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Chair elected to board

October 11, 2013

Dr. Patrick Munley, Professor and Chair of CECP, has been elected Chairperson of the Michigan Board of Counseling.

Assistant Professor has been selected as an Emerging Leader Fellow for 2013 by the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision

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Dr. Stephanie Burns, Assistant Professor of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has been selected as an Emerging Leader Fellow for 2013 by the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES). The Emerging Leaders program is designed to help new professionals enhance the diversity and vitality of ACES leadership and provide an overview of ACES leadership opportunities and American Counseling Association leadership opportunities. In addition, Dr. Burns received the American Counseling Association – Midwest Region Branch – Best Innovative Practice Award for 2013, and was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Employment Counseling (official journal of the National Employment Counseling Association (NCEA), a division of the American Counseling Association). NCEA was founded in 1966 to implement solid and practical interventions to enhance employability and long term employment.

Assistant Professor has been appointed to the Editorial Board of the journal Counseling and Values.

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Dr. Jennifer Foster, Assistant Professor of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has been appointed to the Editorial Board of the journal Counseling and Values. Counseling and Values is the official journal of the Association of Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (ASERVIC), a division of the American Counseling Association. The mission of Counseling and Values is to promote free intellectual inquiry into spiritual, ethical, religious, and value domains of counseling.

**Professor receives a $34,000 subgrant award to work on the Legacy Together Project.**

October 11, 2013

Dr. Beverly Vandiver, Professor of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has received a $34,000 subgrant award from Penn State University for the fall 2013 semester to work on the Legacy Together Project. This is an applied research project to understand how to help afterschool programs promote citizenship, skills, and positive youth behavior that may ultimately lead to preventing delinquency and substance abuse. Afterschool programs can provide a safe place for youth in their communities, and when run well, they can help youth avoid drug abuse, delinquency, and teen pregnancy. This project is expected to help find and validate tools that can be used effectively to understand and improve afterschool settings; and if successful, an afterschool program manual and training will be developed.

**Professor appointed to board**

October 11, 2013

Dr. Lonnie Duncan has been appointed to the Kalamazoo Public Schools Board of Education and will serve on the board through 2014.

**Professor is appointed to the editorial board of the new journal Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity.**
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Dr. James Croteau, Professor of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has been appointed to the editorial board of the American Psychological Association Division 44, the Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues, new journal Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity. This scholarly journal is dedicated to the dissemination of information in the field of sexual orientation and gender diversity, and is a primary outlet for research as it impacts practice, education, public policy, and social action.

**Professor receives 2013 Award for Significant Contribution to Social Justice and Advocacy by the American Psychological Association**

July 31, 2013

Dr. James Croteau, professor in Western Michigan University’s Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has been selected as a recipient of the 2013 Award for Significant Contribution to Social Justice and Advocacy by the American Psychological Association’s Division 17 Section for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Issues. The award honors a professional who has made significant contributions to the field of counseling psychology and to the LGBT community by implementing intervention efforts such as prevention, training, programming, direct service or application of the science of psychology to public policy and advocacy. This award is dedicated to persons who exemplify the practice of counseling psychology by engaging in actions to change systems as a means to advocate for LGBT people. The award is to be presented in August at this year’s APA Convention in Honolulu.
Dr. Mary L. Anderson, assistant professor of counselor education and counseling psychology at Western Michigan University, has been awarded a $10,000 grant through the Michigan College Access Network. She will begin her work during the 2013 summer II session on the development of a course that prepares secondary school counselors in training to work with secondary students in the area of post-secondary education. This new course will emphasize the role of the counselor in building a school’s college-going culture and systematically preparing all students for post-secondary education, especially students from low-income families and those who are first in their family to go to college. This course will include didactic, hybrid (online and in-person) and experiential learning. The overall goal is to prepare school counseling students in college and post-secondary readiness, both through instruction, and through active participation in diverse, low-income schools with first-generation college students.

Dr. Jerry McLaughlin has article in press in the Journal of Systemic Therapies

Dr. Jerry McLaughlin, faculty specialist in Western Michigan University’s Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, has an article in press in the Journal of Systemic Therapies. The article is titled “Post-structuralism in group theory and practice.” The work contrasts structuralist and post-structuralist modes of group therapy theory and practice, and details some post-structural ideas that seem most promising in terms of enriching group theory and practice.

CECP students honored at 2012-13 Graduate College Honors Convocation

Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology Graduate Teaching Effectiveness Award
Maime L. Butler, master's level

Mark S. Barajas, doctoral level

Branson L. Boykins, doctoral level

Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology Graduate Research and Creative Scholars Award
Annual counselor education and counseling psychology awards presented

April 11, 2013

Western Michigan University counselor education and counseling psychology students honored during an awards reception Thursday, April 11, at the Bernhard Center included the following.

Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology Alumni Scholarship

- Anel Arias, doctoral student
- Starr D. Bull, master's student

Robert and Diane Betz Award for Doctoral Studies in Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology

- Laura Ann Kellicut, doctoral studies in counselor education
- Mark Steven Barajas, doctoral studies in counseling psychology
Kenneth Bullmer Scholarship for Doctoral Students in Counseling Psychology
- Vanessa Ruth Laurent

Alan and Kristin Hovestadt Outstanding Student in Marriage and Family Therapy Award
- Stephanie Witteveen

Arthur and Margaret Manske Outstanding Master's Student in School Counseling
- Kasey L. Hagler

Outstanding Master's Student in Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology
- Stephanie Witteveen

Thelma M. Urbick Outstanding Doctoral Student in Counselor Education Award
- Ashley J. Wildman

Outstanding Doctoral Student in Counseling Psychology
- Deidre P. Begay

Outstanding Alumni Award
- Shawn Allan Bultsma