



Thanksgiving is the perfect time to take a break from the hectic pace of our daily lives and reflect on all the good things for which we are grateful. Best wishes to you and your families for a happy and healthy Thanksgiving holiday.

*Thomas B. Gutteridge*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL WORK AND LEGAL SPECIALTIES

Congratulations to **Dr. Celia Williamson** on the recent UT Board of Trustees unanimous approval of the creation of the College's Human Trafficking and Social Justice Institute. Under Dr. Williamson's leadership this Institute will be housed in the HSHS building (2nd floor) but will be cross-College and multi-disciplinary in scope/function and will continue the tradition of delivering a wide range of teaching, research and outreach contributions via a long standing set of academic/community collaborations.



Congratulations to **Louis Guardiola**, Field Director/Lecturer in the social work program had 3 competitively selected presentations accepted for presentation at the 60th Annual Council on Social Work Education conference held in Tampa Florida on October 23 – 26, 2014.

Louis was the primary author in the Panel presentation entitled ***Recognizing and Overcoming Barriers to Cross-Cultural Communication: A Social Work Perspective*** – This session addressed “isms” and highlighted other cross-cultural barriers to better understand and communicate with those from other cultures. Louis and 3 other colleagues provided insight and narratives from their own ethnic and cultural perspectives. Louis and his colleagues also presented this topic at UT on November 6, 2014 for area social work professionals and UT students.

Louis also presented at two Paper Sessions – The first was entitled ***Using Service-Learning Pedagogy to Teach Undergraduate Macro Practice: A Perfect Match***. This presentation introduced an innovative approach to teaching macro practice using service-learning pedagogy. Partnerships were developed with agencies and students engaged in community-organizing projects at these organizations. This approach builds on foundation knowledge and practice skills and enhances student ability to implement macro change strengths. The second paper presentation was entitled ***Leadership in Field Education: Voices from the Field***. As the signature pedagogy, field education has been given the opportunity to provide new leadership and direction in social work education. In this study, field instructors were asked about the leadership qualities and characteristics they need to fulfill their role and enhance the quality of field education. Results of the study were presented at this session.

Congratulations to **Dr. Janet Hoy** on her joint appointment in the Department of Psychiatry, College of Medicine. She is currently a co-investigator, as part of an inter-professional team lead by Dr. Mary Kay Smith (PI), on a 3.7k over two year **University of Toledo Inter-professional Healthcare Workforce Development** grant. The overarching goal of this multi-faceted grant is three-fold:

1. to increase integrated inter-professional health care training;
2. to recruit, train and retrain individuals in key health care professions;
3. to improve health care for individuals who use Medicaid or lack access to healthcare services.

Other co-investigators include: Drs. Bullock (Psychology), Hogue (Physician Assisting); Grothaus (Nursing); French (Family Medicine); Cooper (Medicine); Vasquez (AHEC); and Holiday-Goodman (Pharmacy).

Through the MEDTAPP grant numerous UT students in healthcare profession training, including, three advanced MSW students receive a full tuition waiver and stipend to participate in MEDTAPP sites which serve as their internships. Currently **Dr. Hoy** and MEDTAPP MSW Scholar **Lora Spurling** are working to integrate social work services within the UT Psychiatry Residency Training Clinic. MEDTAPP MSW Scholar **Cody Meinert**, under the supervision of **Dr. Cluse-Tolar**, is working to integrate social work with pediatric service provision at the UT Pediatric Clinic, and MEDTAPP MSW Scholar **Fanell Williams**, through her MEDTAPP-funded placement with the Human-Trafficking Coalition at which she is supervised by **Dr. Celia Williamson**, is developing student healthcare worker training and outreach programs to raise abilities of healthcare workers to identify and respond to individuals who are trafficked.

Congratulations again to **Dr. Hoy** who was an invited panelist to speak at the **Counsel on Social Work Education's annual conference Recovery-Social Work Learning Network Showcase** on Friday October 24, 2014. The purpose of this showcase was to highlight recovery-oriented practice in the classroom and research. Dr. Hoy shared three examples: 1) how to teach the DSM 5 while foregrounding mental health recovery principles; 2) the inter-professional, mental health recovery focused didactics taught with psychiatry residents and social work students; and 3) the Hope and Recovery Pet Program (HARP), which is a partnership through the Toledo Area Humane Society and local mental health centers, through which shelter animals are placed with individuals living with serious mental illness to help facilitate mental health recovery; the HARP program is coordinated by a UT advanced MSW student each year.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY, HIGHER EDUCATION AND COUNSELOR EDUCATION



Congratulations to **Dr. Aige Guo**, the Director of China Partnerships in the UT — Community College Internationalization Consortium, who was awarded the *Journal for the Education of the Gifted Paper of the Year* for her article entitled **Exploring Children's Passion for Learning in Six Domains**, coauthored with Dr. Lawrence J. Coleman.

Congratulations to **Dr. Shanda Gore** who has started a new graduate level Diversity Certificate in the Higher Education program. More information about Dr. Gore and this certificate program visit <http://www.insightintodiversity.com/images/downloads/digitalissues/november2014/index.html> and check out page 32. **Special congratulations to the University of Toledo for being a two-time recipient of the INSIGHT into Diversity Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award!**

Congratulations to **Brittany Seigneur Harris** who received the Counselor Education Master's Student of the Year Award and **Robin DuFresne** who received the Counselor Education Doctoral Student of the Year Award. These awards were given based on these students' activities during the 2013-2014 academic year. The presentation took place at the annual All-Ohio Counselor's Conference in Columbus.

Congratulations to **Dr. Ann Proudfit** whose dissertation study, entitled ***A National Longitudinal Study of the Influence of Federal Student Aid on Time to Associate-Degree Attainment*** was chosen as a Highly Commended Award winner of the 2014 Emerald/HETL Education Outstanding Doctoral Research Award.

Congratulations to **Dr. Brad Bonham** who successfully defended his dissertation, titled ***Understanding a College-Going Culture in the Secondary Level for At-Risk Students***.

Congratulations to **Felisa Eafford**, a Higher Education Program doctoral student from the Cleveland cohort, who successfully defended her dissertation study, entitled ***Impact of High School Exit Exams on College Readiness: A National Study***. Dr. Dave Meabon is the chair of her dissertation study. We wish Felisa much success as she begins gathering and analyzing the data for her study.

Congratulations to **Mark Curtis-Chavez**, a Higher Education Program doctoral student in the Cleveland Cohort, who successfully defended his concept paper, entitled ***Hispanic Male Academic Success in the Community College***. Dr. Ron Opp is the chair of his dissertation committee. We wish Mark much success as he begins writing his dissertation proposal.

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## Some Important Dates

You can find a copy of the University Calendar on the Provost's webpage at <https://www.utoledo.edu/offices/provost/calendar/> Here are some highlights:

<b>November 26 - 28</b>	<b>THANKSGIVING BREAK – NO CLASS</b>
<b>December 5</b>	<b>Five-Year Assessment due to Dept. Chair College Meeting &amp; Holiday Party</b>
<b>December 15 - 19</b>	<b>FINALS WEEEK</b>
<b>December 19</b>	<b>Fall Semester Ends</b>
<b>December 20</b>	<b>Commencement</b>
<b>December 23</b>	<b>Grades Due</b>
<b>December 25-26</b>	<b>Offices Closed for Holiday Break</b>

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