GSLC | PROVOST COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS HIGHLIGHTS
INSTITUTIONAL MISSION, DEMOCRACY, AND FREE SPEECH IN THESE TRYING TIMES

The GSLC recently recognized 16 new graduates at their 2018 commencement ceremony last month. Recent graduates hail from ten different states and a range of different professions and sectors representing educators, teachers, academic administrators, social justice advocates, community activists, healthcare leaders, business people, and consultants.

As part of the ceremony, GSLC Provost Dr. Laurien Alexandre shared powerful remarks calling upon all to reflect on AU's historic mission, the fragile state of our country's current democracy, and freedom of speech and expression in these times.

Laurien's thought-provoking address can be viewed in its entirety [here](#).

AULA | MFA FACULTY AND POET VICTORIA CHANG AWARDED PUSHCART PRIZE FOR BARBIE CHANG WANTS TO BE SOMEONE

AULA MFA teaching faculty and poet, Victoria Chang, has been awarded a Pushcart Prize for her poem, Barbie Chang Wants to Be Someone. The poem is from her most recent book of poems, Barbie Chang, and was nominated by Copper Canyon Press, the book’s publisher. Chang has long known that the Pushcart Prize existed “but always thought it was that prize that other people won or an anthology that other people were published in,” she said.

The Pushcart Prize is an American literary prize published by Pushcart Press, which honors works of poetry, short fiction, and essays that have been published by small presses the previous year. Magazine and small book press editors are invited to submit up to six works they have published. The winning pieces are then published in the Pushcart Anthology. Some founding editors of the prize were Anais Nin, Bucky Fuller, Ralph Ellison, and Joyce Carol Oates. Many writers who went on to have successful writing careers received early recognition through the prize, including Tim O’Brien, and Kay Ryan.

“I never thought about actually ever being in there so it’s nice to be in there finally!” said Chang about the prize. “And now I finally understand how the process of getting in there works–It’s incredibly complex!”
AULA | DR. THEO BURNES IS RECIPIENT OF THE COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGIST OUTSTANDING PAPER AWARD

Dr. Theo Burnes, MA in Clinical Psychology faculty, was the recipient of The Counseling Psychologist Outstanding Paper Award for his Major Contribution (a special issue of the journal), Sex Positivity and Counseling Psychology.

“Sexuality is often a topic not included in psychology literature unless the topic is about sex from a pathology-focused model,” noted Burnes. “This major contribution was a series of five papers that examined how positive sexual practice and health can be examined from research, practice, history, and training in psychology. I was so fortunate to be a part of this authorship team on these papers, and I am so thrilled that we were honored in this way.”

All of the papers published in 2017 were reviewed by a committee comprised of The Counseling Psychologist’s Editor, Associate Editors, our International Forum Editor, and one of the Journal of Counseling Psychology’s Associate Editors.

Dr. Burnes was presented with a plaque and a $1,500 award at the Society of Counseling Psychology Business Meeting during the American Psychological Association convention in San Francisco on August 10, 2018. The award was presented to Dr. Burnes as well as his co-authors of the various papers in the issue: Anneliese A. Singh, Ryan G. Witherspoon, Chad M. Mosher, Candice Hargons, Della V. Mosley, Danielle Stevens-Watkins, Carmen Cruz, Ellen Greenwald, and Riddhi Sandil. The introduction and information about the article can be found here.

GSLC | ALUMNUS APPOINTED TO OHIO COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD

Chief of the Office of Reentry and Enterprise Development for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, Dr. Michael Davis, was recently appointed to the Ohio Commission on Fatherhood, a state-wide commission whose mission is to enhance the well-being of Ohio’s children by providing opportunities for fathers to become better parents, partners, and providers. Commissioners are appointed according to statute and represent all sectors of the community.

Dr. Davis was also recently featured in a training DVD created by the National Institute of Corrections and the Community Corrections Collaborative Network. The training highlights effective reintegration practices that promote behavior change and reduce recidivism for individuals returning home from prison.

Learn more here.

GSLC | STUDENT INTERVIEWED BY BLOOMBERG RADIO

Director for the Office of Diversity and Inclusion at Bentley University, Katie Lampley had the great fortune of being interviewed on Bloomberg radio. Listen to the program here.

Lampley also recently contributed to the BizEd magazine article entitled Breaking through Bias: How Unconscious Biases Could be Preventing Business Schools from Reaching their Goals for Diversity. Read the full piece here.
JJ Devereaux and Christian Cherene were recently guest speakers at AUS as part of the BA in Liberal Studies course, *Media for Social Change*, which is taught by filmmaker, SeattleFilms founder, and Antioch Core Faculty BJ Bullert.

Deveraux and Cherene visited as representatives of *fearless360°*. They are also part of an award-winning art/tech collective based in Barcelona, Spain that created the BeAnotherLab.

BeAnotherLab offers participants the opportunity to utilize virtual reality to experience what it can be like to live as someone else. To be another person. As their website explains, “Scientific research of ‘embodiment’ systems using VR has shown that inducing a perceptual illusion of inhabiting another person’s body has great potential in reducing implicit racial bias and promoting altruism.”

As guest speakers at Antioch, Deveraux and Cherene shared stories about the challenges and impacts of their work. They discussed the ethics of immersive media making and the promise of the technology to bridge diverse lived experiences through storytelling.

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**AUS | “PSYCHOLOGY IN SEATTLE LIVE SHOW” HIGHLIGHTS ON FACEBOOK**

The *Psychology in Seattle Podcast*’s 10-Year Anniversary Live Show took place at AUS on Saturday, August 11, 2018. The stars of this podcast, CFT Core Faculty Dr. Kirk Honda and his co-host Humberto Castañeda, thanked their listeners, collaborators, and Antioch on Facebook:

*We had a marvelous time at the 10-Year Anniversary Live Show! Thank you Antioch University Seattle, Game to Grow, Paulette Perhach, Lita, Bob, Unpopular Culture Podcast, and all the deserving listeners for making it a fun show.*

Their FB page also features fun video and photograph coverage of the event. For more information, go here.

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**AULA | CALEY O’DWYER, UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES FACULTY AND ARTIST, DEBUTS “SCORING MOVEMENT”**

Caley O’Dwyer is a teacher, therapist, and artist. He is debuting his art exhibit “Scoring Movement” in NoHo for sale and display at Art in the Art House in North Hollywood from August through the end of September 2018. O’Dwyer, a licensed therapist, demonstrates the intersectionality of art and therapy, as he usually counsels for artists and other creatives in the field.

Director of Laemmle for the Art House, Sherly Myerson says “O’Dwyer’s body of work serves as unmistakable proof that the professional triangle of Art, Writing, and Therapy inform each other.” The series of artworks follows the use of figures as “multiple selves.” These figures play with elements of space, time, and visually appear as a “musical score.”

Read the full article and view pieces from the exhibit here.
AUS | BA STUDENTS CREATE MURAL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH NEW HORIZONS

AUS students, in partnership with the homeless youth services center New Horizons ministry, recently painted a mural of famous Seattleites as part of A&L-4800-13/14: Mural Painting, a fine arts class taught by award-winning artist Gabrielle Abbott as part of AUS’s BA in Liberal Studies program. Abbott is an internationally successful, Seattle-based artist who earned her BA in Liberal Arts from AUS in 2012. This mural depicts the following famous Seattleites: Jimi Hendrix, Vi Hilbert, Bruce Lee, Chief Sealth, Bob Santos, Bertha Knight Landis, and Ernestine Anderson.

In her blog, Abbott thanks her spring 2018 mural painting Antioch students:

“If you’re reading this, Max Burke, Yana Dareva-Morison, Kim Hardman, Brie Kuhn, Mel Plant, Miranda Wolf, Denise Thetford and Kendra Young-Arrowood, thanks for the hard work! I loved getting to know all of you better on this project. I’m so pleased with how this wall turned out, and it was truly a community effort. Thanks to everyone who made this happen.”

For the full story go here.

AUNE | CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE CENTER LAUNCHES SERIES OF COURSES ON CLIMATE CHANGE

AUNE’s Center for Climate Preparedness and Community Resilience is launching a series of online courses focused on the fundamentals of climate change resilience. With the ever-increasing and visible impacts from a changing climate, this series of courses is designed to prepare professionals to incorporate resilience strategies into planning, implementation, and evaluation within any domain of resource management and environmental protection.

These courses were developed within the Sustainable Development and Climate Change concentration of the MS in Environmental Studies program at AUNE. Learn more here.

GS LC | STUDENT SHARES STRATEGIC PLANNING KNOWLEDGE TO BETTER SCHOOLS

Founder and Principal of Full Frame Communications, Jane Feinberg conducted a workshop at South by Southwest EDU in Austin, Texas. The session entitled Facilitating Community-Engaged Strategic Planning, was a retrospective of a yearlong strategic planning process that Feinberg’s team facilitated for the Salem Public Schools in Salem, Massachusetts.

Additionally, Feinberg lead the launch of An Educator’s Guide to Community-Engaged Strategic Planning, a website that is both a codification of work in Salem and a robust “how-to” tool for district leaders and consultants.

Learn more about Feinberg’s work here.
AUNE | CMHC PROGRAM HELPS ADDRESS OPIOID CRISIS

AUNE’s Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CMHC) program has successfully completed a two-year-long initiative sponsored by the Federal Health Services and Resources Administration (HRSA) to train students and local clinicians to meet the growing needs created by the opiate crisis. AUNE’s program was among the nine programs nationally who were awarded the Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) grant through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services HRSA Division.

The CMHC program received $283,306 to provide addictions counseling training and supervised clinical experience to 20 Master’s degree students completing their internships at sites within the Monadnock region. In addition, the initiative devoted resources to address the training needs of the current workforce by concurrently providing the curriculum to local clinicians and clinical supervisors.

AUSB | MBA PROGRAM SPONSORS WORKSHOP ON THE “IMPORTANCE OF KNOWING WHO WE ARE”

At a well-attended MBA Workshop Friday night August 10th, Eric Zackrison spoke to a captivated group of MBA students, faculty, and community members about the importance of knowing who we are. If we are able to understand our assets and our natural behavioral, we are better able to interact with others and form meaningful relationships, both in and outside of the workplace.

“People do things differently not because they are wrong, but because they see things differently,” Zackrison emphasized. “This is not a liability, but an asset.”

He went on to describe the three key assumptions of effective leaders:

1) We all have natural behavior styles (personality)
2) Much of our behavior is natural (unconscious)
3) People interact with our behavior, not our intentions

He explained that even if we have good intentions, our behavior is what communicates our intentions to others. He prompted the audience to engage in hands-on learning exercises in which they explored their own behavior styles, including their communication directivity and interpersonal affiliation.

Zackrison has been teaching, training, and consulting in Santa Barbara for the last five years after a 25-year career as a restaurateur and manager in Missouri. Watch a quick interview with Zackrison about his presentation here.

AUNE | PSYD ALUM TALKS ABOUT SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER

Ted Green, PsyD ’15 speaks about summertime depression, a type of Seasonal Affective Disorder. While a student, Ted interned at Albany Psychology Internship Consortium – Albany Medical Center. He now works at Gundersen Health System in Wisconsin, providing psychotherapy, assessment, supervision, and research and also teaches psychology at Western Technical College. He is currently gathering data for a study on the effectiveness of clinical hypnosis on a number of disorders and is getting certified in clinical hypnosis by the American Society for Clinical Hypnosis.

Watch the clip here.
Affirmative Psychotherapy: The Individuation Of LGBTQ+ Identity, Wholeness And Social Transformation With Thomas Mondragon

“When I look back at my own journey as a gay man, I too can see the many forces that shaped my sense of self, how I related to others, and how I felt about my place in the world. I was greatly impacted by a heterosexist expectation of who I should be and how that would be expressed,” said Thomas Mondragon, affiliate faculty and interim co-director for the MAP program’s LGBT Specialization, when asked to discuss the origins of the Affirmative Psychotherapy course that he teaches.

Research studies show that despite much progress made in civil rights and increased public consideration of LGBTQ+ rights and livelihoods, that as a result of oppression directed at opposing the value and worthiness of varied sexuality and gender expressions, LGBTQ+ individuals still suffer high rates of mental health and substance abuse challenges. These challenges are associated with loss of deeper meaning resulting from living in a culture where discrimination is both overt and buried; and as likely to arise in an individual’s professional, personal, and familial relationships as it is in the wider context of government and social policy, and mainstream media representation.

“The presence of unexamined heterosexist bias affects the quality of the work done between a therapist and their LGBTQ+ client,” says Mondragon. “As therapists our goal is to work diligently, ethically, and empathetically to assist our LGBTQ+ clients with their particular experience of the ongoing psychological impact of living in a still fiercely heterosexist society. The Affirmative Psychotherapy course introduces students to the principles of the school of affirmative psychotherapy that emerged in the 1970s during LGBT liberation and has evolved into its own school of thought.” Read the full article here.

AUS MAEd in Urban Environmental Education students’ legacy project presentations are happening on campus August 21 - 31, 2018. There are 17 presentations scheduled, each exploring a different topic within the field of Urban Environmental Education. Titles include “Reaching Youth Where They Are: A Case for Multicultural Environmental Education Training in Afterschool Programs,” “#naturesowhite: Liberating Outdoor Spaces for People of Color,” and “In Pursuit of Ethical and Responsible Fundraising.” For more information, including list of presenters and their times/topics/room reservations, read here.

AUS BA in Liberal Studies students’ Senior Synthesis Symposium is happening this August 23-30, 2018. There are 8 presentations scheduled, each exploring a different topic within the broad scope of a well-rounded liberal studies education. Presentation titles include “30 Days Zero Waste,” “Resilient Aging,” and “The Secret Life of Emotion.” For more information, including list of presenters and their times/topics/room reservations, read here.
AUNE | CAMPUS WELL-REPRESENTED AT GROVES CONFERENCE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

Kevin Lyness, MFT Program Director and Applied Psychology Chair, and Caitlyn Burns and Marie Lariviere, MFT PhD students, presented at the Groves Conference of Marriage and Family, “Caring for Each Other: Family Caregiving Across the Generations,” in June 2018.

Caitlyn Burns, MFT PhD Student, presented a logic model of a group called Rural Outright, a program in Claremont, NH, that provides support, advocacy, and community resources for LGBTQIA+ children, teens, and adults. Marie Lariviere was a presenter on a panel: “A Conversation about Religion, Spirituality, and Caring,” and Kevin Lyness provided the conference summary, “Conference Summary & Wrap-Up Discussion.”

Read more here.

AUSB | CARING TOGETHER SYMPOSIUM

Three years ago, the MA in Clinical Psychology program at AUSB partnered with the Santa Barbara Family Service Agency and Alzheimer’s Association. Together, they received a grant from the Santa Barbara Foundation (SBF) to support and educate caregivers and the professionals who serve them, including student training at AUSB. The grant enabled Antioch to offer clinical psychology students paid placements for their traineeships, which is unusual. Completion of clinical hours is generally on a volunteer basis.

“Being able to offer paid traineeships has helped to draw enrollment for the program,” said Dr. Elizabeth Wolfson, Core Faculty in the Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology program at AUSB and a co-author of the grant.

This year, the partners wanted to offer a conference on the topic to the community including family caregivers and professionals who might benefit from training in how to best support family caregivers. This has resulted in the Caring Together Symposium being held at two locations, Santa Barbara City College and the Santa Maria Public Library on September 7th and 8th, respectively.

For more info and sign up here.

AUSB | AUSB SPONSORS CAMFT’S ANNUAL SUMMER PSYCHOTHERAPISTS MIXER

The rooftop patio of AUSB will be filled with members of the Santa Barbara Chapter of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT) on Friday, August 24th as AUSB hosts CAMFT’s Annual Summer Psychotherapists Mixer.

Members of CAMFT will socialize with their colleagues and take in the sprawling views of Santa Barbara from AUSB’s beautiful rooftop patio. The sunset event will include music, appetizers, and local wines. Attendees will exchange business cards and marketing materials. The mixer is one of CAMFT’s most popular events of the year.
AUNE | DMT PROGRAM DIRECTOR CO-AUTHORED ARTICLE IN AMERICAN JOURNAL OF DANCE THERAPY

Tomoyo Kawano, Dance/Movement Therapy & Counseling Program Director and Faculty co-authored an article which examined dance/movement therapists’ attitudes and actions regarding LGBTQI and gender non-conforming communities. Read the article here.

AUNE | ALUMNA WRITES CHILDREN’S BOOK THAT SPARKS INTEREST IN FOSSILS

Erin Rounds, a fourth-grade teacher at Union Street School in Springfield, VT and a 2008 graduate of AUNE’s Experienced Educators program is the author of Charlotte’s Bones: The Beluga Whale In A Farmer’s Field, an illustrated book about a small Vermont town that discovered a beluga whale fossil.

‘Charlotte,’ the Beluga whale, was found in 1849 in a farmer’s field in Charlotte, VT, during the construction of the Burlington-Rutland railroad. The bones are estimated to be over 11,000 years old, and the discovery helped geologists determine that the Atlantic Ocean was once connected to Lake Champlain.

Read more here.