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School of Education Sponsoring the Cycling Team

The School of Education is sponsoring the Cycling team at Lindenwood University. The sponsorship is a collaborative partnership in promoting and attending events benefiting the Cycling team and the School of Education. Our first event was supporting the cycling team at the *Tour St. Louis* event in Forest Park on March 24. Micah Mason is majoring in Elementary education and participated in the event as a member of the Cycling team. We are proud of her accomplishment of placing at the collegiate level!

We will keep you posted on the sponsorship as well as upcoming events in future newsletters. Please let Dr. Kelly Hantak know if you would like to serve of this committee via e-mail at khantak@lindenwood.edu.

Staff Attends MACTE Conference

Dr. Tammy T. Moore and Dr. Janette Ralston working hard to prepare for data submission of our education programs to the State of Missouri. They both attended the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (MACTE) March 25-27, 2019.



EdD Graduates, Drs. Holland and Carr-Winston, Share Experiences with Capstone I Students

Dr. Syreeta Holland and Dr. Melodie Carr-Winston spoke to Dr. Mitch Nasser's Capstone I course on March 25th. They shared insights on how they persevered through the prospectus and IRB process. The discussion was well received and appreciated by students!



Dr. Sarah Patterson-Mills Presents at Downer's Grove School District

Dr. Patterson-Mills was invited to present at a school district in Downer's Grove, IL. She will be working with a school counselor in the district to organize and coordinate the event. The topic is the Illinois Developmental School Counseling Model which Dr. Patterson-Mills was part of the writing team and revision of the model in 2017-2018. This will be presented to the entire district as a means to further identify the roles and responsibilities of the school counselor.

Lindenwood Graduates Working at Chestnut Health Systems

Brent Cummins '06 is director of adult addiction treatment and recovery support for Chestnut Health Systems in Granite City, Ill. He oversees Chestnut's adult substance use services in the St. Louis metro east area. He also serves on several drug-free coalition committees in Madison and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. Cummins joined Chestnut in 2002. He lives in Collinsville, Ill.



Brent Cummins

Carrie Hilling '08 is director of access and outpatient mental health at Chestnut Health Systems in Granite City, Ill. She oversees programming, funding, staffing, and client services for Chestnut's adult mental health outpatient and medication services and for central access at the organization's locations in Granite City, Belleville, and Maryville, Ill. Hilling has been with Chestnut for 16 years. She lives in Worden, Ill.



Carrie Hilling

Jessi Hubbs '13 is a licensed professional clinical counselor for Chestnut Health Systems in Belleville, Ill. She works with adolescent clients as part of the school-based counseling program at a high school in Belleville. She also provides outpatient counseling services for adolescents and children. Hubbs earned a Master of Arts in professional counseling. She lives in Waterloo, Ill.

Dan Hutchison '15 is associate director of youth residential services for Chestnut Health Systems. He oversees client services and oversees hiring and staff development for Chestnut's residential adolescent SUD program in Maryville, Ill. Hutchison earned a Master of Arts in Counseling. He lives in Collinsville, Ill.



Daniel Hutchison

Angela (Becker) Kueper '12 is residential unit coordinator at Chestnut Health Systems' residential adolescent treatment facility in Maryville, Ill. She provides clinical supervision for staff and oversees clinical treatment activities. Kueper studied school counseling and earned a Master of Arts degree. Kueper has worked for Chestnut since 2007. She lives in Highland, Ill.



Angela Keuper

Erica Langenfeld '15 works as a youth and adolescent clinician for Chestnut Health Systems in Belleville, Ill. She provides therapy, community support, and case management, primarily to clients in Belleville District 118 schools. Langenfeld earned a MAPC degree in professional counseling. She lives in New Baden, Ill.

Natalie Ruth '10 is a youth and family support services coordinator for Chestnut Health Systems programs in Belleville and Granite City, Ill. She supervises youth program staff, provides individual therapy, delivers youth mental health first aid training, oversees a mental health juvenile justice program, and serves on juvenile justice councils in Madison and St. Clair Counties. Ruth earned a master's degree in professional counseling. She lives in Lebanon, Ill.



Natalie Routh

Amanda Simpson '14 works as a case manager for Chestnut Health Systems in Granite City, Ill. She is also the team leader for Chestnut's early serious mental illness program, providing families with psychoeducation, helping them to communicate, understand the patient's symptoms, problem-solve, and build rapport within the family. Simpson studied counseling at Lindenwood and earned a degree in professional and student counseling. She lives in Bridgeton, Mo.

Jim Wallis '04 is director of business development for Chestnut Health Systems. He oversees business development, serves as a liaison between lobbying organizations and elected lawmakers, and assists with research and development of new technologies. Wallis earned a master's degree in professional counseling. He lives in Troy, Mo.



Jim Wallis



Wow! I Want to Take That Class! Podcast Highlights Faculty Across Disciplines

Many great courses exist here at Lindenwood University, designed by faculty, and Drs. Elder and Leavitt believe it is time to share and learn from each other through their podcast, *WOW! I Want to Take That Class!* Created through the help of a Faculty Fellowship sponsored by the Learning Academy, the podcast has three episodes with four more to come this semester. Assistant Professor of History, Dr. Ted Cohen was an amazing first guest and shared his individualized approach to teaching which has his students thinking like historians. Associate Professor of Education, Dr. Jill Hutcheson, *WOW!*'s second guest, shared how her class has students applying instructional strategies they will use with their future students and learning innovative lessons from Discover Nature Schools. The third episode with Journalism Professor, Dr. Neil Ralston discussed the key to teaching journalism: experiential learning. Students' hands on experiences and perspectives were the center of this conversation; so listeners will want to tune in for great advice and to hear what the journalists of tomorrow are doing today. All of the professors shared what makes their classes a *WOW!* Download the podcast to hear Drs. Cohen, Hutcheson, and Ralston what future guests have in store.

<https://wowntakethatclass.blubrry.net/>



CapIT! Hosts Data, Dignity, and Justice Forum on Ethical Issues and Research, 7-8:30 p.m. on April 8

CapIT!, a podcast created and hosted by Drs. Elder and Leavitt to bring transparency between the EdD program and doctoral students, will sponsor a forum on April 8th, 2019 from 7-8:30 p.m. in Dunseth Auditorium. The forum will be a panel discussion on data, dignity, and justice on ethical issues and research. The panel will include two students and two faculty members. One student panel member, Dr. Leslie Muhammad, is a Lindenwood EdD graduate who focused her doctoral research on restorative justice. Faculty panel members include Dr. Sherrie Wisdom, Supervisor of Graduate Studies and Professor of Educational Leadership, and Dr. Ted Cohen, Institutional Review Board Chair and Assistant Professor of History. The event will stream on Facebook Live and be taped for a

future CapIT! podcast. All EdD students are welcome and encouraged to attend. Special thanks to Mike Leary and Lynda Leavitt for creating this event!

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Alumni Giving Insight to Students

The School of Education is hosting a Learning Lunch on April 3rd from 11:30-12:30. The lunch will be in the Library and Academic Resources building room 311. The topic for the lunch will be the importance of continuing education after certification. Jason Sefrit, Superintendent of Schools in St. Charles and Brian Smith the Assistant Superintendent at Mehlville Schools will be the guest speakers. The event will host 10-12 students and will be a great opportunity for the students to interact with our alumni. Look for a full report on the event next month.

Social Work Month 2019

March is Social Work Month! The Social Work Student Alliance (SWSA) was busy promoting Social Work as a major leading to a rewarding profession in helping others.

Social workers touch the lives of millions of people each day, helping them overcome life's hurdles so they can live to their full potential.

Social Work professors, Debra Johnson, Denise King, and Carla Mueller, are housed on the second floor of Eastlick Hall. Stop by to learn more.

Spotlight on Social Work (2015) Graduate, Sam Barton

“The social work program gave me a great set foundation for building clinical skills. I felt ahead of many other classmates clinically because of my BSW from Lindenwood. Also - I think taking research with Dr. King really pushed me, but it clicked, and I felt ahead of many other students in that area as well. I think the program helped me become more culturally sensitive and informed. I've been published twice for research!” Sam went on to graduate from Columbia University in New York City with a Master's Degree in Social Work (MSW).

“I'm currently working at a non-profit (BOOM!Health) in the South Bronx, which is one of the poorest congressional districts in the country. I'm working in the syringe exchange program and manage a drug user health hub that works with people who have overdosed or who are at risk of doing so. And, as far as the future, I'd love to continue working in this field, but work at a macro/policy level. I think I'll also go back for a PhD eventually.”



Belleville School Counselor of the Year

Brett Kolweier is the 2019 Belleville School Counselor of the Year. Read what he has been accomplishing below:

"I currently hold the position of school counselor at Wilbur Trimpe Middle School in Bethalto, Illinois. I am the first person to hold the position at the school so it has been a learning experience for both myself and the other staff. I think this does show the need and push to get more mental health professionals to the students that need them at every level. In my position, I currently work with students on both a social/emotional and on an academic level.

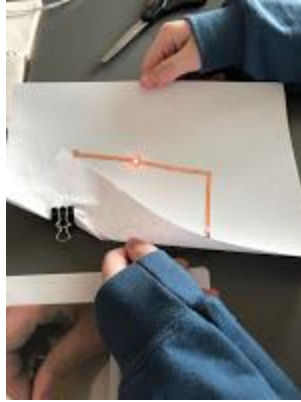
On the social/emotional side, I work with the school social worker to handle any student needs that may arise. This includes new students to the school, peer conflicts in the school, and home life issues. A major piece of my position also includes student academics. I am in charge of the lunch study program where students are assigned to finish work that they have fallen behind on. Students are also encouraged to use this time as a way to get ahead on their work if doing it at home has proven to be an issue. Along with this, I keep up with student grades and work with any student that is struggling academically. I also run small groups where I work with students on skills such as organization, time management, task initiation, and other executive function skills. Lastly, I started an after school program where students can come to work three days a week in order to get help on homework or to just have a quiet place to work."



IDEA Studio Hosts Wentzville School District Field Trip

On March 13, the Library and Academic Resources (LARC) building hosted 125 8th graders from the Wentzville School District. These students spent time in the archives, the gaming lab, playing Breakout EDU, and spent time with Jana Gerard (the School of Education's Educational Technology Learning Specialist) with some of the IDEA Studio's Educational Technology equipment. The students enjoyed their time exploring the LARC and especially enjoyed being able to experiment with the IDEA Studio's technology.





LindenTeach Program Presented at National Conference

Drs. Melissa Daniel, Mary Ruetters, Jill Hutcheson, and Janette Ralston presented the LindenTeach partnership between Orchard Farm School District and Lindenwood University at the national AACTE annual conference in Louisville, KY on Feb 22. The title of the presentation was Thinking Like the Business School: Paid Voluntary Internships for Teacher Candidates Through a School District Partnership.

The Annual Meeting provides a forum for educators to engage in meaningful discussions, share research and practices, and become better equipped to drive change in the educator preparation field (AACTE).



Introducing Q2

Lindenwood University has been working to improve and grow our customer and hospitality service. We are proud to introduce our Q2 initiative.

Behavior Analysis Students Present Research in Nashville

Katie Harris and Kodi Ernewein, students in the behavior analysis program, presented our research, “Tackling Rugby Performance Using TAGTeach and Behavioral Feedback” at the Women in Behavior Analysis Conference in Nashville, TN. The students have both become strong practitioner-scientists and are planning to head to PhD programs in the Fall. A special thank you to the LU Rugby women team and coaches for collaborating with us for this interdisciplinary effort.



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