



Convocation Fall 2015

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Morehead State University



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CONVOCATION

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Presiding: Dr. Steven Ralston, Provost

Pre-Convocation music provided by faculty in the School of Music, Theatre & Dance

- I. Welcome
- II. Introduction of New Faculty & Staff
- III. Announcements & Updates
- IV. Award Presentations
- V. Remarks by President Wayne D. Andrews
- VI. Morehead State University Alma Mater
Led by Dr. Greg Detweiler and accompanied by Dr. Chialing Hsieh

Alma Mater

*Far above the rolling campus,
Resting in the dale,
Stands the dear old Alma Mater
We will always hail.
Shout in chorus, raise your voices,
Blue and Gold - praise you.
Winning through to fame and glory,
Dear old MSU.*

**We invite all employees to join us for
the 2015 Campus Campaign Kickoff Luncheon!**

Immediately following Convocation in the Crager Room, ADUC
11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

First-year students begin moving into residence halls from 1 to 8 p.m. today.
Employees are encouraged to volunteer with move-in.

Welcome new employees!

(New hires since January 1, 2015)

| Name | Job Title | Department |
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| Adams, Kendrick A. | Event Coordinator | Conference & Event Services |
| Aly, Ashraf | Asst. Professor, CIS | Computer Science & Information Syst. |
| Austin, Milo Andre | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Auxier, Haley Nicole | Cook/Food Services Worker | Carl Perkins Vocational Ctr. |
| Bailey, Mary Lindsey | Asst. Professor, Music (Oboe) | School of Music, Theatre & Dance |
| Bartley, Marsha Kay | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Bolin, David Crockett | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Bradford, Christopher Michael | Groundskeeper | Landscaping & Grounds Maintenance |
| Brown, Mary Rebecca Boggs | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Brown, Timothy David | Police Officer | Police Department |
| Burchett, Stephen | Advancement Services Manager | Alumni Relations & Development |
| Carter, Jennifer Blanche | Asst. Dir., Academic Services | Craft Academy |
| Cottle, Jonathan Paul | Police Officer | Police Department |
| Day, Megan Beatrice | Library Specialist (Cataloging-D) | Camden-Carroll Library |
| Duncan, Christine | Costume Shop Supervisor/Instructor | School of Music, Theatre & Dance |
| Edwards, Erin Beach | Hall Director | Student Housing |
| Edwards, Moriah Lynn | Accountant | Facilities Management |
| Elliott, Kevin Mitchell | Groundskeeper | Landscaping & Grounds Maintenance |
| Evans, Nicholas | Athletic Media Relations Director | Athletic Media Relations |
| Gancio, Charles E. | General Manager | University Store |
| Garven, Sarah Ann | Asst. Professor, Accounting | School of Business Admin. |
| Gibson, Arielle Kim | Academic Records Specialist | Registrar |
| Goldberg, Jared William | Asst. Volleyball Coach | Volleyball, Women's |
| Harrison, Merrell John | Chief of Police | Police Department |
| Hawkins-Looney, Lori Melinda | Dir., Adult Education Academy | Adult Education Academy |
| Hilton, Jason P. | Aquatics & Operations Coordinator | Recreation & Wellness |
| Holan, Alyssa Marie | Visiting Asst. Professor, Spanish | Comm., Media & Languages |
| Holbrook, Kathy | Cook/Food Services Worker | Carl Perkins Vocational Ctr. |
| Hughes, Amber Nicole | Asst. Professor, Educ. Counseling | Foundational & Grad. Studies Educ. |
| Hunter, Noelle | Developmental Education Reading Inst. | Instructional Studies |
| Jackson, Afton Atwaunna | Research Assistant | Sociology, SW & Criminology |
| Johnson, Laken Taylor-Wayne | Early College Records Specialist | Registrar |
| Jordan, Marshall Douglas | Swimming Pool Operator | Power Plant |
| Jude, Daniel Ray | Inst., Criminology | Sociology, SW & Criminology |
| Kendrick, Jacklyn K. | Data Entry Spec. II | Accounting & Financial Serv. |
| King, Laura Ann | Recruit & Retention Coordinator | Student Serv. Ctr.-Business |

| Name | Job Title | Department |
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| Kuykendall, Myron Cordello | Hall Director | Student Housing |
| Latta, Yvette Lynn | Inst., Accounting | School of Business Admin. |
| Lewis, Derek Ryan | Environmental Health & Safety Technician | Environmental Health & Safety |
| Lewis, Zachary M. | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Martin, Jimmie D. | Hall Director | Student Housing |
| Mattox, Jonathan M. | Dir., Men's Basketball Operations | Basketball, Men's |
| McGillicuddy, Ryan Paul | Visit Asst. Professor, Music (Flute) | School of Music, Theatre & Dance |
| McGuire, Steven | Instructional Designer | Distance Education & Instructional Design |
| Mellott, Jeffrey T. | Visit Asst. Professor, Music (Jazz) | School of Music, Theatre & Dance |
| Moore, Zachary Alan | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Nally, Harold Dennis | Dir., Human Resources | Human Resources |
| Ortega-Moody, Jorge Alberto | Asst. Prof., Applied Eng. & Technology | Engineering & Information Syst. |
| Perin, John M. | Asst. Football Coach | Football |
| Riddle, Crystal Michelle | Counseling Coordinator | Talent Search Programs |
| Riley, Kristi L. | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Rogers, Carl Hagins | Asst. Soccer Coach | Soccer, Women's |
| Sadler, Shelley Davis | Simulation Spec/Instructor | Nursing |
| Sani, Shahrokh | Visiting Asst. Professor, CIS | Computer Science & Information Syst. |
| Shaw, Jennifer Lee Ann | College Workforce Counselor | Today's Youth |
| Singh, Delar Kour | Assoc. Professor, Education | Early Child., Elem. & Spec. Educ. |
| Skaggs, Jennifer B. | Library Specialist (Cataloging-B) | Camden-Carroll Library |
| Sparks, Robert De'andre | Area Coordinator | Student Housing |
| Stamper, Dakota Ryan | Traffic Control Assistant | Police Department |
| Stiltner, Joe Wallace | Admin. Support Supervisor | Police Department |
| Stoy, Colin Alexander | Lab Manager/Researcher | Biology & Chemistry |
| Stratton, Erika Ann | Asst Softball Coach | Softball, Women's |
| Susan, Paul Arthur | Inst., Social Work | Sociology, SW & Criminology |
| Tavangarian, Fariborz | Asst. Prof., Applied Eng. & Technology | Engineering & Information Syst. |
| Thomas, Vanessa Dawn | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Tilmon, Derrick Q. | Asst. Basketball Coach | Basketball, Men's |
| Vernon, April Michelle | Inst., Education | Early Child., Elem. & Spec. Educ. |
| Vonjo, Brimah M. | Asst. Dir., Residence Life | Craft Academy |
| Whitlow, Jasmine N. | Coord., Multiculturalism & Inclusion | Student Activities, Inclusion & Leadership Dev. |
| Whitney, John Sinclair | University Architect | Construction & Engineering Services |
| Wilson, Brenda Lee | Building Services Technician | Building Services |
| Young, Marquez | Enrollment Services Counselor for Diversity | Enrollment Services |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATES

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| 8/27 | Craft Academy Ribbon Cutting & Dedication |
| 9/18-20 | Family Weekend |
| 9/19 | MSU Employee Picnic |
| 9/27 | Browning Orchard Festival |
| 9/29 | Fall Career Fair |
| 10/1 | All-Campus Professional Development Day |
| 10/8-11 | Homecoming |
| 10/12 | Midterm grades due |
| 10/15 | President's Performing Arts and Speakers Program featuring Jack Uldrich |
| 10/17 | Open House |
| 10/29 | Fall Funding & Grant Writing Symposium |
| 11/4-17 | Advance Registration |
| 11/7 | Open House |
| 12/12 | Commencement |

ADA OFFICE

Everyone working at the University has certain obligations under two federal disability laws: The Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 the Rehabilitation Act. As a stakeholder, you may be interested to know about the ADA Accessibility Compliance Task Force. For the past three years, this 20-member team has been investigating and steadily improving access to technology, communication, online courses, MSU websites and our physical campus. If you would like to share a problem or a solution with the task force, or would like to attend a meeting, contact Evangeline Day, disability services coordinator, located at 204-E ADUC, at **783-5188** or **e.day@moreheadstate.edu**.

APPALACHIAN HEALTH AND RESEARCH CENTER (AHRC)

The AHRC is a collaboration of Morehead State University, St. Claire Regional Medical Center and the University of Kentucky Institute for Rural Health Policy that is focused on health and wellness. Its mission is to increase collaborative research based out of Morehead that addresses health issues faced by residents of Appalachian Kentucky and beyond. In the coming year, as many as three competitive \$5,000 MSU/AHRC research seed grants will be available to tenured and tenure-track faculty, as well as full-time staff, who are also AHRC members and have active collaborations with non-

MSU investigators who are also AHRC members, to help them establish productive and sustainable externally-funded research programs. In addition, 10 new Undergraduate Research Fellowships will be available for students who choose to participate in AHRC research projects. Details on these programs will be forthcoming. For information concerning participation in the AHRC, contact Dr. Mike Henson, associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate school, at m.henson@moreheadstate.edu.

ATHLETICS

Season tickets for fall intercollegiate sports can be purchased by calling **783-2386** or visiting msueagles.com.

CAMDEN-CARROLL LIBRARY

Camden-Carroll Library is offering new services to the University community, including:

- A new digital repository for storage, and sharing research and other important documents and memorabilia of Morehead State University.
- A new service called BrowZine, which gathers all of MSU's journal subscriptions from disparate online platforms into a very user-friendly interface that focuses on the journals and their disciplinary groupings (with plenty of features for individuals to customize it to their liking). An app will be available so that searching will be possible from phones and other devices.
- New rolling smart boards that will allow for easy setup of classrooms throughout the library.

Implementation of a new integrated library system, Alma/Primo, also will occur during the 2015-16 year.

CAMPUS GIVING CAMPAIGN

The Campus Campaign is an annual fundraising effort that provides both faculty and staff an opportunity to directly impact the MSU community through their charitable donations to MSU. Did you know more than half of MSU employees have already participated in this year's campaign? If you haven't yet participated, please join your fellow employees and give back to MSU. Your participation (not the dollar amount) matters most. For as little as \$2.50 a paycheck, you can make a significant impact on the lives of our students. All donors to the campus campaign who give at the \$25 level will receive a \$10 gift card to the University Bookstore.

If you have signed up for payroll deduction or made a gift of \$25 or more since Jan. 1, you've already participated in this year's campaign. Stop by the campaign table in the Crager Room today to pick up your University Bookstore gift card. Uncertain if you've given this year? A staff member will be happy to answer any questions. Thank you for providing much more opportunity for our students and programs. For more information, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/campuscampaign.

CAREER SERVICES

Career Services is seeking nominations for annual internship awards. Nominations must be received by Friday, Sept. 4. Online nomination forms can be found at www.moreheadstate.edu/career, at the bottom of the page. To be eligible, the internship experiences must have occurred since Sept. 1, 2014.

Students who have had an internship, co-op, student teaching experience, practicum or clinical are eligible. The selection committee evaluates nominees based on quality and quantity of work, interpersonal skills, oral and written communications.

Employers who have supervised an MSU student intern and have provided an excellent, professional-level experience may be nominated for the Internship Employer of the Year Award. The selection committee evaluates the nominee on how well the intern felt trained for a real-world work experience.

Faculty who have graded an MSU student intern and have gone above and beyond to help that student may be nominated for the Internship Faculty of the Year Award. The selection committee evaluates the nominee on their mentorship and preparation of the student for entering the world of work.

The awards will be presented during the Internship Awards Ceremony at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29, in ADUC (prior to the Career Fair). Additional information is available by contacting Career Services at **783-2233**.

CLASS OF 2019 INDUCTION CEREMONY

The incoming freshman class will be inducted as the Class of 2019 on Thursday, Aug. 13, in the Laughlin Health Building gym/multi-purpose room. Please join us in welcoming these students into the MSU family during this kick-off event marking the official beginning of their academic career. Students will receive a Class of 2019 keepsake pin and will recite the Eagle Promise.

Faculty and staff participating in this event must wear their academic regalia and will meet in the east end hallway between Wetherby and Laughlin at 3:30 p.m. The processional will begin at 4 p.m. and the program will end at approximately 5 p.m. For more information, contact Lora Pace at L.pace@moreheadstate.edu.

CELEBRATION OF STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The 11th Annual Celebration of Student Scholarship will be held from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 27. This year, the celebration will be held in Camden-Carroll Library and Button Auditorium (ADUC is being renovated). The celebration continues to grow and last year featured 204 student presentations (75 oral presentations and 129 posters) that spotlighted the outstanding efforts of 313 undergraduate and graduate student scholars and their 115 faculty mentors. Awards were made for presentations of special merit as recommended by a panel of 126 faculty, staff and guest judges. Please plan to help us to continue to grow this exciting event by personally attending, sponsoring student presenters, volunteering to judge and encouraging all of your students to attend in 2016. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Dr. Mike Henson, associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate school, at m.henson@moreheadstate.edu.

CRAFT ACADEMY FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

There were 60 high-achieving students selected from across the Commonwealth of Kentucky for the first class of the Craft Academy for Excellence in Science & Mathematics. The Craft Academy would like to officially welcome these students to MSU and looks forward to collaborating and working with MSU faculty and staff in making the Craft Academy a success.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RESPONSE

In the instructional setting, the faculty member is the person to whom students look for direction and leadership when emergency situations arise. Faculty are asked to take a few minutes at the first class meeting each semester to discuss emergency procedures with students and refer them to www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency.

Faculty members are asked to document this process by following directions on the Classroom Resources link of the Emergency Resources website. Attention should also be given to those students with disabilities or special needs that may require assistance in the event that evacuation is necessary. A general emergency evacuation plan has been developed for each campus building and is available at www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency. Evacuation directions may be specific to individual rooms and venues. Please explore the nearest exit route from your classroom prior to having this discussion with your students and share that specific information as you discuss emergency situations.

Some emergency situations will require a “shelter in place” response rather than an evacuation. With any emergency, the best advice is to be prepared by familiarizing yourself in advance with emergency procedures. More information is available by contacting Madonna Weathers at m.weathers@moreheadstate.edu, 783-2070 or visiting www.moreheadstate.edu/emergency.

FALL CAREER FAIR

Morehead State University will host the Fall Career Fair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 29, in ADUC. Registered organizations include company human resources representatives and graduate school recruiters looking for full-time and part-time employees, interns, program volunteers and graduate school applicants. MSU career fairs attract 75 to 80 employers and organizations. Please encourage your students to attend at all stages of their college experience. For more information, visit www.moreheadstate.edu/career or call 783-2233.

FALL FUNDING AND GRANT WRITING SYMPOSIUM

The 2015 Symposium will be held Thursday, Oct. 29, in ADUC. The program will be relevant to faculty and staff from all disciplines and will feature workshop presentations by Dr. Robert Porter, nationally recognized research funding consultant. A morning session on “Writing Successful Grants” will be followed by lunch and an afternoon session addressing specific “Grants of Interest to Predominately Undergraduate Institutions.” Details on this evolving event will be forthcoming. For more information, contact Darlene Allen, director of pre-award administration for Research and Sponsored Programs, at d.allen@moreheadstate.edu.

MOVE-IN DAY

New students will move-in on Wednesday, Aug. 12, and Thursday, Aug. 13. Additional parking and traffic restrictions will apply during the time of scheduled residence hall check-in. Pay attention to notices and directions during this time.

Faculty and staff are asked to volunteer a few hours the afternoon of Wednesday, Aug. 12, and the morning of Thursday, Aug. 13, to provide leadership to our student organization move-in teams and help greet families and students as they move into residence halls. Sign up to volunteer at msucares.volunteerhub.com.

PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY - CLASS OF 2016

Interviews were conducted Spring 2015 to select the Class of 2016 for the President's Leadership Academy (PLA). This intensive year of professional development is open to all full-time employees at MSU. The curriculum for 2015-16 includes targeted readings, seminars with higher education experts, a case study, leadership and team-building activities, field trips and an experiential capstone project. For more information about the PLA, contact Janet McCoy at the Center for Leadership and Professional Development at **783-2603** or **j.mccoy@moreheadstate.edu**.

The 16 members of the new class are:

- Karla Aleman, Distance Instruction Librarian
- Jerel Benton, Minority Retention Coordinator
- Benji Bryant, Upward Bound Counseling Coordinator
- Louise Cooper, Service-Learning Coordinator
- Natasha L. Davis, Associate Professor of Dance
- Andrea K. Fryman, Business Manager of Facilities Management
- Jaime Gordon, Head Volleyball Coach
- Karla R. Hughes, Academic Advisor in Student Service Center – Business
- Randy Manis, Instructor of Communication
- Susan W. Maxey, Director of the Graduate School
- Christopher T. Miller, Professor and Chair, Department of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education
- Jonathan W. Pidluzny, Assistant Professor of Government
- Holly L. Pollock, Undergraduate Admissions Director
- Kent J. Price, Associate Professor of Physics
- Daryl R. Privott, Assistant Professor of Foundational and Graduate Studies in Education
- Chris Summerlin, Director of Housing and Residence Education

PRESIDENT'S PERFORMING ARTS AND SPEAKERS PROGRAM

Co-sponsored by the College of Business and Technology, the 2015 Presidential Lecture Series will feature Jack Uldrich and be held at 7 p.m., Oct. 15, in Button Auditorium. Uldrich is a renowned global futurist and the best-selling author of 11 books.

UNIVERSITY FAMILY PICNIC

Join President and Mrs. Andrews and the University family prior to the Family Weekend Football game on Saturday, Sept. 19. The Eagles kickoff against the Kentucky Christian Knights at 7 p.m. To make reservations, contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Development at **783-2033** or **events@moreheadstate.edu**.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION/PARKING SYSTEM

The Traffic Office is located in 100 Laughlin Building, with regular hours of operation 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Extended hours will be in effect Thursday, Aug. 13, and Friday, Aug. 14, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 15, from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, email **traffic@moreheadstate.edu** or call **783-2220**. For updated regulations, visit **www.moreheadstate.edu/police**.

AWARD RECIPIENTS

Distinguished Researcher: Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics and space science

Dr. Pannuti joined the Department of Earth and Space Sciences in 2006.

Born in Irvington, New York, Dr. Pannuti graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, earning his bachelor's degree in physics, cum laude. He earned his master's and Ph.D. degrees in physics from the University of New Mexico. After graduation, Dr. Pannuti worked as a postdoctoral researcher at the Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research at MIT for three years and later at the Spitzer Science Center at Caltech also for three years before joining MSU.

Dr. Pannuti has served as first author or co-author of more than 40 publications in refereed journals such as the *Astrophysical Journal*, the *Astronomical Journal*, *Astronomy and Astrophysics* and the *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, as well as the *Journal of Astrophysics and Space Science*. He has served as first author or co-author on nearly 200 conference presentations given at the regional, state, national and international levels. In 2012, he received the Distinguished University Scientist Superlative Award from the Kentucky Academy of Science. Dr. Pannuti's research activities closely involve MSU undergraduate students, and he is currently writing an undergraduate-level textbook on the physical processes associated with radio astronomy.

Dr. Pannuti's main research work centers on multi-wavelength (mainly X-ray, optical, infrared and radio) observations of Galactic and extragalactic supernova remnants. The primary fields of research activity for these sources are synchrotron X-ray emission from supernova remnants and its relationship with cosmic-ray acceleration by these sources, mixed-morphology supernova remnants (supernova remnants that feature shell-like radio morphologies with contrasting center-filled thermal X-ray morphologies) and multi-wavelength searches for supernova remnants in nearby galaxies. He has also become active in radio monitoring observations of blazars, which are radio galaxies with luminous cores.

To pursue his research, Dr. Pannuti has conducted observations as primary investigator with radio telescopes in the United States, Germany and Australia (including the 21-Meter Space Tracking Antenna at MSU), optical telescopes in Arizona and California and orbiting X-ray observatories, such as Chandra and Suzaku. Through external grant funding, he established the Institute for Stellar Necrology Laboratory at the Space Science Center, a laboratory of Linux-based computer systems dedicated to research projects conducted by undergraduate students. He has served as science team member on the CXBN and CXBN-2 small satellite missions.

Distinguished Creative Productions: Dongfeng Li, associate professor of art

A nationally-acclaimed artist in Oriental brush, watercolors, pastel portraits and figure painting, Li joined MSU in 2007. He began his art career in his native China, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Tianjin College of Fine Arts College in Tianjin, China. He earned a master's degree in fine arts from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and a Master of Arts in Art Education from the University of South Alabama. He previously taught at Webster University in St. Louis.

Li's watercolor painting titled "Out of the Darkness and Into the Light" was accepted by the exhibition jurors for inclusion in the 147th American Watercolor Society Annual International Exhibition in New York. With his inclusion in the exhibition, Li became a signature member of the American Watercolor Society.

He has won many national awards, including the IDE Memorial Award at the American Watercolor Society Annual International Exhibition, New York (2008); first place Kentucky Artist Award in the Kentucky Watercolor Society Aqueous USA (2012, 2013); Best of Show at the Alaska National Annual competition (2011); Patron Fine Art Award at the Alabama Watercolor Society 70th International Exhibition (2012); Harold Phoenix Award in the Houston Watercolor Society 34th International Exhibition (2011); and Beverly Hill Hoover Cash Award in the Kansas Watercolor Society National Exhibition (2009).

Distinguished Teacher: Dr. Itza Zavala-Garrett, associate professor of Spanish

Dr. Zavala-Garrett holds a Ph.D. degree in Latin American Literature from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She joined MSU in the fall of 2009. Prior to that, Dr. Zavala-Garrett worked for five years as a visiting professor at Wake Forest University.

In addition, she has worked in numerous universities in Mexico as a Spanish and literature professor including Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM), Universidad del Valle de México (UVM) and Universidad Autónoma de Querétaro (UAQ).

Her area of concentration is contemporary Latin American literature and culture with an emphasis on 20th century Mexican literature. She has published various articles about Mexican writers such as Fernando del Paso, Carlos Monsiváis, María Luisa Puga and Elena Poniatowska. Her book concerning the intellectual subject in Mexican literature after 1968 ("Tlatelolco's Massacre") is in process to be published.

Dr. Zavala-Garrett participates in languages, film and service learning conferences around the world and she has received lecture invitations about Mexican literature and politics, and Hispanic cinema from recognized academic institutions such as University of Richmond and Salem College. She is in charge of a study abroad program at Mérida, México, sponsored by the Kentucky Institute for International Studies, a well-known study abroad state consortium.

Distinguished Staff Service: Dr. Shannon Harr, director of research integrity

A native of Olive Hill, Dr. Shannon Harr is a two-time graduate of MSU, holding a bachelor's degree in animal science and a master's degree in organizational communication. He earned his doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Kentucky in 2009. Dr. Harr has been an MSU employee since 2001.

In his role as director of research integrity and compliance, Dr. Harr oversees human and animal research, assuring that MSU remains compliant with federal regulations. In addition, he is responsible for externally funded contract development and review. He is a regularly invited speaker at international conferences hosted by Public Responsibility and Research in the areas of human research subject protection and animal research subject protection. He has served two years on the planning committee for the Advancing Ethical Research International Conference in Boston.

Dr. Harr is a Certified Institutional Review Board (IRB) manager through the National Association of IRB Managers and a Certified Research Administrator (CRA) with the Research Administration Certification Council.

This past spring, he was elected as staff regent to the MSU Board of Regents. Prior to that, he served 12 years on Staff Congress, including one term as chair. He is a graduate of the 2014 President's Leadership Academy and also serves on the St. Claire Regional Medical Center Foundation Board of Directors.

Distinguished Faculty Service: Dr. Brian S. Mason, associate professor of music

Dr. Brian Mason, coordinator of the percussion studies program at Morehead State University, is highly respected worldwide as a leader in the marching percussion activity through his work with Drum Corps International ensembles, including the Cavaliers, Phantom Regiment and the Santa Clara Vanguard.

Dr. Mason is a member of the Percussive Arts Society National Board of Directors. He serves on its Vic Firth Education Committee and Health and Wellness Committee, and served previously on the P.A.S. Marching Percussion Committee. Brian is extremely active as a guest artist with high school and university percussion ensembles and has appeared as clinician and adjudicator throughout the United States, Asia, Europe, Canada and Mexico. Dr. Mason also performs as a contract section player with the Lexington Philharmonic Orchestra.

Because of his noteworthy professional status, Dr. Mason is a sponsored performing artist for Mapex Drums, Majestic Percussion, Vic Firth sticks and mallets, Zildjian cymbals, Evans drumheads and Grover Pro Percussion. His original works have been performed worldwide and are published through Row-Loff Productions, Bachovich Music Publications and Tap Space Publications.

VET-FRIENDLY UNIVERSITY RECOGNITIONS

- 2015 U.S. News & World Report - Best Colleges for Veterans #19 in Regional Universities (South)
 - 2015 Military Times Best for Vets - #24 out of all schools nationally
 - Military Times Best for Vets: Business Schools 2015 - #62 nationally
 - 2015 Military Advanced Education "Top College and University"
 - 2015 GI Jobs Magazine/Victory Media "Military Friendly School"
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POINTS OF PRIDE . . .

CAUDILL COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Publications/Creative Work:

Dr. Stacy Baker, professor of music (tuba/euphonium); Dr. Deb Eastwood, instructor of music; and Dr. Gail Robertson, assistant professor of music at the University of Central Arkansas, released a new recording as part of Symbiosisduo titled "Playground."

Dr. Lori Baruth, associate professor of music (clarinet); Dr. David Oyen, professor of music (bassoon); and Dr. Chialing Hsieh, faculty accompanist and instructor of music, have released a new recording as part of Trifecta! titled "Cumulus Accumulation."

Dr. Nathan Dishman, assistant professor of music (trombone), performed, presented and recorded at the International Fellowship of Conductors, Composers and Collaborators at the University of Oregon in June 2015. He also gave the world premier performance of Antonio Garcia's "Three for Two (or One or Three)." As part of the Blue Ridge Trombone Quartet, he performed at the American Trombone Workshop and premiered Anthony Barfield's "Horizon of the Aten."

Christopher Field, assistant professor of art and design, had his sculpture, "Tetrahedron," installed at the Nashville International Airport. The installation was made possible by The Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority's (MNAA) Arts at the Airport, Bonnaroo Works Fund and Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival.

Dr. Julia Finch, assistant professor of art and design, had her article, "Visual Literacy and Art History: Teaching Images and Objects in Digital Environments," published in *Essentials of Teaching and Integrating Visual and Media Literacy*, April 24, 2015, pp. 251-264.

Seth Green, assistant professor of art and design, received a first place award for one of his vessels in a national juried exhibition, "Containment," at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington. He also received the Best of Show Award for his work and his booth at Kentucky Crafted: The Market at the Lexington Convention Center.

Jeff Hill, professor of mass communication, produced five episodes of "The Video Vault – The Kentucky Edition," which aired on the Kentucky Educational Television network. He also authored a grant that was funded by the Kentucky Humanities Council for development of the series.

Dongfeng Li, associate professor of art, was awarded signature membership in the American Watercolor Society. This highly selective distinction is awarded to only a few outstanding watercolor artists each year. His "The Story of Old Horse Fly" watercolor painting also won the first place award in the Illinois Watercolor Society Annual Exhibition. Li's painting, "Out of the Darkness, Into the Light," won the Mario Cooper & Dale Meyers Medal Award in the 2014 American Watercolor Society 147th Annual International Exhibition.

Elizabeth Mesa-Gaido, professor of art, received the first place award in the "Contemporary South" Juried Regional South Exhibit at the Visual Art Exchange in Raleigh, North Carolina. Mesa-Gaido had two pieces included. Her work received a highly favorable review. She also exhibited her work in "30th Positive Negative," a national juried art exhibit at the Tipton Gallery, East Tennessee State University. Mesa-Gaido had three pieces selected for the national juried exhibit, "Bellingham National." The exhibition was on display at the Whatcom Museum in Bellingham.

Dr. Tom Williams, chair of the Department of English, published a collection of stories in July 2015 titled "Among the Wild Mulattos & Other Tales" with Texas Review Press.

Gary Mesa-Gaido, professor of art, had two pieces selected for the national juried exhibition, "Earthly Abstractions." The exhibition was on display at the Ellington-White Contemporary gallery in Fayetteville, North Carolina. His work also was selected from a pool of 300 international entries for 2015 Fine Arts Exhibition, a juried exhibit that's part of the Decatur Arts Festival, which draws approximately 60,000 people annually. The exhibition was on display in Agnes Scott College's Dalton gallery in Decatur, Georgia. Mesa-Gaido exhibited his work in the Kentucky Arts Council's "Kentucky Visions," a statewide juried exhibit that was on display in the legislative offices at the Capitol Annex in Frankfort, Kentucky, and his work was selected for "Abstract Sanctuary," an international juried exhibit at the Verum Ultimatum Art Gallery in Portland, Oregon.

Dr. Jeanne Petsch, associate professor of art education and interim chair of the Department of Art and Design, published a chapter, "Creating Our World: An Art Program for Alternative School Students," in *Cases on Instructional Technology in Gifted and Talented Education*. Eds. L. Lennex and K. Nettleton, 2015. This international peer-reviewed publication has received favorable review.

The MSU Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Greg Detweiler, professor of music and director of Choirs, premiered "Reconciliation" for trumpet and SATB choir by Stephen Chapman.

MSU Jazz Vocal Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Roosevelt Escalante, associate professor of music, performed for the 2015 KMEA conference.

MSU Black Gospel Ensemble, directed by Dr. Roosevelt Escalante, associate professor of music, performed throughout Costa Rica in May 2015.

Presentations/Invited Talks:

Dr. Scott Davison, professor of philosophy and chair of the Department of History, Philosophy, International and Legal Studies, was one of nine philosophers invited to contribute to a three-day seminar on religion and value sponsored by the Templeton Foundation at Rutgers University in August.

Dr. Gary LaFleur, associate professor of speech, made five peer-reviewed presentations at the Kentucky Communication Association conference in Fall 2014.

Dr. Chialing Hsieh, faculty accompanist and instructor of music was the 2015 National Culture and Arts Foundation Grant Recipient, Taiwan. She was invited to perform at The National Recital Hall, Taipei, Taiwan; The Cultural Recital Hall, Hsinchu, Taiwan; The Cultural Recital Hall, Chiayi, Taiwan. Hsieh also presented concerts at Guanxi University, Xichung Music Conservatory, and Tianjin Normal University, China.

Dr. Jeanne Petsch, associate professor of art education and interim chair of the Department of Art and Design, gave an artist presentation at the National Art Education Association Annual Conference in New Orleans. Her work, "neon lake," was presented at the conference and exhibited online in the NAEA Women's Caucus juried exhibition, "Designed: Object, Subject, Environment."

Dr. Lisa Shannon, associate professor of social work, was invited to present at the Elimination of Maternal-Child Transmission of HIV Infection (EMCT) Stakeholders Group Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. (May 2015). This group is a collaborative work group for the Centers for Disease Control and Rutgers University. She was invited to conduct her presentation "Examining Motivations For and Barriers to Receiving Treatment Among Substance Dependent Pregnant Women," which presents the perspectives of rural women who are trying to receive mental health and substance abuse services.

Grants:

Dr. Katy Carlson, professor of English, continues work with her NIH grant, presenting at international linguistic conferences in Brazil and Malta.

Dr. Lynn Geurin, assistant professor of social work, was awarded an \$82,520 Public Child Welfare Grant from the Kentucky Cabinet of Health and Family Services for the 2015-16 year.

Other Professional Achievement:

Dr. Scott Davison, professor of philosophy, has signed a contract with Oxford University Press to produce the first book-length study of philosophical arguments concerning the pointlessness of petitionary prayer.

Dr. Kristina DuRocher, associate professor of history and the author of the well-received book, "Raising Racists: The Socialization of White Children in the Jim Crow South, 1880-1939" (University of Kentucky Press, 2011), has been invited to contribute a new book on Ida B. Wells to a series on great Americans published by Routledge Press.

John Flavell, instructor of journalism, was awarded first place in General News Photo Story/Essay at the Kentucky News Photographers Association convention in Louisville, Kentucky, on Jan. 24, 2015. He was honored for his yearlong work photographing U.S. Senate candidates Mitch McConnell and Alison Lundergan Grimes at events around the region. He also won first place in the photo essay category from the Kentucky News Photographers Association for 2014. This was a repeat performance for him as he won the same award in 2012.

Monica Himes, instructor of social work and the social work facilitator at MSU at Mt. Sterling, attended an intense four-day training, "Operation Immersion," hosted by the Kentucky Department of Behavioral Health. "Operation Immersion" is an experiential training for physical and behavioral health providers, educators, faith-based and community leaders, and others who serve service members, veterans and their families. This training immersed the participants in all aspects of military culture and the deployment experience. Himes slept in barracks, ate in the mess hall, participated in morning Physical Training ("PT"), chores and inspection, experienced a Field Leadership Reaction Course, combat simulators, and networked with military personnel and resource providers from around the state. In addition, she attended workshops for training in behavioral-health-related topics such as suicide, PTSD and substance abuse.

Dr. Rebecca Katz, professor of criminology, has received considerable attention for her pioneering work with the Inside Out Program, an exchange program pairing matriculating inmates and university students for course instruction inside the prison complex. Recently, Little Sandy Correctional Complex awarded MSU a plaque to celebrate its relationship with the University. MSU's criminology program has been involved with the Inside Out Program since 2011, first with Eastern Kentucky Correctional Center and later LSCC. According to Dr. Katz, 25 students have traveled to the prison for the program and more than 50 inmates have conducted MSU coursework. University student participation is limited to pre-screened juniors and seniors.

Steve Middleton, instructor of mass communication, had his documentary titled "Commonwealth Curiosities: An Ode to Kentucky's Unique Attractions" featured in the March 2015 edition of Kentucky Monthly magazine. It aired on Kentucky Educational Television this year and was accepted for exhibition at the Louisville International Film Festival in Oct. 2015.

Dr. Clarendia Phillips, professor of sociology and associate vice president of academic affairs/academic programs, is a member of the Board of Trustees for Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky.

Dr. Lisa Shannon, associate professor of social work, was elected to the 2015-17 National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) Board of Directors. The NADCP champions proven strategies within the judicial system that empower drug using offenders to change their lives.

During the 2015 Summer II session, seven music teachers from around the state completed all three levels of the Kodály training program through The Kodály Institute of Kentucky at Morehead State University.

Twenty-five theatre students received theatre-related jobs for the summer or to start their careers.

Program Achievements:

The Department of Art and Design was granted associate membership by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). Accreditation also includes plan approval for new BFA programs in art and art education, which will be available for students beginning Fall 2015.

The Bachelor of Arts in Legal Studies is ranked No. 9 by TheBestSchools.org in an article "The 25 Best Bachelor in Legal Studies Degree Programs." For more information, visit www.bit.ly/1jFRoWU.

The M.A. degree in English was selected ninth best in the United States and the only school in Kentucky whose program made the list of top universities and colleges released by OnlineMastersPrograms.org. MSU was selected because it excelled in dedication to online or hybrid education, graduate course selection, and providing academic and career services.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

Publications/Creative Work:

Dr. Steve Chen, associate professor of sport management, published four peer-reviewed articles in sport management journals during the 2014 academic year and made three research presentations at academic conferences. In addition, he serves as editor for the Kentucky Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Journal.

Dr. Ken Henderson, associate professor of marketing, published three peer-reviewed journal articles and three peer-reviewed proceedings articles in 2014. He also serves on the Editorial Review Board for Delta Pi Epsilon.

Dr. Jonathan Pidluzny, assistant professor of government, Dr. Stephen Voss (UK), and Dr. Michael Hail, professor of government, published the first two issues of the new Commonwealth Journal of Political Science under the auspices of the Kentucky Political Science Association. These inaugural issues contain award-winning papers from prior annual meetings. The Department of Public Management and Government has taken the lead in developing this journal as an outlet for the research of both faculty and students across Kentucky.

"The FDA and the Odyssey of Depo-Provera: Three Stories of Contraceptive Risk," written by Dr. William Green, professor of government, has been accepted for publication by New York University Press. This book is the culmination of several years worth of archival research, interviews and legal analysis exploring the political, products liability and criminal justice issues raised by the approval and use of a prescription drug for contraception and as an alternative to incarceration.

Dr. Michael Hail, professor of government, and Dr. James Clinger (Murray State) won the Thomas Clark Medallion for their new book, "Kentucky Government, Politics, and Public Policy" (University Press of Kentucky). The award is given to outstanding works that highlight Kentucky history and culture. This is only the second book to be honored with the award. Governor Martha Layne Collins presented the award in a ceremony in Frankfort.

Presentations/Invited Talks:

Olivia Hazel and Alexandra Tachovsky, senior marketing students, along with Dr. Ken Henderson, associate professor of marketing, received the Best Research Presentation Award at the 2015 Academy of Business Research Conference in New Orleans for their paper titled, "College Cost/Benefit Ratio: Its Impact on Student Attitudes and Behaviors."

Jessica Stewart, a student in the Master of Public Administration program, and Dr. Christine Lange, professor of public administration, presented a paper titled, "Investigating Economic Diversity in Eastern Kentucky's Area Development Districts," at this year's Appalachian Studies Association annual meeting in Johnson City, Tennessee. Their research examines economic diversity within six area development districts in Eastern Kentucky in terms of their industrial, functional and occupational diversity, thereby supporting community leaders in their strategic planning initiatives. Stewart won a Graduate Student Merit Award for this research at the Celebration of Student Scholarship.

Jeffrey T. Syck won a Merit Award at the Celebration of Student Scholarship for his research project titled, "FDR, the U.S. Constitution, and the Rise of the Populist Presidency."

Ashley Taulbee (B.A. in Government) won the Abdul H. Rifai Award for the Best Undergraduate Student Paper at this year's Kentucky Political Science Association annual meeting. Her paper is titled, "The Evolution of Kentucky's Constitutions: A Comparison of the Original and Second Constitutions."

Ryan Yoder won an Exceptional Merit Award at the Celebration of Student Scholarship for his research project titled, "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: 21st Century Keynesian Economics."

Grants:

Dr. Murray Bessette, associate professor of government, and Dr. Michael Hail, professor of government, were awarded a \$1.8 million grant in partnership with EKV and KSU to establish a Bluegrass State Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence. Funded through the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency, this grant supports the expansion of existing curricula in intelligence and national security, creating a niche degree for MSU that will distinguish it among its competitors. Both pre-service and in-service students will be able to attain certificates in intelligence studies at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The partnership agreement was announced at a press conference at the Fusion Center in the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security. President Andrews welcomed the collaboration with Eastern Kentucky University and Kentucky State University, remarking on the excellent job opportunities that MSU students will have as a result of the new intelligence certificate programs.

Dr. Nilesh Joshi, associate professor of engineering and technology management, received a grant from Acer Technologies to work on a collaborative project titled, "CAD Modeling and Assembly Document Integration in Electrical Wiring and Harness Design."

The Regal Beloit Foundation (formerly SealMaster) located in Morehead, has donated \$5,000 to the Engineering and Technology Management Advisory Board Scholarship Endowment.

Other Professional Achievements:

Dr. Michael Hypes, associate professor of sport management, was recognized as a 2014 Morehead State University "Intern Faculty of the Year." This award is presented by the MSU Office of Career Services each year and recognizes faculty that go above and beyond in preparing students for the real world by creating a positive experience for student interns.

Eight business students attended the 2015 Kentucky Phi Beta Lambda Conference and competed in business-related examinations with students from other state universities. Several of these students won their state competitions, including Cynthia Moore (accounting principles, financial services), Andrew Kimbrough (human resources management), James Saylor (cyber security) and Sarah McClanahan (public speaking). Several other MSU students finished second at the state level, including Tobee Hageman (social media challenge) and Lauren Nelson (sales presentation).

Two business students, Sarah McClanahan and Lauren Nelson, participated in the 2015 FBLA - Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference in Chicago, Illinois. Competing against more than 1,600 college students from universities throughout the United States, Nelson was awarded eighth place nationally in the sales presentation competition. McClanahan and Nelson placed fourth place nationally in the social media competition.

As part of the Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program led by Dr. William Green, professor of government, 10 government students had the extraordinary opportunity to serve as parliamentary interns in Ottawa, Canada, this summer. The students are Erica Blair, Nathanael Green, Breanna Miller, Chad Mysonheimer, Jenna Nichols, Henry Quillen, Danielle Weik, Kennedy Womack, Sarah Woodall and Ryan Yoder.

Dr. Christine Lange, professor of public administration, was elected to NewCity Morehead Advisory Board and now chairs the Livability Workgroup. She is conducting a study of the factors that impact people's decision to live in Morehead or elsewhere when they are employed here. The workgroup will formulate proposals that will improve the livability of the community in the future and attract more people to settle in Morehead and the surrounding area.

Dr. Gregory McBrayer, assistant professor of government, won the Student Government Association's Faculty Member of the Year Award for 2014-15.

Dr. Jonathan Pidluzny, assistant professor of government, was selected to attend two advanced institutes that bring together a small number of academics, public policy professionals and journalists to discuss pressing security or policy issues. The first institute, titled "The War in Iraq," included Dr. Paul Wolfowitz (former World Bank president, U.S. deputy secretary of defense and dean of the Paul Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University) and Lewis Libby (former chief of staff to Vice President Cheney). The second, titled "The Case for Nationalism," took place in Jerusalem, Israel, and included Dr. William Kristol (founder and editor of the Weekly Standard and director of The Foreign Policy Initiative). Pidluzny is one of only a couple dozen individuals selected by the Hertog Foundation from over 700 applications.

Dr. Ahmad Zargari, associate dean of the School of Engineering and Information Systems, has been appointed as the ATMAE Accreditation Board Personnel and Policy co-chair. He also serves as the ATMAE Accreditation consultant and visiting team chair.

Dr. Hans Chapman, associate professor of engineering and technology management, served as a faculty member for the 2015 Governor's Scholars Program at Bellarmine University.

Dr. Nilesh Joshi, associate professor of engineering and technology management, in collaboration with KCTCS Workforce Solutions, organized several 2D and 3D CAD training workshops for regional companies including Summit Polymers, KDMK, Greif Inc., Lexington Metal Systems and Boyd Fabrication.

Dr. Ahmad Zargari, associate dean for the School of Engineering & Information Systems; Dr. Yuqiu You; Dr. Nilesh Joshi and Dr. Hans Chapman, associate professors of engineering and technology management, were members of various ATMAE Accreditation visiting teams visiting several universities across the country for accreditation purposes during Spring 2015.

Dr. Bob Albert, dean of the College of Business and Technology, served on two AACSB accreditation visit teams during the 2014-15 academic year, chairing one of those teams. Albert also serves on the Board of Directors as vice president – member services for the Southern Business Administration Association.

Program Achievements:

MSU's MBA program was recognized as one of the Best Online MBA Programs for 2014-15 by the Affordable Colleges Foundation. In compiling this list, this foundation analyzed data for more than 500 accredited schools using various cost, quality and student support-related metrics.

Military Times announced that Morehead State University's School of Business Administration was among 75 business schools nationally named as a 2015 "Best for Vets Business Schools." Selections focused on veteran culture and curriculum, cost in the context of military and veteran benefits, overall veteran policies and publicly available quality measures. The annual Best for Vets Business Schools survey is a highly respected, nearly 80-question analysis of a graduate business school's complete offerings for veterans.

The BBA-Accounting program was chosen as one of the Most Affordable Online Bachelor's Degree Accounting Programs by Accounting.com. Accounting.com is a well-known accounting career resource and the list of most affordable programs was compiled to exacting standards.

The School of Business Administration delivered the redesigned Graduate Certificate in Health Care Systems Leadership during the 2014 academic year. This certificate program is a collaborative effort between Morehead State University's College of Business and Technology, St. Claire Regional Medical Center and the University of Kentucky College of Medicine. The six modules that comprise this program develop future health care leaders and cover a wide range of topics including technological trends in health care, health care services delivery and operations, health care financial management and health care leadership.

The School of Business Administration was ranked as one of the Top 50 Best Value Online Business Schools by in Value Colleges. MSU was ranked 41st in the country. All AACSB-accredited business schools in the U.S. were considered and evaluated according to their complete cost, average debt for graduates and average starting salary for graduates. The online MBA, established in 1999 as the first degree program to be offered completely online in Kentucky, was named one of the Best Online MBA Programs for 2014-15 by Affordable Colleges Foundation.

The 21st Century Center for Manufacturing Systems will be fully functional in the first half of the Fall 2015 semester. This \$1.5 million project was possible thanks to a matching grant from the James Graham Brown Foundation of Louisville and generous donations from several regional companies including Toyota Motor Manufacturing, KDMK, Pentair Foundation and Boneal Inc.

The Engineering and Technology Management Spring 2015 graduating class achieved a 100 percent pass rate on their Certified Technology Manager (CTM) Exam.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Once again the 21st Century Education Enterprise is partnering with the Council for Postsecondary Education through the Improving Educator Quality initiative to provide training and mentorship to high-need districts in our service region. This STEM-based initiative launched July 2015 with a seven-day Summer Institute at the University Center of the Mountains. Educators from Breathitt, Floyd, Hazard, Leslie and Magoffin school districts embarked upon a yearlong journey coupled with on-going, job-embedded professional development. Teachers will improve student learning by clarifying Next Generation Science Standards framework for all disciplines; increase teacher effectiveness for classroom interventions through research-based criteria for evaluating teaching and learning; and create a mentoring environment rich in authentic experiences for engineering practices to improve college and career readiness in association with Alltech Inc. Literacy, NGSS and science content experts from Morehead State University, KEDC, KDE, the University of Kentucky PIMSER unit, iLab Central of Northwestern University and Alltech Inc., will provide content support and mentoring.

The 21st Century Education Enterprise hosted its third CCR Summit in October 2014 through funding provided under Senate Bill 1 (2009) and the Council on Postsecondary Education. This summit was expanded to include key stakeholders from practically all aspects of each participating district's community: students, parents, teachers and administration. The program is designed to guide stakeholders through development of a plan to supplement their college and career readiness goals. Through the course of the yearlong initiative, these representatives form PLCs within their schools and engage community stakeholders to participate as well. Plans focus on school and community culture, addressing the barriers to readiness and creating solutions the stakeholders in the community can implement. TCEE recruited, through the help of college deans and academic department chairs, the best and brightest among MSU's juniors and seniors to serve as College and Career Readiness Ambassadors. These ambassadors travel to participating districts to speak to middle and high school students about what it means to be college and career ready, how to get into college, their specific programs of study, campus life and career opportunities for their chosen fields of study. This opportunity provides invaluable near-peer experiences for our participating district students, as well as an excellent service learning opportunity for our MSU ambassadors.

Summer 2015 marked the first of a four-year partnership between KEDC and MSU. KEDC, awarded a multimillion-dollar Department of Labor grant under the national Youth Career Connect initiative, partnered with the 21st Century Education Enterprise (TCEE) to provide professional development to participating school district counselors and host an annual summer camp for their students.

TCEE launched their series focused on KDE's Professional Growth and Effectiveness System with one-day professional development opportunities offered to MSU faculty during Fall 2014 and Spring 2015. Wayne Stevens and Charles Rutledge of KDE's Office of Next Generation Learners returned to lead the Principals' Institute. Thanks to funding provided by CPE through the Core to College initiative, TCEE hosted a summer institute July 2015 to kick off a yearlong project, providing mentorship and training to K-12 district leadership in our service region. Through this project, TCEE attempts to increase teacher efficacy in Boyd, Carter, Fleming, Lawrence, Rowan and Russell Independent school districts by developing a cadre of principals with the skills and resources needed to implement PGES to support the local equity plan.

More than half of Rowan County Middle School's faculty and their assistant principal joined TCEE staff for a weeklong, project-based learning workshop to jump start a year of PBL-centered work at RCMS. To augment an annual project already in place supporting a local community service organization, RCMS leaders, faculty and students will implement project-based learning to deepen learning, problem-solving and service skills to address the question: What will you bring to the table to combat community hunger? Each participating teacher was provided PBL resources, teams developed action plans and Core to College/Partnership Academy funding provided stipends and supplies to help RCMS meet the goals of their plans for the coming year.

Rebecca Roach, professional development associate, continued service on the Social Studies Leadership Network with KEDC, designing and planning implementation of the new Social Studies Standards for K12 schools, based on the C3 Framework.

Rachel Rogers Blackwell, professional development associate, continued service on the Science Leadership Network with KEDC, designing and planning implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards for K12 schools.

Krys Lynam, communications and business manager, and Rachel Rogers Blackwell, professional development associate, planned, designed and delivered a professional development series on Flipped Instruction in partnership with Dr. Jeannie Justice, associate professor of education, through CLPD's new faculty training and professional development days. It was presented during the 2015 Kentucky Society for Technology in Education (KySTE) and Pedagogicon conferences.

Awards & Honors:

Nettleton, K.F. (2015). KAGE University Professor Service and Advocacy Award. Lexington, Kentucky, February 23, 2015.

Grants:

Barrette, R., DelliCarpini, M., Fickey, M., Hitch, B., Keadle, A. & Willis, W. (2015). Appalachian Regional Commission Grant for S.O.A.R Educational Initiative, 2015.

McLaren, E. & Rutland, J. (2015). Preparing Early Educators in Appalachian Kentucky (PEEAK) Grant (\$1,219,946 Over Five Years). U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, January 2015.

Nettleton, K. (2015). Super Summer Gifted Camp. Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky, June 2015.

Presentations/Invited Talks:

Beckham, L.C. & Simpson, T.L. (2015). Developing Knowledge, Skills and Character with Teacher Education Students, to be presented at Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators, September 2015.

Decker, M. (2015). Kentucky Humanities Council, 2015-16 Speakers Roster, www.kyhumanities.org/speakersroster.html.

Nettleton, K.F. (2015). Kentucky Association of Gifted Education (KAGE) Executive Board Presentation. National Association of Professional Development School Conference (NAPDS), March 2015.

Nettle, K.F. - 4 PPN Students (2015). Posters at the NAPDS Conference, March 2015.

Parton, B. (2015). Teacher-Created Mobile Apps: A Way to Improve Literacy for Deaf Students Around the World. 22nd International Congress of the Education of the Deaf (ICED). Athens, Greece, July 2015.

Parton, B. (2015). Need a Hand? Quickly create your own intelligent tutoring system. International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE – formally known as NECC), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 2015.

Parton, B., Nyatuame, P., & Murray, D. (2015). Custom Mobile Apps: Instructor Made and Student Approved. Kentucky Society for Technology in Education (KySTE) Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, March 2015.

Parton, B. (2015). Augmented Reality in Deaf Education. Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas, March 4, 2015.

Publications:

DelliCarpini, M., & Alonso, O.B. (2015). Teaching Everything to No One and Nothing to Everyone: Addressing the Content in Content Based Instruction. In Thomas S.C. Farrell (Ed.) *International perspectives on English language Teacher Education* (51-73). London. Palgrave MacMillan, 2015.

Lennox, L., & Nettleton, K. F., Editors (2015). *Cases on Instructional Technology in Gifted and Talented Education*, 2015.

Parton, B. (2015). Leveraging Augmented Reality Apps to Create Enhanced Learning Environments for Deaf Students. *International Journal of Instructional Technology & Distance Learning*, 12(6).

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Publications:

Dr. Janelle Hare, professor of biology, and undergraduate student Travis Witkowski published results of NIH-funded research on bacteria sense and repair of DNA in a peer-reviewed paper "Prophage Induction and Differential RecA and UmuDAb Transcriptome Regulation in the DNA Damage Responses of *Acinetobacter baumannii* and *Acinetobacter baylyi*," *PLoS One*, 9(4), e93861.

Dr. Allen Risk, professor of biology was co-author on "A Survey of the Woody and Climbing Plants of the Refugio de Aves," to be published in the *Journal of the Botanical Research Institute of Texas*, 2015.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, and undergraduate student Jared Napier, were co-authors on "XMM – Newton and Chandra Observations of the Ejecta – Dominated Mixed – Morphology Galactic Supernova Remnant G352.7-0.1," *Astrophysical Journal*, 2014, Volume 782, Article ID 102.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, and undergraduate student William Moffitt, were co-authors on "The X-ray Properties of Five Galactic Supernova Remnants Detected by the Spitzer GLIMPSE Survey," *Astronomical Journal*, 2014, Volume 147, Article ID 55.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, and undergraduate student Aleksander Kosakowski were co-authors on "Radio Continuum Emission from the Young Galactic Supernova Remnant G1.9+0.3," *Serbian Astronomical Journal*, 2014, Volume 189, Pages 41-51.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, and undergraduate students Aleksander Kosakowski and Biswas Sharma, were co-authors on "Radio Continuum Study of the Nearby Sculptor Group Galaxies. Part 3: NGC 7793 at 12.2, 6 and 3 cm," *Astrophysics and Space Science*, 2014, Volume 353, Pages 603-611.

Dr. Jennifer O'Keefe, associate professor of geology, was co-author on "Elements and Phosphorus Minerals in the Middle Jurassic Inertinite-rich Coals of the Muli Coalfield on the Tibetan Plateau," *International Journal of Coal Geology* Volumes 144-145, 1 May 2015, Pages 23-47.

Dr. Jennifer O'Keefe, associate professor of geology, was co-author on "Petrological, Geochemical, and Mineralogical Compositions of the Low-Ge Coals from the Shengli Coalfield, China: A Comparative Study with Ge-rich Coals and a Formation Model for Coal-hosted Ge Ore Deposit," *Ore Geology Reviews* 71 (2015) 318-349.

Charles Mason, professor of geology, was co-author on "The Relative Mobility of Trace Elements from Short-term Weathering of a Black Shale," *Applied Geochemistry*, Volume 56, May 2015, pages 67-79.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "Finding AGN in deep Minimum X-ray Flux State with Swift," *Astrophysical Journal*, 2015.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "Seyfert Galaxies with Swift: Giant Flares, Rapid Drops, and Other Surprises," *Astrophysical Journal*, 2015.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "Short-term Monitoring of the X-ray, UV, and Broad Double-Peak Emission Line of the Nucleus of NGC 1097," *Astrophysical Journal*, 2015.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "What Powers the Radio-Loud Narrow Line Seyfert 1 Galaxy RX J2314.9+2243?," *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, 574, 121, 2014.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "Is There a Connection Between Broad Absorption Line Quasars and Narrow Line Seyfert 1 Galaxies?," *Astronomical Journal*, 2014.

Dr. Dirk Grupe, assistant professor of astrophysics, was co-author on "Properties of Flat-Spectrum Radio-loud Narrow Line Seyfert 1 Galaxies," *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, 2014.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, was co-author on "LunarCube: A Deep Space 6U CubeSat with Mission Enabling Ion Propulsion Technology," *American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Small Satellites, SSC15-XI-1*, Aug. 2015.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, was co-author on "Next-Generation Ground Network Architecture for Communications and Tracking of Interplanetary Smallsats," *Proceedings of the Interplanetary Small Satellite Conference, San Jose, California, April 2015*.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, was co-author on "Active Magnetic Attitude Control Regimes for CXBN-2 Cubesat," *Proceedings of the Russian Symposium for Cubesats for Scientific Missions, Samar, Russia, May 2015*.

Sean McNeil, MSU space scientist, Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, Kevin Brown, assistant professor of space science/astronautical engineer, Robert Twiggs, professor of space science, and undergraduate students William Roach-Barrett and Kevin Zack, were co-authors on "Attitude Determination and Control in the T-LogoQube Femto-Satellite Mission," *International Academy of Astronautics/American Astronautical Society, IAA-AAS-DyCoSS2-14-07-10, AAS 14-548*, 2015.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, was co-author on "Update on DM CubeSat Technology Development: ISS Flight Experiments," *Institute for Electronic and Electrical Engineering, 978-1-4799-5380-6/15/31.00 ©2015 IEEE*.

Dr. Gina Gonzalez and Dr. Jennifer Dearden, associate professors of health, wellness and human performance, were co-authors on "Validity of the SenseWear Pro3 Armband in Measuring Activities of Daily Living," *Alabama State Association for Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance (Asahperd) Journal*, 35(1), 8-12, 2015.

Dr. Ignacio Birriel and Dr. Jennifer Birriel, professors of physics, authored "Glow Sticks: Spectra and Color Mixing," *Physics Teacher* 52, 400 (2014). This paper was selected as one of the "Best of Physics Teacher for 2014-15."

Dr. Lloyd Jaisingh, professor of mathematics, authored "Essential Statistics," an electronic textbook published through Hawkes Learning, 2015.

Dr. Jennifer Birriel, professor of physics, and undergraduate student Jessica Ferrell were co-authors of a paper "Analysis of Great World Wide Star Count Data: 2007-2013" in the *Journal of the American Association of Variable Star Observers (JAAVSO)*, 2014.

Dr. Lynn Parsons, professor and chair of the Department of Nursing, and Kim Clevenger, associate professor of nursing and BSN program coordinator, co-authored an international book chapter, "Nursing for the Curious: Why Publish Nursing," published in 2015 by *Curious Academic Publishing*. Lucy Mays, associate professor of nursing and ADN program coordinator, also wrote a chapter for the book focusing on the role of the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse.

Lucy Mays, associate professor of nursing and ADN program coordinator, published a journal article titled "Gestational Diabetes and Postpartum Metabolic Syndrome" in the *International Journal of Childbirth Education*, 2015.

Dr. Shari L Kidwell, associate professor of psychology co-authored "Validity of the School-age Assessment of Attachment for Moderate-risk, Rural Early Adolescents," published in the journal *Clinical Child Psychology and Psychiatry*, 2015.

Dr. Gilbert Remillard, associate professor of psychology, published "Visual Context Does Not Promote Concurrent Sequence Learning," in the *Journal of Cognitive Psychology*, 2015.

Dr. Timothy Thornberry, assistant professor of psychology, published "Oppositional Defiant Disorder," a book chapter in *Treating Disruptive Disorders: A Guide to Psychological, Pharmacological, and Combined Therapies*.

Presentations/Invited Talks:

Dr. Janelle Hare, professor of biology, along with undergraduate students Megan Peterson, Travis Witkowski, W. Kathryn Wells, Deanna Stinnett and lab manager Alison N. Grice, presented a poster titled "The role of the N-terminal region of *Acinetobacter baylyi* UmuDAb in gene regulation after DNA damage," at the International Symposium on the Biology of *Acinetobacter* in Athens, Greece, 2015.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, presented "A Suzaku Observation of the Galactic Supernova Remnant 3C 396 (G39.2-0.3)," at the 225th meeting of the American Astronomical Society, Seattle, Washington, Jan. 5, 2015.

Dr. Thomas Pannuti, associate professor of astrophysics, and undergraduate student Alekzander Kosakowski presented "Spatially-Resolved Spectral Analysis of the Galactic Supernova Remnant W28 with the Chandra X-ray Observatory," at the American Physical Society Ohio Section Meeting, Shawnee State University, Portsmouth, Ohio, Oct. 25, 2014.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, presented testimony, "Space Mission Operations and NanoSatellite Technologies at Morehead State University," to the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission Special Subcommittee on Energy, Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, Sept. 19, 2014.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, gave a presentation, "Aerospace Industry and Entrepreneurship in Kentucky," to the SOAR Executive Committee, Morehead, Kentucky, March 30, 2015.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, gave an invited talk titled "CubeSat Missions at Morehead State University - From LEO to Lunar" at the 6th European CubeSat Symposium in Estavayer-le-Lac, Switzerland, Oct. 14-16.

Lynda Donathan, associate professor of imaging sciences, co-presented with Misty Hanks, director of distance education and instructional design, at the 20th Annual International Conference on Online Learning in Orlando, Florida, in Oct. 2014. In conjunction with the conference, Donathan was selected by the leaders of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Success Strategy to participate in a focus group to explore the barriers and obstacles faced in using technology enabled teaching tools to improve student success. Of particular interest were ideas about effective strategies to support faculty use of these tools.

Dr. Lynn Parsons, chair of the Department of Nursing, co-presented at the Annual SREB Conference held in Atlanta, Georgia, Nov. 10, 2014. The topic was "Disruptive Innovation of the High Fidelity Simulation Market: How Electronic Interactive Simulation is Taking Market Share." She also represented the Commonwealth of Kentucky on Nov. 9, 2014, at the SREB Annual Business Meeting. She delivered the statewide report for the Government Affairs Committee.

Over 40 students and several faculty members from Morehead State University's programs in Applied Engineering and Technology; Biology and Chemistry; Earth and Space Sciences; Math, Computer Science and Physics; and Psychology made presentations at this year's 100th anniversary meeting of the Kentucky Academy of Sciences, Nov. 14-15, in Lexington, Kentucky. A number of these students received awards for outstanding student presentations.

Grants (new funding):

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has awarded MSU's Space Science Center a \$7.9 million contract as part of its Next Space Technologies for Exploration Partnerships (NextSTEP) to advance concept studies and technology development projects in the areas of advanced propulsion, habitation and small satellites. This contract is the largest sponsored research program award in the University's history. Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, is the PI on the grant.

Dr. Kurt Gibbs, assistant professor of biology, has received a \$319,346 award from the National Institutes of Health Academic Research Enhancement Awards (AREA) program. Gibbs' proposal, titled "miRNA Expression After Spinal Cord Compression Injury in *Xenopus Laevis*," aims to determine how developmental changes in microRNA expression affect the ability of *Xenopus* frogs to regenerate their spinal cords, which in turn can increase understanding of the genetic regulation associated with recovery from spinal cord injury and generate new therapeutic targets to promote recovery in humans.

The National Institutes of Health has renewed the Kentucky IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (KBRIN) Program. Headed by the University of Louisville, KBRIN aims to develop a network of support, infrastructure and capacity for biomedical researchers and educators within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The total award to Morehead State University totals \$463,845, which includes neuroscience laboratory renovations in Reed Hall. Dr. Bruce Mattingly, retired professor of psychology, is the PI on the grant.

The Appalachian Regional Commission has awarded MSU a \$500,000 grant to continue the Appalachian Rural Dental Educational Program, an initiative started in 2011 with the University of Kentucky and the University of Pikeville to increase the number of practicing dentists in Appalachia and provide a campus-based oral health awareness program. Dr. Gerald Demoss, former dean of the College of Science and Technology and former interim provost, is the PI on the grant.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center Science, Kevin Brown, assistant professor of space science/astronautical engineer, and Jeff Kruth, space science antenna engineer, in partnership with Busek Technologies, received a NASA Small Business Research Innovation award of \$38,072 for "Lunar Cube for Deep Space Science," 2014.

Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center Science, Kevin Brown, assistant professor of space science/astronautical engineer, and Jeff Kruth, space science antenna engineer, in partnership with Honeywell Space and Defense Systems, received a \$200,001 award from NASA Center for the Advancement of Science In Space (CASIS), for their project "DM Payload Processor TRL7 Validation Flight Experiment," 2014.

Dr. David Eisenhour, professor of biology, is co-PI on a grant from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for the project titled "Influence of Environmental Variables on Blackside Dace (*Chrosomus Cumberlandensis*) Distribution and Abundance in Kentucky and Tennessee." The grant award is for \$22,000 (to MSU) during 2015.

Dr. Allen Risk, professor of biology, is co-PI on a NSF grant award for "Digitization TCN: Collaborative Research: The Key to the Cabinets: Building and Sustaining a Research Database for a Global Diversity Hotspot." The grant award is for \$15,619 for the period through Aug. 15, 2016.

Dr. Chris Cottingham, assistant professor of biology, received funding from Kentucky IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (KBRIN) program for "Antipsychotic Drug Targeting of Alpha2A Adrenergic Receptors in Adipogenesis." The grant award is for \$40,000 for the period May 2015 through Aug. 2016.

Dr. Doug Dennis, professor of biology, received funding from NIH/KBRIN for \$28,000 for "Kentucky Biomedical Research Network."

Dr. Dora Ahmadi, associate professor of mathematics and former chair of the Department of Math, Computer Science and Physics, received a grant of \$10,000 from the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education for Project SIAM for Developmental Math. The project will entail development of a module-based developmental math curriculum and include peer-mentors to support student success in developmental math.

MSU and the Department of Psychology received \$250,000 in funding from NIH to complete a renovation of a Neuroscience Laboratory.

Other Professional Achievements:

Kien Dang and Garrett Adams, recent space science graduates, won first place at the Entrepreneurial Pitch Competition presented by the Kentucky Innovation Network. They developed a low-cost vector network analyzer, *Bamboo RF*, to assess the strength and health of wireless communications systems.

Dr. Jennifer Dearden, associate professor of health, wellness and human performance, was elected president of the Society of Health and Physical Educators Southern District in Spring 2015. She also was awarded the W.H. Mustaine Award at the 2014 Kentucky Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance conference in November 2014. It is the highest award bestowed by KAHPERD and represents a history of continuing and outstanding service to the organization and to the profession.

Dr. Donna Wright, professor and chair of the Department of Kinesiology, Health, and Imaging Sciences, was elevated to life member status of the Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences (AEIRS). Voted by its membership, only about a dozen AEIRS life members exist in the U.S.

Dr. Wilson González-Espada, associate professor of physics and science education, received a Fulbright Fellowship for Spring 2016 to teach and do research in Uruguay.

Dr. Laurie Couch, associate professor of psychology, was elected to the Southeastern Psychological Association (SEPA) Governing Board for three years starting in 2015. She was also elected to serve a three-year term on the Council of Undergraduate Research (CUR), a nationwide organization that strives to support and promote high-quality undergraduate student-faculty collaborative research and scholarship. MSU is a long-time enhanced member of CUR, which is the nation's preeminent organization dedicated to excellence in undergraduate research and creative endeavor. Individual membership is free to all MSU faculty and staff at www.cur.org/membership. For information regarding the benefits of membership, contact Couch at l.couch@moreheadstate.edu.

Dr. David Olson, associate professor of psychology, was elected president of the Kentucky Psychological Association.

Students in the Department of Earth and Space Sciences were selected for competitive internships in Summer 2015 at national research facilities and companies. Morgan Black, an undergraduate Earth systems science major, interned at the Smithsonian. Jonathan Fitzpatrick, a graduate MSSE student, interned at NASA Goddard Spaceflight Center. Sarah Wilczewski, an undergraduate space science major, interned at NASA Marshall Spaceflight Center. Kennedy Haight and Jacob Wade, undergraduate space science majors, interned at ArduSat Inc.

Building on the success of NASA's partnerships with commercial industry, NASA has selected MSU as one of the 12 Next Space Technologies for Exploration Partnerships (NextSTEP) to advance concept studies and technology development projects in the areas of advanced propulsion, habitation and small satellites. The NASA contract is one of the largest in MSU history at \$7.9 million. Included in the NextSTEP partnership, Dr. Benjamin Malphrus, chair of Department of Earth and Space Sciences, was funded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in the amount of \$2,623,856. The project, titled Lunar IceCube, will prospect for water in solid (ice), liquid and vapor forms and other lunar volatiles from a low-perigee, highly-inclined lunar orbit in response to the Small Satellites Addressing Strategic Knowledge Gaps call.

Program Achievements:

The space science program was featured on the 2015 Kentucky Economic Development Guide with a cover picture of Governor Steve Beshear holding up a CubeSat in the MSU Star Theater.

MSU, via physics faculty, joined the NASA All Sky Fireball Network with cameras installed on top of Lappin Hall to observe and measure objects in the sky brighter than the planet Venus. The data collected can be used to create models of the meteor environment in Earth's vicinity, which aids space craft engineers in designing spacecraft.

Dr. Roger McNeil, dean of the College of Science, and Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, appeared on KET's Bill Goodman One-to-One shown in November. They were interviewed at this fall's Idea Festival in Louisville regarding the space science program. MSU's Space Science Center, students and faculty were featured in an article in *Story* magazine, a Kentucky periodical. This featured story included a front cover from inside the MSU Star Theater.

The space science program received the Kentucky Aviation Achievement Award for 2014. Dr. Ben Malphrus, chair of the Department of Earth & Space Sciences and director of the Space Science Center, accepted the award on behalf of the program at the annual awards banquet held at the Lexington Aviation Museum.

The Idea Festival and IF Aerospace held its second annual Aerospace Day at the Morehead Conference Center, March 31, 2015. At the event, a new company, Rajant Corporation, announced its intention to locate in Morehead following interactions with faculty and staff at the Space Science Center.

Morehead State University is ranked 26th of "The 35 Best College Astronomical Observatories."

The exercise science program has renewed the National Strength and Education Association (NSCA) Education Recognition Program (ERP).

Imaging Sciences CTMR program continued its excellent 100 percent passage rate on the ARRT exam for licensure. Both the CT and MR part of the exam was passed at the 100 percent level.

Imaging science students in the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program had a 100 percent passage rate on the ARDMS exam for licensure.

The Department of Mathematics and Physics hosted the annual meeting of the Kentucky Section of the Mathematics Association of America at MSU in March 2015.

The Department of Nursing successfully returned to Haiti May 24 through May 31 for their sixth medical mission. Nineteen MSU nursing students, alumni, faculty and community partners traveled to LaDigue, Haiti, in collaboration with Children's Lifeline. During the seven-day mission, mobile clinics were set up at schools, orphanages and villages to provide medical care to over 700 Haitians. Students worked very hard at fundraising and gathering supplies for the mission trip. The Department of Nursing is very proud of its students' desire and motivation to serve those that are less fortunate.

The neuroscience program received its final approval from SACS in fall 2014. The first full academic year of the program will begin Fall 2015. Currently, around 15 students are enrolled.

Other

Associate degree nursing students and Menifee County High School (MCHS) students have been working together to improve the health of residents of Menifee County by promoting the school's smoke-free policy. Activities included outlining and laying out of a professional display board, and selecting educational models needed for information booths and other educational offerings. Other activities included outlining the significance of the effects of smoking/second-hand smoke, the challenges of promotion of smoking cessation/smoke-free policy in rural Menifee County and general team building.

Camp SMILE 2015 was held May 29 through May 31 at Camp Judy Layne in Menifee County. There were 46 children from ages 7-17 that attended the bereavement camp, which is a collaborative effort between the MSU Department of Nursing and St. Claire Regional Hospice. Nursing students in Dr. Nathania Bush and Dr. Teresa Howell's Camp Nursing Class (NUR 385) take the class in the spring semester and participate in a service learning opportunity at the camp in the summer. This was the ninth year of Camp SMILE and the third year that the camp was held overnight.

Over 2,500 people participated in outreach activities performed by the Department of Psychology, such as the Brain Drawing Contest, related to neuroscience and brain health. Participants included individuals at MSU, K-12 students, senior citizens and other members of the community.

The MSU Star Theater broke an all-time attendance record for the 2014-15 fiscal year with 14,155 attendees and 370 Star Theater programs during the year.

ADULT EDUCATION AND COLLEGE ACCESS

The services provided by Adult Education and College Access impacted the lives of 60,606 individuals. Services ranged from tutoring, mentoring, advising, counseling, instruction, professional development, serving meals, building beds, collecting food, assisting adults to obtain their GED, helping youth through training and work experience, and assisting individuals to enroll or re-enroll in college.

The MSUCorps program partnered with the Center for Adult Education and College Access, the Center for Regional Engagement, Gateway Homeless Shelter, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Educational Talent Search, Frenchburg Job Corps CCC, and Rowan YouthBuild for the 5th Annual Morehead Build-A-Bed Project during which 170 beds were built and distributed to Eastern Kentucky children who do not have a proper place to sleep in their homes. More than 250 volunteers traveled from all over the state to assist with building and distributing the beds on April 25.

CENTER FOR REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT

The Kentucky Innovation Network office at Morehead engaged more than 75 clients during FY2015. These clients generated more \$30 million in revenue and employed more than 350 full-time employees.

In addition to their work with the industries of “today,” the Kentucky Innovation Network continues to strive to create the jobs and workforce of the future. The Innovation Network partnered with the Space Science Center to promote the creation of an “aerospace industry cluster” in Kentucky. The office helped provide aerospace education to hundreds of high school girls across eastern and central Kentucky and organized the first “Idea Festival” event east of Lexington titled “IF Aerospace.”

Engagement fellowships were awarded to students in each of the four colleges during 2014-15. Faculty from each of the colleges also attended IUPUI’s annual Connecting Campuses with Communities (Service-Learning & Engagement).

From July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, the Morehead State Small Business Development Center provided assistance to 270 clients, resulting in 30 loans totaling \$6,091,864, 24 business starts and 20 training events with 336 attendees.

Morehead State University was awarded host campus for Governor’s Scholars Program for 2016-18 and successfully completed the 2013-15 bid cycle as a host campus for 386 student scholars, along with 50 faculty, staff and resident assistants in 2015.

The Center for Regional Engagement has been successfully re-certified through 2025 as a Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching Community Engaged Institution.

MSU AT MT. STERLING

MSU at Mt. Sterling partnered with Dubois Community Center to provide a summer-long program for disadvantaged youth in Montgomery County. The vision for the program is to empower disadvantaged youth by introducing them to community resources that will enhance their leadership and social skills, career and/or college competencies, and increase their understanding of their community for the purpose of creating positive and transforming change in their lives. More than 40 participants interacted with state and community leaders and visited local establishments. In addition, they toured MSU’s Star Theater, the Toyota plant and the state capitol.

RESEARCH & SPONSORED PROGRAMS

As of June 30, during the 2014-15 academic year, 155 proposals and contracts for external funding of research and creative endeavor were submitted. The total of all requests submitted was \$21,143,190. The total of awards funded to date is \$11,974,057. The total request for facilities and administrative costs was \$1,408,138 with \$570,497 currently funded. Twenty-six proposals remain in pending status for potential additional funding of \$5,766,568.

Morehead State University has a long history of support for undergraduate research, scholarship and creative endeavor. This has resulted in a campus culture that embraces faculty mentorship as a means of enhancing student engagement, retention and critical thinking skills. A greater than four-fold increase in students taking part in the Undergraduate Research Fellowship program, from 34 students in 2005-06 to 144 students in 2014-15, indicates the approval of participating faculty and students in this innovative path to student success.

STUDENT LIFE

Athletics

Baseball won the 2015 OVC Tournament and represented the league in the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1983. Mike McGuire was named Coach of the Year and Chris Robinson was named Player of the Year.

Counseling and Health Services

Over the past year, through the SAMHSA Garrett Lee Smith Suicide Prevention grant program, Counseling & Health Services sponsored a far-reaching array of outreach activities, educational opportunities, advisory board meetings and student practicum placements. Achievements include: QPR suicide prevention certification provided to 786 individuals across our service region; spearheading an advertisement campaign that resulted in MSU being recognized as a top-10 screening site from over 600 colleges on National Depression Screening Day; partnering with MSU students to create a mental health promotion mobile application that will launch this fall; and developing an innovative training program for rural primary care physicians.

Appalachian Regional Health Commission (ARHC) grant funds have been instrumental in the construction, implementation and opening of Counseling & Health Services' dental services clinic. Grant funds have been used to develop a state-of-the-art dental operatory, including a fully functional dental chair, bitewing and panoramic X-ray equipment and dental supplies. It has also allowed for a dentist, dental assistant and dental hygienist one day each week to deliver safe, high-quality preventative and therapeutic care while working with a network of community partners to address students' comprehensive dental needs. We believe this program is the first University Health Services clinic of its kind in the United States, without a dental or dental hygiene instructional component.

Student Activities, Inclusion and Leadership Development (SAIL)

We had 2,300 students participate in recognized student organizations during the 2014-15 academic year. This represents a 14 percent increase in student participation over the 2013-14 year. This includes a 12.5 percent growth in students participating in Greek-letter organizations. MSU also welcomed a new Interfraternity Council organization in Spring 2015.

Student Housing and Residence Education

Three members of the Office of Housing staff were elected to positions in the Kentucky Association of Housing Officers for 2015. Dr. Chris Summerlin, director of housing and residence education, will serve as president-elect 2015 and president 2016. Leslie Barger, assistant director for housing operations, will serve as secretary/treasurer, and Alan Rucker, assistant director for housing and residence education, was elected Southeastern Association of Housing Officers representative.

Publications:

Holaday, T. C., & Brausch, A. M. (2015). Suicidal Imagery, History of Suicidality, and Acquired Capability in Young Adults. *Journal of Aggression, Conflict and Peace Research*, 7(3).

Summerlin, C.A. (2015, March). Responding to Social Media Posts: The Pros and Cons for Residence Life. Kentucky Association of Housing Officers KAHO Kronicle.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

The Office of Alumni Relations & Development received the following CASE District III Awards:

- Special Merit Award – External Relations Engagement Program – Presidential Lecture Series Inaugural Event featuring Dr. Mayim Bialik
- Award of Excellence – Programs and Projects (Special Event) – 2014 Annual Spring Gala, “Carnival” design and support provided by the Office of Communications & Marketing.
- Special Merit Award – Mobile Application – Eagle Empire App

This summer work began on the newly created Lane Volgeneau STEM Education Center. The Center is a collaboration between the College of Education and the College of Science and will have a broad impact on STEM teacher preparation in the region. The establishment of the Center is possible thanks to a \$3.6 million financial commitment from generous contributors Ernst and Sara Lane Volgeneau.

The Kentucky Center for Traditional Music was invited by a cultural agency to perform a summer tour at several Chinese universities.

Toni Hobbs, director of creative and branding services, was elected chair of the Rowan County Arts Center Board of Directors.

Jami Hornbuckle, assistant vice president for communications and marketing, received the 2014-15 Service Above Self Award from the Morehead-Rowan County Chamber of Commerce.

Jami Hornbuckle, assistant vice president for communications and marketing, was reappointed to a three-year term to the Board of Trustees for Lexington Theological Seminary (Lexington, Kentucky).

April Hobbs Nutter, web marketing director, was elected to serve as secretary on the executive board of Downtown Morehead, Inc.

The Kentucky Folk Art Center is collaborating with The Arts Company in Nashville, Tennessee, to curate “Rhythm in Relief: The Art of LaVon Williams” exhibition of works by Kentucky folk artist LaVon Williams, on display now through Sept. 10.

WMKY - 90.3FM is celebrating 50 years of broadcasting. On June 15, 1965, WMKY was established as Eastern Kentucky's first radio station.

Morehead State University is committed to providing equal educational opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, national origin, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disabled veterans, recently separated veterans, other protected veterans, and armed forces service medal veterans, or disability in its educational programs, services, activities, employment policies, and admission of students to any program of study. In this regard the University conforms to all the laws, statutes, and regulations concerning equal employment opportunities and affirmative action. This includes: Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Executive Orders 11246 and 11375, Equal Pay Act of 1963, Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Kentucky Revised Statutes 207.130 to 207.240. Vocational educational programs at Morehead State University supported by federal funds include industrial education, vocational agriculture, business education, and the associate degree program in nursing. Any inquiries should be addressed to: Affirmative Action Officer, Morehead State University, 301 Howell-McDowell, Morehead, KY 40351, 783-2097.