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COEHP GRADUATE STUDIES LANDING PAGE

The College of Education and Health Professions Office of Graduate Studies has officially launched a new landing page for graduate students and faculty. The COEHP Graduate Studies landing page will provide information about COEHP graduate programs, news and events, graduate policies and appeals, and include archived COEHP graduate newsletters. Next month, we will begin adding a section highlighting graduate faculty and students' research. Please send any graduate news or recent research information to Dr. Margie Yates, Director of Graduate Studies for the College of Education and Health Professions (yates_helen@columbusstate.edu) or Carol Raines, graduate assistant for the College of Education and Health Professions (raines_carol@columbusstate.edu).

The landing page can be accessed at <https://coehp.columbusstate.edu/grad-studies/> and is a resource for individuals to obtain current and updated information pertaining to the COEHP graduate studies.

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COEHP Graduate Studies

Welcome all new and returning COEHP graduate students! The College of Education and Health Professions is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge through research and discovery, teaching and learning, community engagement and public service. We offer a wide range of graduate degree programs in education and in the health professions. Follow the links provided to learn more about graduate education in the College of Education and Health Professions.



Departments

- Counseling, Foundations, and Leadership
- Health, Physical Education, and Exercise Science
- School of Nursing
- Teacher Education



News / Events

- Columbus State University Graduate Conference
- Back To School Potluck
 - Flyer (PDF)
- Beep Baseball (PDF)
 - Camp Abilities
 - Ledger-Enquirer



Handbook

- COEHP Graduate Studies Handbook 2017-2018 (PDF)
- Petition for Appeal - COEHP Graduate Council (PDF)



Newsletters

- Newsletter Volume 1, Edition 1 (PDF)
- Newsletter Volume 1, Edition 2 (PDF)

INTERVIEW WITH MS. TRISTEN HYATT

Introducing our new faculty member Ms. Tristen Hyatt for the Counseling, Foundation, and Leadership Department.



Tristen Hyatt is currently working on her Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision at Auburn University and is a Nationally Certified Counselor. She holds a Master's degree from Troy University in Counseling and Psychology with a focus in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, a Bachelor's degree in Sociology from Columbus State University, and an Associates of Science in Applied Science from Chattahoochee Valley Community College. She has worked in numerous roles in the mental health field: residential case manager, community support individual, outpatient therapist, crisis counselor, group counselor, career counselor, intake coordinator in a psychiatric hospital, and currently works with the college population providing counseling services. Tristen is eager to work as an Assistant Professor in the Counseling, Foundations, and Leadership Department at Columbus State University.

Why did you choose the field of Counseling to pursue a career?

I felt passionate to work in a profession that allowed me to help people. I felt that working as a counselor was a way to help people through active listening, positive regard, genuineness, and much more.

What do you like best about teaching at Columbus State University?

The environment. The students and faculty are wonderful.

What is it like being new to Columbus State University?

This is a hard question. I received my undergrad from CSU. I have also been working as an intern in the counseling center at CSU for years so teaching here is new but CSU has been a part of my life for many, many years, off and on. In summation, I guess you could say that working at CSU feels like coming home.

What special qualities will bring to the Counseling, Foundations, and Leadership department?

My focus is on outreach and community engagement.

What do you think are the most important attributes of a good instructor?

There are more attributes to being a good instructor than I can list. I would say being able to challenge students to go deeper than surface when learning, being genuine, being an active listener, and supportive to name a few. Also, being able to assess and evaluate knowledge and skills is a must! I think about the clients that students will work with and want to ensure that they are ready to work with people as a counselor.

How do you motivate your students?

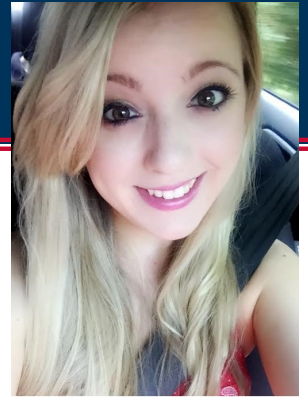
I think motivation occurs by figuring out what the students' needs are and what is motivating them personally. Every student is different and has a different story that makes them unique. I aim to meet every student where they are and encourage them based on their own goals, beliefs, and needs.

What is an interesting fact about you?

I have a mirror image identical twin sister. This is a rare form of identical twins that occurs in about 1/4th of all twins. Basically, when we face each other we are reflections of the other. I am right handed, she is left handed, so forth and so on.

INTERVIEW WITH MEAGAN SHELNUT

Graduate Assistant for the department of Teacher Education



Meagan Shelnut is a current graduate student in the Elementary Education program. Meagan has “a passion for teaching young children and hopes to make a difference in their lives”. Through the following interview responses, Meagan Shelnut discusses what it is like to be a graduate assistant for the Department of Teacher Education, all while earning an M.ED in Elementary Education.

What do you do as a graduate assistant?

I facilitate Teacher Performance Assessment (edTPA) boot camps for student teachers throughout the semester. In addition, I provide online support, such as emails and virtual boot camps, for student teachers, MAT students, and faculty. I also assist with edTPA trainings for faculty.

What is it like being a graduate assistant?

It is such a blessing to be a graduate assistant! You get to make so many connections with students and faculty. I truly enjoy helping student teachers with edTPA. edTPA is a performance assessment that is required to become certified teachers, so seeing the joy on their faces makes everything worth the while!

What have you been working on recently?

I just finished helping out with Summer Spectacular. It is a camp for children ages 4-11 to come and participate in project-based learning. Our teacher candidates get to help the students design their own classrooms, all while learning important content derived from the Georgia Performance Standards.

How do you balance your school work with your graduate assistant work?

I usually try to do an assignment, project, or discussion post a day. That way I can stay ahead so that I do not stress about deadlines!

What has being a graduate assistant taught you?

Being a graduate assistant has taught me so much. I have grown an appreciation for higher education. Our faculty works hard to provide the best education for students. It has also taught me leadership skills. It can be really intimidating to stand in front of a lot of students your age or older, especially when you're used to working with little children. Working with college students has given me confidence and the ability to form many relationships.

Why did you choose Columbus State University to pursue your degree?

Columbus State University has a high achieving education program, which I wanted to be a part of. I wanted to be as prepared as I could be before I step into my own classroom. It is also a smaller campus compared to universities like Auburn and Georgia State. I like the size of this campus because it allows you to form relationships with your peers and professors.

What are your top three favorite things about Columbus State University?

- The environment
- The people (faculty, staff, graduate assistants, and students)
- The opportunities to grow professionally (partnerships, etc.)

SIDEWALK TALK



Sidewalk talk allows individuals to have a voice by expressing opinions, receiving feedback, and communicating with members of the surrounding community. Side walk interviews are a good way to get information from a variety of people. This column was created to give a voice to those who wish to share.

Date: 07/20/2017

Location: Corner of 56th Street and Broadway

Questions Asked:

1. What are you looking forward to this upcoming semester?
2. What is one goal that you hope to accomplish this semester?
3. What is an interesting fact about you?

BROADWAY

12TH STREET

Lauren

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CLINICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

What are you looking forward to this upcoming semester?

“Starting my practicum and getting to experience field work”

What is one goal that you hope to accomplish this semester?

“Work on my time management skills”

What is an interesting fact about you?

“I am a board member of the student chapter of LPCA and a head coordinator of project Clothe Columbus”



Sean

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CLINICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

What are you looking forward to this upcoming semester?

“Taking the classes Counseling Skills and Family Therapy Process/Practice”

What is one goal that you hope to accomplish this semester?

“Pass all of my classes with flying colors”

What is an interesting fact about you?

“I am an avid gamer”



~MARK YOUR CALENDER~

♦ WEDNESDAYS

WALK-IN RESUME CRITIQUES

♦ SEPT 4

LABOR DAY



♦ SEPT 19

**HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF
BLOOD DRIVE**



♦ SEPT 25-29

**CSU'S INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
WEEK**

♦ SEPT 29

PILLOW TALK



♦ OCT 3

CAREER CHATS

♦ OCT 3-5

MIDTERM EXAMS



♦ OCT 9

MIDTERM GRADES DUE

♦ OCT 14

DISCOVERY DAY

♦ OCT 16-21

HOMECOMING



♦ OCT 31

HALLOWEEN



♦ NOV 7

CAREER CHATS

♦ NOV 19-26

FALL BREAK



♦ NOV 26

THANKSGIVING



♦ NOV 28

WINTERFEST



♦ NOV 30

TH CLASSES END

♦ DEC 4

MWF CLASSES END

♦ DEC 5

STUDY DAY



♦ DEC 6-9, 11

FINAL EXAMS



♦ DEC 13

GRADES DUE

♦ DEC 15-16

FALL GRADUATION



♦ JAN 2

GRADES OFFICIAL



The goal of this newsletter is to provide the graduate students, faculty, and staff of the College of Education and Health Professions with a means to obtain past, present, and future information concerning their specific college. We hope to provide a useful tool that communicates information pertaining to Graduate Studies in the College of Education and Health Professions.

This newsletter will be distributed a few times each semester. If you would like to have an announcement listed in this newsletter, please email Carol Raines

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Want To Contribute To The Newsletter?

This newsletter is important, not only because it is a resource for our college's news but also it shares ideas and keeps our academic community connected throughout the year. We are always interested to hear about your involvement, experiences, ideas, and research concerning academic affairs. We would like to start including portions written by student and faculty. If you would like to contribute an article, news item or event notice for the newsletter please contact Carol Raines at raines_carol@columbusstate.edu