

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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The 2015 Fall Semester is off to a great start!

A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEW FACULTY:

Shay Bankston, MSW - Lecturer, Social Work

Woo Jong Kim, Ph.D. – Visiting Assistant Professor, Social Work

Yanhong Liu, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor, Counselor Education

Penny Poplin-Gossetti, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Higher Education

Megan Stewart, Ph.D. - Assistant Professor, Criminal Justice

Joel Sutton, Ph.D. - Visiting Assistant Professor, Counselor Education

Nicole Tuori, J.D. - Lecturer, Legal Specialties



MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Each year the summer seems to escape us and we find ourselves back in the swing of things; you've put your final touches on your fall syllabi and have completed your preparations for the incoming class of 2014, now the halls are bustling with students and the UT Rocket Football team is hitting the field tonight! I urge you to help our students throughout the semester, encourage them to see you during office hours, make use of our advisors, and understand academic support services available before they experience difficulty. Finally, encourage them to participate in student academic organizations, use the recreation center, and make the most of their college experience. Thank you for helping set the students' expectations and assisting them in finding the support they need. Have a nice relaxing Labor Day Weekend!

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



The Criminal Justice Program hosted the Toledo Police Chiefs Advisory Board's Community Forum and it was a huge success! It was an event highlighting a discussion between the community and the chief of police - over 120 people attended - and the evening was very successful at dispelling some myths about the police department along with starting what is hoped to be an ongoing dialogue. **Dr. Kasey Tucker-Gail** is a sitting member of the Chief's Advisory Board and is pleased to participate as the academic partner for this community initiative.

Dr. Wendi Goodlin-Fahnke, **Dr. David Lilley**, **Dr. Megan Stewart** & **Dr. Kasey Tucker-Gail** are pleased to have been the recipients of a Second Chance Act Two Phase Adult Reentry Demonstration Program Federal Grant in Cooperation with the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of Toledo. The grant was funded for \$833K in its entirety. The assembled team is looking forward to completing the evaluation portion of the grant.

Congratulations to **Dr. Heather Sloane** who completed her doctoral work and has moved into the role of tenure track Assistant Professor within the Social Work Program!



Congratulations to **Ann Trettin** who stepped into the role of BSW Director!



Particular attention at this year's Exclaim Concert was given to awareness of human trafficking. The organizers worked with the Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition and coordinated three different presentations, which included **Dr. Celia Williamson** from the University of Toledo, Michelle

Moore, who had personal experience being trafficked, and Megan Mattimoe, an attorney who founded Advocating Opportunity. They also dedicated a tent as the human trafficking education center. Mr. Puppos, pastoral associate for music and liturgy at St. John XXIII Parish in Perrysburg, said the effort is intended to "open people's eyes that this is a very big issue in our community, and to help if possible."

Read more at http://www.toledoblade.com/Religion/2015/07/25/Christian-music-festival-returns-for-6th-year.html

Social Work Faculty would like to thank **Tim Sanderson** and our IT department for providing additional computers for their adjunct faculty. They now have a work space to meet with students, prepare course materials, answer student emails, etc. Your assistance is much appreciated!

Dr. Celia Williamson has been meeting with the Chancellor and universities across Ohio to develop a plan that involves university collaboration to address teaching, research, and service as it relates to human trafficking.

Since 2004, **The Human Trafficking & Social Justice Conference** has been bringing together researchers, practitioners, and individuals with lived experience in an effort to lay the groundwork for future collaborative research, advocacy, and program development. This year the 12th Annual Conference will be held September 10th & 11th from 8:30am- 5:00pm in the Student Union and will offer up to 12 CEU's for Social Workers, Counselors, Chemical Dependency Counselors, Mental Health, and Lawyers. Not only does the Human Trafficking & Social Justice Conference educate hundreds of professionals, clinicians, and community members, but also High School students! On Wednesday, September 9th from 9am-3pm they anticipate 300 High School students to join the conference this year with their very own High School Workshops. **Dr. Williamson** also encourages UT faculty, staff and students to attend any session(s) for free.

For more information please visit www.traffickingconference.com

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

Congratulations to **Dr. Meabon** for earning the QM Certification Mark for one of his Higher Education courses!

Congratulations to **Malvika Behl**, Dr. Roseman's doctoral advisee, who received word that she has been selected as a 2015 American College Counseling Association (ACCA) Emerging Leader for the ACCA Annual Conference in Louisville, KY.

Congratulations to **Sara Stockwell**, CSJHS' Outstanding Young Alumnus Award Winner 2013, on her new position as the Director of Pupil Services in the Perrysburg School System for the 2015-2016 school year.

Congratulations to **Dr. Rosie Dunlap**, a recent graduate of our Higher Education Doctoral Program, who recently accepted the position as the Director of Graduate Programs in the College of Business and Innovation at the University of Toledo. We wish Rosie much success in this new position!

Congratulations to **Dr. Heemanshu Bhagat**, a former doctoral student in the UT Higher Education Program who transferred to the doctoral program at California Lutheran University, for successfully defending his dissertation study, entitled *Motivation to Lead: Effects of Leadership Immersion Experience in Developing Asian-American Leaders*. We wish Dr. Bhagat much continuing success as a higher education executive in the Los Angeles area.

Congratulations to **Dr. Angela Paprocki**, a member of the UT Doctoral Cohort, who successfully defended her dissertation study, entitled *The Influence Self-Efficacy and Involvement Have on Student Success*. Dr. Ron Opp was the chair of her dissertation committee. We wish Angela much continuing success as the Assistant Provost for Student Success at the University of Toledo.

The 2015 International Summer Leadership Academy (ISLA) in Europe by Snejana Slantcheva-Durst

In June of 2015, the Higher Education Program conducted its third International Summer Leadership Academy (ISLA). This time the destination was Europe. Over a period of two weeks, 26 Ph.D. and master's Higher Education students, faculty, alumni, and administrators visited three countries - Belgium, France, and The Netherlands - 7 European cities including Bruges, Brussels,



Leuven. Paris. The Hague, Rotterdam. Amsterdam, and 16 colleges, universities, higher education associations, and ministries. Similar to the prior two ISLAs, this international study trip exposed higher education students and professionals to the way foreign countries organize and manage their systems of higher education and challenged them to consider other approaches to administration and governance. The study trip also allowed our participants to work closely with higher education decision-makers and leaders of colleges and universities in Europe, and to partake in a two-day-long international seminar.

Most programs of higher education in the United States identify global competency as a central outcome. Most programs also have measures in place to instill values of diversity and social justice in their graduates that will enable them to create learning environments that reinforce global

citizenship for an increasingly international student body and workforce. Since 2008, the University of Toledo's Higher Education program has joined the front ranks in these efforts. Its ISLAs are unique in format, focus, and delivery, and address the global competency requirement the program's students must demonstrate. The ISLAs cover a variety of geographical locations, alternating between Europe and China, rich learning opportunities that expose students to the range of actors on the higher education landscape at all decision-making levels, opportunities for cultural immersion, and an international network for collaborative initiatives.



Just like the preceding two ISLAs, the Summer 2015 Academy trip had its specific highlights. The European Commission in Brussels provided us with an eye-opening morning on the challenges European higher education faces, and the breath and spirit behind



the Bologna Process. The Sorbonne in Paris left us speechless with its beauty and grandeur, and reminded us of the



central role universities have played in our civilization since its infancy. The Dutch universities that we visited opened our eyes to matching admissions approaches, outcomes-based learning and evaluation processes, and creative light-centered classrooms and buildings. All three countries demonstrated to us the support their colleges and universities enjoyed from their

governments, but also the challenges of student retention and success they shared with us. And, as one last highlight, the image of the breath-taking Michelangelo's Madonna and Child, exhibited in the Bruges' Church of Our Lady, will always stay with us.

Our group provided many learning opportunities for our guests as well. The higher education students and alumni also represented an impressive institutional variety that covered 3 states and 9 private and public colleges and universities from around the United States. Above all, the Ph.D. students in the Higher Education program provided excellent workshops for the European participants over the two days of the International Seminar on "Adaptability and Flexibility of Higher Education in the United States and Europe" that closed the Academy on June 25th and 26th.



Over the two-week period of the Academy, we accomplished a lot, and learned a lot from the professional and cultural worlds beyond the United States. Above all, we learned a lot about ourselves, about what we do and can do better. And the team spirit and mutual support never left us!

Please send along any stories, ideas, announcements, comments, etc. for next month's newsletter to angela.campbell@utoledo.edu

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:

September 7th Labor Day – no classes, offices closed

September 11th Pre-Tenure Evaluation Years 3, 4 & 5 Renewal Due to DPC

Tenure & Promotion Due to Department Chair

September 18th Merit for AY 2015-16 Due to Department Chair

September 21st Sabbatical Applications Due to Dean's Office

September 25th Inauguration of President Gaber – no classes in afternoon

Tenure & Promotion Due to College Personnel Committee

October 5th – 6th Fall Break – no classes

October 9th Pre-Tenure Evaluation Years 3, 4 & 5 Renewal Due to Dept. Chair

October 16th Merit for AY 2016-2016 Due to Dean's Office

October 23rd Tenure & Promotion Materials Due to Dean's Office

October 26th Pre-Tenure Evaluation Years 3, 4 & 5 Renewal Due to CPC

November 11th Veteran's Day – no classes, offices closed

November 13th Five-Year Post-Tenure Professional Assessment Due to DPC

November 20th Pre-Tenure Evaluation Years 3, 4 & 5 Renewal Materials Due to

Dean's Office

November 25th No classes

November 26th – 27th Thanksgiving Break – no classes, offices closed

December 4th Five-Year Post-Tenure Professional Assessment Due to Dept. Chair

December 14th – **18**th Final Exam Week

December 19th University Commencement

December 24th – 25th Winter Break – no classes, offices closed