# DIGEST

CAMPUS NEWS & EVENTS

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#### Stefani Schuette Named Lindenwood Chief of Staff



Effective April 17, Stefani Schuette, formerly Executive Assistant to the President, was named Lindenwood University Chief of Staff.

Schuette was named to the post by Interim President Art Johnson, who explained that the primary responsibility of the position is to keep projects on track by communicating with key individuals and to act as a decision-maker in the President's absence. As Chief of Staff, she speaks with the authority of the university President.

"She has been unbelievably supportive of me, the cabinet, and the university," Johnson said, "and she is an excellent steward of the university's assets." Schuette has worked at Lindenwood for 10 years, initially in the Business Office, before being named executive assistant to the president in 2015. She has a B.S. from Missouri Valley College in Marshall, Mo., and an MBA from Lindenwood. She is currently pursuing a Doctor of Education degree from Lindenwood and is on track to graduate in 2020.

"I am so excited to take on this new role and to have the opportunity to contribute to Lindenwood's continued success," Schuette said. "The university has been my home for the last 10 years, and I am thrilled to be a part of this amazing campus community. I look forward to continuing to serve the interim president, Art Johnson, as well as providing a smooth transition and serving the new president."

#### **Today's Headlines**

**April 26, 2019** 

#### Give STL Day on May 1 to Benefit Lions' and Lynx Reserve Fund

Lindenwood University is participating in Give STL Day on Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Donations will go to the Lions' and Lynx Reserve, which provides support for students whose funding has run out prior to graduation.

Give STL Day, hosted by the St. Louis Community Foundation, is a 24-hour, online day-of-giving event, designed to ignite the spirit of giving across the region. Since its inception in 2014, Give STL Day has raised over \$10 million for more than 900 regional nonprofits.

Donors may <u>contribute</u> at any time on May 1, 2019, and may pre-schedule donations if necessary.

The Lindenwood community is encouraged to spread the word about Give STL Day by sharing a <u>link</u> to the giving page on Facebook and Twitter. Visit givestlday.org for additional details.

#### Association of College and Research Libraries Conference Presentations

Last week, Lindenwood's Paul Huffman co-presented at the Association of College & Research Libraries conference in Cleveland, Ohio, with Sandra Harris (Maryville University) and Sheryl Walters (Logan University). The topic was How Academic Libraries are Engaging Readers with Popular eBooks and Audiobooks.

#### **BSU Seeking Advisor**

Black Student Union (BSU) is looking for an advisor committed to a 1-hour per week meeting and also guiding the student leaders in personal and organizational development. BSU is looking for an advisor that is willing to champion the vision and mission of BSU and its impact on the college campus.

If interested or if you have questions, please contact President Alyssa Hawkins at <a href="mailto:alh210@lindenwood.edu">alh210@lindenwood.edu</a> or the Senior Advisor Robin Travis <a href="mailto:Rtravis@lindenwood.edu">Rtravis@lindenwood.edu</a>. Otherwise, you are welcome to come to the group interview on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 4:15 p.m.

### 2019 Research Exposium to be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on May 2 in Harmon Hall

The Hammond Institute's Center for Economics and the Environment (CEE) will host its **5**<sup>th</sup> **Annual CEE Student Research Exposium** from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 2.

"This event represents an opportunity for economics students to present posters explaining their research projects," said Dr. Howard Wall, director of the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise. "The afternoon session will be held in the second floor atrium located on the south end of Harmon Hall."

Awards will be given to the top three posters, as determined by a panel of faculty judges with an additional wild card award determined by the students themselves. Light refreshments will be served.

#### **Library Video Streaming Service Survey**

The library would like to hear from faculty about their needs regarding streaming video content. This short 9 question survey will help us better understand the needs of faculty and hopefully find products to trial in the fall to see if there is a product that can meet those needs. Click here to access the survey.

The survey will close on May 17. If you have any questions before or after that time, please send them to Nancy Messina at nmessina@lindenwood.edu.

#### Linden Scroll Advisor Needed

Linden Scroll is looking for a new advisor beginning fall semester 2019. Linden Scroll was established in 1955 and is an honorary service organization whose purpose is to promote college loyalty, advance the spirit of service and fellowship, recognize and encourage leadership, and to stimulate the intellectual development of Lindenwood University students. For more

information, please contact Sarah Leassner (<u>SLeassner@lindenwood.edu</u>) or Penny Bryant (<u>PBryant@lindenwood.edu</u>).

# **Lindenwood's Music Program Presents: Student Conductors and The 2019 Spring Concert Series**

The Music Program will be wrapping up their concert season with two exciting series: The Student Conductors Concerts, April 23 - 24, and The Spring Music Series, April 25-29. The performances on April 23 and 24 will be in the Lindenwood Theater: all other performances will be in the Emerson Black Box Theater. All events are free, and the only performances that require tickets are the Voices Only performances on April 28 and 29. Please visit <u>LUBoxOffice.com</u> for complete details on performances as times vary.



2019 Student Research Conference Winners

#### The Student Research Conference Subcommittee would like to thank all the students, faculty, staff, and the entire Lindenwood community for their participation in the 2019 Student

## 2019 Student Research Conference Winners

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School	First Place	Second Place
Arts, Media and Communications	Alyssa Jones	Chelsea Eichholz Sydney Gibbs
Health Sciences	Shannon Modl	Jennese Bacon
Humanities	Morgan Courtney& Vaughn Hayes	Anna Reynolds
Sciences	Christopher Hogan	Taylor Bragg-Brock and Eli Lind Jillian Schyuler
Graduate	Hannah Zabriskie	Patrick Harty

Research Conference.

# 2019 Student Research Conference Winner

2019 Audience Choice Award Sponsored by the Lindenwood University Chapter of Alpha Chi Honor Society

Marouen Helali

**Learning Academy - Upcoming Workshops** 

### Learning Academy

#### LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY

### April 29 - May 7

April 29 • Staff Years of Service

April 30 • Operations Q2

May 1 • Faculty Years of Service

May 2 • Puppies at the LARC

Fiscal Affairs Q2

Information Technology Q2

May 3 • WOW! Podcast with Dr. Lauren McCoy

May 7 • Operations Q2

Library & Writing Center Q2

### **Learning Communities**

- Whistling Vivaldi Stephanie Afful
- · Service Learning Julie Turner
- Technology in Teaching Brittany Weiss

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Click here for more information & to RSVP

#### Late Night Breakfast - May 6

It is that time of year again! Join CAB and Pedestal Foods as we present Late Night Breakfast! Staff and faculty are asked to volunteer to serve students. Volunteers will receive an LNB Shirt and get to eat before doors open!

LNB is held on May 6, 10:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. this spring. Spots are limited, so please sign up quickly!



#### **DECA Team Performs Well at International Competition**



Lindenwood University's DECA Collegiate Competition Team recently took part in the

International DECA Competition in Orlando, Fla., placing six of the 10-member team as finalists and four in the top 10.

The conference and competition was held April 13-16. Team members were Claire Beckman, Connor Hepler, Carli Gogol, Taylor Hepler, Braeden Westhusing, Monica Friedman, Zoe Seemes, Bella Rainey, Makayla Wenzel, and Hanna Smith. They competed in Marketing, Ad Campaign, Travel and Tourism, Sales Management, Fashion Marketing, B2B Marketing, and Hotel and Lodging.

"Having six of ten team members finish in the top ten of their business competition categories at an international event is amazing," said DECA advisor Craig Felzien. "Our team this year is a wonderful mix of seniors, freshman, and sophomores. Our future is bright, and I am very proud of our DECA Team."

#### **Upcoming Webinars for the Council on Economic Education**



<u>Dr. Tawni Hunt Ferrarini</u>, Plaster professor of economic education, will lead <u>two global webinars</u>for the Council on Economic Education - U.S. Faculty, staff, students, student organizations, and alumni are welcome to join at no cost. For more information, visit online atwww.hammondinstitute.org.

April 30

**Economics of Poverty** 

Time Tue, Apr 30, 2019 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM CST Presenter Tawni Ferrarini, Lindenwood University

Register Today - Cost: Free

**May 28 Bitcoin and Cryptocurrency** 

Time Tue, May 28, 2019 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM CST Presenter

Tawni Ferrarini, Lindenwood University

Register Today - Cost: Free

#### **Staff Evaluation Cycle**

The portal opens May 1 for staff to complete their self-evaluation. Remember to upload evidence throughout the year so you don't have to at the last minute!

For the purpose of supporting and sustaining a culture of continuous improvement, Lindenwood employees participate in an annual, formative, and evidence-based evaluation process. Performance standards and indicators are aligned with the mission and values of the university and job description for each position.

#### PORTAL

Click here to access your Evaluation Portal (log in using your Lindenwood username and password). If you are not in your portal and wish to email your evidence remotely from your Lindenwood email to your evaluation file, you can send notes, files, pictures, etc. to ebesevidence@appointlink.com. Evidence sent remotely will appear in your evaluation portal as "Uncategorized Evidence" that you can assign to the appropriate performance indicator(s) at your convenience.

#### **Evaluation Cycle Begins/Portal Open for Adding Evidence**

January 1: Faculty & Academic Administrators September 1: Staff, Staff Administrators, & Coaches

Portal Open for Completing Self-Evaluation October 1: Faculty & Academic Administrators May 1: Staff, Staff Administrators, & Coaches

Self-Evaluation Due Dates

November 15: Faculty & Academic Administrators
July 15: Staff, Staff Administrators, & Coaches
Once you've completed and submitted your self-evaluation, please schedule a meeting with your supervisor.

#### **Final Evaluation Due Dates**

January 15: Faculty & Academic Administrators August 15: Staff, Staff Administrators, & Coaches

#### **Final Evaluation Sign-Off Due Dates**

January 22: Faculty & Academic Administrators September 1: Staff, Staff Administrators, & Coaches

If you have questions about the evaluation process, please contact your supervisor. For technical assistance with the evaluation portal, please contact <a href="mailto:HelpDesk@lindenwood.edu">HelpDesk@lindenwood.edu</a>.

#### **Dance Department takes trip to NYC**



Dancers from the Lindenwood Dance Department went to New York City last Friday with Adjunct Instructor of Dance Tracy Dupre! "The Sweetest Sound" piece

was accepted into a new tap choreography showcase called, "Something's Afoot." The showcase was hosted by Brenda Bufalino's American Tap Dance Foundation. Performers included Megan Mayer, Katie Volker, Abigail Weber, Emma Ducote, Brittani McClellan, Marie Gilliam, and Andrea Brown. Read more about the event here: <a href="http://atdf.org/SomethingsAFoot19.html">http://atdf.org/SomethingsAFoot19.html</a>

#### 2019 Midwestern Political Science Association Conference



Two Lindenwood students, political science major Maria Sanchez, and Political Science and Historical Studies major Anna Reynolds, presented at the poster session at the 2019 Midwestern Political Science Association Conference in Chicago in March 2019.

Maria presented her research on "*Undocumented Students Pursing Higher Education Through DACA*." She was sponsored by Political Science Adjunct Professor Dawna Williams.

Anna's poster featured her research on "Breaking the Marble Ceiling: How Women Have Shaped Congress," and she was sponsored by Dr. Don Heidenreich and Dr. Jeanie Thies.

Mathematical Association of America (MAA), Missouri Section, Annual Conference



The weekend of April 4-6 over 100 mathematicians and mathematics students from across Missouri gathered at Lindenwood University for the annual two-day conference of the Missouri Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA). This year's conference was organized by Professor Christopher Johnston of the Lindenwood Mathematics Department, who is the chair of the Missouri section of the MAA.

The conference kicked off on Thursday with the Missouri Collegiate Math Competition (MCMC). This year, 31 teams, totaling over 80 students participated, with Washington University in St. Louis taking first place.

Friday and Saturday, conference participants gave and listened to 24 mathematical talks spanning different areas of mathematics and mathematics education. Friday afternoon's plenary talk was given by national MAA treasurer Jim Daniels and titled "How much money do you (or your parents) need for retirement?" Saturday's plenary talk, given by Dr. Martin Bohner from Missouri S & T, was "Dynamic Equations on Time Scales." Lindenwood senior Christopher Hogan gave a talk titled "Numerical Methods for Solving the Wave Equation" based on research he has done this past year under the guidance of Professor Wojciech Golik. In addition, Lindenwood Associate Professor Nick Wintz gave a talk titled "Kalman Filter on Stochastic Time Scales," based on ongoing research with collaborators at Missouri S & T.

#### **Finals Week Hours**

#### Evans Commons Rec Center & Third Floor Track Finals Week Hours

May 4-5 (Saturday-Sunday) 10:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M.

May 6-10 (Monday-Friday) 7:00 A.M.-9:00 P.M.

May 11-12 (Saturday-Sunday) CLOSED

\*All guests will be asked to leave the facility 15 minutes prior to the scheduled closing.

-Campus Recreation Staff







Assessment Tip of the Week: Closing the Loop: An Example from Student Life & Diversity

Assessment is a key component of student engagement and student satisfaction, which is one of the many reasons the co-curricular areas have focused on "closing the loop." These offices and departments refer to the ILOs for programming and to make sure the opportunities and services that are provided for students support their academic programs and the University's ILOs. Student Life & Diversity includes the following areas: Chaplain, SCRC, Health Center, Fraternity and Sorority Life, LSG, Rec Center, Intra-murals, CAB, Student Involvement, Leadership Certificate, Residential Life, Dean of Students, DEI Task Force, and the UC-DEI. There are numerous forms of assessment that are completed in each of these areas individually as well as in conjunction with nationally-normed surveys that are administered by OIE.

In 2015, the SSI data showed that students had two key complaints regarding the student services areas – Wi-Fi in the residence halls and visitation policies. As a result of the SSI data, the Wi-Fi in the residence halls was updated to a significantly faster speed, which allowed students to stream and watch Netflix. In 2016 and 2017, the visitation policy was changed, which allowed for longer visitation hours. Both of these changes were data-driven decisions that increased our students' satisfaction level.

Lindenwood Student Government conducts a survey each semester to obtain feedback from students on numerous issues. Based on the data, several changes, some small and some large, were implemented over the past few years. Here are three examples. First, students clearly indicated they wanted more large scale concerts, diversity in the music genres, and that that they would be willing to pay up to \$20/ticket. In 2018-2019, Student Involvement created the "One Roar" student concert series and offered two concerts (one country and one hip hop). Attendance at both concerts was phenomenal and students made tons of social media posts about how they loved Lindenwood University, how they were so happy to have these concerts on their campus, and how they loved bringing their friends and family to the concert. Second, we discovered that students were no longer using Facebook as much for information, but were more likely to use SnapChat, Twitter, and Instagram, which were methods that the offices were not using. As a result, the offices learned how to use these social media sources, created accounts, and started marketing events with these resources. LSG and Residential Life both asked students questions about co-ed housing and whether students think it would be beneficial. Due to the overwhelmingly positive response for co-ed housing, we were able to convert two upper-class residence halls into co-ed halls (floor by floor).

Based on numerous data sources (FSSE, NSSE, qualitative DEI survey, etc.), conclusions were drawn that students, faculty, and staff want a multicultural center on campus to be established. The multicultural center would serve as a safe-space for students, become a centralized location that deals with under-resourced and marginalized populations, and conduct programming. In the summer of 2019, the Center for Diversity & Inclusion will be launched. This is another example of the power of making data-driven decisions.

The Office of Student Life & Diversity recognizes the importance of student engagement, out-of-class contact, student development, and complementing the academic programs.

Questions? Contact Shane Williamson at SWilliamson@lindenwood.edu or x4728.

(Assessment Tips of the Week are archived on the Assessment Website – see the homepage of the Website at www.lindenwood.edu/assessment)

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Hammond Institute Hosts Public Policy Forum on Tues., April 30 in Harmon Hall



#### Are Educational Institutions Unwittingly **Encouraging Political Toxicity?**

An open discussion based on Chapter 3 - "The Untruth of Us vs. Them" - from the book: Coddling of the American Mind by Lukianoff and Haidt

TUESDAY.

APRIL 30th 2019

FROM

4 TO 5:30PM

Lindenwood University **Dunseth Auditorium** Harmon Hall

209 South Kingshighway St. Charles, MO 63301

- + Interactive Q&A
- + Light refreshments provided



Be sure to stop by Harmon Hall from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Tues., April 30, for the next Public Policy Forum: Are Educational Institutions Unwittingly Encouraging Political Toxicity? This open discussion sponsored by the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, will focus on Chapter 3 - "The Untruth of Us vs. Them" - from the book Coddling of the American Mind by Lukianoff and Haidt.

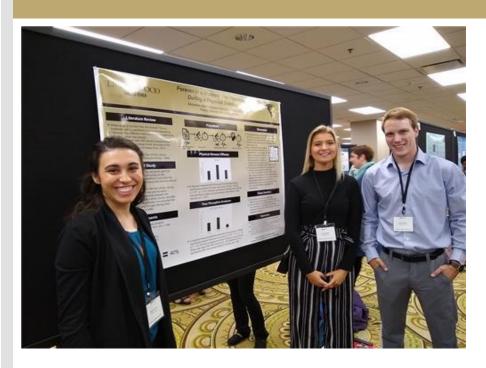
#### Featured panelists:

- . Tawni Hunt Ferrarini. moderator
- . Stephanie Afful

- . Rachel Ferguson
- . Joseph Steineger
- . Jeanie Thies
- . Dale Walton

We hope you can join us for this timely discussion! There will be light refreshments served outside Dunseth Auditorium (*reservations not required*). For questions or more information, please call 636-627-2915.

# Psychology students, faculty, and alumni attend and present at the Midwestern Psychological Association



The St. Charles Psychology Department had 7 presentations on a variety of topics at the Midwestern Psychological Association Conference in Chicago April 11-13. Presentations included 5 faculty sponsors/presenters, 6 current students, and 4 alumni. Additionally, there was an Alumni Networking dinner.

- -Forever in a Moment: The Overestimation During a Physical Stressor Task by Samantha Ebert, Keersten Heinrich, and Kevin McGowan (Sara Bagley, Faculty Sponsor)
- -Let's play Matchmaker! Investigating race and attractiveness preferences in online dating by Maya Holmes, Elizabeth Winder, and Krystia Grembocki (Stephanie Afful, Faculty Sponsor)
- -He Said, She Said: Effects of Speaker Gender on Perceptions of Advice Quality by Bethsaida Bucaram (Rebecca Foushee, Faculty Sponsor)

- -Exploring Suicide Risk in Adults by Jennifer Johnson (Colleen Biri, Faculty Sponsor)
- -Effects of Room Lighting on State-Anxiety Measurements by Mariah Palmer (Michiko Nohara-LeClair, Faculty Sponsor)
- -Aspirations, But Not Autonomy, Affect Mate Choice in Early Adulthood by Jaidelynn Rogers (Southern Illinois University at Carbondale) and Rebecca Foushee
- -Teaching Intersectionality: An Active Learning Exercise Using Wage Gap Statistics by Rebecca Foushee

#### **Penny Race for Charity**

#### 2019 Penny Race

Penny race for charity starts Monday! How far will your change go?

#### April 29 - May 17



How does it work?

Earn positive points for your team by putting pennies in your team's bank.

1 penny = 1 point10 pennies = 10 points

Sabotage other teams with negative points by putting all other coins and paper money in their banks.

1 dollar = -100 points 1 nickel = -5 points

The winning team will receive a pizza party lunch and get to choose the charity from a list of charities!

For more information, Contact Monica Seiter, Staff Council chair, at mseiter@lindenwood.edu or 636-949-4971.

#### **Upcoming Events and Deadlines**

<ul> <li>April 23 - <u>Faculty Colloquium Speaker Series</u>, <u>Spring II 2019</u>, 3-4 p.m. For further information, please see our <u>flyer</u>, <u>speaker bios</u>, and <u>abstracts</u>, or email <u>FacultyColloquia@lindenwood.edu</u>.</li> </ul>
April 24 - Lindenwell Appreciation Banquet
April 24 - Get Money-Smart "Stay on Target", Dunseth Auditorium, 12-1 p.m.
<ul> <li>April 27 - <u>The 2nd Annual Siblings Day</u>, <u>RSVP</u>, for more information contact <u>TSchwede@lindenwood.edu</u></li> </ul>
April 29 - All-Staff Meeting and Award Ceremony
<ul> <li>April 30 - A Night with Sam Kean, Spellmann Center's Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room, 6 p.m., for more information contact <a href="mailto:mphifer-davis@lindenwood.edu">mphifer-davis@lindenwood.edu</a></li> </ul>
May 2 - <u>Later Tales for Adults</u> - Lindenwood Cultural Center, 7-9 p.m.
May 10-11 - <u>Graduate and Undergraduate Commencement</u>
<ul> <li>May 15 - Assessment Summit "Engaging Students, Present and Future" Scheidegger Center, 9 a.m.</li> </ul>
May 15-17 - Assessment Days

- May 23 Deadline for Nominations Assessment Champion Awards, 2018-2019, <u>submit nominations</u> to <u>JBergmann@lindenwod.edu</u>
- June 15 Annual Assessment reports due from all acedemic programs, co-curricular programs, and administrative units

See the full list of upcoming events

#### **Submit Information to the Digest**

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