

DECEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER



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Message from Janet L. Gooch, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Dean, School of Health Sciences and Education

The end of another semester is here. It's been a productive one and I thank each of you for your service and commitment. I am particularly pleased with the collective and collaborative work that our school has accomplished around the theme of "hunger/food insecurity". You will read about some of our efforts in this newsletter (many thanks as always to Mona for her work putting the newsletter together). Education initiated the first challenge early in the semester with the Food Bank Buddy Pack walk and SHSE participated in fine form. Aside from the amount of money raised by our school, one of the best outcomes was seeing Steve Hadwiger and Teak Nelson subjected to a cooler of ice water being poured over their heads. Steve and Teak "took one for the team" as a result of the faculty losing a Nursing student-faculty bet associated with money raised for the Buddy Walk. In early October, HES coordinated the "Shaving Cream Pie Fight" to benefit the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. Although the pie fight was not a Guinness World Book record-breaker, the event raised \$327.00 and collected 158 pounds of food for the food bank. Later in October, Dr. Janice Clark was a panelist for a discussion after the documentary film, "A Place at the Table". The film highlights hunger and food insecurity issues in the United States, providing both rural and urban examples. The last event of the semester will be an all school challenge by the Nursing program to benefit Hope's Kitchen. Every person who donates a minimum of \$1.00 to Hope's Kitchen and submits their name will have their name printed in the Kirksville Daily Express. Nursing has challenged all SHSE departments to see who will raise the most money from now until December 4th. Mona and I have yet to be asked to donate and so we have decided to accept the Nursing challenge – just the two of us! Collectively, we are few but mighty! Aside from the examples I mention here, I am certain that there were many other ways in which SHSE faculty, staff and students made and impact on hunger in our community. I look forward to continuing our efforts next semester. Additional ideas and projects are always welcome. As we close out another outstanding semester, my hope is that the holidays bring you joy and the new year every blessing.

December 2015 Commencement

Commencement ceremonies for the Winter Class of 2015 will be held Saturday, December 12. Of the 338 candidates (as of this writing), 92 ($\approx 28\%$) are from the School of Health Sciences and Education. The Registrar Office reports the following numbers:

The Communication Disorders (CMDS) Department has 20 candidates: 4 for Bachelor of Arts (BA), 10 for Bachelor of Science (BS), and 6 for Master of Arts (MA) in CMDS.

The Education Department anticipates 14 graduates from the Master of Arts in Education (MAE): 9 in Elementary Education, 3 in History/Social Science Education, 1 in Music Education, and 1 in Science Education.

Health and Exercise Sciences has 4 candidates for the BS in Athletic Training, 29 for the BS in Exercise Science, and 17 for the BS in Health Science.

Nursing expects to graduate 8 with the BS in Nursing.

Great American Smokeout

The School of Health Sciences and Education provided free hot chocolate and hot apple cider for participants in a Great American Smokeout event, November 19, on the Student Union Building mall. The event encouraged tobacco users to quit. Truman employees and students can participate in a free personalized coaching/support program and receive nicotine replacement products (gum, lozenges, toothpicks, patches). Employees may contact the Human Resources Office and students may contact the Student Affairs Office.

Hunger / Food Insecurity: School of Health Sciences and Education School-Wide Initiative

In the continuing effort to combat hunger / food insecurity in the Kirksville area, the Department of Nursing has challenged the other SHSE Departments to raise funds for Hope's Kitchen. The names of donors contributing a minimum of \$1.00 and submitting their names between November 30 and December 4 will be published in the Kirksville Daily Express. Ms. Sharon McGahan is leading the Nursing challenge with the support of the other faculty and nursing student cohorts. Hope's Kitchen, begun in 1999 by Kirksville High School students Rachel Higgins and Megan Lesczynski, is a non-profit organization that prepares and serves free hot meals for Kirksville residents in the lower level of Mary Immaculate Catholic Church. The program mission is to feed those who need food, either physically or spiritually by the interaction that comes naturally over a meal; to welcome and involve the community in service toward each other; to recognize we all have much to give and much to learn from each other; and to maintain a sense of dignity for those served along with compassion and a spirit of joy. Last year, Hope's Kitchen provided an average of 178 meals per week at a cost of \$2.57 per meal. More information can be found on Facebook or at www.hopes-kitchen.com Anyone interested in volunteering at Hope's Kitchen should call 660.626.2424.

Communication Disorders

A Graduate Student Open House was held November 7, with 27 attendees from: Truman (20); University of Iowa (1); University of Northern Iowa (1); Augustana College (1); Illinois State University (1); University of Missouri-Columbia (1); Kansas State University (1); and Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (1).

Graduate student Kylie Warner was a featured speaker at the annual dinner for retired Truman faculty and staff, November 10. She addressed the group about her experiences as a student and the impact Truman has had on her life.



Dr. Julia Edgar, Dr. Ilene Elmlinger, Dr. Janet Gooch, Ms. Melissa Passe, and Ms. Andrea Richards attended the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) annual Convention, November 12-14, in Denver, Colorado. While at the Convention, CMDS faculty hosted a recruitment booth for the open faculty position.

Pictured (left): Ms. Andrea Richards, Ms. Judy Page, current ASHA President, Ms. Melissa Passe, current ASHA CFCC chair, and Dr. Janet L. Gooch.

Graduate student Brooke Hickman, along with Brooke Welser, Augustana College, and thesis advisor Dr. Allison Haskill, also from Augustana College, presented “Emotion Word Usage in Narratives of Children with ASD, SLI, & Typical Development” at the ASHA Convention.

Alumna Liz Marler presented at ASHA 2015 in Denver. Liz is an audiology doctoral student at Purdue. She reports that she was very well prepared both clinically and academically for her current challenging studies at Purdue.

Senior Margo Krause was recognized as one of their two scholarship recipients for 2015, November 17, at the annual dinner of the Northeast Missouri Chapter of the Truman Alumni Association

Graduate students will present poster sessions, Friday, December 4, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., in the Student Union Building Alumni Room.

Thirty graduate students will participate in the 29th Annual Research Forum in Communication Disorders, Wednesday, December 9. The Annual Research Forum consists of formal stand and deliver presentations of graduate students’ research projects. This activity is offered for 0.3 ASHA CEU credits. Local Speech-Language Pathologists are invited to attend at no cost.

The Communication Disorders Association (CoDA) sponsored the following activities during the fall semester:

- speakers on various topics during meetings. Recent speakers have been Ms. Sheila Garlock, who discussed her sabbatical and what she learned and experienced. A member who works at the Career Center discussed what is expected in formal e-mails to professors, employers, etc.;
- a vintage apparel auction of CoDA apparel that was either handed down or never purchased. \$70.00 was raised;

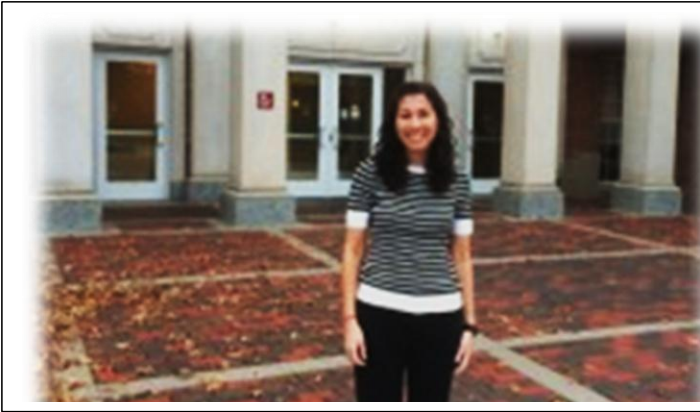
- a faculty appreciation day. Faculty members were surprised with notes and hand-made coasters to remind them of how much their students appreciate all of the hard work they put into all that they do, and for how much they care about the students;
- donated to Special Olympics through a local community member, Jared Niemeyer;
- volunteered at Manor Care and the LIFE abilities center in Kirksville on a weekly basis;
- a bonfire at the University Farm to bring together all members and enjoy a night together;
- planning and will begin fundraising early in the Spring 2016 semester for a Diaper Drive in March.

Education

Dr. Pete Kelly, as Chair of the Missouri Council of Education Deans, is serving on the Missouri State Network for Transforming Educator Preparation (NTEP) team. NTEP is an initiative of the Council of Chief State School Officers. The purpose of the initiative is to develop and engage state and national networks of key stake holders to improve teacher education in the state of Missouri. The state NTEP team, consisting of representatives from Missouri Educator Preparation Programs and those from P-12 schools, has formulated draft goals to improve teacher preparation in the areas of Licensure, Program Approval, and Assessment.



Students in Ms. Beverly Peters' SED 535 Counseling and Consultation with Families of Students with Disabilities class had the opportunity to question and glean valuable advice and information from a guest speaker panel with a combined total of 114 years of experience in education/therapy. Students prepared questions in advance and could choose to address all of the panel members or one in particular based on their experience in a particular area. Collectively Ms. Peters' guests have had experience as high school, middle school and elementary regular education teachers, elementary and middle school principals, elementary, middle, and high school special education teachers, a counselor and a speech/language pathologist. All of the guest speakers are current/past educators in the Knox County R-1 School District in Edina. Pictured above left to right: Ms. Beverly Peters, course instructor, Ms. Frances Jones, Elementary Principal, Ms. Nancy Goodwin, Special Education Director, Federal Programs Director and Middle School Principal, Ms. Jessica Erwin, High School Special Education Teacher, Dr. Marty Strange, Middle School Special Education Teacher and Ms. Joyce Delaney, Retired Speech-Language Pathologist.



Ms. Maria Stobbe spoke to pre-MAE students, November 3. After being recognized as a finalist for the Missouri Teacher of the Year in 2011, Ms. Stobbe is now an administrator in the Kirkwood School District. She told the students to always challenge their beliefs and choose to change them when they recognize that they are not worthy.

Dr. John Y. Jones presented a paper, “The Ideal School System: Eugenics, Immigration, and the Vision of Harry Laughlin,” at the 55th annual History of Education Society conference, November 5, in St. Louis. Dr. Jones used materials from the Laughlin archive at Pickler Library in preparing his presentation.

Dr. Chris Maglio attended the 67th annual Missouri School Counselor Association fall conference, November 8-10, at Osage Beach. The theme of the conference was “Game Changer. See the Vision. Inspire the Change.”

Ms. Jeanne Harding and Ms. Sheila Berkowitz conducted the fall Internship orientation, November 13. Fifty-nine student teaching interns will begin their spring internships in early January in school districts through the state and with the DoDDs program in Germany. Highlights of the orientation included an overview of the Missouri Pre-Service Teacher Assessment (MoPTA) and action research which the students will complete during their internships, and the Missouri Educator Evaluation System (MEES) which explained how the students would be evaluated during their internship. Career Center personnel lead an interviewing strategies, mock interviews were conducted by area administrators and teachers, and professional photographs were taken by university photographer, Tim Barcus. Math intern Ian Abundis skyped with the upcoming interns about the job search process. Other Field Experience workshops will be hosted this fall for spring ED 388 Exploratory Field Experiences and ED 393/394 Clinical Experiences in Teaching. These workshops will feature guidelines for background checks/fingerprinting and directions for securing substitute teaching certification.

A Disability Studies Minor Festival will be held Tuesday, December 1, from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., in Baldwin Hall 156. Twelve capstone projects will be presented. Those interested in learning more about the Disability Studies Minor are encouraged to drop in to this event.

Dr. Scott Holley, 40 year veteran teacher, will present “Why Do We Have to Learn This?” December 2, 7:00 p.m., in Baldwin Hall Little Theater. Dr. Holley’s presentation is part of the Education Department Leadership Series.

Joelle Beusterien, music education junior, was chosen for a staff and clarinet position in the Northern Wind Ensemble with Blue Lake International. She will tour three European countries next summer. “This position is something that is highly sought after since it is a free trip to Europe doing the thing we love – playing music,” she said. “I am very honored and fortunate to have been given this opportunity to travel to Europe and perform on my clarinet.” Blue Lake sponsors seven touring ensembles. While on tour, Blue Lake’s International performing groups present a concert in each community they visit and stay in private homes with host families.

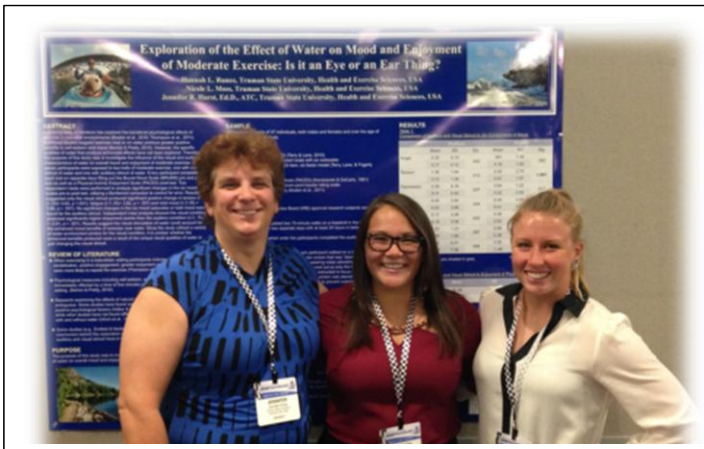


Dr. Paul Yoder at Kirksville High School's "Dancing With the Stars" fundraiser.



Health and Exercise Sciences

Congratulations to Tori Ogden, Jill Pohlman, and Garrett Brugman on passing the Athletic Training Board of Certification exam on the first attempt. When they graduate in December, the three will be Certified Athletic Trainers.



Senior Exercise Science students Hannah Runez and Nicole Moss presented their original research with Dr. Jennifer Hurst at the Association for Applied Sport Psychology in October. Their project explored the influence of both visual and auditory stimuli of water on changes in mood and enjoyment of moderate physical activity.



HLTH 362 Environmental Health students presented their 'second-life' projects. All objects were made from second-hand items to create a new, final product including shelves, a cat post/bed, wooden chest, flower vases, a clock, a lamp, games, and accessories.

Street clean-ups were completed October 13 and November 4. Students from Dr. Janice Clark's HLTH 290 course and Dr. Alicia Wodika's HLTH 362 course are pictured below working to complete service learning hours. The events were organized by Health Science seniors Kellen Weiss and Katie Daller.



Pictured above at the October 13 clean-up, left to right: Maggie Pool, Clare Pond, Allison Politsch, Matt Barkofske, Ty Clinkenbeard, Emily Quick, Brendan Cronley, Gillian Mwangi, Tori Thompson, and Rachel Reckamp.

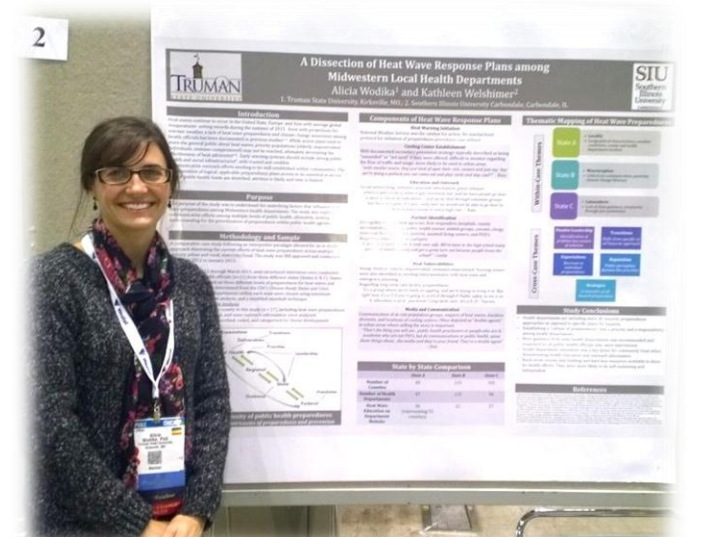


Pictured above at the November 4 clean-up, left to right: Allie Dougherty, Courtney West, Bailie O'Connell, Nick Porche, Valerie Fortner, Allison Politsch, Matt Barkofske, Maggie Pool, Clare Pond, Emily Quick, Ben Peters, Brendan Cronley, Mitchell Schroeder, Kristin Flinn, Tori Thompson, Kiden Pitia, Natalie Wronkiewicz, and Katie Daller.



HLTH 362 students spent half the day at Possibility Alliance, October 22, in rural LaPlata, to learn more about sustainable living. Possibility Alliance is a sanctuary run by Ethan and Sarah Hughes as well as countless volunteers. Students' eyes were open to the idea of living in the present while learning to live a more sustainable life and discussing key environmental issues.

Dr. Alicia Wodika traveled to the American Public Health Association National Conference, November 3, in Chicago, Illinois, to present her research on heat wave preparedness. This was her first time at the conference. She said it was amazing with endless possibilities of public health and health education research.



Students from HLTH 362 presented their “second-life” projects on Sustainability Day, October 28. Sustainability Day was co-hosted with the President’s Sustainability Action Committee, Student Government, and the Bike Coop.



Pictured above left to right: Maddie Moran, Lauren Renschler, Courtney West, and Gillian Mwangi.



Cody Scott shows off his lamp made completely from used car parts. Posters were developed by students including Natalie Wronkiewicz and Clare Pond.



Dr. Jennifer Hurst was invited to speak to students at Davis County High School in Bloomfield, Iowa about the athletic training profession, November 5, as part of Davis County's Biannual Career Fair for the high school.

Athletic Training students Brock Wright and Aaron Patterson competed in the NATA #BetterTogether photo contest in November to win a trip to the 2016 NATA National Convention in Baltimore. This contest was open to all certified athletic trainers and athletic training students. Their theme was “Brock and Aaron support their school and athletes in any way possible! Like tape and prewrap!” Out of 200 entries, the Truman Athletic Training students won the competition gaining the most votes. They have won free airfare, registration and housing to the national convention in Baltimore in June 2016.



Environmental Buddies and the HLTH 362 course presented an activity about recycling to Mrs. Lechner's second grade class, November 10, at Kirksville Primary. The Environmental Buddies group was organized by Sydney Smith, Lauren Houk, Miley Vu, and Aviance Webb, pictured right.



Sydney Smith and Chris Bogguss work with students on their bird feeder craft.

Ms. Jana Arabas and Ms. Liz Jorn attended the Missouri Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference, November 13, at Lodge of the Four Seasons in Lake Ozark. At the conference they teamed with Gina McNeece from Northwest Missouri State University to present a CPR class for K-12 Physical Education Teachers across the state. Forty-one teachers received the certification.



HES students are pictured above receiving plaques from President Mr. John Poznar, November 14, at the Missouri Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference, at Lodge of the Four Seasons in Lake Ozark: Bonnie Kempker, Health Science; Nathan Gorman, Exercise Science, and Matt Bowden, Athletic Training.



Student Public Health Association (SPHA) initiated nine new members and also voted in a new executive board for the 2016 school year. New members pictured left, left to right: Mathew Barkofske, Susan Caman, Nicole Dunseith, Maddie Gates, Marie Gehrke, Maha Mohamed, Libby Revelle, and Mitchell Schroeder. (Not pictured: Sam White.) The group, co-advised by Dr. Janice Clark and Dr. Alicia Wodika, is pictured above.

Dr. Janice Clark's HLTH 366 Program Assessment and Planning students have raised more than \$1,563.00 for the Faith Lutheran School's (FLS) shade structure for their outdoor classroom area. The soup supper November 8 at FLS netted \$383.00. Colton's donated four gallons of soup and students and Dr. Clark provided additional soup, bread, crackers, and desserts. Sodas were also donated. A pancake breakfast November 15 brought in \$297.00. The fundraising night and gift card sales with Colton's made \$196.00 plus \$44.00 in donations from patrons. The Shades for Shade project netted \$33.00. Donations have been received from Delta Zeta (\$246.00), Alpha Phi Omega (\$100.00), Tau Lambda Sigma, and SPHA totaling \$385.00. The balance of the money donated has come from individual donations. The last fundraising event for FLS was Bellacino's night, November 30. The rest of the money donated has come from individual donations. Donations are welcome.

Dr. Janice Clark's HLTH 440 Program Implementation and Evaluation students will present a showcase of senior capstone projects, Thursday, December 3. The students completed at least 30 project hours for campus and community projects. These include: Kellen Weiss and Matt Copeland (coordinators for the Buddy Pack Program with the Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri) supervised by Susan Dublin; Jeremy Jordan and Meredith Bruns (Program Assistants for Event Marketing of Food Bank Projects for the Food Bank of Central and Northeast Missouri) supervised by Susan Dublin; Carly-Jo Scott and Samantha Ackerman (the Health Council's Dental Health presentations to middle school, high school, and college students) supervised by Amy Carrol; Karli Ashcraft (Automated External defibrillator (AED) Education & Maintenance Project) supervised by Margaret Hoogland of NEMO Heart Health Committee; Xavier Vaughn (Project Assistant for NEMO Area Health Education Center) supervised by Becky Dawson; Carrie Nelson & Kelly Meade (Over-the-Counter Drug Awareness Week) assisted by Dr. Roberta Donahue and the HLTH 325 Management & Marketing class; David Roach (Health Lessons for K-2 After-School Students at the YMCA); Elizabeth Terrigino (Development of a Culturally Competent Health Curriculum for Newly Arrived Refugee Women in Phoenix, Arizona) supervised by Cassie Kettenhoven at the Greater Valley Area Health Education Center, Phoenix, Arizona); and Teaching Assistants in Health Science courses: Abby Wheeler (HLTH 325 Management & Marketing) supervised by Dr. Roberta Donahue; Rachel LaGrand (HLTH 349 Research Methods in Health Education) supervised by Dr. Alicia Wodika; Jessica Hanson (HLTH 362 Environmental Health) supervised by Dr. Alicia Wodika.



When Dr. Janice Clark lost her voice while teaching HS 290, November 20, she had students quiz each other over chapter topics on the day's schedule. While they were quizzing each other, she wrote many questions on the whiteboard. After the students answered all of the questions, they asked to take pictures. They are pictured above taking pictures.

Nursing



In a joint effort of the Clark County R-1 (CCR-1) Schools, Clark County Health Department, and the Nursing Department, about approximately 400 CCR-1 students and staff were given flu vaccines, October 30. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, yearly vaccination is the first and most important step in protecting against flu and it is recommended that everyone six months and older get vaccinated each year. It's your best defense against influenza – and its possible complications. The flu vaccine is safe, and it can reduce flu illnesses, doctors' visits, missed work due to flu, as well as prevent flu-related hospitalizations.



Ms. Pam Melvin and senior nursing student Paige Allen joined forces with the staff at ATSU's Human Patient Simulation Lab to provide an Interprofessional Collaborative Simulation for nursing and medical students. A total of 34 nursing students and approximately 60 KCOM medical students participated in two afternoon sessions during November. This simulation provided students with an opportunity to learn how to communicate and collaborate as a team to provide care to a patient (manikin). The simulation received highly positive reviews from both the nursing and medical students and more similar opportunities are planned.

Senior Nursing students have planned a commemoration of World Aids Day, Tuesday, December 1, 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., outside Kirk Memorial by the Eternal Flame. The theme is "Getting to Zero: Zero New Infections, Zero Discrimination." The ceremony will include candle lighting, reading of names, poem readings, global considerations, and ribbon distribution.

Senior Capstones of Nursing will be presented Thursday, December 3, by students in NU 410 Introduction to Nursing Research. This event is sponsored by the Rho Omega Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing and Northeast Regional Medical Center. The goals of the Omega Chapter are: to recognize superior achievement; to recognize the development of leadership qualities; to foster professional standards; to encourage creative work; to strengthen commitment on the part of individuals to the ideals and purposes of the profession of nursing. Oral Presentations will include: *The Effect of Exercise on Depression among Persons with OCD* by Paul Wheeler; *The Effect of Nurse Led Educational and Peer Support Groups on Breastfeeding Duration among Lactating Mothers* by Erin Cowling; *The Effect of Family Camps on Family Processes in Families with Child Recently Diagnosed with Cancer* by Stephanie Dummerth; *The Effect of Turning Patients Every 4 Hours on Sleep Deprivation of Hospitalized Patients in the ICU* by Tyler Keane; *The Effect of Screen Time Reduction Instruction on Abdominal Body Fat among Obese 6th Grade Children* by Andrew Kramer; and *The Effect of Physical Activity on the Self-Esteem of Pre-Adolescent Obese Women* by Kathryn Hussey. Poster presentations will include: *The Effect of Massage Therapy on Caregiver Role Strain of Parents of Pediatric Transplant Patients* by Victoria Holt; *Prescription Drug Misuse Among Adolescents in the United States* by Austin Kampen; *The Effect of Resilience Training on Burnout among Critical Care Nurses* by Hannah Haywood; *The Effect of Acupuncture on Pain for Laboring Mothers* by Brittany Siefker; *The Effect of Hospital Training on Nurses Reporting Rates of Domestic Violence* by Olivia Lahman; *The Lived Experience of Post Intensive Care Unit Survivors: A Phenomenal Proposal* by Trudi Gatteys; *The Effect of Follow-Up Phone Calls on Suicidal Ideation in Veterans who have Recently Returned From Active Duty* by Ellen Hargrove; *The Effect of Interactive Preoperative Program on Pediatric Preoperative Anxiety* by Katheryn Baer; *The Effect of Coping Skills Training on Coping of Parents of Children with Type 1 Diabetes* by Amanda Berrey; *The Effect of Physical Activity on Self-Esteem among Obese Adolescents* by Curtiss Bunch; *The Effect of Mental Health Support on Coping Abilities Among Parents of Pediatric Cancer Patients* by Samantha Daugherty; *The Effect of Positive Expiratory Pressure and High Frequency Chest Wall Oscillation on Airway Clearance in Individuals Diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis* by Megan Doerhoff; *The Effect of Psychoeducation on Post Traumatic Stress among Pregnant and Laboring women with Rape Trauma Syndrome* by Rachel Drury; *The Effect of Coping Skills Training on Caregiver Stress in Spouse Caregivers for Individuals with Dementia* by Lauren Dwyer; *The Effect of De-escalation Training and STAMP Assessment on the Incidence of Battery Against ER Nurses* by Katherine Kurtz; *The Effect of Exercise and CBT on Self-Care Deficits in Patients with Rheumatoid Arthritis* by Alyssa O'Brien; *The Effect of Motivational Interviewing on Health Outcomes in Patients with Type II Diabetes and Low Health Literacy* by Savannah Proctor; *The Effect of an Educational Video of Antimicrobial Resistance on the Rate of Antimicrobial Infections among Young Adults* by Lindsey Purcell; *The Effect of Cognitive Behavior Therapy Versus Social Skills Training on Social Functioning among Patients with Schizophrenia* by Arlene Seper; and *The Effect of Bedside Shift Report on Incidence of Falls among Geriatric Patients on the Medical-Surgical Floor* by Melissa Tran.

Calendar of Selected Upcoming Events

December 3, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

December 4, Friday: Last Day of Fall 2015 Semester Classes

December 5, Saturday: Board of Governors

December 5, Saturday: Lyceum *Christmas with the Celts*, 7:30 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium

December 7, Monday: Finals Start

December 9, Wednesday: Reading Day

December 10, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

December 11, Friday: Finals End

December 12, Saturday: Commencement, 11:00 a.m.

December 12, Saturday: Winter Interim Begins

December 16, Wednesday: Graduating Senior and Graduate Student grades due in TruView by noon

December 18, Friday: All Other Grades due in TruView before noon (see above for senior grade deadline)

December 19, Saturday: 3rd Annual Kirksville Community Christmas Dinner

(For more info, go to <http://www.kirksvillecommunitychristmasdinner.com/>)

January 9, Saturday: Winter Interim Ends
January 11, Monday: Spring 2016 Semester and First Block Classes Begin
January 14, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
January 15, Friday: Winter Interim Grades due in TruView before noon
January 18, Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday (University Closed)
January 20, Wednesday: Graduate Council, 3:40 – 5:00 p.m., BH 100
January 23, Saturday: Visit Event
January 28, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
February 2, Tuesday: Lyceum *Vocalosity*, 7:30 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium
February 6, Saturday: Board of Governors
February 11, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
February 17, Wednesday: Graduate Council, 3:40 – 5:00 p.m., BH 100
February 18, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
February 24, Wednesday: Early Progress Report for 100-200 level full-term courses due in TruView before noon
February 24, Wednesday: Lyceum *Million Dollar Quartet* Musical, 7:30 p.m., Baldwin Auditorium
February 25, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
March 2, Wednesday: First Block Classes End
March 3, Thursday: Second Block Classes Begin
March 3, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
March 4, Friday: First Block final grades due in TruView before noon
March 7 – 11, Monday – Friday: Midterm Break (University Open)
March 16, Wednesday: Graduate Council, 3:40 – 5:00 p.m., BH 100
March 19, Saturday: Visit Event
March 24, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
March 28, Monday: Spring Break
April 5, Tuesday: SHSE Mini-Research Conference, 3:30 p.m., VH 1010
April 9, Saturday: Board of Governors
April 14, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
April 19, Tuesday: Student Research Conference
April 20, Wednesday: Graduate Council, 3:40 – 5:00 p.m., BH 100
April 22, Friday: Eighth Annual Language and Literature Conference with Laura M. Justice, Ph.D., CCC-SLP,
speaking on *Enhancing Children's Vocabulary Skills Using State-of-the-Art Techniques and Interventions*
April 23, Saturday: Visit Event
April 28, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
April 28, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
April 29, Friday: Last Day of Spring 2016 Semester Classes
May 2, Monday: Finals Start
May 4, Wednesday: Reading Day
May 5, Thursday: Old Faculty Senate, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
May 5, Thursday: New Faculty Senate, 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.
May 7, Saturday: Commencement
May 7, Saturday: May Interim Begins
May 11, Wednesday: Graduating Senior and Graduate Student grades due in TruView by noon
May 13, Friday: All Other Grades due in TruView before noon (see above for senior grade deadline)
May 28, Saturday: May Interim Ends
May 30, Monday: Memorial Day (University Closed)
May 31, Tuesday: First Five Week & Ten Week Classes Begin
June 3, Friday: May Interim grades due in TruView before noon
June 6, Monday: Eight Week Classes Begin
June 11, Saturday: Board of Governors
June 27 – July 1, Monday – Friday: Advanced Placement Institutes TBA
July 1, Friday: First Five Week Classes End

July 4, Monday: Independence Day (University Closed)

July 5, Tuesday: Second Five Week Classes Begin

July 18 – 22, Monday – Friday: Advanced Placement Institutes TBA

July 29, Friday: Eight Week Classes End

August 5, Friday: Second Five Week & Ten Week Classes End

Mission Statement

The School of Health Sciences and Education is committed to preparing students to effectively serve as professionals and leaders in their communities and fields by providing an exceptional education grounded in the liberal arts and sciences, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, promoting diverse learning experiences, and inspiring the pursuit of continued scholarship and research.

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