

Faculty Senate Report – July 25, 2017

Outstanding Faculty Accomplishments

Nelson Rusche College of Business

Dr. Tim Bisping, Dean

BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGAL STUDIES

Dr. Carol Wright won the Texas Business and Technology Educators Association (TBTEA) University Business Teacher of the Year for 2016-2017. The award was presented at a luncheon in San Antonio on July 18, 2017.

Visiting Lecturer **Dr. Laurie Rogers** accompanied seven Phi Beta Lambda business students to the National PBL convention in Anaheim, California, in June 2017 which resulted in several students winning awards including the chapter's first First Place winner at nationals in Cost Accounting by Mark McLean.

GERALD W. SCHLIEF SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTANCY

Marie Kelly, lecturer, published Lumberjack Construction: Job-Order Costing & Manufacturing Simulation in Journal of Accounting and Finance, North American Business Press, vol. 17, 5. Accepted June, 2017.

ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

Stephen Kosovich, Mikhail Kouliavtsev, and Mark Scanlan completed an Economic Impact Study of SFA on the Nacogdoches economy and presented its results to the Nacogdoches Economic Development Corporation (NEDCO) board. The study will be used by NEDCO staff in discussions with businesses about locating in Nacogdoches, particularly highlighting the spending power of SFA students and employees (which may otherwise not be apparent in the Census data).

James I. Perkins College of Education

Dr. Judy Abbott, Dean

Department of Elementary Education

Ewing, J. (2017). Facilitating pre-service teachers to learn mathematical practices and engage English language learners. *The Journal of Multicultural Affairs*, 2(1), 1-5.

Xu, T., Byker, E. J., & Gonzales, M. R. (2017). Ready to learn: The impact of the morning blast physical activity intervention on elementary school students. *Movement, Health, and Exercise*, 6(1), 1-12.

Dr. Brandon Fox was named the Montgomery Professorship for Humane Education for 2017-2019.

Department of Human Services

Dr. Frankie Clark, School Psychology Program Director accompanied the School Psychology Pre-doctoral SFA Charter School interns, **Ms. Dawn Green and Ms. Elaine Turner**, to Austin, TX to address the state legislature about the Sunset Bill 302 and psychologists' prescription privileges on April 12.

Steward, R.J., & Ellis-Hervey, N. (2017, July). Systemic change in the ivory tower: Increasing racial equity and excellence thru observation. Presentation at the 2017 Association of Black Psychologists (ABPsi) 49th Annual International Convention, Houston, TX.

Mask, P.R. (in press). The impact of transition services in facilitating college degree completion for students with visual impairments: Post-bachelor's degree perspectives. *Journal of Postsecondary Education and Disability*, 30, pp. TBD.

Department of Kinesiology & Health Science

Dr. Eric Jones, Dr. Dustin Joubert and Dr. James Rowe accompanied more than 40 students to the Texas American College of Sports Medicine Conference in Waco, TX. Students participated in the student bowl against other universities across the state.

Dr. Linda Bobo has been invited to attend the World Taekwondo Federation Pan American Junior and Cadet Championships and Pan Am Para-Taekwondo International Championships in Costa Rica as an Athletic Trainer in the medical care of USA Taekwondo athletes.

Heather Samuelson and Haley Jameson (Dance Faculty) presented their poster titled "Teaching Social Responsibility Through Dance Appreciation" at the International Arts in Society Conference at the American University in Paris, France.

Dr. Todd Whitehead presented his and one of our former graduate assistants, DeeDee Rouwtt research poster at the National Strength and Conditioning Association Conference in Las Vegas, NV. DeeDee had passed away after she graduated.

New Health Science faculty member **Dr. Micheal Lemke** is working on a textbook titled "Complex Systems and Computation in Population Health Sciences: Theory, Methodology, Modeling, and Application." The contract has been received and is under negotiation. Dr. Lemke begins as an assistant professor this fall and has been working with the department during summer 1 and summer 2.

Department of Secondary Education & Educational Leadership

Dr. Karen Embry Jenlink, professor, with Dr. Patrick M. Jenlink, 2017 Regents Professor, led a doctoral study abroad course in Dublin and Galway, Ireland, in Summer I 2017, which focused on developing culturally responsive leaders. The 12-day course included an international educational policy seminar at Dublin City University, a symposium on the Irish educational system with DCU and Trinity College faculty, and a graduate research exchange with DCU

doctoral students. Site visits to prominent historic and cultural attractions, including two UNESCO world heritage sites, were included. Future collaboration including hosting a reciprocal doctoral research study abroad in Texas at SFA was explored.

Haj-Broussard, M., **Olson Beal, H. K.**, & Boudreaux, N. (2017). Relating French immersion teacher practices to better student oral production. *Canadian Modern Language Review*, 73(3), pp. TBD.

School of Human Sciences

Human Sciences Hospitality Administration program took students to Cannes Film festival Maymester. The students worked in various parts of hospitality in the American Pavilion. Film students got to work with film industry professionals

Merchandising students went to New York City to study various merchandising trends and techniques used at large department stores.

Hospitality Administration students traveled to Chicago where they interacted with industry professionals from around the world and saw the latest restaurant trends

College of Fine Arts

Dr. A.C. "Buddy" Himes, Dean

Angela Bacarisse, professor, School of Theatre, attended a theatre costume workshop in Portland, ME.

Brad Meyer, assistant professor, School of Music, made a presentation at the Percussive Arts Society meeting at University of Arkansas

Wesley Berg, assistant professor, School of Art, was an invited artist at the Earthskin Muriwai - Creative Artist Residency, New Zealand.

Slade Billew, assistant professor, School of Theatre, attended a theatre workshop in Winston-Salem, NC.

Piero Fenci, professor, School of Art represented SFA with the International Council of Fine Arts Deans on an exploratory, fact-finding tour of Cuba.

Inga Meier, assistant professor, School of Theatre, will be presenting at the Assoc. of Theatre in Higher Education meeting in Las Vegas in August.

A.C. "Buddy" Himes, dean, College of Fine Arts, will be recruiting international graduate and undergraduate students at the University of Tasmania in Australia in August

Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture

Dr. Hans Williams, Interim Dean

Dr. Daniel Scognamillo, associate professor of forestry, traveled to La Rioja, Argentina, in April 2017, to lead a workshop with researchers from the National Institute of Agro Technology, local landowners/producers, and government officials, to identify research needs in ecosystem services, conservation and economic development.

Dr. Christopher Comer, professor of forestry, **Dr. Jeremy Stovall**, associate professor of forestry, and **Dr. Shiyu Li**, director of the National Center for Pharmaceutical Crops, received research awards at the Symposium on Arts & Research, a showcase spotlighting faculty research, scholarship, and artistry, on April 19, sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Learning and the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Dr. Hans Williams, professor of forestry/interim dean ATCOFA, **Dr. Rebecca Kidd**, assistant professor of forestry, and the SFA Student Chapter of the Society of American Foresters, hosted the Texas Society of American Foresters annual meeting on the SFA campus on June 12-13.

Drs. David Kulhavy (professor of forestry), **Daniel Unger** (professor of spatial science), **I-Kuai Hung** (professor of spatial science), and **Yanli Zhang** (associate professor of spatial science), made a presentation at the meeting.

Dr. Shelby Laird, assistant professor of forestry, completed the following publications:

McFarland, L., **Laird, S.G.** (2017). Parents' and Early Childhood Educators' Attitudes and Practices in Relation to Children's Outdoor Risky Play. *Early Childhood Education Journal*.

Gharis, L.W., **Laird, S.G.**, & Osbourne, D.C. (2017). How Do University Students Perceive Forestry and Wildlife Management Degrees? *Journal of Forestry*.

Silva, P. & **Laird, S.G.** (2017). Adult Education. In A. Kudryavtsev & M.E. Krasny (Eds.), *Urban Environmental Education Review*, Cornell University Press: Ithaca, NY.

College of Liberal and Applied Arts

Dr. Brian Murphy, Dean

Dr. John C. Pruitt, Assistant Professor of Sociology, has been selected as the recipient of SFA's Academic Assistance and Resource Center's Bravo Award. Each semester, the AARC selects one faculty or staff member for this award to recognize outstanding support of AARC services. While Pruitt has only recently joined the sociology faculty at SFA, he has already distinguished himself as a student advocate. He reached out to the AARC upon joining the faculty and expressed an interest in offering a supplemental instruction group. He has actively contributed to the success of the group since.

Dr. Lauren Brewer, *Assistant Professor of Psychology*, recently published an article titled "Do Gender Differences in Perceived Prototypical Computer Scientists and Engineers Contribute to Gender Gaps in Computer Science and Engineering?" in the journal *Sex Roles*.

Dr. Anne Collins Smith, *Professor of Philosophy and Classical Studies in the Division of Multidisciplinary Programs*, recently presented at the DePaul Pop Culture Conference in Chicago. The theme of the conference was Harry Potter, and Smith's presentation was titled, "Welcome to Hogwarts: Entering the Story through Wizard Rock." She also submitted a written version to conference proceedings, which was accepted and published in a collection of material from the conference's first five years titled, "Time Lords and Tribbles, Winchester and Muggles: The DePaul Pop Culture Conference, a Five-Year Retrospective."

College of Sciences and Mathematics

Dr. Kimberly Childs, Dean

Dr. Matt Beauregard (Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics) has been awarded a National Science Foundation research grant for his project entitled "Collaborative Research: A Novel Control for Invasive Species – Modeling, Analysis, and Experiments." In addition, Dr. Beauregard has had two publications in 2017 and has presented at Texas A&M Texarkana's STEM-N-AR series.

Dr. Joe Musser (Professor, Department of Physics, Engineering and Astronomy) was awarded a Coherent Verdi laser (valued at \$45,268) by the United States Department of Energy Laboratory Equipment Donation Program. The program grants surplus and used energy-related laboratory equipment to universities and colleges for the use in energy oriented educational programs.

Dr. Dan Bruton (Associate Dean and Professor, Department of Physics, Engineering and Astronomy) received a grant from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to host an Engineering Summer Program (ESP) in July 2017 at SFA.