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Congratulations and Updates!

Welcome Back!

Happy New Year everyone! Last year was a really productive year, professionally and personally, for our faculty. For Michelle, there were dragon boat races, multiple awards, and writing retreats with her *Sista Scholars*. For Julie, there were more awards (we were well celebrated last year!), travel for data collection and for fun, and an appearance on the news. For me, lots of talks and presentations, a renewed love and commitment to yoga, and good progress on multiple research projects on diversity, graduate training, and career development. And everyone's in love! What could be better?

As we ease into this year, my mind is on doing "enough". I often find myself thinking about what I should have or could have done only if I had enough time. But I urge you all to be mindful of how hard you are pushing and to be kind to yourselves. I am inspired by the Prayer of Oscar Romero, which includes the following lines: "*We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.*" I hope you each find your personal, optimal balance between challenge and support. Be mindful of taking care of yourself as you aim to take care of others, especially our students.

Be well. Wishing you all the best, and lots of success!
Kimberly Griffin

Welcome To Our Incoming Cohorts

Incoming Ph.D. Students (bottom photo from left to right)

Cintha Salazar, Kristen Rupert, Moya Malcolm, & Bart Hipple, (*missing*) Leah Tobin



Incoming Master's Cohort (top photo from left to right)

Arton Falahati, Nicole Garcia, Matt Crimmins
Daniela Bulos
(*front of statue*) Ben Beltran, Emily Butler
Zac Hyder, Heather Campbell-Kimball, Courtney Riley

Congrats to the 2015 SAC Graduates



2015 Doctoral Graduates (from left to right): Ann Ho Becks, Donna Lim, Sean Pepin, & Matt Supple.

Dissertation Titles of 2015 SAC Doctoral Graduates

Becks, A. H. (2015). *The initial academic major decision-making process: An application of Azjen's theory of planned behavior.*

Lim, D. (2015). *Exploring & identifying predictors that affect Asian American college students' sense of belonging: "How do I fit in?"*

Pepin, S. C. (2015). *An exploration of social justice commitment: A grounded theory investigation of student affairs professionals.*

Supple, M. (2015). *College impact on social perspective taking: Measuring the effect of fraternity/sorority affiliation*



2015 Master's Graduates (from left to right): John Caldora, Matt Chenworth, Julius Grayson, Tyler McClenithan, Michelle Strange, Ellie Howe, Becca Bernstein, Carlos Sepulveda

Well wishes to each of the graduates in their future endeavors!

Alumni News

Greg Rheault received George Washington University's Executive Leadership Doctoral Program's Ralph Stone Award for "Representing and Actualizing the Self-less Development of Others." What a wonderful reason to be recognized. Greg's spirit of giving has been present since his Maryland days.

Julie Owen was the keynote speaker at the 25th annual Association of Leadership Educators in Washington D.C. in July. Her speech was titled: "Courageous Leadership: Moving from Heroic to Collective Action." It has been such a joy to see Julie's career and presence in the leadership field blossom.

Tisha McCoy-Ntiamoah started as a doctoral student this fall in the Organizational Science & Leadership concentration at James Madison University and she also currently serves full-time as the Director of the Orientation Office at JMU. We are so proud that you are pursuing this degree. You will be a wonderful graduate student.

This fall **Aeriel A. Ashlee** has begun her doctoral studies (full-time) in the Student Affairs in Higher Education program at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Congrats and give our love to all the Terps in Oxford!

Malaika Marable Serrano taught this summer at the Universidad de la Salle's Summer Academy in Bogotá, Colombia. The course was called "Global Service: Developing Leadership through Service-Learning," She had a class of 20 Colombian students and 5 Mexican International students. They partnered with, Niños por un Nuevo Planeta, foundation whose mission is to serve children who have been victims of sexual violence. She gives special thanks to **Susan Komives and Barb Jacoby** for their support. Your mark on the world is great, Malaika.

AWARD RECIPIENT

John Garland, Associate Professor at Alabama State, is the 2015 recipient of the President's Award from the National Council on Rehabilitation Education (NCRE). He was honored for "exemplary diligence and fortitude in promoting rehabilitation research, education, and service." John has always been an extraordinary advocate for students and it is so great to see him recognized for his efforts. We are so proud of you, John!

Vice President for Campus Life at Wake Forest University **Penny Rue** was one of four panelists who testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Higher Education and the Workforce Training about "Preventing and Responding to Sexual Assault on College Campuses." Click link for access to the Wake Forest University article. <http://news.wfu.edu/2015/09/10/rue-appears-before-congressional-committee/>

Lee Williams wrote a great piece that is featured in InsideHigherEd: <https://www.insidehighered.com/views/2015/08/07/how-sexual-assault-campaign-drove-one-student-affairs-administrator-her-job-essay>

John Foubert and Kevin Kruger were cited in an InsideHigherEd article, check it out: <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2015/06/15/new-survey-finds-1-5-college-women-have-experienced-sexual-assault>

Molly Morin is a recipient of two scholarships: the UMD College of Education Scholarship and the Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholarship for the 2015-2016 year. This terrific support for a great scholar makes life and graduate school doable. We are so proud of you!

Salvador Mena, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at Rutgers University, recently served as Co-Chair & Faculty of NASPA's Inaugural New Professionals Conference in Kansas City, MO this past June. It is great to know that Sal is influencing the next generation of student affairs practitioners.

Krystal Clark has been slated to serve as President-Elect of the Junior League of Nashville. Krystal currently serves on the JLN board of directors and has also served as VP of Membership. She will assume the President role in 2017. We love the idea of Krystal exerting her leadership skills in a way that impacts all of Nashville. Bravo!

Joey DeSanto Jones is joining the Education Advisory Board as a Consultant in Strategic Research. Joey has had a terrific career in higher education – from campus to association to consulting. He positively impacts all he meets.

Ann Ho-Becks recently moved and started a new job last month. She is the Research Analyst at Human Capital Research Corporation, an enrollment management consulting firm in Evanston, IL. She is excited to run SPSS analyses all day long! That, my friend, is a gift!

Sean Gehrke became the new Director of Institutional Planning, Research, and Assessment at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho in May 2015. What a joy to be close to his beloved western USA!

Jamie Adasi is now working as a Clinical Placement Coordinator for the Nursing@Simmons team at 2U (2U.com). 2U is a hotbed for student affairs work within a virtual platform. If anyone wants to learn more about the organization, you can feel free to email: jadasi@gmail.com. We are so proud of you for being at the cutting edge, Jamie!

Karla Benson Rutten recently accepted a position at Macalester College as the college's Title IX Coordinator and Director of Equity. This is such important work, Karla. We are proud of you.



Ryan and **Jennifer Edwards** Serra welcome their third son, Owen John, who arrived July 1st! We hope baby and family are well.

Jen Meyers Pickard is now the Assistant Vice President for Divisional Initiatives and Planning at the University of Arizona. This is an amazing new job for a great person.

Justin Fincher became the Assistant Vice President of Constituent Experiences and Chief Administrative Officer in University Advancement at the Ohio State University. This is an amazing accomplishment. We can't wait to see the wonderful work you will do with the Buckeyes!

Paul Eaton is a new Assistant Professor of Educational Leadership - Higher Education - at Sam Houston State University. Congrats on this opportunity and we hope this academic year is off to a great start!

Renique Quick Kersh is the new Associate Vice Provost for Engaged Learning at Northern Illinois University. We are so proud of the work you are doing in DeKalb, Renique!

Sara Hall Carrico recently became the Dean of Enrollment Management at Saint Paul College in St. Paul, MN. May you find LOTS of terrific students wanting to come to your institution!

Suzanne Ashour-Bailey is now the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs in the College of Health Sciences at UTEP. Give a big hug to all of our Terps in El Paso! Bravo for you, Suzanne.

Greg Toya started as the Director of Student Development at El Camino College in Torrance, California this past June. It is terrific to know that Greg will be mentoring so many great students.

Laura Wilmarth Tyna is now working as Community Partner Liaison in academic service learning at Lewis University in Romeoville, IL. How fabulous to be the bridge for the higher education institution and the community.

John Fox is the new Director of Residential Life at UMBC. We are so proud that you will be educating those great Retrievers in residence halls at our sister institution.

Mel Lesch is returning to higher education as an Academic Program Coordinator for Residence Life at the University of Kentucky. What fun to be back in the saddle!

Courtney Oddman became the interim Associate Director of Emory's Clairmont Campus. This is fabulous news, Courtney!



Alum and NASPA's President **Kevin Kruger** visited the 2014 Master's Cohort during their Summer Apprenticeship class.

Bess Chang & Dharma Naik-Reunited after 10 years at Top of the Hub in Boston



Terps Find Love and Each Other!



CSP folks at Doug Lee's wedding. **Doug Lee** and Jennifer Lin got married on 6/6/15 in Bluemont Vineyard, VA. We send you love and congratulations, Doug! From left to right: **Doug Lee, Patrick Grayshaw, Hayley Haywood, Jennifer Lin, Craig Leets, and Stephanie Chang**



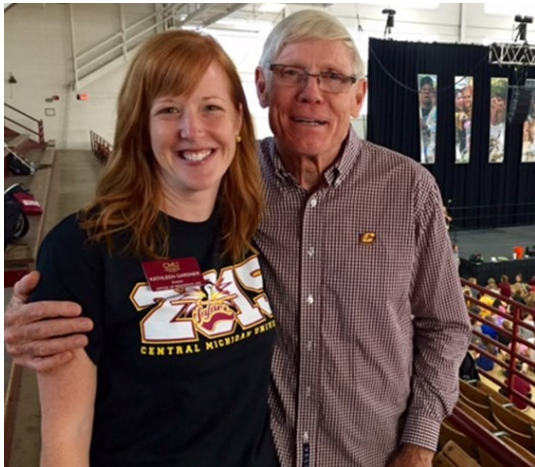
Jacki Mac got married to Tip Fallon on 5/23/15! Joined by other Maryland folks here: **Stephen John Quaye, Jamie Adasi, rita zhang and Julie Choe Kim.** Jacki was a beautiful bride and it was great to find out that Julie Choe Kim officiated the wedding. We love it when generations of CSP/SAC folks build lasting relationships. Blessings to you, Jacki and Tip.

Mark and **Mariam Mitry Kaldas** are completely in love with their little Boaz Mark Ibrahim Kaldas! Born on June 10th 2015 at 11:34am, weighing in at 7lb 6oz, measuring 20in. What a joy to welcome this lovely new person into our world. We are so proud of you, Mom and Dad!

Pete and **Mollie Monahan-Kreishman** (and big sister Anna) welcome baby, Katherine Marie, born July 30, 2015 8:28 am, 9 lbs 4 oz. This is wonderful news, Mollie and Pete!

Karol and Candace Martinez-Doane welcome daughter, Raven Alexis Martinez-Doane, August 23, 2015 at 2:44am. We are sure big sister, Noelle, is thrilled. This is one beautiful family and we are so thrilled to welcome baby Raven Alexis into our world. Love to all of you.

Pic on the right: Becca Bernstein is now working at Swarthmore College in Philly and found **Isaiah Thomas-Go Terps!**



Pic on the Left: Love how these TERPS find each other— Here's **Kathleen Gardner** in her new job at Central Michigan with **Denny Roberts** who was there consulting!





Congrats to **Dan Tillapaugh** on receiving UMaine's Graduate Faculty Mentor Award-you're dedication has not gone unnoticed!

Articles, Books, Book Chapters, Presentations, & Talks

Dugan, J. P., Turman, N. T., & Torrez, M. A. (2015). When recreation is more than just sport: Advancing the leadership development of students in intramurals and club sports. *Recreation Sports Journal*, 39, 37-48.

Engbers, T. A. (2015). Building community? The characteristics of America's most civic cities. *Journal of Public Affairs*.

Komives, S. R. (2015). High impact engagement practices: We can do better! Keynote presentation at OrgSync Connect, Dallas, TX.

Komives, S. R. (2015). Leadership identity development: Relational leadership for social change. Keynote presentation at the Social Justice Institute, St. Mary's College of California, Moraga, CA.

LePeau, L. (2015). A grounded theory of academic affairs and student affairs partnerships for diversity and inclusion aims. *The Review of Higher Education*, 39(1), 97-122.

Park, J. J., & Becks, A. H. (2015). Who benefits from SAT prep?: An examination of high school context and race/ethnicity. *The Review of Higher Education*, 39(1), 1-23.

Rodriguez, E. and **Longerbeam, S.** (2015), Encounters with Angels: A Struggle to Return Home from Study Abroad. *About Campus*, 20: 22-26.

Shalka, T. (2015, March). Mentorship's impact on leadership development outcomes of international students. Research paper to be presented at the American College Personnel Association National Conference, Tampa, FL.

Shalka, T. & Rosenfeld, D. (2015, March). Using theory to understand and reduce campus sexual violence. To be presented at the American College Personnel Association National Conference, Tampa, FL.

Congrats to **Ben Beltran**, a first year master's student who was recently selected to be a part of the 2015-2016 NASPA Graduate Associate Program (GAP). This is such a wonderful leadership opportunity and we can't wait to see the great things you do in this role!

Congratulations to the Recipients of the ACPA Faculty Research Grant! September 1, 2015: Dr. **Lucy A. LePeau**, Sarah F. Fernandez, and Ryan J. Davis of Indiana University Bloomington are the recipients of a \$5,000 award. The title of their study is Academic and Student Affairs Partnerships to Advance Diversity and Social Justice: A Content Analysis of Websites. We are so proud of our scholar-professor and this amazing recognition. We can't wait to hear of the research findings.

Retirement Announcement

Pam Cranston, PhD' 87 retired on June 15, 2015 after nearly 25 years at Johns Hopkins University. Congrats to Pam on her many years of service to JHU and to the field. We appreciate your hard work and commitment. Pam started her Terp Days as a doctoral student working in her assistantship in Commuter Affairs and in her "off hours" working in the Food Coop! To think that she rose to senior leadership roles at Hopkins from this humble start, makes us so proud. Pam was beloved in her many leadership roles at Johns Hopkins and we know she will be missed.

Congrats to each of you in your accomplishments of awards, scholarship, pursuit of continued education, new leadership roles, and new positions. Best of luck as this academic year is well under way.

Well wishes and congrats to those who recently married and/or welcomed a new bundle of joy into their lives.

We are thrilled to welcome **Shelvia English** to the *In Basket* team. She is a second-year doctoral student working with **Dr. Kimberly Griffin** on some great research opportunities and strives to be more involved with the SAC program. Shelvia will be spending part of her time in College Park chronicling the great news of our faculty, students, and alumni.

We know that this is a longer issue and wanted to include all the wonderful news that you all continue to share with the CSP/SAC community, so keep sharing the good news-we love to hear it!

Send your news of all kinds to sagrad-InBasket@umd.edu. Our top reporter **Susan Komives** usually knows things before anyone else, but we love to have the SCOOP first!

Get IN the BASKET!

Share the good news! Submissions for the InBasket can be emailed to sagrad-InBasket@umd.edu.

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We will be hosting our second annual SAC Visit Day on Friday, October 23rd from 9am-12pm.

If you know anyone who is interested in learning more about the program they can register here: <http://ter.ps/SACVisitDy15>

They can also email the SA Grad with questions: sagrad-ga@umd.edu

