

Antioch University

COMMON THREAD

MARCH 23, 2017



Upcoming Visits with Chancellor Bill Groves:

Interim Chancellor Bill Groves will be travelling to all campuses this spring to engage in conversations about AU accomplishments and his vision for our future.

The dates of his campus visits and virtual meetings are:

AUM, March 30

AUNE, April 3

AULA, April 5

AUSB, April 6

AUS, April 7

GSLC, April 10 (virtual)

AUO, April 13 (virtual)

AWARDS

AUNE | Faculty Member Named to Board of Directors



Michael Simpson, AUNE Environmental Studies faculty, was appointed to the Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists (NHANRS). He was also recently named Chair of the Professional Wetland Scientist discipline for the State of New Hampshire at the NHANRS annual meeting.

NHANRS promotes the responsible use of natural resources and represents the diverse interests of its membership, which is comprised of wetland and soil scientists, biologists, foresters, ecologists, surveyors, state and municipal employees, and citizens.

Learn more about the association [here](#).

GSLC | Student Joins Team Driving Social Change Worldwide



GSLC student, Maria Chavez-Haroldson, recently became Vice President for the Metropolitan Group in Portland, OR. Working alongside senior strategists developing and implementing social change initiatives on a national and international level, Chavez-Haroldson is on the forefront of upholding the organization's mission to build the power of voice and capacity of the people, organizations, and communities to craft "strategic and creative services that empower social purpose organizations to build a just and sustainable world."

Learn more about Chavez-Haroldson and her work [here](#).

EVENTS

AULA | In Memoriam



Dedicated faculty member and alumna Nancy Fawcett died this month. Nancy's love for Antioch University touched many parts of the community, and she had an enormous impact on the lives of those around her. She was an alumna of the graduate Psychology program, a popular adjunct faculty member for more than 20 years, and helped to found the Alumni Council in 2011. In 2013, Nancy received the Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Service. This award is given to alumni whose volunteer service to Antioch University and its students has had exceptional and lasting impact.

There will be a memorial for Nancy on Friday, March 31, at 2 pm at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 504 N. Camden Avenue, Beverly Hills, CA, 90210. A reception will follow in the parish hall. For more information and to express your condolences, please visit her [memorial page](#). Nancy's family has requested than in lieu of flowers, any gifts in her memory should be designated to Antioch University's [Alumni Scholarship Fund](#) or [Bridge program](#).

More information can be found [here](#).

AUNE | Three-Day Institute for Mindful Advocacy in June



AUNE will hold the Institute for Mindful Advocacy: Effective and Compassionate Social Justice Practices for Transforming the World on June 6–8, 2017. This is an opportunity to dialogue, share, and celebrate collective energy related to social justice while learning effective and sustainable ways to nurture and invigorate our advocacy practices. An optional mindfulness retreat will follow.

Learn more [here](#).

AULA | The New Economy Workshop (Because the Old One Just Isn't Working for Most of Us!)



The Bridge Program, in partnership with the East La Community Corp, La Co-Op Lab, and the Boyle Heights Technology Youth Center, hosted a New Economy Workshop to discuss the principles of cooperation, and seeing the power, possibilities, and joy of a better world. Attendees learned about worker cooperatives businesses, community ownership of land and housing, and alternatives to big banks and debt. They also shared their own ideas on ways to help build sustainable local economies. In attendance were Bridge Program alumni, current students, young people from 5 Keys Charter School, and other guests. The workshop was held on Saturday,

March 11, 2017, at the Boyle Heights Technology Youth Center.

AUNE | Conservation Psychology Institute & Webinars



AUNE will host its next Conservation Psychology Institute in Keene, NH, from June 11–14, 2017. Participants will learn what cutting-edge research is discovering about motivating pro-environmental behavioral changes and fostering connections to nature. The attendees will also engage in problem-solving around real-world programmatic and organizational challenges.

Leading up to the Institute, AUNE will host two free webinars, “Why Study Conservation Psychology? What It Offers for Practitioners and Researchers”

on March 21, and “Applying Conservation Psychology Theory & Principles” on April 26.

More information can be found [here](#).

AUNE | In Bloom Conferences



Registration is open for three upcoming *In Bloom* conferences occurring in the northeast. Conferences will take place in Maine in April, New Hampshire in May, and Connecticut in June. A November conference is being planned for Santa Barbara.

In Bloom conferences offer attendees an opportunity to learn from cutting edge educators who are redefining what is possible in early childhood education. Each conference will feature morning and afternoon keynotes, as well as two workshop sessions to actively engage in the nature programming of your choice. All events focus on the educational and

health benefits of being in the natural world with children.

Learn more about the *In Bloom* Conferences [here](#).

AULA | *Foot Soldiers for Justice* by Stephanie Glass Solomon, Antioch University Professor Emerita



AULA Undergraduate Studies is pleased to present four prints from Stephanie Glass Solomon's 2016 Puffin Award-winning show, *Foot Soldiers for Justice*. A slide show, with the complete series of images from this project can be viewed in the AULA Student Lounge.

March 2017 marks the fifty-second anniversary of Bloody Sunday in Montgomery, AL, and people once again commemorated these events and crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge. 18 photos from *Foot Soldiers for Justice* will be on exhibit in the new gallery of the Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail Museum in Selma's Interpretive Center.

Foot Soldiers for Justice reminds us the struggle for voting rights continues, and echoes from Selma are still being heard. For more information on this project visit footsoldiersforjustice.com and to contact Stephanie, you may email her at ssolomon@antioch.edu.

Read more [here](#).

NEWS | AUM | Adoption and Immigration Highlighted



AUM faculty member Sonya Fultz was interviewed for an article appearing in *Adoption Today* and *The Chronicle of Social Change*. Fultz adopted her son, Marty, from Guatemala in late 2003, and she continues to be very engaged as an advocate in the international adoption community. Sonya and Marty have returned to Guatemala many times since his adoption. Fultz is a board member for ALDEA, an organization working toward sustainable community development practices in communities in the rural highlands of Guatemala. The article addresses the ripple effects of changes in immigration policies and advocates for families to ensure proper documentation for children adopted internationally.

View the full article [here](#).

AUNE | Student and Faculty Visit B-Corp



On March 6, Vivian Zhu, AUNE MBA in Sustainability, and Taryn Fisher, MBA Program Director, visited the Chroma Technology headquarters in Bellows Falls, VT. Vivian realized it is the parent company of Chroma China, which opened in her home region of Fujian Province in 2010.

Learn more about their visit [here](#).

AUS | Creative Community Night



AUS student Carina Ziegler, a member of Student Life, the Wellness Committee, and more, volunteered to facilitate a workshop this Winter Quarter for the Creative Community Night student group.

In Carina's words: "We celebrated the art of food at this wonderful Creative Community Night workshop held in the dining hub on a Thursday afternoon. I facilitated and contributed an array of colorful and seasonal vegetables, dressing ingredients, and culinary tools. Fun was had by all!"

AUNE | New International Service Program Rewards Peace Corp Service



AUNE launched a new International Service Program which combines Peace Corps service with graduate study in the Department of Environmental Studies. Qualified participants will earn nine credits, tuition-free, while serving as a Peace Corps volunteer and pursuing their passion in international community work and environmental studies.

This opportunity is available to students pursuing an MS in Environmental Studies, including concentrations in Advocacy for Social Justice and Sustainability, Conservation Biology, Environmental Education, Self-

Designed Studies, and Sustainable Development & Climate Change as well as students pursuing the 42-credit option of the MS in Resource Management and Conservation.

Learn more [here](#).

AUS | Dean Visits India



Shana Hormann, Dean of Students, travelled to Rishikesh, India to attend the Peace Leadership Conference from February 17-19. She presented "Organizational Trauma and Building Resilience" at Panjab University with whom AUS has a Memorandum of Understanding.

More information about Shana's work in organizational trauma and healing can be found [here](#).

AUNE | Environmental Education Programming Partners with National ee360 Initiative



Faculty members Dave Chase, Libby McCann, and Dr. Jean Kayira attended the January kick-off meeting of the National ee360 Initiative, which focuses on enhancing teacher professional development, citizen engagement, leadership development, collaboration, and inclusive pedagogy in formal and non-formal contexts. They will be responsible for rolling out national community education guidelines as part of this national initiative.

AUNE's Environmental Education programming is a partner in the recently established national ee360 Initiative, led by the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE), along with other key partners such as the EPA, the Center for Diversity and the Environment, Earth

Force, the NAAEE Affiliate Network, Project Learning Tree, Stanford University, University of Oregon, US Fish and Wildlife Service, US Bureau of Land Management, US National Park Service, US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and US Forest Service.

AULA | Video and Photos of Black History Month Celebration



In celebration of Black History Month, the Black Student Union hosted “The Writes of Passage: Words That Move Generations,” an afternoon that celebrated Black literature, essays, and original works. Our own Erin Aubry Kaplan, Carmalita Jackson, Eric Priestly, Jeffery Martin, Marva Smith, Lena Cole-Dennis, and Levy Lee Simon shared poetry, essays, and historic texts.

“The presenters were wonderful and shared powerful stories and original works that spoke volumes about life for African Americans,” said BSU Chair Tracee Green. “We were all filled with inspiration and our spirits renewed. I’m very proud of the outcome of this event. We worked hard to provide

something spectacular for our Antioch University community.”

Click [here](#) to see a video of the presentations.

Click [here](#) to view photos of the event.

AUSB | New Degree and Certificate Programs Launch



The AUSB community is excited to announce several new degree and certificate programs that will launch in 2017. AUSB’s existing Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology program will add a new concentration in Somatic Psychotherapy to meet the growing demand for specialization in this cutting edge field. Now considered crucial in the treatment of trauma, PTSD, depression, anxiety, and more, somatic psychotherapy combines traditional treatment with bodily awareness and the interconnection of the body, emotions, identity, and cognition.

In partnership with Santa Barbara nonprofit Just Communities, AUSB is also forming a new Community Interpreter Certificate program, ideal for bilingual and multilingual individuals working with the community in legal, medical, business, and other fields. Adding to the existing Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies completion program, AUSB extends the Applied Studies program to include a BA in Applied Studies, a BA in Applied Arts and Media, and a BS in Applied Technology and Business Leadership. These undergraduate degree completion programs mirror the Applied Studies degrees already modeled at AULA.

AUNE | Dr. Abrash-Walton on Mission-Aligned Investing and Fossil Fuel Divestment



AUNE Environmental Studies faculty member Abigail Abrash-Walton recently presented on mission-aligned investing and fossil fuel divestment. In March, she presented on an [Intentional Endowments Network](#) (IEN) webinar, “Mission-Aligned Investing: What New Positive Deviance Research Can Tell Us about What Moves Institutional Investors to Action.” Abrash-Walton also presented a talk at [Rainforest Action Network](#)’s San Francisco office in February, entitled, “What Every Campaigner Should Know about Motivating Fossil Fuel Divestment.”

AUS | JUNTA Fundraiser



On February 14, student group JUNTA (pronounced “Hoonta”) held a fundraiser to generate funds for their quarterly retreat from March 10–12, 2017 and other projects. They raffled off roses, sold slices of pie and cookies, and created hand decorated Valentine’s Day cards for purchase.

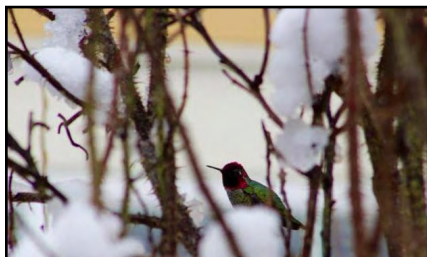
AUNE | New Partnership Benefits Education Students



AUNE forged a new partnership between its Integrated Learning Program and an Academy Elementary School in Vermont to provide four interns with the opportunity to work alongside model teachers as part-time, paid para-educators. In this role, interns will be fully immersed in a school community throughout their first year, while also being closely supervised by an AUNE faculty member.

Learn more [here](#).

AUS | Snow Day



It’s a rare day for Seattle to have snow, and the community requested stories and photos of the snow day.

Dean of Students Shana Hormann (before leaving for India), wrote that she took her photo while, “walking around where I live!”

Director of Library Services Bev Stuart wrote, “My snow day was very peaceful. And snowy! I went for a run around my neighborhood (Kenmore/ Brier area) and took photos of things covered in snow. Then I went home and drank tea and dried my cold, wet feet.”

Core faculty and AUS PsyD Associate Chair Dana Waters wrote, “So much snow we could not get out of our sub-division on Beacon Hill; so we enjoyed the snow day socked in at home! So beautiful!”

Tiffany Adams wrote, “Here is an Anna’s Hummingbird on my walk.”

AUNE | Faculty and Students Travel to Peru



AUNE faculty Catherine Mueller-Bell, Devona Stalnaker-Shofner, and Kevin Lyness traveled with students to Peru for two weeks in March to carry out trauma-informed work with children.

AUNE | Library Responds to Fake News

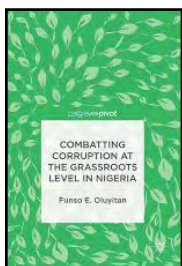


Rachel Sperling, Research & Instruction Librarian, has developed a guide to Information Literacy in the Age of Fake News where resources, such as fact-checking websites and mobile apps, will help the AU community to evaluate the truthfulness of news stories and other information.

Learn more [here](#).

PUBLICATIONS

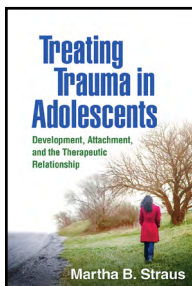
GSLC | Alumnus Examines Social, Political, and Economic Causes of Corruption in Nigeria



Antioch University GSLC alumnus Dr. Funso Emmanuel Oluyitan recently published *Combating Corruption at the Grassroots Level in Nigeria* (Springer, 2017). This new publication examines the history, layers, and causes of corruption in Nigeria, along with public oath taking as an anti-corruption strategy.

Learn more about Dr. Oluyitan and the book [here](#).

AUNE | Treating Trauma in Adolescents: Development, Attachment, and the Therapeutic Relationship



AUNE Clinical Psychology faculty member Martha B. Straus published *Treating Trauma in Adolescents: Development, Attachment, and the Therapeutic Relationship*, which uses an innovative approach to working with traumatized teens. It offers strategies for getting through to high-risk adolescents and getting their development back on track. Straus draws on extensive clinical experience as well as cutting-edge research to provide vivid case material showing how to engage with clients and how to implement interventions to foster self-regulation and an integrated sense of identity.

Find full information about this title [online](#).