

College of Education | Achievements and Highlights

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Dean Mercer signed an agreement with Yachay, the Ecuadorian “City of Knowledge,” to develop a language institute for the university. Emphasis will be placed on learning STEM content/academic language.

A major article concerning academic advising in the Dec. 2 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* quoted NACADA Executive Director Charlie Nutt and several NACADA experts. The article focused on student success, retention, and institutional funding.

Marsha Miller, NACADA assistant director for resources and services, recently returned from the Council for the Advancement of Standards, or CAS, board meeting in Washington, D.C., where the revised standards for academic advising were approved. Miller represents NACADA’s 12,000+ members on the CAS Board and served as the expert consultant for the CAS Academic Advising Program standards revision committee. Additionally, Miller is one of six CAS board members reviewing the CAS General Standards that are incorporated into all 43 functional area standards.

Robert Hachiya, assistant professor, is an appointed writer for the Education Law Association’s School Law Reporter and will write monthly education-related case summaries for court decisions from the 1st Circuit Court of Appeals and select cases from Federal District Courts.

Sandy Risberg published an iBook “Military Connected Students in the Classroom.” In addition, she started a Pinterest page for teachers of military connected students.

The Center for Student and Professional Services, or CSPS, completed Phase I of its plan to improve communication with students and parents by installing digital signage.

David Thompson, professor and department chair:

- Was unanimously reappointed to a new term as chair, marking his 21st year in this role.
- Worked with Dean Carol Shanklin on the seven-month wait rule and to reduce the 30-credit requirement for Ph.D. dissertation research.

Awards

Lori Andersen, assistant professor, received a doctoral student award for “a superior degree of scholarship in the field of gifted education” from the National Association for Gifted Children, or NAGC, at its national conference in Indianapolis, Ind., on Nov. 8.

Susan Yelich Biniecki, assistant professor, and Waldek Biniecki, instructor, were presented with one award and three special recognitions at the Polish Independence Day/Veterans Day event on Nov. 3 in Milwaukee, Wisc.:

- Congressman Clement Zablocki Civic Achievement Award from the Polish American Congress
- Certificate of Recognition for Dedicated Service from the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Chicago
- Milwaukee County Resolution Recognizing Civic Achievement from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
- City of Milwaukee Resolution Recognizing Civic Achievement from the City of Milwaukee Common Council.

Doris Wright Carroll, associate professor, was presented with the Cultural Competency Award from the Kansas City chapter of the Nation’s Voice on Mental Illness on Nov. 14 in Independence, Mo., for her positive influence in the field of mental health awareness and advocacy.

Publications

Andersen, L. (2013). Motivating children to develop their science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) talent. *Parenting for High Potential*, 14-18.

Andersen, L., & Ward, T. J. (2013). Expectancy-value models for the STEM persistence plans of ninth-grade, high-ability students: A comparison between Black, Hispanic, and White students. *Science Education*, XX, 1-27. doi: 10.1002/sce.21092

Hughey, J.K., & Pettay, R.F. (2013). Motivational interviewing: Helping advisors initiate change in student behaviors. In J.K. Drake, P. Jordan, & M.A. Miller (Eds.), *Academic advising approaches: Strategies that teach students to make the most of college* (pp. 67-82). San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.

Leslie, B.B., & Fishback, S.J. (2013). Faculty self-efficacy beliefs: Why do they matter? In C.J. Boden McGill & K.P. King (Eds.), *Developing and sustaining adult learners* (pp. 323-335). Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing.

Losinski, M.L., Katsiyannis, A., & Ryan, J.B. (2013). Recent case law regarding functional behavioral assessments: Implications for practice. *Intervention in School and Clinic*, 49(4). doi: 10.1177/1053451213509489

Yell, M.L., Katsiyannis, A., & **Losinski, M.L.** (2013). Doug C. v. Hawaii Department of Education: The importance of parental participation. *The Learning Consultants Journal*, 24, 50-53.

Musser, T.K., & Yoder, F. (2013). The application of constructivism and systems theory to academic advising. In J. K. Drake, P. Jordan, & M. A. Miller (Eds.), *Academic advising approaches: Strategies that teach students to make the most of college* (pp. 179-196). San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.

Presentations

Andersen, L. (2013, November). *The occupational choice decision: A critical step in STEM talent development*. Paper presented at the 60th Annual Convention of the National Association for Gifted Children, Indianapolis, IN.

Augustine-Shaw, D. (2013, November). *The Kansas Educational Leadership Institute: Collaboration, community, and leadership*. Paper presented at the University Council for Educational Administration Annual Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

Yelich Biniiecki, S. (2013, November). *Exploring cross-cultural knowledge construction through concept mapping: An exploratory, mixed methods study of the experiences of Ecuadorian educators in the U.S.* Paper presented at the Commission of Professors of Adult Education Co-Conference Program at the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

Yelich Biniiecki, S., & Collins, R.A. (2013, November). *Learner resistance to cultural issues: Facilitation strategies and techniques*. Paper presented at the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

Yelich Biniiecki, S., Schmidt, S., & Taylor, E. (2013, November). *It's the journey, not the destination: Career issues and insights for professors of adult education.* Panel member at the Commission of Professors of Adult Education at the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

Collins, R.A., Olson, J., & Gupta, K. (2013, November). *CPAE Faculty Development SIG, Faculty Development: Research Overview Past 5 Years*. Paper presented at the Commission of Professors of Adult Education Co-Conference Program at the 62nd Annual Conference for American Association for Adult and Continuing Education, Lexington, KY.

Collins, R.A. (2013, November). *Accelerated programs quality standards research*. Paper presented at the 75th Annual Conference for Association for Continuing Higher Education, Lexington, KY.

Cross, J.R., Ambrose, D., & Andersen, L. (2013, November). *Social inequality, gifted education, and Frank Sinatra: Are we avoiding a necessary debate?* Paper presented at the 60th Annual Convention of the National Association for Gifted Children, Indianapolis, IN.

Fishback, J., Clark, M., Shea, K., Berg, P., & Gleiman, A. (2013, November). *How combat stress impacts learning*. Paper presented at the Commission of Professors of Adult Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

Frost, A.M., & Lane, J.J. (2013, November). *Prevention programming from early interventions through middle school*. Paper presented at the 64th Annual Counseling Conference, Emporia, KS.

Goodson, L.A., & Goodson, F.T. (2013, November). *Saving our stories: Oral histories of veteran teachers*. Paper presented at the National Council of Teachers of English Fall Convention, Boston, MA.

Hachiya, R.F. (2013, November). *In the Aftermath of Sandy Hook: Revisiting What Works and What Doesn't Work to Prevent School Violence*. Paper presented at the University Council for Educational Administration Annual Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

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Hachiya, R.F., & Augustine-Shaw, D. (2013, November). *Building/forging the new frontier: A critical discussion on leadership preparation and global/virtual instruction*. Paper presented at the University Council for Educational Administration Annual Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

Hughey, J.K. (2013, November). *Strategies to engage, collaborate, and counsel to enhance educational capacity in military connected students*. Paper presented at 64th Annual Counseling Conference, Emporia, KS.

Menke, D.J., & Pettay, R.F. (2013, October). *Elevate advisor morale: An exploration of the causes of low morale and suggestions for improvement*. Paper presented at the national conference of the National Academic Advising Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Spikes, W.F., & Sutton, S. (2013, November). *The changing nature of the practice of continuing legal education: Trends, issues, and future directions*. Paper presented at the 62nd National Conference of the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education, Lexington KY.

Hoekman, A., & Spikes, W.F. (2013, November). *Attitudes of university faculty members about adopting campus-wide distance education initiatives*. Paper presented at the 62nd National Conference of the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education, Lexington KY.

Schwandt, J., & Spikes, W.F. (2013, November). *An analysis of the success of foster children and implications for adult education practice*. Paper presented at the 62nd National Conference of the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education, Lexington KY.

Shoop, R.J. (2013, November). *Preventing sexual abuse in child service agencies*. Keynote address given at National Abuse Prevention Summit, Boston, MA.

Swan, K.L. (2013, November). *Adlerian Play Therapy*. Invited two-day presentation at Boise State University, sponsored by the Idaho Initiative for Play Therapy Studies.

Wilcox, D.W., & Hughey, K.F. (2013, October). *Taking your career advising to new heights: A case study approach*. Paper presented at a pre-conference session at the national conference of the National Academic Advising Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Zacharakis, J. (2013, November). *Professional networks of opportunity lead to grant opportunities*. Panel member at the Commission of Professors of Adult Education Co-Conference at the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education Conference 62nd Annual Conference, Lexington, KY.

Student achievements

Gleiman, A., Knolton, D., & Mokhtarian, K. (2013, November). *Selforganizing systems: Reflections from a nontraditional doctoral cohort*. Paper presented at the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

Gleiman, A. (2013, November). *Building informal leaders: A study of the U.S. Army's Command Team Spouse Development Program Brigade Level*. Paper presented at the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education Conference, Lexington, KY.

MacDonald, G.L. (2013, November). *Study abroad: The role for faculty leaders on a study abroad experience*. Paper presented at the Kansas Student Affairs Conference, Manhattan, KS.

MacDonald, G.L., & Perez, D.R. (2013, November). *Acculturation and study abroad: Creating climates of understanding and tolerance*. Paper presented at the Kansas Student Affairs Conference, Manhattan, KS.

Moilanen, J. H. (2013). Intuitive decision making: The wisdom of tacit knowing-in-action. In C. J. Boden McGill & K. P. King (Eds.), *Developing and sustaining adult learners* (pp. 299-310). Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing.