognized many times for exemplary leadership and service. He is a recipient of the ***General Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award***, one of the Army's most prestigious honors. This award is presented annually to the top twenty-five company-grade officers from a peer group of over 50,000 soldiers. Dr. Ray is also a recipient of the ***Lowry Award***, presented annually to the top company-grade officer in the Florida National Guard. In his current assignment, Dr. Ray holds the rank of major, serves as a chaplain, and is an adjunct faculty member for the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. Dr. Ray recently spent a year in Iraq, earning the Bronze Star Medal for his service.

Dr. Ray is married to the former Shannon Quirk. He and his wife have two children; a daughter Ashley and a son David.