

People and Placements (cont.)

Christine Nunez, School Psychology (Westchester '14), was hired as a School Psychologist at Alfred E. Smith High School, within the NYC Board of Ed.

Alexis Odysseos, Mental Health Counseling, (Westchester '14), was hired by St. Vincent's Hospital in Harrison as a Mental Health Counselor for the PROS program.

Sully Ortega, School Counseling, (Westchester '10) is now a school counselor at Willow Grove Upper Elem. School in Rockland.

Julia Quattrocchi - (Rockland, School Counseling) has been hired by Capabilities Partnership Inc. in Nyack, NY.

David Roper, School Psychology, (Westchester '14), has been hired by Developmental Disabilities Health Alliance and was recently promoted to help develop their new clinical program, a collaboration with Child Evaluation Rehabilitation Clinic (CERC) at Albert Einstein Medical Center in the Bronx. He is also recently engaged to his LIU School Psychology classmate.

Andrew Rose, School Psychology, (Westchester '11), is currently working at P.S. 214 in District 12 in the Bronx for the New York City Department of Education and was granted tenure, effective September 2014 after successfully completing 3 years of service.

Michelle Spadaro - (Rockland, School Counseling) is working at St. Leo the Great Catholic School in Fairfax, VA.

Danielle Stern, School Psychology (Westchester '14), is working as a school psychologist at Richard R. Green Campus (MS113) in the Bronx.

Heather Taylor - (Rockland, School Counseling) has been hired by Eastwick College in Ramsey, NJ.

Petra Tovisova, School Psychology (Westchester '12) was hired for a 2 year leave replacement School Psychology position at Ardsley High School.

Michelle Vincoli, Mental Health Counseling (Westchester '14) is now Assistant Director of the Trivisano Network in Danbury CT. The Trivisano network is part of CNV Help, Inc, a mental health and substance abuse outpatient clinic.

Don't forget, we are always happy to hear from you! Share your accomplishments, personal and professional news by emailing us at Westchester@liu.edu so you can keep in touch with friends and fellow students through our newsletter.

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Dear Hudson Herald Community Member:

In the concluding chapter of his classic *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau wrote "Things do not change, we change." It is that willingness to change, to think along new lines, to modify and amend, that drives the success of LIU Hudson. The 2014-2015 academic year marks a number of changes on our campuses, among our students and in our programs.

One exciting change is the enhanced **LIU Hudson-Bronxville Teacher Residency Program** designed to attract the highest quality graduate students into our teacher education programs. This partnership is truly clinically rich, offers financial and job incentives to selected students and—by linking to a prominent district—enhances LIU Hudson's visibility, reputation for excellence and service to the region.

A further positive is the availability of teaching positions across the state for those credentialed in TESOL or bilingual education. At a time when these areas have been identified as "high need" by the NYS Education Department, LIU Hudson offers both master's degrees to would-be teachers and advanced certificates to those already credentialed who may be single certificate holders seeking to enhance their marketability.

Another noteworthy transformation involves the induction of new **LIU Hudson MBA/MPA Advisory Board** members. We welcome: **Timothy Barney**, Co-CEO and Chief Financial Officer of BCL Business Solutions; **Richard Baron**, Executive Director, Prescription Medicine Training & Development at Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals; **John Boyd**, Partner at the firm of Fisher Broyles; and **Samuel Connor**, Director of Marketing and Communications at the **Anti-Defamation League**. New Board members join **Scott Brier**, Partner, The Write Design Company; **Kevin Dahill**, President and CEO of the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council (NSHC) and the Northern Metropolitan Hospital Association (NorMet); **Joan Goodman**, President, Emergency Beacon Corporation; and **Ronald J. Sylvestri**, Senior Vice President and Regional Manager for the Hudson Valley Bank, Trustee of Long Island University and Chancellor of LIU Hudson.

Spring 2015 will bring new initiatives in our school counseling, school psychology, mental health counseling, and marriage and family therapy programs. Please keep an eye on our webpage for announcements of relevant programming.

Sincerely,



Dr. Sylvia Blake, Ed.D.
Dean and Chief Operating Officer

Spring 2015 Dates and Deadlines (Rockland – R; Westchester – W; West Point – WP)

- Jan. 5, 6, 7 – Express Admission Days (R & W)
- Jan. 6 – Navigating the NY State Teacher Education Assessments
- Jan. 6 – New Student Orientation (R)
- Jan. 7 – New Student Orientation (W)
- Jan. 12 – All classes begin (R & W, WP)
- Jan. 16 – Awarding of January degrees
- Jan. 19 – Martin Luther King Day – No Classes
- Jan. 22 – Deadline to apply for May 2015 degrees
- Feb. 16 – President's Day, No classes
- Feb. 18 – DASA workshop (R)
- Feb. 28 – Counseling and EDL weekend college begins (R)
- March 1 – TED, Counseling and EDL weekend college (R)
- March 9 - 14 – Spring Recess, No Classes
- March 14 – CPCE Exam (W & WP)
- March 15 – CPCE Exam (R)
- March 16 – Spring B session begins (WP), MBA Spring II classes begin (R&W)
- March 21 – DASA workshop (W)
- March 28 – Counseling and EDL weekend college (R)
- March 29 – TED, Counseling and EDL weekend college (R)
- April 12 – TED Weekend College (R)
- April 25 – Counseling and EDL weekend college (R)
- April 26 – TED, Counseling and EDL weekend college (R)
- April 30 – Spring session B ends (WP)
- May 3 – TED Weekend College (R)
- May 4 - 8 – Scheduled final exams (R&W)
- May 8 – Graduate reception (W)
- May 11 – Graduate reception (R&WP)
- May 12 – University-wide Commencement Ceremony at Barclay Center



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This program, now in its second year, is designed to attract the highest quality graduate students into our teacher education programs. This exciting partnership is truly clinically rich, offers financial and job incentives to selected students and—by linking to a prominent district—enhances LIU Hudson’s visibility, reputation for excellence and service to the region. Teacher Residents complete the program with well-honed skills that are in great demand.

Teaching Residents benefit from:

- the mentoring, supervision and support of a school based cooperating teacher and a University based field advisor
- clinically rich experiences spanning the school year
- seminars providing numerous networking opportunities
- an insider’s perspective on school culture and philosophy
- career readying on-site experiences working with teachers and administrators
- a resume building paid teaching position

For information or to set up and individual appointment with a program director please contact Dr. Rebecca Rich (rebecca.rich@liu.edu) or Dr. Iris Goldberg (iris.goldberg@liu.edu).

Child Abuse and Violence Prevention Workshops

All students who need Child Abuse and/or Violence Prevention Workshops sign up now.

TED 545, *Promoting Wellness*, will be offered at the Westchester Campus on two Saturdays, April 18 and 25. Both sessions are all-day, 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Teacher Education students should follow normal course registration procedures.

Child Abuse and Violence Prevention workshops (needed for NY state certification) will be given on Saturday, April 18 at the Westchester Campus. The child abuse workshop will be held from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and the violence prevention workshop will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Registration forms for those taking the workshops only are available at the front desk at the Rockland and Westchester Campuses.

Please contact Prof. Pietarinen at 914-831-2706 or email george.pietarinen@liu.edu with any questions. The cost is \$30 for each workshop or \$60 for both.

DASA Workshop

As part of LIU Hudson’s continuing effort to help you meet New York State requirements, we will be offering the state-mandated DASA workshop in Harassment, Bullying, Cyberbullying and Discrimination in Schools, Prevention and Intervention. Completion of the DASA (Dignity for All Students Act) workshop is required for New York State Certification.

LIU Hudson will offer the 6 hour workshop (3 hours face-to-face and 3 hours online) on Wednesday, February 18 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Rockland Campus and on Saturday, March 21 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Westchester Campus. The fee for this NYSED required workshop is \$100. Please direct any questions to Mr. Travis Jackson at travis.jackson@liu.edu.

Good News for Teachers

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that job prospects for teachers are projected to grow 12 percent from 2012 to 2022. A significant number of retiring teachers will create opening for those now ready to enter the field. It is anticipated that the number of kindergarten and elementary enrollees will increase over the next decade and, therein, more classes will be necessary to accommodate the growing number of students.

If you always wanted to be a teacher, be positive about your prospects. Many of our students have secured great positions in Orange, Rockland, Bergen, and Westchester Counties and in New York City. Charter Schools are always an option, as well. LIU Hudson students who are now teachers

have advised us that making a list of charter schools and sending or personally delivering your resume to these schools often helps.

The NYC School District is the largest in the United States. If you are interested in teaching in New York City, you should visit the TeachNYC.net site where you will learn how to navigate the application process and even register for an online info session to speak with a recruiter.

People have decided they wanted to teach for many reasons. Follow your instincts as others have done who attest that:

“I taught because I wanted to be a sculptor, and so I did by shaping lives for the future.”

“I taught because there is great fulfillment that comes in working with boys and girls.”

“I taught for this is where I could see the worthwhile and true fulfillment of living.”

Funding for Teacher Certification Exams

There are limited funds available for students who have recently taken and not passed one or more of the New York State teacher certification exams. This funding may only be used for the re-taking of examinations.

For more information, please contact janet.simon@liu.edu.

Advanced Certificate Programs

In an effort to provide our students with career-enhancing credentials, LIU Hudson offers Advanced Certificate programs.

The Advanced Certificate in Business Administration: Finance is a 12-credit program designed to give students a sound knowledge of principles of finance critical for success in the world of business. The program will enhance the understanding of accounting, corporate finance, money and banking.

The 15-credit Advanced Certificate in Long-Term Care Administration provides training for those involved in the management and supervision of: assisted living facilities, independent housing, continuing care and retirement communities, home care agencies, discharge planning, care management, accountable care organizations, as well as for those seeking licensure as nursing home administrators.

The Advanced Certificate in Crisis Management is a two-semester, weekend-only program that assists professionals in various fields to proactively address the first signs of a potentially critical event and master techniques and strategies to mitigate the impact of a crisis. The 12-credit program will provide students with models of current best practices and protocols and how to respond compassionately and effectively to traumatic events in our schools, workplaces and communities.

For information on the Advanced Certificates in Business Administration and Long Term Care Administration, contact Dr. Kevin Nash, Program Director at kevin.nash@liu.edu.

For information on the Advanced Certificate in Crisis Management, contact Dr. Thomas Nardi, Program Director at thomas.nardi@liu.edu.

Advanced Certificate in Mental Health Counseling

Are you a School Counselor or School Psychologist interested in clinical work or private practice? Are you a returning therapist or counselor interested in securing required NYS licensure as a Mental Health Counselor? Consider LIU Hudson’s 24-credit advanced certificate in Mental Health Counseling. The program is offered at both the Westchester and Rockland campuses starting in the Fall and can enhance an existing career or launch a new one! If you are an LIU Hudson program completer, you are eligible for the LIU Hudson Alumni Scholarship. For additional information on this program or any of the Counseling, Psychology or Therapy programs, please contact Dr. Beth Weiner at beth.weiner@liu.edu or 914-831-2717.

Dr. Beth Weiner presents at Westchester/Putnam Guidance Expo

Over one hundred people attended Dr. Beth Weiner’s presentation at the Westchester/Putnam Guidance Expo on October 22, 2014. Her talk was entitled “Identifying Mental Health Issues and Risks in Students”. In recent years, we have seen an number of tragedies which have made us wonder if we might have intervened earlier in these individuals’ lives. While we cannot promise that school professionals hold the keys to eliminating these incidents, there are a number of ways that we can identify students before their problems escalate. The presentation described some of the mental health risk factors that can be identified within the school setting. There was also a discussion about how the different members of the school team can work collaboratively to support students who are socially isolated or have emotional difficulties. The workshop also addressed how to interface with family members and mental health professionals in the community.

LIU Hudson Professor Creates Award Winning Online Resource

Dr. Deborah Hardy, adjunct professor in the Westchester School Counseling program, has created “School Counselor Central”, an online resource which offers a concise and comprehensive school counseling model writer and school counseling program organizer. The product has been awarded District Administration’s Readers’ Choice Top 100 Products award.

School Counselor Central includes:

- School Counseling Plan: An organized and clear framework for school counselor programs with extensive reporting tools such as the Student Personnel Accountability Report Card.
- Student Achievement Log: A secure journal on student meetings by school counselor program domains and a graduation tracker to support student academic completion goals.
- School Counselor Services Tracker: A time management analysis with the school counselor weekly services.
- Program Review: Maintain the comprehensive school counseling model online for an annual review of program.

Dr. Hardy created the concept after completing her dissertation study and finding out that school counselors needed assistance in implementing comprehensive school counseling framework and managing all of the related components. Her colleague Dean Pacchiana is the co-creator.

The winners, selected by District Administration’s editors from a record 2,400-plus nominations, were products that received the highest number of nominations and best descriptions from K12 leaders. The Readers’ Choice Top 100 has been announced online and in the December 2014 issue of District Administration.

New Faculty Members

LIU Hudson welcomes two new faculty members to the Educational Leadership program. Raymond Cooper, Ed.D. has served as a high school principal in both Putnam and Suffolk Counties. Ms. Sylvia Fassler-Wallach, C.P.A. is currently the Assistant Superintendent for Finance, Facilities, and Operations in Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District. Both Dr. Cooper and Ms. Fassler-Wallach bring valuable practical experience to share with our future school administrators.

LIU Grad Appointed to New Windward Manhattan Campus

Colleen McGlynn, a January 2015 graduate of the Master’s program in Adolescent Special Education, is now completing her fourth year teaching at The Windward School in White Plains. The Windward School, an

independent day school, uses a multi-sensory curriculum to educate students with language based learning disabilities. Recently, she has been chosen by the school administration as one of a small group of head teachers who will together launch a new Windward campus in Manhattan this coming fall. When asked her reaction to this new appointment, Colleen exclaimed enthusiastically that this was “perfect timing and a wonderful opportunity to bring the knowledge and skills gained in my master’s program at LIU Hudson into this new environment.” Next year, Colleen will teach fifth grade language arts and social studies. The entire LIU Hudson community congratulates Colleen on this outstanding accomplishment. To learn more about The Windward School, visit <http://www.thewindwardschool.org/>.

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Andrea Bolen - (Rockland, School Counseling) has been hired at Pierre Van Cortland Middle School in Croton-Harmon, NY.

Kathryn Devine, School Counseling (Westchester ’14), is now a school counselor at Good Counsel high school in White Plains.

Phil Farrugia - (Rockland, School Counseling) is working at South Orangetown Middle School in Orangeburg, NY.

Ramapo Central School District recently published an online article, “SHS Collaboration Drives 4-Year College Attendance Hike” that featured the work of LIU Hudson School Counseling faculty member, **Marissa Guijarro**, who is a school counselor at Suffern High School, together with her teacher colleagues, Robert Mariani and Colleen Stritmatter. Through a multifaceted effort, they developed college readiness programs targeted at first-generation-to-college and English Language Learners.

Judy Harrington - (Rockland, School Counseling) has been hired by North Main Elementary School in Monroe, NY.

Brianne Hickey - (Rockland, School Counseling) is working at St. Joseph’s High School in Brooklyn, NY.

Ashley Huston - (Rockland, School Counseling) has been hired by SUNY Fashion Institute of Technology in Manhattan.

Emily Lager, School Counseling, (Westchester ’14) has been hired for the second time as a leave replacement at Greenwich High School in Connecticut.

Dr. Mitchell A. Levy (Rockland Counseling) received the 2014 NASPA Region II Community College Professional Award. Dr. Levy co-presented workshop, Career Ignorance is Not Bliss: Student Affairs Partnering with Academic Affairs, at the 2014 PENN EAST TESOL

Conference, Glenside, PA.

Charlotte Lighty - (Rockland, School Counseling) is working at Englewood Public Schools in Englewood, NJ.

Lindsay Marc, Mental Health Counseling (Rockland ’14), was recently hired as a full time clinician at Family Services of Westchester.

Tahirah Moore, (Westchester ’14), is a school psychologist at P.S. 306 in the Bronx. Tahirah is being mentored by **Rafael Ortiz**, School Psychology, (Westchester ’06) who coincidentally is also returning as an adjunct to teach our bilingual assessment course.

Thomas J. Nardi, Ph.D., Director of Counseling at Rockland and West Point, continues to write for the lay audience in popular magazines. His article “Crisis Management 101, The Psychology of Staying Calm Under Fire” appeared in the July/August 2014 issue of Home Defender magazine. His article “It’s Now or Never, How to Overcome Procrastination” appeared in the July 2014 issue of American Survival Guide.

Valerie Nivar Mental Health Counseling (Rockland ’11), is currently a Psychiatric Emergency Support Specialist for the Bergen County Psychiatric Emergency Screening Program through Care Plus in NJ.

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