Highlights from the School of Social Sciences, 2015-2016

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I. Program Innovations and Achievements

Criminal Justice:
- Hired Dr. Jennifer Ortiz as an assistant professor of Criminal Justice

History:
- Developed a proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree in History (received approval August 2016).
- Developed learning outcomes for the Historical Investigation coursework required for the Bachelor of Arts – submitted to stakeholders for review
- Developed a proposal for a Graduate Certificate in World History to begin in Fall 2017.
- The Office of Institutional Effectiveness placed History on a three year-cycle to denote the excellence of their assessment program

Journalism:
- *The Horizon*, IU Southeast’s student-produced news media, won a Pacemaker and a Pinnacle award. The Pacemaker award is a national award considered to be the Pulitzer Prize for college journalism.

Political Science
- Completed their 2015-2016 Program Review and submitted it to Academic Affairs

Psychology:
- Developed a proposal for a Master’s in Mental Health Counseling, which will be a joint hybrid program with IU Kokomo and IU East, scheduled to begin in Fall 2017. Faculty Senate Approval granted in Spring 2016. From IU Southeast, Lucinda Woodward (Psychology), Mary Bradley (Education), and Robin Morgan (Psychology) worked on the proposal.
- Developed a Bachelor of Science degree in Neuroscience, currently under review by IU Southeast accreditation organization (HLC).
- Psychology remains on a three year-cycle to denote the excellence of their assessment program through the Office of Institutional Effectiveness
- Psychology is the largest nonprofessional program at IU Southeast with approximately 450 majors (180 earning a Bachelor of Arts degree and 270 earning a Bachelor of Science degree) in 2016

Sociology:
- The Office of Institutional Effectiveness placed Sociology on a three year-cycle to denote the excellence of their assessment program
- Sociology has been in the forefront with online classes -- four of the six full time faculty have been trained and three of six have offered online classes.

II. Faculty Research Achievements

Allman, Ron:
- Multi-media Work:
  1. Testify Praise Band, Jeffersonville, IN, August 2015
  2. Television commercial, Accent Awning, September 2015
  3. GO ACT (Greater Occoquan Area Coming Together) logo, April 2016
- Conference Presentations:
Albertson, Stephanie:
Grant: 2015 IUS Summer Faculty Development for Research ($8000.00); Note: Accepted half award, due to teaching one 2015 Summer II course.

Conferences:

Carducci, Bernardo:
Awards:
1. 2015 -The first inductee into the Community College Pathway Psychologists (CCPP) Hall of Fame. Sponsored by Psi Beta, the National Honor Society in Psychology for Community and Junior Colleges, the CCPP Hall of Fame recognizes psychologists graduating from a community college or junior college who have made a significant contribution to the study of psychology.
2. 2016-Appointed to a three-year term as a member of the Scientific Committee of the Associazione Unitaria Psicologi Italiani (Association of United Italian Psychologists)

Publications:
1. Carducci, B. J. (2015). *The psychology of personality: Viewpoints, research, and applications* (3rd ed.). Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. [This is a college-level textbook proving a survey of the field of personality psychology.]
2. Carducci, B. J., & Kaiser, L. (2015). *Shyness: The ultimate guide*. Lanham, MD; Roman & Littlefield. [This is a popular-press book offering teens strategies to control their shyness by changing the thoughts, feelings, and behaviors that hold them back from reaching their true potential.]

Articles/Book Chapters: highlighted “***” are the names of former students who were co-authors on these publications.

Conferences:
1. Carducci, B. J. (2015, July). Cross-cultural chances and challenges to promoting Psi Chi in Italy: An Italian-American’s personal perspective. In M. A. McCormick (Chair), Building bridges between European universities and Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology. Symposium conducted at the meeting of the 14th European Congress of Psychology, Milan, Italy.
2. Carducci, B. J. (Chair). (2015, July). The demise of guys (DoGs): The problem and possible solutions—coming to the rescue of young dogs. Invited symposium conducted at the meeting of the 14th European Congress of Psychology, Milan, Italy.
3. Carducci, B. J. (July, 2015). A “talking-cure” approach to promoting conversational intelligence and social connectedness. In B. J. Carducci (Chair), The demise of guys (DoGs): The problem and possible
4. Carducci, B. J. (Chair). (2015, July). Qualitative perspectives to offering support to individuals experiencing anxiety associated with PTSD and shyness. Invited symposium conducted at the meeting of 14th European Congress of Psychology, Milan, Italy.

5. Carducci, B. J. (2015, July). Don't be shy about helping shy individuals deal with their shyness: Guidelines for creating a shyness workshop. In B. J. Carducci (Chair), Qualitative perspectives to offering support to individuals experiencing anxiety associated with PTSD and shyness. Invited symposium conducted at the meeting of 14th European Congress of Psychology, Milan, Italy.


9. Carducci, B. J. (2015 August). A five-week “skills-focused” career-planning course: Facilitating the college-to-workforce transition for psychology majors. In APA Committee on Associate and Baccalaureate Education (Sponsor), Preparation for the Workforce with an Associate’s or Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology. Symposium at the 2015 Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, CA.

Conference Poster Presentations:


Finkel, Deborah

Publications:


Conferences:


Gritter, Elizabeth:

Awards:
1. Nominated for the distinguished research award for junior faculty.
2. Received a full Summer Faculty Fellowship for 2015
3. Received a half summer faculty fellowship for 2016.

Publications:


Conferences:

Hoelger, Angelika

Awards:
1. Summer Research Faculty Fellowship (June – August 2016)
2. Research stipend for Writing Workshop (Jan-May, 2016 plus a retreat in May 2016, organized by Jacob Babb, IUS/English)

Hoffman, Daniel

Publications:

Kordsmeier, Gregory

Publications:

Conferences:

Manson, Todd

Conference:

Morgan, Robin

Grants:
1. IU Overseas Conference Fund Grant - $1200 (October, 2015)
2. IU Southeast Second Meeting Travel Grant- $400 (December, 2015)

Awards:
1. Top 5 Presentation Awards, under Conferences.

Publications:


Conferences:


Ortiz, Jennifer
Consultant:
1. Consultant for the Clark County Sheriff’s Office in February 2016 including my work with the A & E show 60 Days In (second season begins in August) and my continued work with them on the creation of a reentry program.

Publications:
1. *New & Tribune Newspaper* Features (March 14th, 2016; March 21st, 2016; and March 28th, 2016, etc.) and expert commentator on their weekly panel (videos available on YouTube).

Conferences:

Ryan, Kelly

Awards:
1. Research Fellowship, New Frontiers in the Arts and Humanities, Indiana University, 2015

Publications:

Conferences:

Staten, Cliff

Publications:

Walsh, Sarah

Conferences:

Wert, Joseph L.

Publications:

Wille, Diane

Publications:

Conferences Presentations:

III. Student/Faculty Research Collaboration and Successes

Albertson, Stephanie
- Cendra Stacy and Holly Gehlhausen won a Student Research Grant from IU Southeast for working with Dr. Albertson on capital jury research, “Does Justice Persevere in Jurors’ Determination of Death? The Significance of Sentencing Considerations in Capital.”

Hare, Sara
- Member on thesis defense committees for Master’s of Interdisciplinary Studies students Jade Bilyeu, Vickie Mann, and Connie Becker
- Committee Chair, for Liz Hubler’s Master’s of Interdisciplinary Studies Thesis.
- Served as the faculty adviser for Shelby Bruce who won the Outstanding Sociology Presentation at the 2016 IUS Research Conference. Served as the faculty adviser for 12 students who presented research at the 2016 IU Southeast Research Conference.

Gritter, Elizabeth
- Faculty sponsor to Joe Simon who presented his research at the IU Undergraduate Research Conference, and won an award for Best Presentation

Kordsmeier, Greg
- In Summer 2015, Aubrey Garman and Aimee Kelmel served as research assistants on Dr. Kordsmeier’s research project that examines what characteristics make plays more likely to be performed in the US over. They learned how to code data and construct a new database. They presented the preliminary results of our research in a poster session, “Diversity in US Theater: An Examination of Race and Age Representation,” at the Association of Applied and Clinical Sociology Annual Meeting on October 9, 2015.
- Sponsored Aimee Kelmel to apply for the American Sociological Association (ASA) Honors Program in the spring of 2015, which she received and attended in August 2015. The program has students attend the Annual Meeting of the ASA, present a paper at a roundtable paper session, learn all about the activities, sections, and governance of the ASA, meet and speak with sociologists representing graduate programs around the country; and attend “Conversations With ...” sessions with prominent sociologists that are reserved for Honors Program students only. Ms. Kelmel was one of thirty eight students from around the country selected for the program; less than half of all applicants were accepted.
- Faculty sponsor for Aubrey Garman and Aimee Kelmel’s when they applied to the North Central Sociological Association annual meeting in the fall of 2015; they presented original research at the meeting in March 2016. Ms. Kelmel presented a poster entitled, “Pre-K Programs Improve Kindergarten Readiness: A Study in Harrison County, Indiana.” Ms. Garman presented a poster entitled, “Frauds! An Exploration of Gender and the Impostor Phenomenon.”
Manson, Todd
Faculty mentor for two research projects to be published in the IU Southeast Undergraduate Research Journal (2016).

- Correlates between Observance and Enjoyment in Graphic Horror Films with a Multidimensional Personality Model, by Christian French and Kirsten Black.
- Cohabitation and Romantic Relationships: Reasons for Cohabiting and the Association with Relationship Quality, by Amelia M. Reckelhoff

Morgan, Robin
- Serving as thesis chair for Susan Westmeyer, who is undertaking her thesis work for the Master’s of Interdisciplinary Studies

Ortiz, Jennifer
- Overseeing student Hayley Jackey who is currently collecting data for her study "Joining the “boy’s” club: Gendered experienced of women police officers in a Midwestern law enforcement department." She is slated to present at the American Society of Criminology Conference in November 2016.

Ryan, Kelly
- Faculty advisor to nine students who presented their research at the 2016 IU Undergraduate Research Conference; Dakota Hendrick, a student under Dr. Ryan’s supervision, won Best History Presentation Award

Walsh, Sara
- Research mentor to Kirsten Black and Christian French who were designing, publishing and presenting their research "Graphic Horror Films: Examining the Relationships of Observation and Enjoyment of Violence Using a Multidimensional Model" findings in the 2016 Midwest Psychological Association conference along with the Midwest Honors Association Conference.
- Research mentor to Kirsten Black and Christian French for their second research project "Qualitative Analysis of Human Trafficking in America."

Wille, Diane
- Faculty Advisor to Cassidy Brown, who presented her research “A Meta-Analysis of the Cognitive and Motor Effects of Integrated Music Therapy” at the Indiana Academy of Social Sciences in October 2015.
- Faculty advisor to 18 students at the 2016 IU Undergraduate Research Conference

IV. Teaching Achievements and Awards

Allman, Ron
- Nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Award – Full-time for the ninth time
- Faculty sponsor for Blake Stewart’s internship at WAVE3

Gritter, Elizabeth
- Nominated for Metroversity Outstanding Adult Student Learner Award

Hare, Sara
- Developed a new online section of Sociology S163 for Summer 2016
Hoelger, Angelika
- Presentation: “Staying Fresh in the Classroom,” at Social Sciences Teaching Forum, IUS, March 2016
- Recruitment and oversight of Matthew Moore as Student Instruction leader for H101, The World in the Twentieth Century

Kordsmeier, Gregory
- 2016 Trustees Teaching Award Winner
- Member of facilitating team for the 2015 American Sociological Association Pre-Conference Teaching and Learning Workshop in Chicago, IL. Dr. Kordsmeier led two sessions of round tables and participated in a number of other workshop activities.

Morgan, Robin
- Named Director, Institute for Learning and Teaching Excellence at IU Southeast on July 1, 2015
- Completing work for Gateway Grant for Introductory Psychology – Awarded $60,000, 2014-2016
- Developed Adjunct Faculty Scholars Conference: 1st conference developed and held with approximately 80 attendees; planning on this being an annual event. Spring 2016

Ortiz, Jennifer
- Recognized as faculty members who contributed to the success of student athletes at the IUS Student Athlete Banquet. Nominated by Tyler Adams (baseball). April 27, 2016

Ryan, Kelly
- Faculty sponsor for three interns over 2015-2016

V. Community Outreach

Allman, Ron
- Deacon at First Baptist Church of Jeffersonville, chair of the Christian Education Board, and member of the Personnel Committee and Publicity Committee.

Gritter, Elizabeth

Hare, Sara
- Member of the Executive Board of the Ohio River Valley Folk Society, The RiverRoots Music and Folk Art Festival and the Ribberfest Music festivals.

Morgan, Robin
- Presentation for YMCA Floyd County Tai Kwon Do Instructors: Effective Teaching: Design it and They Will Learn (June 4, 2016)

Phipps, Greg
- Councilman & Vice-President New Albany City Council
- Member of New Albany Plan Commission
- Served on a panel discussion titled "Imparting Light" on racism - the panel was filmed and will be part of a study program for parishes exploring issues related to diversity in the Episcopal Diocese of Indiana.
Walsh, Sara
- Volunteer for Saving Sunny’s Community Dog Resource Center (CDRC). The mission of the CDRC is to provide the support needed in low-income areas to assist owners in their desire to keep their dogs. Provided support includes a free food bank, access and transport for free spay and neuter services, collars, leashes, nametags, and in-home behavior support.
- Guest speaker for Camp Biomed science camp. RHS HOSA the Richmond, Indiana chapter of Health Occupation Students of America conducted a week long summer science camp for grades 6-9 called Camp Biomed using the theme of Forensic Science and a “Murder Mystery.” 2015
- Tutor and volunteer for “Gilda’s University.” at Gilda’s Club, the area’s leading resource center for those battling cancer or who are caregivers for those with cancer. This is a week-long camp designed to help students with cancer, those who have a family member with cancer, or those dealing with bereavement to learn study skills that can help them succeed in the coming school year.” 2015

Wille, Diane
- New Albany/Floyd County Friends of the Library Inc. Board member
- Sunnyside Master Gardeners – Providing gardening presentations to community organizations

VI. Post-Graduation Student Achievements and Success

Criminal Justice:
- Recent Criminal Justice alumni who have reported new positions:
  Jorrica Youngblood accepted a case worker position at the Indiana Department of Child Services.
  Mercades Bierman is an Administrative Assistant for the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.
  Joshua Welch is a Project Manager with Awningtec Usa, Incorporated.

History:
- Recent History alumni who have reported new positions:
  Nicholas Perez is a Visitor Center Assistant at Sunny Side of Louisville.
  Jesse Stamper is a General Manager at a Dollar General Store.

International Studies:
- Recent International Studies alumni who have reported new positions:
  Autumn Atkins is a Plant Operator at Penneco.

Journalism:
- Recent Journalism alumni who have reported new positions:
  Laura Hubrich is an Account Executive with Iheart Media and Entertainment.
  Haley Warwick is a Program Manager for Carry The Fallen at Active Heroes.

Political Science:
- Recent Political Science alumni who have reported new positions:
  Thomas Geary is a program Analyst for the U.S. Geological Survey.

Psychology:
- Psychology alumni entering graduate programs in 2016:
  Sean Geraghty, Ph.D. Program in Industrial/Organizational Psychology at Southern Illinois University Carbondale
  Ryan Anderson, PhD program in Speech and Hearing Sciences at Indiana University Bloomington.
  Dorothy Lucas, Master in Counselling program at IUPUC.
Emily Nixon, Master of Education in Counseling and Personnel Services with a specialization in Art Therapy at University of Louisville.
Erica Adams, Master of Education in Counseling and Personnel Services with a specialization in College Student Personnel at University of Louisville.
Tiffany Bame, Master program in Industrial/Organizational Psychology at Eastern Kentucky and at Northern Kentucky.
Leah Mattingly, Master of Education program in Counseling Psychology at U of L.
Ashleigh Showalter, Indiana State University, Education Specialist degree in School Psychology.
Jacinta Tinsley, accelerated BSN nursing program at Spalding University.
Brooke Dewhirst, accelerated BSN nursing program at Spalding University.
Sarah Nieves, Masters in Art Therapy Program at U of L.
Kayla Hammer, Master of Science Child Life Program at the College of Charleston.
Cara Bareis, PsyD program at Spalding.
Breanna Jordan, Masters in School Counseling Program at IUS.
Erika Prescott, Master of Occupational Therapy Program at Spalding University.
Janet Saborski, accepted into Peace Corps to run an organic farm in South Africa.

- Recent Psychology Alumni who have accepted new positions
  Elizabeth London is working as a mentor for Uber.
  Katie Tharp is a child advocate Intern for Vivac.
  Kristina Conkright is a Programming Specialist for Meaningful Day Services.
  Kelsey Morris is a Mental Health Counselor at Seven Counties Services.
  Sydney Pruitt is a Mental Health Technician at Wellstone Regional Hospital.
  Jarret Young is an Assistant Baseball Coach with Nedl.
  Chelsea Sampson is an Addictions Counselor at Southern Indiana Treatment.
  Emily Holmquist is an Accounting Specialist with Buffalo Construction, Inc.
  Rohith Kayerker is a Server in the restaurant Industry.
  Zachary Novello is a Behavior Technician with Meaningful Day Services.
  Clair Hoppenjans is a Medical Records Coordinator at Kindred Healthcare.
  Amelia Reckelhoff is a Pharmacy Technician with CVS Health.
  Christopher Brody is a Youth Care Worker with Uspiritus.
  Elizabeth Cochran is a Medical Assistant at Park View Psych/Chemical Services.

Sociology:

- Recent Sociology alumni who have reported new positions:
  Mackenzie Acuff is a Social Worker with Youth Specialist.
  Kevin Blalock is a Foster Parent with Potter Children's Home.