# **DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER**



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## December 2018 Commencement

Commencement ceremonies for the Winter Class of 2018 will be held Saturday, December 15. Of the 299 candidates (as of this writing), 85 ( $\approx$  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: 8 for Bachelor of Science (BS), and 12 for Master of Arts (MA) in CMDS. The Education Department anticipates 18 graduates from the Master of Arts in Education (MAE): 12 in Elementary Education, 1 in Foreign Language Education; 2 in History/Social Science Education, 1 in Social Science Education, and 2 in Music Education. Health and Exercise Sciences has 3 candidates for the BS in Athletic Training, 22 for the BS in Exercise Science, and 12 for the BS in Health Science. Nursing expects to graduate 10 with the BS in Nursing.

## Dixon Faculty Research Fund

Dr. Carolyn Cox (HES) and Dr. Jocelyn Prendergast (MAE-Music) are the recipients of the Dixon Faculty Research awards for AY 18 – 19. Established by former President Barbara Dixon, the fund was designated to support faculty research and / or creative activity. Funds rotate among the five Schools, and this year the funds are awarded through the School of Health Sciences and Education. Dr. Cox's project is to produce a publishable paper based on her abstract *Population health-focused competencies for inter-professional education and practice* that will focus on the history and progression of the public health field in inter-professional education / practice, integrating more population-focused concepts and activities into pre-licensure inter-professional education interventions, and recommendations as to the role of public health professionals in inter-professional healthcare teams. Dr. Prendergast's project is a multiple case study examining the experiences of six pre-service music educators who have engaged with popular music genres over two semesters as a part of two courses. She is interested in learning how those experiences have challenged the students, how they felt about what was asked of them, and if they see themselves possibly incorporating popular music into their future careers as educators. While the broader field of popular music education scholarship is relatively new, research considering the preservice music educator's perspective is virtually non-existent.

#### **Portfolio Workshop**

A portfolio workshop for faculty who are applying for promotion, tenure, or third year review will be held Tuesday, December 18, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., in Violette Hall 1220. Anyone is welcome to attend, regardless of whether materials are due this year or not until the future. Coffee and snacks will be provided.

#### **Communication Disorders**

Dr. Julia Edgar, Dr. Ilene Elmlinger, Ms. Andrea Richards, Dr. Amy Teten, and Ms. Melissa Passe attended the American Speech – Language - Hearing Association (ASHA) annual convention, in November, in Boston, Massachusetts.

CMDS presentations at the ASHA Convention included the following: Dr. Amy Teten and Erynn Skoglund, CMDS graduate student, presented their research: "Personality Traits, Social Participation Patterns, and Vocal Habits of College Students Relating to Glottal Fry"; Dr. Ilene Elmlinger and Dr. Julia Edgar presented "A Model for Recruiting and Preparing Undergraduate Students for Doctoral Programs in CMDS"; Dr. Julia Edgar presented a poster on "Voice Problems in the Clergy"; Ms. Melissa Passe made the following presentations "Ethical Challenges Affecting Practicum and Researchers: Strategies for Reporting and Resolution" on November 15, and a poster session entitled "Ethical Misconduct: Where Everybody Knows your Name" on November 16

Stacey Pettit, CMDS graduate student, attended the fall Speech Pathology Association (SPA) meeting, November 16. The Speech Pathology Association is a group of northeast Missouri speech language pathologists, speech language pathology assistants, speech implementers, and paraprofessionals who work in public schools. Meetings are held twice per year to share ideas, challenges, and new information and to host professional development programs. The professional development program for the November 16 meeting was an online presentation about Interactive Metronome.

The CMDS Department hosted a Graduate Student Open House, November 3. The 13 attendees were from Truman State University (5); University of Central Missouri (1); Iowa State University (1); Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville (5); and Missouri State University (1).

The Communication Disorders Association (CoDA) (CMDS Student Organization) is continuing their Diaper Drive. The first Diaper Drive occurred in spring, 2016. One in three families in America struggles to afford diapers for their children, and there is little to no support available to help families struggling to provide this necessity. CoDA is collecting diapers and wipes for families in Kirksville who are experiencing need. The first Diaper Drive of the fall semester began in September and will continue throughout the semester. Donations of diapers and wipes will be collected in the Speech and Hearing Clinic. The diapers will be given to families in need at the Salvation Army, Friday, December 7.

# **Education**

Dr. John Jones presented *The Second Empire: International Schools and the Creation of Modern Japan* at the 2018 History of Education Society (HES) Annual Conference, in November, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. As chair of the HES Archives Committee, he also delivered the Archives Committee annual report.



The Truman Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter held their fall banquet November 13. The banquet featured the presentation of the Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter Bulldog Forever Award. Dr. Julie Lochbaum, Professor of Education, was the recipient. The award is presented to the chapter member who demonstrates dedication and support for both the Northeast Missouri Alumni Chapter and Truman State University. Congratulations, Julie, on this well-deserved honor! Dr. Summer Pennell, assistant professor of English education, and Emily Stobbe, MAE student in Secondary English, attended the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Annual Convention in Houston, TX from November 15-18. Dr. Pennell presented a paper based on her original research titled "Critical Community Building through Twitter: Increasing Student Voices in a YAL Course." She also participated in mentoring sessions for practicing teachers and co-facilitated a roundtable session titled "Amplifying and Celebrating Intersectional and Transectional LGBTQ+ Voices." This roundtable was sponsored by the Gender and Sexuality Equality Alliance (GSEA), of which Pennell is the Chair. Emily Stobbe presented in a roundtable session for pre-service teachers titled "The Future is Now." Her presentation was titled "How Can we Talk about Race in the Classroom?: A Critical Race Theory Content Analysis of Missouri Learning Standards for 6-12 English." This stemmed from research Emily and Dr. Pennell completed over the summer.





On November 9th, the National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) hosted their annual Leadership Lock-In from 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm. With the theme of 'Fresh Hot Cup of Leadership', the evening focused on leadership development skills and how leadership relates to coffee. The event began with fantastic presentations by Dr. Miner, the Head of the Education department, and Janes Dreamweaver, Director of Fitness-Wellness at the Campus Recreation Center. Students from across campus then led attendees in a Question and Answer panel to learn more about varying perspectives in leadership from student leaders from around campus. After a quick break for pizza, the event concluded with several activities lead by members from NRHH. There were nearly 30 students in attendance and the overall response was very positive! NRHH would like to thank everyone who attended the event, as well as Dr. Miner, Janes Dreamweaver, and all of the student panelists who were able to make this event a success. We look forward to planning next year's Lock-In! NRHH is an honorary organization for students living on campus. Its goal is to represent the top 1% of leaders living on campus. NRHH's focus areas include service, recognition, and leadership. To find out more about NRHH please contact Sammy Garret at trumanrhanrhh@gmail.com. ~ *by Sammy Garrett, president of Truman chapter of NRHH* 

Mr. Tristan Daniels was a guest of Kappa Delta Pi, October 25. Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education, was founded in 1911 to foster excellence in education and promote fellowship among those dedicated to teaching. Mr. Daniels is a secondary English and history teacher at Green City High School and is a MAE graduate. He shared tips on looking for jobs, interviews, classroom management, collaborating with colleagues, and much more. ~ by Rebecca Neilhouse





Graduate student Rebecca Neihouse, senior Kate Marnati, and advisor Dr. Wendy S. Miner attended the Kappa Delta Pi Convocation in Indianapolis, Indiana, November 1 - 3. Kappa Delta Pi is an international organization with members coming several different countries. from Keynote presentations included how to work with grieving students, Education Reimagined, and sustainability. The attendees visited a variety of presentations given by educators and college students from various backgrounds. They learned about new and innovative techniques to use in the classroom. Ms. Neihouse, Ms. Marnati, and Dr. Miner participated in Simon Youth Foundation's Conference on Wounded Students, November 3 - 4. With the information they learned, they gave a seminar on working with wounded students, November 28.

~ by Kate Marnati



Ray Miller Elementary's 5th grade classes took a field trip to Truman State University to learn about art and experience the local art gallery. Some of the student comments follow. "I had no idea that you can create paintings with coal" - Adelaide Prewitt; "We went to Truman on an awesome field trip and saw so many cool 2D and 3D art." - Olivia Boyer; "First we talked about some art, then we got to create some!" - Ryan Showers; "Did you know that some art is placed in cement boxes to travel?" - Adalyn Lay; "Did you know that art can look different depending on where you stand?" - Jean Davis. The teachers found the entire trip to be worthwhile. The students learned so much and had fun creating art of their own. We are so thankful for the partnership we have with our local university. *~ by Kelli Hunsicker* 

Before Thanksgiving break, Dr. Bev Perrachione invited students from Dobson Hall's Living and Learning Community (LLC) for pre-MAE students and the LLC's two student advisors, for dinner at her home. Cecilia Franklin, MacKenzie Hahn and SAs, Hannah Pohl and Zach Wessels and I, were welcomed to a home-cooked meal and Dr. Perrachione's warm hospitality. Despite none of us having met her before, Dr. Perrachione made the evening feel like a night at home, even encouraging us to take home the leftovers. It was a nice evening during which we got to meet a professor from the Education Department and get closer with her, our neighbors, and our SAs.



Truman MAE students Cory Madden, Sarah Masterson, Alex Holzum, Rachel Flynn, and Courtney Schaper attended the FLAM / KSWA joint conference, October 26-28, in Kansas City, Kansas, with Dr. Tim Farley and Dr. Stacy Davis. Truman's MAE program had a strong presence at this year's conference. These pre-service teachers and members of the campus organization Linguaprofs attended sessions and workshops on Foreign Language Learning and best-practices for Foreign Language Instruction. Everyone had an amazing time learning more techniques to utilize in their spring student teaching internships, as well as bonding with Truman alumni and area high school/middle school teachers.

Truman Alumna Michaela Hylen was presented with the Outstanding Future Foreign Language Educator by the Foreign Language Association of Missouri at their annual conference October 27. Michaela graduated from Truman last year with honors and is currently teaching French at Raymore Peculiar High School in Kansas City. MAE faculty (especially Dr. Tim Farley and Dr. Stacy Davis) are extremely proud of Ms. Hylen as she begins her first year teaching and her representation of the success and quality of our MAE program in Foreign Language Instruction.





vrea high school teachers and students visit Truman for the annual Classical and Moderr auguages Festival. Truman faculty and language majors offer a variety of interdisciplinar Truman MAE students Ross Jones, Alex Graham, Paige Karls, Cory Madden, Ryan Stoeckel, and Wolf Wheeler participated in four planetarium shows: Le voyage a travers le systems solaire and El viaje por el sistema solar as part of the annual Classical and Modern Languages Festival, November 15. Around 300 area high school and middle school students and their teachers were in attendance. Students spent many hours revising and practicing the scripts for the two shows in French and two shows in Spanish. The Del and Norma Robison planetarium was filled with students eager to explore space in the L2. The audience attendees loved the enthusiasm of the MAE students. Dr. Tim Farley and Dr. Stacy Davis extend to Truman students many thanks for all of their hard work.

#### <u>Health and Exercise Sciences</u>

Thirteen Exercise Science majors were involved in presenting eight research posters at the 2018 Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Symposium during A. T. Still University's Founders Day celebration, October 27. Truman presenters and titles follow: Brianna Morgan and Monica Hunter, Comparison of Bone Density and Bone Mineral Content between Women Athletes and Sedentary Controls; Emily Bailey, Ben Brooke, Noah Vermette, Monica Hunter, Allometric Scaling of Strength Performances by Body Mass and Lean Mass in College Football Players; Jacob Gunn and Ian McCluskey, Comparison of Methods for Tracking Body Composition Across a Year Training Cycle in College Soccer Players; Jared Littlefield and Kellie Schramm, Comparison of Maximal Strength and Submaximal Repetitions in Bench Press Performed with Barbell and Dumbbells; Monica Hunter, Influence of Baseline Strength and Fat-Free Mass on Upper-Body Strength Improvement Following Machine Weight and Free Weight Resistance Training in Young Men; Taylor Burlis and Robert Taylor, Acceleration and Velocity Characteristics of College Women Athletes in a Short Sprint; Zane O'Brien, There Are No Differences in Upper-Body Muscular Endurance at Equivalent %1RM in Trained and Untrained College-aged Men.



Michaela Mooney



Alyssa Borst and Michaela Mooney



Robert Taylor and Taylor Burlis



Noah Vermette, Ben Brooke, Emily Bailey, and Dr. Jerry Mayhew



Monica Hunter





Kellie Schramm & Jared Littlefield



Nathan Verzeaux



Jacob Gunn & Ian McCluskey

The Interdisciplinary Biomedical Research Symposium (IBRS) is an annual no-cost event hosted by the A.T. Still Research Institute of the A.T. Still University of Health Sciences (ATSU). The event gives students, residents, faculty, and regional researchers the opportunity to present their current research and provides a foundation for promoting collaborative research with the Institute. The IBRS consists of oral presentations, poster presentations, and a keynote address.



Truman students are pictured (left) with their awards at the 2018 Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (MOAHPERD) conference held in November at the Lodge of the Four Seasons in the Lake of the Ozarks. From left to right: Michaela Mooney (Exercise Science). Outstanding Future Professional: Allison Griffiths (Health Science), Outstanding Future Professional; and Mackenzie Snyder (Athletic Training), Outstanding Future Professional and the Dr. Patricia McSwegin Research Award.



Mackenzie Snyder, athletic training senior student, presented her research poster "The Effectiveness of Added Ankle Stabilization Using Standard Prophylactic Ankle Taping Procedure on Balance of College Athletes" at the 2018 Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (MOAHPERD) conference in November at the Lake of the Ozarks. Mackenzie was awarded the Dr. Patricia McSwegin Research Award at the conference. This award is presented to the student with the highest rated research abstract and research presentation at the convention. Mackenzie was also awarded the Athletic Training Future Professional award at the conference.

Maha Mohamed (pictured right) presented a poster of her research at the student poster session at the Missouri Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (MO AHPERD) Conference, November 10, in Osage Beach. Her research was entitled "Women's Contraceptive Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behavior Rates at a Liberal Arts University."





Students from Dr. Janice Clark's HLTH 362 Environmental Health course displayed their Second Life Projects during Recycling Week, November 12 - 16, at tables in the SUB, Magruder Hall, and Pershing Building. Students were to find a used item and give it a "second life" by re-purposing it to create something entirely new and different from the original purpose of the item. Students created the following (pictured below): a play kitchen for a young niece from a night stand; a wine rack and goblet rack from a dresser; a quilt, pillow, and woven rug from old t-shirts; a baseball cap rack and shelf from the end of a drying rack; a bowl from magazine pages; an outdoor seat from a tire, a footstool with storage from a five gallon bucket; and a cat hammock from a box and old tee-shirt.





Bhavana Yerragunta, President, and Leah Wright, Vice President, of the Student Public Health Association (SPHA) assisted the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) with their Buckle Up Phone Down (BUPD) campaign in October. MoDOT sent the purple cups to SPHA in early October and Bhavana and Leah received approval from the Truman Physical Plant to put the purple cups on the fences of the soccer and intramural fields facing well-traveled campus/city streets for 2 weeks, from October 16 - 30. The BUPD campaign was advertised on KTVO, local radio stations, and other chain link fences across Missouri this fall.

#### <u>Nursing</u>



Nursing students held their annual candlelight memorial services, November 27, at the Kirk Memorial Building. This annual event commemorates those affected by Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). Several poems, stories of persons living with HIV/AIDS, and names of individuals affected were presented throughout the memorial service. Candles were lit and a moment of silence was taken toward the end of the service to honor those affected by this disease. This events brings awareness of HIV/AIDS to the community, encourages people to get tested, and promotes disease prevention. The event was organized by the Senior Nursing Students in the Rural Public Health Nursing course.



The Truman School of Health Sciences and Education was well represented at the inaugural TEDx: Truman State University Conference, November 4. Speakers from the school included Elijah Farrales (student – Exercise Science); Anna Grace (alumna – Master of Arts in Education); and Dr. Teak Nelson (faculty – Nursing).

#### **Calendar of Selected Upcoming Events**

- December 1, Saturday: Board of Governors Meeting
- December 1, Saturday: Admission Office Saturday Visit
- December 6, Thursday: Undergraduate Council, 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m., SUB Alumni Room 2105
- December 6, Thursday: Nursing Capstones
- December 7, Friday: Last Day of Fall Semester Classes
- December 10, Monday: First Day of Finals
- December 12, Wednesday: Reading Day
- December 13, Thursday: Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m., SUB Alumni Room 2105
- December 14, Friday: Last Day of Finals
- December 15, Saturday: ABSN Recognition / Pinning Ceremony, 8:30 a.m., SUB Activities Room
- December 15, Saturday: CMDS Hooding, 9:00 a.m., SUB Down Under
- December 15, Saturday: MAE Hooding, 9:00 a.m., Ophelia Parish Performance Hall
- December 15, Saturday: Commencement, 11:00 a.m.
- December 15, Saturday: Winter Interim Begins
- January 12, Saturday: Winter Interim Ends
- January 14, Monday: First Day of Spring Semester Classes

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