Mayers and Zepeda Receive Prestigious Paula Silver Case Award from UCEA

Stewart Mayers, Professor of Educational Instruction and Leadership, has been notified that he and co-author Sally J. Zepeda, University of Georgia, will receive the Paula Silver Case Award during the University Council for Education Administration awards ceremony.

Michell D. Young, Ph.D., UCEA Executive Director wrote, “Your case, ‘Communication and Trust: Change at the Outset of Appointment to the Superintendency,’ was identified as the most outstanding case to be published in the 2013 volume year of the Journal of Cases in Education Leadership.”

Mayers and Zepeda will each receive a mounted silver bowl which will be presented during the UCEA Awards Luncheon on November 20, 2014, in Washington D.C.

Health and Physical Education Program Receives National Recognition by NASPE

The Health and Physical Education Program at Southeastern has been named a “Nationally Recognized Program” by the National Association of Sport and Physical Education (NASPE). NASPE is the Learned Society of Sport and Physical Education. The Specialty Area recognition is a part of the overall accreditation process through NCATE/CAEP.

Congratulations to SE Graduate Counseling Students

On their first attempt, all of the Spring 2014 Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) graduates passed the National Counselor Exam.

Kudos to John Howard who received the CMHC Outstanding Student Award at the April 29th Department of Behavioral Sciences Student Awards Ceremony. Four CMHC students were nominated for Who’s Who: John Howard, Hunter Rambo, Kalyn Stephens, and Kelis Whisenhunt.

Serving over 300 families, graduate counseling students volunteered at St. Catherine’s House food bank in Durant throughout this past summer and spring. Along with other SE students, faculty and staff, they also volunteered at the annual Special Olympics held in Durant.

CMHC student and Psychology alum Rachel Callicoat attended the OCA Summer Leadership Conference in Norman.
Psychology Students Attend SWPA

In April, Dr. Blythe Duell and Dr. Charla Hall accompanied thirteen students to San Antonio for the annual Southwestern Psychological Association (SWPA) conference. Students listened to presentations of cutting-edge psychological research, attended poster sessions, and participated in international Psi Chi organizational meetings and discussions regarding careers and graduate school. SE student Rachael Callicoat presented a poster titled “Warm Hands, Warm Heart.” The highlights of the conference included an invited talk by Rachel Herz on “The Psychological Importance of our Sense of Smell” and an invited talk by Elizabeth Loftus on “False Memories In and Out of Court.” Students have already begun fund-raising to attend SWPA in Wichita, KS in April 2015.

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Daigle Appointed Editor of the OAHPERD Journal

Dr. Kay Daigle, Associate Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, was appointed editor of the *Oklahoma Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Journal*. Daigle’s three year term of service began in September. Said Daigle, “The purpose of the journal is to provide a current and constant avenue of communication among members of the Association on all professional topics, business, and news of statewide interest.” Daigle oversees the board which is responsible for reviewing articles submitted for publication. The *OAHPERD Journal* is published three times per year.

Dr. Daigle was also elected Vice President for Physical Education for the OAHPERD Board of Directors. She previously served as Research Chair for the Board.

Chi Sigma Iota Induction Ceremony

The Southeastern Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota held its second spring induction, May 2, 2014. The ceremony was a great success. The invited speaker for the event was alumnus Vince Sharp, MBS, LPC-S, who discussed the important of professional counseling, advocacy, and self-care.

Daigle and Reed Attend OAHPERD State Convention

On October 6th and 7th, the State Convention of the Oklahoma Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance was held in Edmond, OK on the campus of the University of Central Oklahoma. Dr. Mike Reed, Associate Professor, Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, was a part of the program as he presented, “Current Research and Debunking Myths in the Exercise Sciences.”

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Dr. Kay Daigle and Dr. Mike Reed served as judges of the poster presentations at the State Convention of the Oklahoma Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance. Dr. Daigle was responsible for conducting the poster presentation.
Education, Psychology Students Awarded Ardmore Scholarships

Eight Southeastern students at the University Center of Southern Oklahoma – all from the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences – were recently awarded scholarships to recognize their academic performance. The recipients included six Education majors, representing both the Elementary Education and Special Education programs, as well as two Psychology majors.

“We are pleased to provide scholarships to these students who have worked tirelessly to achieve their dreams,” said Dr. Robin Plumb, Associate Dean and Director of Educational Outreach. “Southeastern is proud to be part of the Ardmore community, and these students represent but a few of the examples of the unique experience at the University Center of Southern Oklahoma.”

The Fall 2014 scholarship recipients are: Elementary Education majors Jayci Ball, Virginia Cecil, Christina Conway and Anna Wilson, all from Ardmore; Special Education majors Bill Lucero of Sulphur and Jenna Phipps of Ardmore; and Psychology majors Annelise Gile of Ardmore and Amanda Scott of Marietta.

The scholarships, which ranged from $100 to $600, are awarded to Southeastern students attending full-time at UCSO who excel academically.

Reed Presents Paper at Oklahoma State Clinic for NSCA

On September 19th and 20th, Dr. Mike Reed, Associate Professor in the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, made a presentation outlining findings from current strength and conditioning research at the Oklahoma State Clinic of the National Strength and Conditioning Association held in Tulsa, OK.

Clark Joins Criminal Justice Faculty

Dr. Charlie Clark joined the Department of Behavioral Sciences faculty beginning with the Fall 2014 semester. Clark, Instructor for Criminal Justice is assigned to the McCurtain County campus. He comes to Southeastern with ten years of teaching experience in Alabama and a distinguished career in law enforcement, retiring as a Police Captain. As Charlie recently remarked, “Thanks for the opportunity to serve.”

Pictured are Dr. Reed and Landon Dean, formerly Assistant Director at Chesapeake Fitness Center

The scholarship recipients (left to right) are Amanda Scott, Christina Conway, Jayci Ball, Annelise Gile, Bill Lucero, Anna Wilson, Jenna Phipps and Virginia Cecil (not pictured).
Psychology Grad Panel Meets with Psychology Majors

On Tuesday, September 30th, Psi Chi (the International Honors Society for Psychology Majors and Minors) hosted a panel discussion on the topic of graduate school. The panel covered topics including strategies for applying for graduate school, career options related to different graduate school paths, and personal experiences with graduate school. The panel began with a presentation by SE psychology major Erika Snead who spoke about her experiences in the American Indians in Psychology Program (AIIP), a selective program at OSU which she participated in over the summer. At least forty students attended the event, which has become an annual tradition. Joseph Badan (Psi Chi President) moderated the panel.

Duell and Hall Attend Psychology One Conference

Drs. Duell and Hall spent a few days of their summer at Stanford University. They attended the Psychology One Conference, which specifically targets teachers of Introduction to Psychology. The trip wouldn’t have been complete without a stop at the site of Zimbardo’s “Prison Experiment.” They also left with research ideas along with new teaching strategies.

Marcy Visits COUN 5563 Course

Anna Marcy, Victim’s Advocate from the Crisis Control Center in Durant, was a guest speaker in the COUN 5563 Marriage, Couple & Family course this past summer. She discussed the impact of domestic violence on families and what counselors need to be aware of in order to recognize, stop, prevent, and treat survivors. Ms. Marcy was invited by Dr. Donovan.
Brashears’ Of the Persecuted Book Signing at the SE Bookstore

Angie Landre Brashears, 1999 Graduate of the Southeastern Health and Physical Education program, presented her debut novel, Of the Persecuted, at a book signing at Barnes and Noble on September 10th. The book’s fictional story is set in the Woodlands Region of Texas where Laila Pennedy awaits death by hanging.

Brashears is a resident of Cameron, Texas, and is Director of Special Education for nine small school districts in central Texas. While a cross-country runner at Southeastern, Angie remains an avid runner and is also the mother of three children. Angie’s web site is located at http://

School Administration Faculty Review New CAEP Accreditation Guidelines

The School Administration faculty recently met with Dr. Vivian Guarnera to review the new CAEP accreditation guidelines for teacher education programs. Dr. Guarnera attended training on the new criteria at a national conference in Washington, D.C. in September at the request of the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA). The OEQA is the state agency responsible for the accreditation of Teacher Education programs for the universities in Oklahoma. The OEQA funded the training for Dr. Guarnera and three other representatives from Oklahoma universities in order to receive information on the new accreditation guidelines which be in effect in 2016-17. The Teacher Education program at Southeastern will have an accreditation site visit during spring 2017 and each Teacher Education program at Southeastern has submitted accreditation program reports to the respective Learned Society in preparation for the site visit.

Donovan Promoted to Professor

Dr. Kimberly Donovan, Clinical Mental Health Counseling Coordinator, was promoted to the rank of Professor of Clinical Mental Health Counseling, effective with the Fall 2015 semester. Donovan was appointed Assistant Professor in 2004 and Associate Professor in 2009.
### HPER: Who Are They Now?

Health, Physical Education and Recreation graduates have been busy with new careers. Several graduates visited with HPER faculty this summer and here is an update on their current professional activities:

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<td>Chance Baker</td>
<td>Hugo Public Schools, Head Coach, H.S. Baseball, Assistant Coach &amp; Football, Head Coach, J.H. Football, Teach 9th Social Studies, B.S., Recreation Summer 2014</td>
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<td>Caleb Bell</td>
<td>Hugo Public Schools, Head Coach – Football, Teach H.S. Financial Literacy, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 2005</td>
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<td>Eric Bradley</td>
<td>Dickson Public Schools, Assistant Head Coach, Football, Head Coach Track, Teach Current Events &amp; Physical Education, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 1998</td>
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<td>Brad Chesshir</td>
<td>Nashville Schools, Assistant Coach, Football, Teach Special Education, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 2012</td>
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<td>Phylicia Chesshir, (Vandawalker)</td>
<td>South Pike County Schools, Murfreesboro, AR, Teaching B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Fall 2011</td>
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<td>Elizabeth “Liz” Dean</td>
<td>Bloomington Independent Schools, High School and Middle School, Teaching 6th – 12th HS/MS Physical Education, Head Coach Volleyball MS (7th &amp; 8th), Head Coach Basketball Varsity, &amp; Junior Varsity, Assistant Coach – Track, BS, Health &amp; Physical Education, Fall 2013</td>
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<td>Roger Feasterston</td>
<td>South Pike County Schools, Murfreesboro, AR, Superintendent, 3 Years (Went There in 1988), Coached and Taught Math, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 1983</td>
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<td>Shane Fletcher</td>
<td>Leonard ISD, Athletic Director, Head Coach – Football, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Spring 1996</td>
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<td>Andi Heath (Richardson)</td>
<td>Wetumka Public Schools, Head Coach – High School Girls’ Basketball, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Fall 2008</td>
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<td>Dalton Herndon</td>
<td>Saltillo ISD, 8th Health, Technology, Assistant Coach, Boys Basketball, Head Coach Baseball, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Spring 2014</td>
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<td>Michelle Ankrom (Kiehn)</td>
<td>Yukon Public Schools, Assistant Principal, 7th Grade, Middle School, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 1997</td>
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<td>Steven Kohli</td>
<td>Colbert Public Schools – Eastward, Teach Physical Education, 4th, 6th, Head Coach, Basketball/Softball, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education Fall 2012</td>
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<td>Jonathan Lowder</td>
<td>Buffalo Valley Public Schools, Head Coach, Boys Basketball, Baseball, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Spring 2013</td>
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<td>Carliss Robinson</td>
<td>Coastal Bend College, Beeville, TX, Assistant Coach, Men’s Basketball, Teaching, Master of Science in Sport Studies and Athletic Administration, Spring 2014</td>
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<td>Will Robinson</td>
<td>Colbert Public Schools, Assistant Coach, H.S. Boys Basketball, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, Spring 2011</td>
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<td>Jonathan Rodriguez</td>
<td>Clinton Public Schools HS Assistant Coach, HS. Tennis Head Coach, Teach Algebra I, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, 2013</td>
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<td>Ryan Sullivan</td>
<td>Putnam City Public Schools, Assistant Coach, H.S. Football, B.S., Health &amp; Physical Education, December 2012</td>
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Reid’s China Summer of Service Concludes at Huazhong University of Science Technology

Following a very busy China and Hong Kong itinerary in June, Dr. Jon Reid from the Department of Behavioral Sciences had an engaging and interesting month of July. Dr. Reid taught a Conversational English course for three weeks as part of the English language summer camp at the Huazhong University of Science and Technology (HUST) in Wuhan, China. For 12 years, the summer camp has been a collaborative arrangement with Teach for Friendship which is based in Arizona. Twenty-two teachers from the US taught conversational English classes to about 400 students, most of whom are university freshman from a variety of provinces in China. This was Dr. Reid’s 4th time to teach in the summer camp. In addition to the cultural enrichment experienced by Dr. Reid, teaching at HUST also served as a good marketing opportunity for SE, since many of the students are interested in graduate study in the US.

The students have typically been studying English since elementary school, however they often need encouragement with the speaking part of English. Incentives for class participation, such as SE t-shirts and other swag, were provided by Tim Boatmun Associate Dean of Academic Services and Chris Wesberry, Director of the Native American Center for Student Success. The Chinese students are very interested in American culture and particularly Native American culture. Eager to ask questions about American culture, the students are often surprised by how much freedom of speech and freedom of the press are allowed in Western countries.

Teaching at HUST also provided Dr. Reid the opportunity for data collection using Chinese-language versions of surveys which Dr. Reid had translated with support from an SE organized research grant. Dr. Reid reports that teaching in other settings serves to stretch the limits of his comfort zone and fosters creativity in teaching. The whole experience was professionally enriching; the Chinese students and staff provided a warm welcome and the invitation to return as often as possible.