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CEHD OPENS NEW STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER



Student Success Center Staff

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Chair of Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, Roger Zabik, passes.

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CEHD celebrated the official naming of the Dr. Donald E. Thompson Student Services Suite.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

12.15.18

CEHD GRADUATION RECEPTION - 9:30 a.m.

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CEHD opens new Student Success Center



Student Success Center staff

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KALAMAZOO, Mich.—What does a college dedicated to education and human development do when they want to see their students succeed? They open a [**Student Success Center**](#) and staff it with [people who are passionate about student success.](#)

“Our students matter. Their success in life—not just in academics—is important,” says SSC director and College of Education and Human Development alumna **Melissa Holman** (M.A. ‘10, Educational Leadership: Higher Education and Student Affairs).

The SSC partners with students to help them succeed. “We pride ourselves in focusing on the whole student and providing students with needed supports to promote holistic well-being,” explains student success coach **Precious Miller** (M.S.W. '12). Two full-time employees and three graduate assistants make up the Student Success team that runs the center, which includes a multipurpose space for students.

“As a doctoral-level counselor trainee, I am very interested in the emotional health and well-being of my students as I believe mental health stability fosters academic, social, emotional, and physical health success,” explains student success coach **Dawnielle Simmons** (student, Ph.D. Counseling Psychology).

The team utilizes a tiered intervention strategy that allows their team to work with students in a targeted way. Every undergraduate CEHD student has contact with at least one person on the Student Success Center team each semester they are enrolled through either email, face-to-face meetings, text messages, phone calls, video chat or by attending center events. Further support is provided to those who need it.

Examples of the supports the center provides are one-on-one success coaching, the Students Excelling in Education and Development mentoring program, the Multicultural Meet and Greet, CliftonStrengths coaching, life skills workshops, an academic discovery course, student mixers, and coordination with the university's residential learning communities in both education and human performance. The team assists with enrollment and eliminating barriers to continuing education and also provides resources for CEHD faculty and staff who are working intensively to support students.

“I want the students to know I am here for them whether it is for resources around campus or just to talk,” explains student success coach **Sean Diaz** (student, M.A. Educational Leadership: Higher Education Student Affairs). “I want to assure students they are not alone in this challenging time of their lives and I want to help them in any way possible.”

Members of the team meet students where they are, literally. Some of their interventions have included accompanying students to class, various offices on campus, hospitals and clinics, and even family events. Since its inception in 2015, student success coaches have met face-to-face with over 600 students.

Current workshop offerings include: time management, metacognitive learning strategies, emotional wellness, and physical and social support. The [SSC events webpage](#) provides details and the most up to date information about upcoming events.

WMU student Joshua Maye encourages Kalamazoo to “Keep Smiling!” with apparel

- Rosanna Pat Assistant Arts and Entertainment Editor

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Photo by Rosanna Pat

Keep Smiling! Apparel is an original, Kalamazoo-based clothing line created by Joshua Maye, a junior in WMU majoring in youth and community development. Keep Smiling! Apparel started about a year ago and is now available online and at festivals around Kalamazoo – all developed by Maye himself. His main motivation behind the line was based upon generating positivity through his designs.

“I think there’s a very strong lack of like positivity in the world and my goal is just to spread more of it”. Maye said. “...this is the best way that I know how to do it because I really love clothes and fashion and stuff and so being able to put positive messages on clothes is first of all, my way of spreading that positivity and also it’s kind of like a dream come true – that’s like two of my passions combined.”

When creating the brand, Maye thought about the name in explicit detail to ensure it depicted the brand’s identity accurately.

“I think the ‘keep’ is actually very important because it’s not just like ‘smile right now’. Keep smiling, continue smiling, forever, never stop.”, Maye said. “When I was a senior in high school, I was voted best smile in my class... even those couple years later, still just inspired the idea, not behind the positivity but behind the name just because like that’s something that really resonated with me...” Regarding the exclamation point in the name Maye says “...it stands for like the detail and... the thoughtfulness. When it's written without the exclamation point, it kind of seems not as complete to me.”

Maye has a multitude of factors that helped influence his design process and that added to his support system.

“One of my biggest inspirations is this artist from Chicago. His name is Joe Freshgoods and he owns a store called Fat Tiger Workshop,” Maye said. “They’re very skilled artists and so the way that they sort of like

turned down wholesale and just went towards opening up their own shop in downtown Chicago and just doing their own thing online and in their own store. That was very inspiring to me. My brothers are pretty big, they're just like the greatest people I know, I have two. They just always just keep me grounded."

With Keep Smiling! Apparel being a new business, Maye sees a lot of potential in its expansion.

"My biggest goal right now is to open up a physical store. This is probably the last festival that I will be doing in 2018 because it's going to start to get cold. I would love to travel like I know I would love to go to different Prides."

Transferring from Grand Valley initially, this is only his second semester here at WMU. Being a transfer student, he had his own opinions about WMU's art scene.

"If I didn't go to Western, I would probably still be at Grand Valley, and I would not get to experience Kalamazoo the way I've always wanted to," Maye said. "So Western has inspired me and supported me because Kalamazoo has inspired me and supported me. Western though, I think just has an amazing feel like there's art in lots of places on campus, just on its own, not even in just art buildings."

Keep Smiling! Apparel is a relatively new and fresh clothing line with lots more to look forward to.

"I just released my Fall collection two weeks ago. In a couple weeks, I'm planning on starting a production on like... 'Fall Collection Part 2'."

Maye understands the hardships that come from following your passion and has advice derived from doing just that.

“There’s no reason not to do things your way and that’s where my brand is coming from”.

You can shop Maye’s collection at <https://keepsmlingapparel.com/>.

Two faculty receive 2018 CEHD Emerging and Distinguished Scholar awards

Oct. 1, 2018

KALAMAZOO, Mich.—The College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) at Western Michigan University is honoring **Dr. Stephanie Burns**, assistant professor in the Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology, and **Dr. Edward Brooks Applegate**, professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Research and Technology, for their scholarly accomplishments and influence on their fields.

BURNS



Dr. Stephanie Burns

Dr. Stephanie Burns, the 2018 CEHD Emerging Scholar Award recipient, came to WMU in 2012. Dr. Burns has published two chapters in edited books, 20 peer-reviewed journal articles, one peer-reviewed practice brief and one encyclopedia entry.

Dr. Burns’ scholarship focuses on counselor professional identity, an important topic for a relatively young field that is still struggling to obtain public recognition separate from psychology and social work. Over the last five years, she has published six journal articles that research various aspects of professional identity to better understand the phenomenon and

provide specific direction for moving forward. Her most recently published article, *Evaluating Independently Licensed Counselors' Articulation of Professional Identity Using Structural Coding*, received The Professional Counselor's 2017 Outstanding Scholar Award. Burns also researches ethical decision-making by licensed professional counselors.

The Emerging Scholar Award recognizes one individual with outstanding scholarly accomplishments and the potential for continued excellence. The recipient must be a full-time, board-appointed faculty member in CEHD at WMU. At time of nomination, faculty member must not be tenured.

APPLEGATE



Dr. Edward Brooks Applegate

Dr. Edward Brooks Applegate, the 2018 CEHD Distinguished Scholar Award recipient, has been employed at WMU for 18 years. In that time, he has published over 55 peer-reviewed journal articles, and his work has been cited over 1,000 times and presented at more than 120 professional conferences.

Dr. Applegate has made vast and innovative contributions to educational research on assessment and statistical modeling. His extraordinary analytic skills and interdisciplinary scholarly insights substantially contribute to the investigation of how psychometric principles fit in a larger research context. His national collaborations cross a wide range of disciplinary areas including psychology, neuroscience, medicine and physician education, and his work has been widely published in top ranked journals such as the *Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry*, the *Journal of Abnormal Psychology* and *NeuroImage*. Applegate also contributes to numerous grants, where he plays a variety of roles ranging from statistician, core evaluator, co-investigator and principal investigator. In 2016, he was awarded the Excellence in Discovery: Research and External Funding over \$1 Million for 5 years by Western Michigan University.

The Distinguished Scholar Award recognizes one individual with a body of outstanding scholarly accomplishments that has had an impact on the field. The recipient must be a full-time,

board-appointed, tenured faculty member with a minimum of seven years of service in CEHD at Western Michigan University.

In 2017, Dr. Carla Adkison-Johnson won the Distinguished Scholar Award, and Dr. Brett Geier won the Emerging Scholar Award.

For more information about the CEHD Distinguished and Emerging Scholar Awards, please visit the [Tate Grant and Innovation Center policies and forms webpage](#).

Roger Zabik

1939 - 2018 Obituary



Zabik, Roger Kalamazoo, Michigan passed away on October 19, 2018, surrounded by his loving family in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Roger was born on July 16, 1939 in South Bend, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his parents, Nada Louise (Wolf) Zabik and Matthew John Zabik, and his sister Constance (Robert) Wiersberg. He is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 58 years, Elizabeth (Porter) Zabik, his brother Matthew (Mary Ellen) Zabik, three sons Scott (Linda), Andrew (Heidi), and Benjamin (Jennifer), as well as seven grandchildren: Ryan (Kate), Erin, Hayley, Julie, Megan, Conor and Ronan. Roger grew up in South Bend, Indiana. He attended Washington-Clay High School where he played football, basketball, and track. Roger earned his undergraduate degree from Ball State Teachers College, majoring in Physical Education and earned his varsity letter playing football at Ball State for four years. He also enjoyed coaching football at his high school alma mater during this time. He then completed his Masters and Doctorate degree in Exercise Physiology at Indiana University. After graduating in 1967, Roger came to Western Michigan University as a professor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, where he chaired the Department from 1979 until 1994 and then retired in 2002. Roger and Elizabeth travelled extensively in their retirement. Roger's life-long passions centered around his love of family and the outdoors. He enjoyed camping, hiking, bow hunting, fishing, and golfing. His dream of living in the country was realized in 1977, when the family moved to Lawton to build their dream home in the country. He spent many hours hunting and cutting wood on the property

and working on his many projects, including his carving of an 18-foot totem pole that still remains on the property today. Roger attended the Second Reformed Church in Kalamazoo. Visitation will be held from 6 PM to 8 PM on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at Langeland Family Funeral Homes, Westside Chapel, 3926 S. 9th St., Kalamazoo, along with one hour prior to the service. Services will be held at 11 AM on Wednesday, October 24, with Reverend Kevin Hart officiating. Donations can be made to the College of Education and Human Development at Western Michigan University, to Hospice Care of Southwest Michigan or to the Alzheimer's Association. Please visit Roger's webpage for directions, online guest book or to leave a condolence. www.langelands.com.

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Dr. Donald E. Thompson Student Services Suite officially named

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KALAMAZOO, Mich.—The College of Education and Human Development celebrated the official naming of the Dr. Donald E. Thompson Student Services Suite in Sangren Hall on Nov. 9. The Student Services Suite houses the [Office of Admissions and Advising](#), the [Student Success Center](#) and the [Office of Teacher and Administrator Certification](#), as well as working closely with the [Office of Clinical Experiences](#) and the [TRiO Future Educator Success Program](#).



Dr. Donald E. Thompson at ribbon cutting ceremony

The staff in these offices are known for their friendly, personalized and family-oriented approach to helping students. Commenting on the influence of this atmosphere on her experience, CEHD undergraduate student **Hailey Timmerman** says that “The CEHD student services office has been a huge benefactor within my college career. The key thing that stands out about the office is that it is personal. The advisors know me by name. They know my interests, my GPA, the classes I have taken, what I plan to take. They know Hailey.”

In the heart of Sangren Hall, the suite serves as the go-to place to respond to the questions and concerns of CEHD students. Throughout their academic career, students are encouraged to utilize the services in the suite for information, guidance and support.

“They made me feel like I belong, I am welcomed and that I made the right decision to be a Bronco,” Timmerman notes.

During the ceremony, CEHD honored Dr. Thompson for his contributions to the college and university by naming the Student Services Suite after him. Prior to his retirement in 2014 from WMU, Dr. Thompson was a professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Research and Technology, served as vice president for research and also had roles as dean of both the Graduate College and the College of Education and Human Development.

To learn more about the Student Success Center, one of the offices within the Student Services Suite, [read about its opening and initiatives](#).