MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Behavioral Health Conference: It’s Academic, “Putting the Pieces Together”

MSU Texas’ MUSTANGS Project is sponsoring its first behavioral health conference from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, May 13, in the Clark Student Center. This one-day conference will provide knowledge, personal stories, and steps to tackle behavioral health. Marcus Engle will be the keynote opening/closing speaker.

Behavioral health is a significant part of society and a popular patient problem in the family practice setting. According to National Alliance on Mental Health, more than 43 million adults in America experience mental illness in a given year and 10.2 million with co-occurring addiction disorders. Sixty percent of adults and 50% of youth age 8-15 did not receive mental health treatment last year. It is essential for all health care providers to have knowledge and understanding in behavior health to care for this patient population.

Students pay $5, and the professional rate is $20. Pre-registration is available online. Onsite registration opens at 7:30 a.m. For more information, contact Catherine Pankonien at ext. 4060 or email catherine.pankonien@msutexas.edu.

CAMPUS NEWS

Midwestern Club Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the 2019-20 Midwestern Club Scholarship. The recipient must be a full-time faculty, staff, or administration member at MSU Texas or an immediate family member (husband, wife, son or daughter) of a full-time employee of MSU. The recipient must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours. The scholarship is for one year and is equally divided between the fall and spring semesters.

To the Faculty

Commencement will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 11, at Kay Yeager Coliseum. Please meet at 9:30 a.m. in MPEC rooms 3 and 4 to line up with your college. Faculty who need a special seating pass for spouses to sit in the reserved section #5, please email Renee McAfee at renee.mcafee@msutexas.edu or call ext. 4227 no later than Wednesday, May 8.
McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering

First Place: Johnny Cognasi, Jason Perkins, Joseph Randall, Melani Ronoh
A Pulley Based Movable Apparatus for the Biology Department
Faculty Mentors: Dr. Jeong Tae Ok and Dr. Zeki Ilham
McCoy School of Engineering

Second Place: Jenom Pyeng, Jedesh Chandrasegaran, Gayal Hewakuruppu, Tapiwa Gasseler
Dynamic Filtration Test Experiments Design
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Mahmoud Elsharafi
McCoy School of Engineering

Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services

First Place: Wenica Brodie, Pollyann Bethel
The Psychological Impact of Death and Dying on Health Care Students
Faculty Mentors: Dr. Randy Case and Dr. Erica Judie
Department of Respiratory Care

Second Place (Tie): Jacob Spicer, Caleb Castillo and Jordan O'Neal
Lung Transplants: Are They Worth It?
Mentors: Dr. Randy Case and Dr. Tammy Kurszewski
Department of Respiratory Care

Second Place (Tie): Kaelen Vazquez
Exploration of the Nurse’s Perceptions of Interprofessional Communication in Emergency Trauma Care
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Robin Lockhart
Wilson School of Nursing

Dillard College of Business Administration

First Place: Taylor McCreary
The emotion behind how they built it: A comparative study of how diverse entrepreneurs express emotion while describing their entrepreneurial journey
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Niyati Kataria
Department of Management, Marketing, & Legal Studies

Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences

First Place: Ryan Lee
Longitudinally Evaluating Long Term Efficacy of a Sexual Assault Educational Training Program
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Scott Frankowski
Department of Psychology

Second Place: Kara Vieth and Anissa Flores
Student Perceptions and Reactions Toward their Peer’s Academic Dishonesty on Campus
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Beverly Stiles
Department of Sociology

West College of Education

First Place: Carl Joseph Alpert
Three Phase Teacher Success Strategy Training Program: Persona Development, Entrepreneur Skills, and Emotional Labors
Faculty Mentors: Dr. Christina Janise McIntyre, Dr. Emily Reeves, and Dr. Daphney Curry
Department of Curriculum & Learning

Undergraduate Student Podium Presentations

Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences
First Place: Amanda Threlkeld
Viola Liuzzo: The Ice Breaker to Gender Stereotypes
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Whitney Snow
Department of History

Second Place: Nathan Endo
Black Diamonds in the Eye of Texas: Organized Labor and Management Tactics in the Newcastle Coalfield
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Leland Turner
Department of History

McCoy College of Science, Mathematics & Engineering
First Place: Joshua Washington and Carson Conrady
Robot Soccer Using Artificial Intelligence
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Yu Guo and Dr. Jeong Te Ok
McCoy School of Engineering

Second Place: Bethany Ann Russell
Reducing Chromosomal Antibiotic Resistance in E. coli
Faculty Mentors: Dr. James Masuoka and Dr. Jon Scales
Department of Biology

Dillard College of Business Administration
First Place: Federica Bove
Commercial Real Estate Lending among Community Banks: An Empirical Assessment
Mentors: Dr. John Martinez and Dr. Robert Forrester
Department of Management, Marketing & Legal Studies

Second Place: Kaushik Shah
Hyperledger/Blockchain and Fraud: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Paul San Miguel
Department of Accounting & Management Information

Fain College of Fine Arts
First Place: Sterling Ellison, Michelle Bloxham, Samantha Locke and Clayton Keck
Guardians of the Children
Faculty Mentor: Jonathon Quam
Department of Mass Communication
Second Place: Ara Washburn, Tyler Manning, Emily Simmons and Daria Panferova
Napa, Texas
Faculty Mentor: Jonathon Quam
Department of Mass Communication

Interdisciplinary
Kara Vieth and Anissa Flores
Student Perceptions and Reactions Toward their Peer’s Academic Dishonesty on Campus
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Beverly Stiles
Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences, Department of Sociology

Most Creative
Kara Vieth and Anissa Flores
Student Perceptions and Reactions Toward their Peer’s Academic Dishonesty on Campus
Faculty Mentor: Dr. Beverly Stiles
Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences, Department of Sociology

Best Graduate Student Podium Presentation
Herbert McCullough
Unveiling Citizenship and Immigration in Canada v. Zunera Ishaq
Faculty Mentors: Dr. Linda Veazey and Dr. Steve Garrison
Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities & Social Sciences, Department of Political Science

Best Graduate Student Poster Presentation
Dora Williams
Septic Arthritis
Faculty Mentor: Vicki Sanders
Gunn College of Health Sciences & Human Services, Department of Radiologic Sciences

IN THE SPOTLIGHT
Several faculty of the Shimadzu School of Radiologic Sciences have been busy presenting and publishing this semester. Rodney Fisher, Assistant Professor, was selected to serve on the Board of Directors for the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology. He also presented “Legal Terms and Suits no RT Wants to Wear” at the North Texas Radiologic Society’s Spring Fling on April 26.

Victoria Sanders, Associate Professor, presented “Thyroid Pathology & the Performance of Ultrasound-guided FNA” at the 20th Annual Society of Radiology Physician Extenders in Las Vegas April 24-28. Sanders also serves as president of the organization. Her radiologist assistant program students Amanda Oppedal, Suzette Gilliland, and Dora Williams submitted posters at the same conference. Gilliland won the Radiology Physician Extender Student category and $150 for her poster on Femoral Head Avascular Necrosis. MSU Texas won the President’s Award for the highest average points of the Radiologist Assistant Programs entered in the competition. The students also entered their posters in the Celebration of Scholarship. Williams won Graduate Poster Champion for Septic Arthritis – A Case Study.

Lynette Watts, Associate Professor, published “Grade Inflation in Radiologic Sciences: A Preliminary Study” in March issue of The Journal of Social Sciences & Allied Health Professions.

On April 26-27, Midwestern State University hosted the 12th Annual Southern Forum on Agricultural, Rural, and Environmental History (SFARE). Of the 18 presenters, five were affiliated with MSU Texas. Dr. Mary Draper, Assistant Professor, presented “Lord North’s Turtles: Patronage, Consumption, and Gentility in Eighteenth-Century British North America.” Dr. Everett Kindig, Professor Emeritus, presented “Life in the Post-Civil War Midwest: The Case of Susan Parmer.” Leanne Ray, graduate student, presented “A Million Chicks a Year: Mose Johnson’s Poultry Ranches in North Texas.”

Dr. Whitney Snow, Associate Professor, presented “Louis Bromfield’s Wichita Falls Malabar Farm.”

Dr. Leland Turner, Associate Professor, presented “Boom, Bonanza, and Bust: Texas Fever and Drought in the Cattle Producing Regions of Queensland and Texas.”

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Congratulations to the following departments for reaching 100 percent participation:

- Custodial Staff


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