Letter from the Chair

Greetings from the Midwest! I am not going to predict what the weather is like as you read this because it is liable to be 15 degrees different (warmer or colder) from what it is as I write.

If you are an alumnus, or have access to the BSU Alumnus Magazine, you know that CPSY was honored with the center article in the most recent issue. It was a pleasure to work with Laura Ford to make that article happen, and an even greater pleasure to see our good deeds appear in LIVING COLOR! I am, as always, proud of the work that CPSY faculty and students do wherever they do it.

And we continue to receive accolades – the most recent issue of The Career Development Quarterly brings a content and trend analysis by Flores et al. (2006) on the amount of racial/ethnic minority vocational research published in the four main career journals between 1969 and 2004. I am ecstatic to report that CPSY is ranked 12th in that list of institutions publishing such research, and I personally was tied for 5th in the number of articles published during that time period. While I am very excited for CPSY, I must say that there is a great need for authors to focus their careers on this area (considering that I did not start publishing in that area until the late ‘80s, for goodness’ sake!).

I should take a moment to blow my own horn and announce that I was recently named a Fellow of the American Psychological Association through Division 17! It is a great honor to be invited to join this small but prestigious group, and I consider myself fortunate to be able to share my excitement with you, my academic family.

On another, sadder note, I am again reminded that there will always be a need for all of our fields (counseling, social psychology, and counseling psychology) to try to explain the unexplainable. This time last year we were trying to understand the psychological impact of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma on the Gulf Coast and the rest of the country. This year, this month, we are trying to

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understand the rash of school shootings occurring across the country. As I write this I am monitoring the news of a fatal shooting of girls at an Amish school in Pennsylvania. Why that school? Why that man? Why all of those girls? This is, in fact, the second school shooting in recent days involving an adult man and young girls; it is at once shocking and numbing. As (future and current) counselors, social psychologists, and counseling psychologists we are in a position to not only ask the questions but to be involved in seeking the answers. We hope that if we can’t deter the next shooting, that we can at least assist quickly and ably in the aftermath. I just read that President Bush is calling for a school violence summit to look at the federal government’s role in helping local communities stop the violence. Clearly we should be represented at that table. We should also be represented in our local communities as another resource to provide support and guidance. If you are looking for a way to use your training and talents for the good of the community, I can’t think of a better one.

I wish you all the best as you move through the fall and finish out 2006!

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CPSY and Division 17 Conference Committee

Dr. Larry Gerstein has been appointed as the Co-Chair of the Division 17 Conference Committee. He was elected to Co-Chair in the Spring of 2006. One of his responsibilities will be to serve on the Planning Committee for the 2008 International Counseling Psychology Conference to take place in Chicago.

The International Section was formally approved by the Executive Council of Division 17 in August, 2006. The Section is dedicated to encouraging, promoting, and facilitating a scientist-professional model of counseling psychology in international contexts in the U.S.A. and around the globe. For further information, visit www.internationalcounselingpsychology.org.

Meta-Analyses Recently Published

Many of you are aware of the years of research and hours invested by Drs. Spengler, Ægisdóttir, and White and several students on the federally funded Meta-Analysis of Clinical Judgment (MACJ) research project. Many of you participated on this project as assistants and co-authors. The members of the MACJ project are proud to announce that two large meta-analyses were recently published from this project, one on clinical versus statistical prediction (Ægisdóttir, White, Spengler et al. 2006) and the other on experience and judgment accuracy (Spengler, White, Ægisdóttir et al., in press). Both publications are in The Counseling Psychologist.
Dr. Gerstein Lobbies Congressman Pence

Dr. Gerstein recently lobbied Congressman Mike Pence, asking him to support a bill to award His Holiness The Dalai Lama the Congressional Gold Medal. The congressman was quick to reply yes to his request.

The picture was taken on June 9, 2006. It was taken in front of the congressman’s office in the Cannon Building in Washington, DC. Congressman Pence represents the 6th Congressional District in Indiana which includes Muncie.

Dr. Bowman Awarded Fellow

Dr. Bowman was recently named a Fellow of the American Psychological Association through Division 17, Society of Counseling Psychology. The Fellow status becomes official in January 2007. According to the APA webpage:

Election to Fellow status requires evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions or performance in the field of psychology. Fellow status requires that a person's work has had a national impact on the field of psychology beyond a local, state, or regional level. A high level of competence or steady and continuing contributions are not sufficient to warrant Fellow status. National impact must be demonstrated.

In Dr. Bowman's case, her contributions in administration and service were of particular note.

The Counseling Psychologist Ranked #1 in Citation Indexes

_The Counseling Psychologist_ was rated number one in citation indexes this year. Last year it was rated number two behind the _American Psychologist_ ( _American Psychologist_ was removed this year from citation index). CPSY has a strong tradition of publishing in _TCP_ and editorial work on _TCP_. Dr. Spengler has been Associate Editor of _The Counseling Psychologist_ for the past five years and is finishing his sixth year in this service role. Current board members consist of Drs. Gerstein and Alexander. Drs. Spengler and Bowman were recent board members as well.
Midwestern Psychological Association

The Midwestern Psychological Association will be having their annual meeting this May in Chicago, Illinois. The deadline for proposal submissions is November 1st.

You can see the call for programs on the web at: www.midwesternpsych.org/fall_call06.pdf

Membership is open to anyone with a Ph.D. in psychology. Graduate students may also join with endorsement from a Ph.D. member. The membership form can be found at: www.midwesternpsych.org/membership.html

For further information, see the Ball State University MPA local rep:

Name: Rolf Holtz, Ph.D.
Office: North Quad 129
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Alumnus to offer Editing and Evaluation Services

Carrie Hill graduated in 1994 from Ball State with her M.A. in Community Counseling. After working in a community mental health center in Denver for two years she returned to Indiana to pursue her doctorate. She earned her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from Indiana University in 2001 and promptly moved to St. George, Utah to join her now-fiancé, whom she has known since grade school. She spent the next five years as Regional Coordinator of the Alzheimer’s Association, directing programs, services, community outreach, public relations, and fundraising for all of southern Utah. Deciding it was time to be true to herself, she took a risk and quit her job. She is now self-employed as a freelance writer, editor, trainer, and consultant in the areas of psychology and aging.

She now offers editing and evaluation services for dissertations, theses, and other manuscripts. Having published over a dozen journal articles and book chapters, she says she is “quite familiar with APA format and academic writing in general.” She provides her services via email, mail, and phone, and promises a quick turnaround.

For more information, you can visit her website at http://home.earthlink.net/~carhill or contact her at carhill@earthlink.net.

Welcome to all the New Students!

The Department of Counseling Psychology and Guidance Services would like to welcome all of the new doctoral and master’s students. The new doctoral students are:

- Sarah Jenkins
- Tracy Ksiazak
- Aimee Prater
- Nazar Seyala

Vocational Rehab track admitted 5 students while 10 students came in with a double major. It is nice to see how large and popular our program has become over the years.

There were also 48 new master’s students who started the program this Fall. The Community and Mental Health Track each welcomed 9 students, while the School track had an overwhelming 15. The
Alumni News

Shonali Raney, M.A., current Ph.D. student is now Senior Staff at Counseling and Consultation Service, at Ohio State University.

Chrissy Civiletto, Ph.D. recently moved to Boston where she works at Northeastern University as a Psychologist/Coordinator of Sexual Assault Services.

Jeremy Bottoms, M.A. is finishing up his internship at the Cincinnati VAMC. Afterwards, he is planning on moving to Danville, PA where he will start a 2-year neuropsych post-doc at Geisinger Medical Center. He was also married in 2003 to Marleen Smith (Ed. Psych department grad).

Christine Chamberlin, Ph.D. moved back to New England and took a position as a school psychologist at Keene Middle School in Keene, NH.

New Beginnings and Arrivals

Chris Owens and Carla Schriml were married on April 29, 2006 in Wintergreen, VA. Chris was a 2001 M.A. Community Counseling graduate and Carla graduated in 2000 with an M.A. in Community Counseling and a M.S. in Sports Psychology. Chris is working as a Drug & Alcohol rehab therapist at Eagleville Hospital near Philadelphia. Carla is also working near Philadelphia as a family therapist for Child Guidance Resource Center.

Maxwell Taylor Jack was born on January 15, 2006. He weighed 6lbs., 7 oz. and was 18 inches long. His parents are Mandy (M.A. Mental Health Counseling) and Fred Jack.

Katherine Faith was born on April 12, 2006. Her parents are Heather (M.A. Community Counseling Track May ’03) and Andy Richardson. Heather and Andy also have another child, three year old Lillian Grace. Heather continues to work as a mental health counselor at Anchor Behavioral Counseling and has recently met the requirements for licensure and will take the exam this October.

Ian David Klein was born on May 8, 2006. He weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. His parents are Heather Anderson, and Shawn Klein Ph.D. 04.

In Remembrance of Dr. Bethe Anne Korfhage

On July 30, 2006, Dr. Bethe Anne Korfhage died following a tragic automobile accident. She was from New Albany and had accepted a position as an adjunct professor at Spalding University in Louisville, Kentucky. Bethe earned her B.A. and master’s degrees from Ball State University and had received her doctorate in Counseling Psychology from the University of Kentucky in May of 2006. She was a member of the American Psychological Association and St. Mary of the Knobs Catholic Church in Floyds Knobs, IN. Her funeral was held on Saturday, August 5, 2006 at St. Mary of the Knobs Church. Expressions of sympathy were asked to be donated to the World Wildlife Fund (www.worldwildlife.org) or the Human Rights Campaign (www.hrc.org).
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### Attention: Grading Master’s Students

In order to graduate you must apply for graduation at the Graduate School by the deadline in the semester you intend to graduate.

**Graduation Application Deadline:**
- For Spring 2007: February 5, 2007
- For Summer 2007: June 4, 2007

**Deadline for Research Papers, Creative Projects, Theses, and Dissertations:**
- For Spring 2007: April 9, 2007
- For Summer 2007: July 9, 2007

Applications submitted after the deadline may be switched to the following semester for graduation (students do not have to reapply for graduation). Please direct all questions to the Graduate School.
Upcoming Opportunities

**Spring 2007 Course Addition:**

**CPSY 634**
Introduction to Behavioral Medicine
Taught by Dr. Don Nicholas

Topics to be Covered Include:
- Mind-Body Health
- Chronic Pain
- Smoking Cessation
- Weight Management
- Stress Management
- Psychosocial Oncology
- Psychosocial Aspects of Heart Disease

If interested contact Dr. Nicholas (dnichola@bsu.edu)
Course Day and Time Not Yet Determined

**Summer Study Abroad Programs:**

**Study Abroad Programs are in the works for trips to the following countries:**

**St. Lucia**
It will be held the first 2-3 weeks of May.
The trip is designed to provide school counseling and peer mediation services.
For more information contact Dr. Alexander

**South Africa**
It will be held in early May.
The trip is designed around cultural exchanges and students will be able to go on a safari.
For more information contact Dr. Bowman

**Iceland**
This trip is still tentative and if scheduled will probably be planned for the second summer semester.
For more information contact Dr. Ágísdóttir

Upcoming Conferences & Workshops

**Indiana Counseling Association**
2007 Educational Conference
February 1-2, 2007
Indianapolis, IN
http://www.indianacounseling.org/

**American Counseling Association**
Annual Convention & Exposition
March 21-25, 2007
COBO Convention Center, Detroit, MI
http://www.counseling.org/Convention/

**16th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect**
Co-Sponsored by APA and Children’s Bureau, Office on Child Abuse and Neglect
April 16-21, 2007
Portland, OR
http://www.childwelfare.gov/index.cfm

**Midwestern Psychological Association**
2007 Annual Meeting
May 3-5, 2007
Chicago, IL
http://www.midwesternpsych.org/

**American School Counselor Association**
Annual Conference
June 23-26, 2007
Denver, CO
http://www.schoolcounselor.org/

**American Mental Health Counselors Association**
Annual Conference
July 26-28, 2007
Hotel Monteleone, New Orleans, LA
http://www.amhca.org/

Job Opportunities

The following job opportunities require the completion of a Ph.D.

**Central College**—Psychology Department, Assistant Professor, Tenure-track, beginning August 2007, for more information contact Dr. Paul Naour at naourp@central.edu

**University of Tennessee**—Department of Psychology, Four Positions - Director of Counseling Psychology (Associate/Full Professor), two positions in the Clinical Program (one in Child Psychology and one Open position), Experimental Program (Assistant Professor, Cognitve Development); Tenure-track, beginning August 2007, for more information contact Ms. Connie Ogle at (865) 974-3328 (t), (865) 974-3330 (f), cjogle@utk.edu

**Drake University**—Psychology Department, Assistant Professor, Tenure-track, beginning August 2007, for more information contact Dr. Steven F. Faux at steven.faux@drake.edu
Recent Publications


Recent Presentations


Recent Presentations, cont’d

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Chairs): Training a globally minded psychologist. Symposium conducted at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association, New Orleans, LA.


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games and the sacred: A definitional content analysis. Poster session presented at the American Psychological Association Convention, New Orleans, LA.


Nicholas, D. R. (Oct., 2006). Psychosocial aspects of cancer. Invited speaker for the Indiana Rehabilitation Association Desserts and Discussion session. Ball State University, Muncie, IN.


**KEEP IN TOUCH!!!**

We are constantly curious about you so keep those announcements coming! The following space can be used to inform the department of an address change, any suggestions for our newsletter, or any other news you would like included in the next *CPSY TIMES*.

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Please return this form to: Department of Counseling Psychology
Attn: M.A. Graduate Assistant
Teachers College 622
Ball State University
Muncie, IN 47306-0585
New Student Interviews

As we welcome all of our wonderful new students we thought it would be nice to take the time to get to know who some of our new students are. Below are interviews from two of our new students about themselves, their past, and how things are going for them as they start on their new adventure here at Ball State University.

Jeff Waye is a first year M.A. student on the double major track in Social Psychology and Counseling. Jeff is originally from Hudson, Ohio and went to Taylor University in Upland, Indiana for his bachelor’s degree. Jeff has really been enjoying the program here at BSU so far and feels that it is “great to be able to practice counseling skills and focus my academics on the topic I’m most interested in.” He said he is also especially excited for practicum to start this January. Jeff said that he loves how willing the professors are to meet with students and provide them with insight from their own personal experience. He points specifically to Dr. White and Dr. Dixon who he says, “have both been great with helping me to get involved in research.” Jeff is still torn at the moment as to whether he would like to begin practicing with his M.A. or continue his education by going straight on to a doctoral program. While he has two years to decide, he admitted that lately he has been leaning towards the doctoral route. Overall though, as he goes forth to do whatever he chooses, he hopes to leave feeling confident and prepared to do counseling in a variety of approaches. When he can find some down time in between classes and working he enjoys weightlifting, watching movies, playing ultimate Frisbee, and spending time with friends.

Aimee Prater, originally from Wyandotte, Michigan, also started with us this fall but in the Ph.D. program. She comes to us after receiving her bachelor’s from Western Michigan University and two Master’s degrees from Michigan State University. She has been very happy with her experience at BSU so far, finding the faculty and advanced doctoral students very supportive and great resources. Aimee also enjoys being part of a smaller university that is more centered around the students and offers several benefits (i.e. access to exercise facilities and sporting events). Her favorite part of the program though, she admits, “is all of the choices and different things you can become involved in.” She appreciates having the ability to choose which area she wishes to focus on. She also is excited about the many research opportunities and experiences available to her here that she may not have had the opportunity to participate in elsewhere. Aimee is hoping that as she leaves the program she will have the skills needed to work in a career in academia or at a university counseling center. She is specifically interested in teaching, supervising, and training beginning counselors. Some of her favorite activities include meeting new people and having interesting conversations. Aimee also admits she has, “a passion for the theatre and music and figured skated most of my life, even in college.” She also enjoys spending time outside skiing and camping, along with reading and spending whatever time she can spare with her family whom she misses greatly. She also stays true to her hometown teams and cheers on the Red Wings, Tigers, Pistons, and even the Lions.

We would like to wish Jeff and Aimee, along with all the new students, a wonderful year and the best of luck!