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The Graduate School Newsletter FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Message from the Dean



Dr. Mark Riley Dean, The Graduate School

Welcome to The Graduate School newsletter for spring 2019. We have so many wonderful new happenings to tell you about and we hope you enjoy reading them! FSU continues to gain momentum in national rankings and of course a very significant part of this is down to the spectacular leadership, research and teaching endeavors of our graduate students and post-docs. Much of this newsletter is devoted to highlighting and celebrating their achievements. I

am confident when I write the intro for the next newsletter we will have achieved our present goal of getting into the top 25 of public institutions. This is a very exciting time at FSU and the future is only getting brighter and brighter!

I am just back from the annual Florida Council of Graduate Schools meeting in Miami and I'm thrilled to let you know some of our brilliant graduates became state champions in several categories including the Three Minute Thesis (3MTTM) competition. This popular format, which is catching on around the world for Ph.D. students, got us thinking about a similar type of event for master's students and also post-docs. Why shouldn't we make a big fuss about them too? Thus, in fall 2018 we held our first Five Minute Research competition for post-docs and a few weeks ago we held our first Master's in Four event. As far as we know we are the first university to create such events and thus we are exploring trademarking them since we believe they can become as popular as the 3MTTM.

Another pioneering project we are excited about is <u>GradWorld FSU</u> where we showcase to the planet our spectacular graduate students, postdocs, alumni and faculty through an interactive website featuring personalized videos. The main framework for this website has been produced and we are now in collection mode for content. If you are interested in creating a video please let us know.

OGFA, the Office of Graduate Fellowships and Awards, helps students seek external funds with record numbers of prestigious awards being secured continuing their upward trend each year. DIRECTO, the Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching Organization, is another exciting new initiative. It has been created by members of the Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE) and the Fellows Society. They have held a number of events already and are making a major impact on campus.

Talking of records, I will end on further evidence of FSU's ever ascending trajectory. For fall 2018 we saw record numbers of people applying to come to FSU for graduate studies. This is a massive team effort of course resulting from the positive energy and laser-like coherence of everyone on campus. Word is really getting out about the stellar opportunities at FSU along with our caring atmosphere where everyone is looking out for each other. We are a family! And you know what? Our point in time applications for fall 2019 are even higher! People want to come to FSU and shine brighter like never before!

Finally, many thanks to James Beck and Dave Martin for compiling the newsletter. Very best regards and happy reading to each and every one of you!

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What is GradWorld FSU?

Gradworld FSU is a revolutionary new website that is in its final stages of development. It displays a variety of personalized videos from graduate students, postdocs, alumni and faculty for the purpose of showcasing their outstanding achievements and contributions to Florida State University. This was an idea inspired by Nobel Laureate, Sir Harry Kroto, and his GEOSET project at FSU.



How to Contribute?

Interested partipants are encouraged to complete one of two video options:

Option 1.) A self-filmed Questionnaire Video in which you are asked to answer a few questions using your cell phone, digital camera, Screencast-O-Matic webcam software, or whatever preferred recording device you have on hand. Easy tutorial videos/guides for creating a wonderful Questionnaire Video are provided as well as a variety of fantastic examples.

Option 2.) Schedule a time to meet with a member of the video production team at the GEOSET film studio, located in the Dirac Library at FSU, to record a compelling research presentation about your research, interests, and work at FSU.

If English is not your native language, we encourage you to complete a second video in your native tongue so that everyone in the world can enjoy it!





Professional Development Benefits

MAKE YOUR MARK ON THE WORLD

Stand out, be creative and really shine bright by showing everyone how successful and engaged you have been!

CREATE A LASTING MEMORY

Cement an FSU memory that you will be able to share with your family and friends for years to come!

BUILD UP YOUR PROFESSIONAL PORTFOLIO

In today's competitive job market, a short 4-5 minute video could be a huge deciding factor in getting a wonderful job!

More Information About This Exciting Initative

YouTube Intro Video: https://youtu.be/n_WfLYbbhmA

Create a Video: https://gradschool.fsu.edu/gradworld

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Spring 2019 Celebration of Graduate Student Excellence

April 18, 2019, in the FSU Alumni Center, the Graduate School conducted its annual Celebration of Graduate Student Excellence and reception by announcing the graduate students and faculty members who were recognized for their excellence in teaching, research, mentoring and scholarship.

HELD AT ALUMNI

CENTER

Dean Mark Riley welcomed the audience, saying "...to the graduate students who are here I would like to say that your contributions are vital to this university and I am confident that you will continue to contribute to the excellence of this university as well as to the communities you touch after graduation as you make your way in the academic, business, and political arenas."

President John Thrasher greeted the Celebration attendees, followed by the plenary speaker, Dr. Pamela Perrewé, the 2018 Robert O. Lawton Professor.

The following achievements and award winners were introduced: the Program for Instructional Excellence Teaching Associates, Preparing Future Faculty and Preparing Future Professionals Fellows, Outstanding Teaching Assistant Awards, John F. Liseno Graduate Award, Excellence in Visual Arts Awards, Graduate Student Leadership Award, Research & Creativity Awards, Three Minute Thesis Awards, UROP Postdoc/Graduate Mentor Awards, and External Award recipients.

Award winners are listed on the following pages.

2019 Celebration Award Winners

Leadership Award

Bryan Keller, Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award

Alexis Chauchois, Modern Languages & Linguistics

Amy Ciccino, English
Rasheda Haughbrook, Psychology
Elizabeth Lange, Biological Science
Deborah Kochman, Theatre

John Pension, Theatre

Research and Creativity Awards

Nick Byrd, Philosophy
Alexandra Challenger, Art History
Shiyi Chen, Educational Psychology
Andrew Gardner, Religion
Heather Maranges, Psychology
Sarah Terrill, Psychology
Xi Wang, Physics
Chenkun Zhou, Chemical Engineering
Yan Zhou, Chemistry and Biochemistry

Graduate Student Excellence in Visual Arts

Toni Ardizzone, Art Christopher Christian, Art Channing Gray, Art Christopher Rivera, Art

Graduate Faculty Mentor Awards

Giray Okten, Mathematics Elizabeth Plant, Psychology

Debajyoti Sinha, Statistics
Lara Perez-Felkner, Educational Leadership
& Policy Studies
Carl Kitchens, Economics
James Elsner, Geography

John F. Liseno Graduate Award

Kate Hill, Biological Science

Three Minute Thesis (3MT™) Competition Winners

Eve Humphrey, Biological Science Bruno Chiurliza, Psychology Anwer Al-Kaimakchi, Civil & Environmental Engineering

Master's in Four (MI4) Competition Winners

Jason Cassel, Piano Technology
Steven Pope, Communication
James Hernandez, Educational Psychology
& Learning Systems
Stacy Hanson, Modern Languages &
Linguistics
Karl Wissemann, Psychology

PIE Teaching Associates

Jason Barlow, Physics
Maribel Borger, Chemistry
Julianna Edmonds, English
Allyson Gates, History
Kate Hill, Biological Science
Jennifer Kellett, Modern Languages
Amanda Kowalsky, Psychology

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PIE Teaching Associates (continued)

Ebone Amos, Dance

Spencer Youngber, Family and Child Sciences

Vivianne Asturizaga, Music

John Bandzuh, Geography

Jeffrey Conley, Economics

Benjamin Dowd-Arrow, Sociology

Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Fellows

Derek Ferguson, History
Samantha Tackett, Learning and Cognition
Phillip Worts, Nutrition, Food and Exercise
Sciences

Preparing Future Professionals (PFP) Fellows

Garrett Vo, Industrial Engineering Jason Smotryski, Social Work

To View the
External Award
Winners, Please
Click Here!



From L to R: Senior Associate Dean Judith Devine, **Master's in 4** winners: Karl Wissemann, Stacey Hanson, Jason Cassel, Steven Pope, James Hernandez, and Dean Mark Riley. (FSU Photo/Bill Lax)



2019 Celebration Event Photos

Photos by University Communications



Dr. Mark Riley, Dean, Graduate School



President John Thrasher Remarks



Dr. Pamela Perrewé Plenary Speaker



Excellence in Visual Arts Receipients



Research & Creativity Award Winners



MI4 Winners



Graduate Faculty Mentor Awards



PIE Associates



Outstanding Teaching Assistant Awards



External Awards Recipients

Spring 2019 Postdoctoral News

Congratulations to our Spring 2019 Travel Award Recipients! The OPDA sponsored the travel of 8 Postdoctoral Scholars across the globe to gain professional development while disseminating their research findings and representing FSU in a variety of ways.

Ashini Jaysinghe, Chemistry & Biochemistry, ACS National Meeting & Exposition, Orlando, FL; Susan Lutturner (Advisor)

Christopher Daly, EOAS, Coastal Sediments 2019 Conference, St. Petersburg, FL; Jaap Nienhuis (Advisor)

Fanny Caroline Liu, Chemistry & Biochemistry, ACS National Meeting & Exposition, Orlando, FL; Alan Marshall (Advisor) Jessica Carey-Webb, Modern Languages & Linguistics, Latin American Studies Association Conference, Boston, MA; Juan Carlos Galeano (Advisor)

Katherine Harrington, Classics, Ismenion Hill Study Season, Thebes, Greece; Daniel Pullen (Advisor)

Natalie Wildermann, EOAS, International Sea Turtle Symposium, Charleston, S.C.; Mariana Fuentes (Advisor)

Shuying Yang, EOAS, 50th Lunar & Planetary Science Conference, The Woodlands, TX; Munir Humayan (Advisor)

Somayeh Mashayekhi, Scientific Computing, 2019 SIAM Conference on Computational Science & Engineering, Spokane, WA; Peter Beerli (Advisor)



2019 NPA Conference Attendees. L to R: Franvcesca Bernardi, Gema Hernan Martinez, Jon Hawkins



2018 PPFP Awardees and Mentors Group Photo

POSTDOCTORAL 5 MINUTE RESEARCH COMPETITION FINALISTS

1st Place (\$1000) - **Ashini Jayasinghe** - Chemistry & Biochemistry "*Exploring Stable Forms for Radioactive Waste Storage*"

2nd Place (\$750) - **Shuying Yang** - Magnet Laboratory "*Degassing Germanium from Martian Volvanoes*"

People's Choice (\$500) - **Katy Sparrow** - EOAS " *Landfill: Emission Mission: Using Isotopes to Build a Better Landfill and Future*"

2019 Conference of Florida Graduate Schools (CFGS)

The conference was held at Florida International University (FIU) in Miami, Florida on Wednesday, April 17 and Thursday, April 18, 2019.

Statewide Graduate Research Symposium Winners from FSU:

EVE HUMPHREY

NICK BYRD



*Ist Place Winner- 3MT*TM *Competition*



Ist Place Winner- Poster Presentation for the Arts and Humanities Category

DIRECTO: The Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching Organization

DIRECTO members of the Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE), and the Fellows Society have teamed up to create DIRECTO, the Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching Organization.

DIRECTO seeks to host events that will serve to begin and continue conversations among FSU students, faculty, staff and alumni regarding diversity and inclusion –specifically, what these concepts mean, and what we, as individuals and as members of the FSU community and beyond are doing well and should improve upon to promote and ensure diversity and inclusion. Our main purposes are:

- To offer a "safe-space" for individuals, groups, and the FSU community as a whole (and the community beyond FSU) to feel comfortable to discuss issues surrounding diversity, inclusion, and equity.
- To afford opportunities for FSU students, faculty, staff, and alumni to share by speaking about their experiences and ideas about diversity and inclusion with the FSU campus.







2nd Annual Symposium on **Diversity & Inclusion**



Sep 27th, 9 am – 5 pm Turnbull Conference Center (555 W Pensacola St, Tallahassee)

Contact us at fsudirecto@gmail.com

DIRECTO, the Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching Organization at FSU, cordially invites all students, faculty, alumni, and staff from FSU, FAMU, and TCC to save the date and submit proposals for the Second Fall Symposium on Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching. The symposium will be held September 27, 2019 at the Turnbull Conference Center and is supported by the President's Council on Diversity & Inclusion, the Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Division of Student Affairs, the Congress of Graduate Students (COGS), and the Graduate School at Florida State University. This event seeks to promote constructive dialogue and provide participants opportunities to discuss issues surrounding diversity, inclusion, and equity. The goal is for attendees and participants to walk away from the event with tangible ways to promote diversity and foster inclusion in their research projects and teaching methods.

Proposal Deadline is June 24, 2019. Notifications of acceptance will be sent in mid-July.* Submit Abstracts Using This Form: http://bit.lv/directo19cfp

2019 Leadership Awards Night



• Dr. Lisa Liseno, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School, received a Faculty & Staff Seminole Award at the 2019 Leadership Awards Night. Dr. Liseno serves as the director of the Program for Instructional Excellence and the Fellows Society, and as the advisor to DIRECTO, the Diversity & Inclusion in Research & Teaching Organization. Kate Hill, a graduate student who belongs to all three programs Lisa works with, explained why she is deserving of this award: "Dr. Lisa Liseno is a trailblazer at the university - she motivates and empowers student leaders by fostering collaboration and by identifying areas for growth. Lisa has profoundly influenced the graduate student population and university community."

PIE Associates Host TA Panel at FSU Critical Thinking Symposium

The Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE) partnered with the Critical Thinking Initiative, Florida State University Libraries and the Oglesby Union for the 2019 Critical Thinking Symposium: Truth and Misinformation in Media from April 1-4, 2019.

Four PIE Associates (experienced TAs who work for and are mentored by the Program for Instructional Excellence) served on a panel to discuss "Critical Thinking in Lower Division Classes" during the Univerity-wide Symposium on April 3, 2019 in Strozier Library's Bradley Reading Room. Vivianne Asturizaga (Music), Jeff Conley (Economics), Kate Hill (Biology), and Amanda Kowalosky (Psychology) each gave a short presentation and shared strategies regarding how they encourage and embed critical thinking in their various courses.





2019 Fellows Forum

The 9th Annual Fellows Forum was held on March 1st and March 8th in the Nancy H. Marcus Great Hall. The forum is the Fellows Society annual signature spring event, and an opportunity for the Fellows to put the interdisciplinary ideals of the Fellows Society into action by organizing a symposium that brings together scholars & professionals from a variety of viewpoints to address a problem of broad humanistic significance. This year's forum addressed the topic Scholarship Beyond Borders in slightly different ways over the span of two days. The first day focused on Research on Borders & Migration. The second day's emphasis was on Research that Negotiates Borders. Since this past fall, a dedicated group of fellows has been working to develop the Fellows Forum's program and event. Although these Fellows are from a variety of disciplines, they came together with a shared inspiration for the topic of this year's Forum

PIE Coffee Hour & Teaching Workshops

All FSU graduate students, faculty, postdoctoral scholars and staff are invited to our free PIE workshops to discuss strategies and techniques that promote excellence in teaching and learning. Coffee and pie will be provided! All workshops will be held in the Nancy H. Marcus Great Hall (4th Floor) Honors, Scholars and Fellows House.

You Shouldn't Need a Visitor's Pass to Come to Class: Creating Welcoming Classrooms

Presenters:

Amanda Kowalsky and Rasheda Haughbrook Promoting Active Learning in Large Classrooms

Presenters:

Dr. Lisa Liseno, and Zhaihuan Dai Grading Made Easy(ier)

<u>Presenter:</u> Kate Pierson

Friday, May 17 3:30 - 5:00 PM Monday, June 17 3:30 - 5:00 PM Wednesday, July 17 3:30 - 5:00 PM

*To Register for these workshops, please go to PIE.FSU.EDU

*All workshops qualify for PFF, PFP and PIE credit.

OFFICE OF GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS



2018-2019 External Award Recipients

In addition to departmental and university awards, graduate students are eligible for many national and international awards to support their research, scholarship, and work in action here at Florida State University. The 2018-2019 academic year saw our students achieve immense success in the external funding arena. In total, FSU graduate students received over \$3 million dollars in external funding, a huge collective accomplishment and a credit to FSU's current cohort of talented graduate students. These awards are a testament to your hard work and accomplishments to date and to the high level of scholarship in graduate education happening today at Florida State University.

OGFA Digital Narratives

Celebrating Graduate Education

"A Digital Narratives Project"

OGFA is continuing efforts to share and preserve narratives of the graduate student experience here at FSU through our Digital Narratives Project: Celebrating Graduate Education. The oral histories collected through video, podcast, and in written form, give voice and tell stories of the research and work that graduate students do every day that impact the university, the communities where we live and work, and the world around us. It is our goal to archive these experiences in the university's permanent records and to make these living histories accessible in various platforms. To share your "day in the life as a graduate student" story with us, click here Celebrating You and Graduate Education at FSU to participate in the project.

Meet New Staff of The Graduate School



Dr. Carson Bay - Assistant Director, Office of Graduate Fellowships & Awards

- Assists current graduate students in identifying and applying for external funding opportunities (fellowships, grants, and awards)
- Provides programming, ongoing professional development, and guidance related to fellowship and award application submission
- Graduate Student Funding Information
- Fulbright Fellowship Liasion
- Humanities Fellowship Specialist



Ms. Cassidy Cooksey - Office Administrator, Assistant to Dean Mark Riley

- Human Resources and Travel
- Time Extensions, Exceptions, and Dual Enrollments
- Department Purchasing Coordinator and Dean's Appointment Scheduling

FSU Faculty Spotlight



• Dr. Cecile Reynaud was inducted into the American Volleyball Coaches Association Hall of Fame 2017 class at the AVCA Convention. The 2017 class had four total inductees, bringing the total number of inductees into the Hall of Fame to 77. Dr. Reynaud was the Florida State volleyball head coach for years. After retiring in 2001, Dr. Reynaud continued to support the university and served as a research associate in the Sport Management program. Dr. Reynaud also is the color analyst for the ACC Network extra broadcasts and works as a mentor for current athletes.

Student and Alumni Accolades

College of Arts and Sciences

Analise Hollingshead, M.S. in Anthropology

 Awarded the Women Divers Hall of Fame Cecelia Connelly Scholarship in Underwater Archaeology.

Patricia Weidler, M.A. in Classics

• Awarded the Amy High Scholarship.

Cocoa Williams, Ph.D. in English

 Review of the documentary "Hale County, This Morning, This Evening" appeared in the limelight section of the Tallahassee Democrat.

Katherine Schafer, M.S. in Psychology

 Awarded the 2019 Student Award by the Suicide and Self-Injury Special Interest Group Affiliated with the Association for Behavior and Cognitive Therapies.

Alexis Chauchois, Ph.D. in Modern Language and Linguistics

 Awarded the FSU Outstanding Graduate Student Award and Recieved the Women in French Travel Grant.

College of Business

Liwen Zhang, Ph.D. in Business Admin.

 Co-authored paper and Awarded the 2019 Schmidt-Hunter Meta-Analysis Award by the Society for Industrial & Ogranizational Psychology.

John Arnold, Ph.D. in Business Admin.

 Co-authored paper and Awarded Best Convention paper in the Human Resources Division at the 2018 Academy Management Conference.

College of Education

Michaellean Campbell and Shannon Axtell,

Ph.D. in English Education

Both presented on "Examining Student

Understanding of Barriers and Empathy when Encountering Social Justice."

Neal Ternes, Ph.D. in Sport Management

 Appointed to a Teaching Position at the Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Sophia Rahming, Ph.D. in Higher Education

 Accepted into the Prestigious New York University Steinhardt Faculty Preparation Program.

Jesse Ford, Ph.D. in Higher Education

 Presented at the International Colloquium on Black Males in Education.

Tamara Quiney, M.S. in Istructional Systems and Learning Technologies (ISLT)

 Named One of Six Students Selected for a Scholarship from the Association of Talent Development (ATD).

College of Engineering

Margaret Scheiner, Ph.D. in Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering

 Keynote Speaker at 6th Annual Polymer Technology Extension Consortium (APTEC).

College of Fine Arts

Kieron Sargeant, M.F.A. in Dance

 Received the 2019 Congress of Graduate Students (External Funding Award) and the Choreographic Fellowship Award (Nigeria).

College of Human Sciences

Morgan Lancaster, Ph.D. in Family and Child Sciences

 Won 3rd place at the 2019 FSU College of Human Sciences Research Showcase.

Sarah Wolford, Ph.D. in Marriage and Family Therapy

 Named the 2019 Recipient of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Graduate Student Research Award. **Jordan Montgomery,** Ph.D. in Marriage and Family Therapy

 Named the 2019 Recipient of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Dissertation Award.

College of Music

Etsushi Kawakami, Ph.D. in Music Education

• Received the 2018 Carthage College Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award.

Ryan Reynolds, D.M. in Music Performance

• Presented a Program Titled "World Premiers: Three New Works for Oboe and Bassoon."

Bill Faucett, Ph.D. in Musicology

 Awarded the 2018 Warren D. Allen Faculty Citation for Excellence in Scholarship by the USF College of Music.

Brandon Smith, D.M. in Music Performance

 Semi-Finalist for the Arnold Jacobs Mock Orchestral Tuba Competition. Will Compete in the 2019 International Tuba Emphonium Conference.

Student Spotlight



Dustin Pearson, Ph.D. in Creative Writing

Dustin recently published his second book and collection of poetry, A Family Is A House, C&R Press 2019. One of the poems from A Family Is a House, won the 2019 John Mackay Shaw Academy of American Poets Graduate Award from the Department of English. Dustin was also featured on The Root for National Poetry Month, Black Poetry Week amongst other up- and –coming black poets dedicated to elevating and preserving the artform.

TO SUBMIT ACCOLADES

We want to hear about Graduate Student and Alumni accomplishments! If you are a current graduate student or alum who had a recent publication, grant, promotion, or other noteworthy achievement, please submit your information to the GradConnection at the link below.

https://fsu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_245t0ETXT325Gf3

Inspiring Graduate Student Stories

Ann Glennie-Ph.D. Classics



• The Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies is a prestigious study abroad program in Rome, Italy for undergraduates from American institutions in Classics. As the Resident Instructor, I am one of four faculty members hired for one year (and hold the only graduate student position). We collaboratively teach a course called the "Ancient City" in which the archaeology, culture, and history of Ancient Italy is taught on sites around Rome, such as the Roman Forum, as well as sites in Italy including Tarquinia, Pompeii, and cities on the island of Sicily. Additionally, I teach an intermediate Latin course on Ovidian poetry.

Fiorella Carlos-Chavez-Ph.D. Human Sciences



The Society for Research on Child Development (SRCD) awarded Dr. Fiorella L. Carlos Chavez with the 2019 Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award for her research work titled, "Family decisions, stressors, and health challenges among Latino emancipated migrant farmworker youth: A mixed-methods approach." And 2) the SRCD Latino Caucus has also awarded Dr. Carlos Chavez with the 2019 Dissertation Award. The award's committee was particularly impressed with her study's conceptual and methodological rigor. They believed her dissertation supported the overall mission of the SRCD Latino Caucus which is to promote conceptually and methodologically rigorous research conducted with Latino children, youth, and families that represents their (1) diversity, (2) normative development, and (3) inherent strengths (e.g., cultural, linguistic). To top these great accomplishments, The Society for Research on Child Development has elected Fiorella L. Carlos Chavez as the Student & Early Career Representative on the Equity and Justice Committee. With this position, she will also serve on the Student Early Career Council (SECC), a service position with SRCD that spans four years, beginning in 2019 and ending in 2023.

Liying Feng- Ph.D. Foreign and Second Language Education



Liying (Ph.D. in progress) co-authored a paper which offers a revision of the dominant motivation theory in the field of second language acquisition (SLA). The paper has been published in 2019 in Studies in Second Language Acquisition, which is one of the top-tier journals in the field of SLA. Liying has also completed a research study on the role of grit and future selves in second language learning persistence and motivation. She is in the process of preparing the paper for submission to a great journal while she will be presenting the study at the American Association for Applied Linguistics Conference in Atlanta.

Harry Price- M.M. Music Education



• Dr. Harry Price (BME, MM 1975) was the recipient of the 2018 Senior Researcher Award from NAfME. Dr. Price received the award for his intensive research, over the past four decades, in the field of music education. Dr. Price has been published in Bulletin of the Council for Research in Music Education; Psychology of Music, International Journal of Music Education; Research Studies in Music Education, and more. Since his first publication in 1983, Dr. Price has published 18 articles and was the recipient of the Opperman Faculty Citation in 2009.

Peter Soroka- D.M. Music Performance



Peter Soroka (DM in progress) won an audition for the U.S.
 Army Ceremonial Band, "Pershing's Own" in the Fall of 2017.
 While at Florida State University, Soroka performed with the Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra and Sinfonia Gulf Coast. As a Master's student at University of North Texas, Soroka performed in Poland and Croatia as a member of the UNT graduate percussion ensemble in 2013.

Emily Saras- Ph.D. Sociology



In collaboration with Dr. Lara Perez-Felkner and Dr. Samantha Nix from the FSU College of Education, Ms. Saras led the article "Warming the Chill: Insights for Institutions and Researchers to Keep Women in STEM," published in New Directions for Institutional Research (NDIR) in February 2019. This article leverages STEM-focused Integrated Postsecondary Data System (IPEDS) data to investigate the consequences of chilly institutional climates across institutional types.

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