

College of Education | Achievements and Highlights

Prepared for
President Kirk Schulz and Provost April Mason

Highlights

David C. Thompson, professor and chair of the department of educational leadership, was appointed to the executive management committee, which will govern the transition of the National Education Finance Conference to its new status as the National Education Finance Academy.

David C. Thompson was interviewed by reporters from three publications in New York, the “Ithaca Journal,” “Elmira Star-Gazette,” and “Binghamton Press & Sun-Bulletin,” concerning compensation packages for the state’s school superintendents.

NACADA: The Global Community for Academic Advising:

- Developed an allied association in the United Kingdom, making it the first outside of North America. The association held a conference March 25 at the University of Sheffield in the UK, and attendance exceeded expectations. Most attendees were from England, with a few from Ireland and the Netherlands.
- Began selling copies of “A Walk in My Shoes: First-Generation College Students” through its online store. All proceeds support College of Education scholarships.

Linda P. Thurston, associate dean for research and graduate studies and Lydia E. Skeen endowed professor:

- Assumed responsibilities for the college’s graduate programs in March.
- Served on a National Science Foundation review panel in Washington, D.C., and served on a K-State review panel for the Global Food Initiatives for ORSP.

Paul Burden, assistant dean:

- Was asked to serve as the college’s accreditation coordinator.
- Worked as an onsite coordinator along with David Allen, associate professor, and Laurie Curtis, assistant professor, for the 2015 Spring Conference of the Association of Teacher Educators of Kansas in Manhattan on March 27.

Trina Harlow, art education instructor:

- Attended the National Art Education Association Convention, or NAEA, in New Orleans, March 26-29 where she hosted a K-State reception for high school art educators and others for recruitment purposes. Four art education students attended sessions and participated in convention activities.
- Served on the higher education planning committee and was selected to represent the higher education division of NAEA with the College Art Association, or CCA, and also with the Foundations in Art: Technology and Education organization, or FATE.

Jessica Lane, assistant professor, is president elect of the Kansas Association for Counselor Education and Supervision at the Kansas Counseling Association Conference.

Mary Devin, associate professor, finalized plans for a new master’s level partnership between the college and the Salina school district, and initiated planning for a new master’s level partnership with Dodge City.

The college hosted the second annual K-State Military Initiatives Education Symposium: Military-Connected Students and Special Needs on March 11 at Fort Riley. Program planners were: Jane Fishback, associate professor; Vickie Sherbert, assistant professor; Sandy Risberg, instructor; Judy Hughey, associate professor; Kelly Briggs, academic advisor; and graduate students Jessica Dwyer and Karen Graves.

The college hosted the national Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network, or GLSEN, at K-State from March 29-April 3rd. Members from the non-profit organization visited with colleges across K-State’s campus the entire

week. Amanda Morales, diversity coordinator, organized collaborative sessions with student groups, classes, departments and community organizations in the area. All students, faculty, and staff were invited to attend.

Communications efforts included: the launch of a full-scale marketing and social media campaign for “Vale la Pena,” the college’s documentary about the GoTeacher program; the production of a special edition of the college’s e-Newsletter, “More Connections;” and the submission of 10 articles to “K-State Today.”

Publications

- Kim, J. H. (2015). *Understanding narrative inquiry: The crafting and analysis of stories as research*. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE.
- Larson, L., & Dwyer, B. (2015). Digging deeper with reader response: Using digital tools to support comprehension of literary texts in online learning environments. In T. V. Rasinski, K. E. Pytash, & R. E. Ferdig (Eds.), *Using technology to enhance reading: Innovative approaches to literacy instruction* (pp. 120-129). Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree.
- Maag, J. W., & Losinski, M. (2015). Thorny issues and prickly solutions: Publication bias in meta-analytic reviews in the social sciences. *Advances in Social Science Research*, 2, 242-253.
- Wood, R. C., Thompson, D. C., Dayton, J., & Kiracofe, C. (2015). *Constitutional challenges to state aid plans: An analysis of strategy* (4th ed.). Cleveland, OH: Education Law Association.
- Yelich Biniecki, S. (2015). Adults’ perceptions of knowledge construction as participants in nonformal world affairs programs: An interpretive study. *Adult Education Quarterly*, 65(2), 116-132.

Presentations

- Collins, R. A., & Brown, N. (2015, March). *Engaging new and different adult audiences*. K-State Research and Extension, Family and Consumer Science Master Volunteers, Johnson County Area, Olathe, KS.
- Collins, R. A. (2015, March). *Credit hour compliance*. Paper presented at MidAmerica Nazarene University, Olathe, KS.
- Fishback, S. J., & Knackendoffel, E. A. (2015, March). Facilitators for panel discussion: *Out of the field and into the classroom: How to make this transition and become self-reliant, successful students*. Kansas State Military Initiatives Education Symposium: Military-connected students and special needs, Fort Riley, KS.
- Harlow, T. (2015, March). *Fund for teachers: Istanbul fellowship*. Presentation at the National Art Education Association Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- Harlow, T. (2015, March). *Worldwide color wheel project*. Presentation at the National Art Education Association Convention, New Orleans, LA.
- Kang, H., & Kamal, B. (2015, March). *When technology meets culture: An Ubuntu perspective from Saudi Arabia*. Paper presented at the 59th Annual Conference of the Comparative and International Education Society, Washington, DC.
- Martinez, T. (2015, March). *Office of Civil Rights compliance in higher education, let’s dive in!* Paper presented at the Statewide Civil Rights Training, Iowa Department of Education, Des Moines, IA.
- Martinez, T., & Mercer, D. (2015, February). “A Walk in My Shoes” documentary series: *Using College of Education graduate students’ own stories for enhancing instruction and recruiting and retaining diverse student populations*. Paper presented at the meeting of the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education, Atlanta, GA.
- McKeeman, L., & Oviedo, B. (2015, March). *21st century world language classrooms: Web 2.0 tools to support cultural competence*. Paper presented at the Central States Conference for the Teaching of Foreign Language, Minneapolis, MN.
- McKeeman, L., & Oviedo, B. (2015). *21st century world language classrooms: Technology to support cultural competence*. *Central States Conference of Teaching Foreign Language Report*, Minneapolis, MN.

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Thompson, D. C., Alexander, K., Hartman, W., Moak, L, Salmon, R., & McKeown-Moak, M. (2015, February). General session keynote: *A conversation with our lifetime achievement award winners: Celebrating a lifetime of professional accomplishments and our discipline.* National Education Finance Conference, St. Louis, MO.