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Greetings!

We have much to celebrate in CSBS from our busy fall semester! I hope you enjoy reading about the many accomplishments of our faculty, staff, students and alumni.

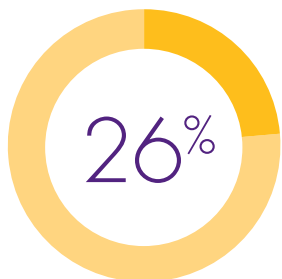
We were excited to welcome our largest incoming freshman class since 2001 and the first increase in transfer students since 2010. Thank you for everyone's involvement in our CSBS student recruitment efforts. Your willingness to reach out to prospective students during their visits, through emails and with phone calls makes a big difference.

Part of UNI's recruitment efforts included the extended new student orientation, UNI-NOW. CSBS contributed a college-based orientation session for all incoming students who had indicated a CSBS major. Dr. Bill Henninger and Dr. Emily Machen oversaw this session, which included a panel of our student SABRs.

In addition, CSBS held an ice cream social on the Sunday afternoon before classes started. New students had the opportunity to meet faculty, staff and returning students in an informal setting. We had a wonderful turnout with representation from every CSBS department, along with many positive comments from the students who said it made them feel welcomed and more prepared for the first day of classes.

Thanks for all that you do for CSBS.

Brenda Bass
Dean



26% of the students who visited campus with their families on Oct. 23 for CSBS and CHAS day designated interest in a CSBS major.



Nearly 400 prospective students and families attended CSBS and CHAS day this year, an increase of 6% from last year.

FACULTY ACCOLADES



XAVIER ESCANDELL (Sociology) participated in an NEH 2015 summer fellowship at UCLA titled “Cross-Border Connections: Immigrants, Emigrants and Their Homelands”; Escandell also met the King of Spain, Felipe VI, at Georgetown University’s Spanish Scientists in the United States conference in Washington, D.C.

MARYBETH STALP (Sociology) was a visiting fellow at the University of Bristol where she was recognized for her research on women’s quilting; she also co-presented a paper titled “But Do They Learn Better?: A Comparative Study of Active Learning Classrooms” with Martha Reineke (Religion) at the University of Minnesota in August.

GAYLE RHINEBERGER-DUNN (Criminology) gave an invited presentation at the First Judicial District Department of Correctional Services meeting over the summer; she also published “Clearing Crime in Prime-Time: The Disjuncture Between Fiction and Reality, in the American Journal of Criminal Justice. Rhineberger-Dunn, Gayle, Briggs, Steven J., Rader, Nicole.

(Sociology) taught a class in Shanghai, China, in May.

RAMONA MCNEAL (Political Science) and **JUSTIN HOMES** (Political Science), along with co-author Mary Schmeida, have a forthcoming book chapter, “The E-Government Surveillance in the United States: Public Opinion on Government Wiretapping Powers” in Ethical Issues and Citizen Rights in the Era of Digital Government Surveillance. Marco Adria & Yuping Mao (Eds). IGI Global.

CYNDI DUNN (Anthropology) presented a paper in the Netherlands, and **ANNE WOODRICK** (Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology) collected endographic data in Peru over the summer.

HELEN C. HARTON (Psychology) has been named program moderator for the Midwestern Psychological Association’s 2017 conference. Harton was also named co-PI of a Department of Health and Human Services grant awarded to UNI’s Office of Research Integrity for their Moral, Rational and Justice Perceptions as Predictors of Research Misconduct project.

KENNETH ATKINSON (History) presented two invited papers at a conference in June at the Villa Cagnola in Gazzada Schianno, Italy. He spoke on Islamic history in Hebrew, Greek, Syriac and Judeo-Arabic texts. In July, Atkinson was invited to speak at a conference held at the Centre Sèvres in Paris, France, on Hebrew and Aramaic poetry in the Dead Sea Scrolls. Atkinson also published two articles in the journal Qumran Chronicle and two chapters in The Psalms of Solomon: Language, History, Theology.

KIM BAKER (Criminology) has had a paper accepted for publication: “I’m Going To Shut Down All of Your Tricks: Depictions of Treatment Professionals in Addiction Entertainment” in Substance Use and Misuse.

The Wall Street Journal highlighted **JAYME NEIMAN’S** (Political Science) research. Learn more at wsj.com/articles/wash-the-dishes-and-cleanse-the-mind-1443457611.

LEISL A CARR CHILDERS’S (History) book, The Size of the Risk: Histories of Multiple Use in the Great Basin, was published by the University of Oklahoma Press.

QINGLI MENG (Criminology) traveled to China where she gave presentations about corruption at two prestigious Chinese universities.

In October, **CHRIS LARIMER’S** (Political Science) book Gubernatorial Stability in Iowa: A Stranglehold on Power was published by Palgrave Press.

DONNA HOFFMAN (Political Science) and **CHRIS LARIMER** (Political Science) have a recently published book chapter, “Battleground Iowa: Swing State Extraordinaire,” in Presidential Swing States: Why Only Ten Matter, Eds. Stacey Hunter Hecht and David A. Schultz. Lexington Books.

EVAN RENFRO (Political Science) was the inaugural speaker for “Pint with a Prof” sponsored by UNI Freethinkers and Inquirers. He spoke about the impact of nationalism and religion on international relations.

MARYBETH STALP (Sociology), **ANDREY PETROV** (Geography) and **QINGLI MENG** (Criminology) visited with seven universities in China during the month of May.

FACULTY AWARDS:



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LINDA WALSH (Psychology) contributed three chapters to the new e-book *Teaching Neuroscience: Practical Activities for an Engaged Classroom* published by the Society for the Teaching of Psychology (Division 2 of the American Psychological Association) in September.

ANDREY PETROV (Geography) is serving as the United States and overall lead on the National Science Foundation's (NSF) grant that was recently awarded to UNI for the development of an interdisciplinary synthesis and assessment of the state of knowledge about Arctic sustainability. He will work alongside six other national leads and their research teams. Emily Francis, UNI graduate assistant, will serve as a student representative, working on the project as well.

The UNI pilot program "Get Energized Iowa" recently received an international distinction - designation as a "landmark" case study through Tools of Change's peer review process. The peer review panel found that Get Energized, Iowa! was a highly replicable approach that used a range of tools to encourage individuals and whole communities to sign up for weatherization audits and achieve high gas and electricity savings based on actual usage, with excellent cost-effectiveness. **JACK YATES** (Psychology) oversees the program.

JAMES MCCULLAGH (Social Work) received the CSBS Outstanding Teaching Award for demonstrating effective performance in the classroom and for emphasizing academic excellence, as well as individual student needs, interests and development.

LAURA PRAGLIN (Social Work) received the CSBS Outstanding Service Award for demonstrating a meritorious record of professional service contributions both external and internal to the university.

AUGUSTINA NAAMI (Social Work) received the CSBS Tenure-Track Faculty Award for Scholarship and Creative Activity for outstanding scholarly/creative activity.



ELAINE ESHBAUGH (Gerontology and Family Services) was one of six UNI faculty members who received the Iowa Board of Regents Excellence Award for Faculty for outstanding research and professional services. Eshbaugh has a long history of teaching, and as the coordinator of the only undergraduate gerontology program in the state, places great emphasis on conducting research that can be used to enhance the ability of students to succeed after graduation.

JOHN JOHNSON (History) was awarded the Liberal Arts Core (LAC) Excellence in Teaching Award this past fall. Presented annually, this award recognizes the overall quality of LAC teaching and is presented to individuals who assist students outside of the classroom, who demonstrate serious commitment to academic excellence, and to anyone who helps with individual student needs, interests and development. Johnson has taught the Capstone course "Analysis of Social Issues" for the past 12 years. He and colleague **KEITH CREW** (Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology) together created the critical thinking course several years ago.

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

GEOGRAPHY:

UNI GEOGRAPHY SWEEPS THE GRADUATE STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION

During the 2015 meeting of the West Lakes Division of the Association of American Geographers, UNI graduate students swept the first-, second- and third-place prizes in the graduate student research poster competition, beating out M.A. and Ph.D. students from across a seven-state region. The annual meeting was held Oct. 15-17 in Eau Claire, Wis. The West Lakes Division includes 47-member university from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Michigan and Wisconsin.

- **EMILY FRANCIS** won the first-place prize for her research titled "Analyzing Winter Activities of Wild Taimyr Reindeer Using Argos Satellite Collars."
- **ATHILA GEVAERD MONTIBELLER** took the second-place prize for his research titled "Monitoring Drought Conditions in Western Santa Catarina State, Brazil, between 2001 and 2010 using MODIS NDVI and TRMM Precipitation Data."
- **ARIF MASRUR** won third-place with his research titled "Analysis of the Spatiotemporal Dynamics of Wildfire Activity in the Tundra Biome Using MODIS Data (2001-2014)."

Two additional students presented research at the conference.

- **NARMINA LUSUBOVA** presented her research on "3-D Visualization of Wind Environment Data by Software with Open Programming Code."
- **DYLAN NIELSEN** presented research titled "A New Wind Resources Characterization Map for Iowa: Developing Multispectral Empirically-Driven Land-Cover Sensitive Methodology."

We are proud of the way all of these students represented the geography department and UNI.



CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION:

CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION MAKING POSITIVE STRIDES

UNI's Center for Violence Prevention (CVP) recently received some positive news over the past couple of months. An Executive Order signed by Gov. Terry Branstad in September named the CVP as the new home for the Governor's Office for Bullying Prevention. Also mentioned are plans to establish an advisory board of key constituents and partners in bullying and gender violence prevention that will help guide and direct the new office are underway.

CREATIVE LIFE RESEARCH CENTER:

CREATIVE LIFE RESEARCH CENTER RECEIVES NATIONAL ATTENTION

The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) published the report, "How Creativity Works in the Brain," authored by **DEANNE GUTE** (Creative Life Research Center) and **GARY GUTE** (Creative Life Research Center) in June. The report stems from a July 2014 research workshop co-sponsored by the NEA and the Santa Fe Institute, an independent, nonprofit research and education center. The report's synthesis of the two-day discussion among national leaders in cognitive psychology, neuroscience, education and the arts is available at arts.gov/sites/default/files/how-creativity-works-in-the-brain-report.pdf.

HISTORY:

THE LATE JOHN BASKERVILLE HONORED

The late John Baskerville, associate professor of history, was inducted into the Waterloo East High Hall of Fame on Sept. 18 at Waterloo Memorial Stadium.

Baskerville taught at UNI for more than 20 years. He spent summers teaching in the Upward Bound program for high school students. He co-hosted "Community Rhythms" on KBBG 88.1 FM radio. He also was president of the African-American Historical and Cultural Museum from 1996 to 1999.

Baskerville also worked as a professional musician – most recently with Checker and The Bluetones of Cedar Falls.

POLITICAL SCIENCE:

As the presidential campaign heats up, national media seek the expertise of faculty members in UNI's political science department. Since May, UNI political science faculty (**DONNA HOFFMAN**, **CHRIS LARIMER**) have been quoted and/or consulted 540 times. Some of the high-profile media outlets include USA Today, the Asian Journal, the NY Post, Yahoo News, Reuters US News, MSN.com, Business Insider, the Huffington Post, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, CBS News, CNN.com International, Voice of America, ABC News, NBC, the Washington Post and the Chicago Tribune.

PSYCHOLOGY:

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT GIVES GROUP EFFORT AT IOWA TEACHERS CONFERENCE

Continuing on the Steering Committee, **LINDA WALSH** (Psychology) helped put on the 16th Annual Iowa Teachers of Psychology Conference on Nov. 6, receiving all conference submissions and moderating the Teaching Demonstrations portion of the program. Five other faculty from Psychology attended the conference. **CAROLYN HILDEBRANDT** and **ADAM BUTLER** hosted roundtable discussions of student internships and evidence-based teaching, respectively.



MILITARY SCIENCE:

ARMY ROTC AND CVP PARTNERSHIP IMPACTS LEADERS ACROSS THE NATION

UNI's Army ROTC program and the Center for Violence Prevention (CVP) began a partnership in September 2013 that has impacted almost 7,000 leaders nationwide. This partnership began with Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) training for UNI cadets and soon spread to 500 cadets in the Midwest and at three Midwest conferences. UNI cadets took the MVP training nationwide to Fort Knox Kentucky this past summer. Our cadets, along with trained cadets at Iowa State facilitated MVP training for almost 6,000 of their peers.

The partnership continues to grow. More than 300 Iowa high school student leaders attended an MVP Leaders' Summit at UNI on Oct. 22 where UNI cadets led team-building activities, participated in an MVP class and learned leadership skills.



SOCIAL WORK:

The Department of Social Work hosted Dr. Frederic Reamer for a Social Work Ethics Conference on Oct. 30 with more than 150 community members, social work students and social work department faculty and staff in attendance.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

TYLER SHUCK (senior, political science) was the featured speaker at a recent UNI scholarship luncheon.

The **UNI DANCE MARATHON** and **SOCIOLOGY CLUB** presented a film screening of "Our Curse," by Tomasz Slisinski. an Academy Award nominee and documentary short subject, with special guest, Dr. Carissa Froyum Roise.



Ike Leighty, of Waterloo presented current students **MEGAN EIKLENBORG**, interior design, and **DIANA HERNANDEZ**, textiles and apparel, with the Marjorie Gibson Leighty Scholarship.



CORY CYPHER (senior, social work) recently completed an international social work field experience in Valencia, Spain, for his B.A.S.W. degree. With wonderful support from UNI's Study Abroad office and World Endeavors, Cypher interned with the Islamic Cultural Center of Valencia, which works to promote social connection, strengthen's links Muslim-Spanish union and retrieve the legacy of the Spanish history. The center has been growing and extending its field of activity, depending on the needs of the Muslim community and the Valencian society. Currently, the center covers more than 12 divisions with their services and activities, and reaches tens of thousands of people, from more than 60 different nationalities. Cory was able to assist with out-reach activities, intake services, needs assessments, crisis management services, food and clothing drives, and other immigration services.



Hello, CSBS and UNI's political science department.

I would like to thank you all for your support and help in the process of my enrollment, scholarship assistance and arrival in Washington, D.C. I am having the most amazing experience here, growing and learning so much every day. I am very excited to come back to UNI with new skills to share and use in and outside of the classroom.

I also want to take a moment to thank each of you for your individual impact in my success in D.C. Without your instruction and support, my success here would not have been possible. I have been able to recognize and use the skills, tools and knowledge I have gained through my educational experiences in CSBS and the political science department. In particular, you have helped me accomplish great things in my internship as well as in the Washington D.C. community.

While in D.C., I had a private tour of the West Wing where I even got to go into the Oval Office and meet the president's chief of staff. I also attended Joni Ernst's "Constituent Coffee" and had a chance to speak one-on-one with the senator about UNI and my experiences.

Thank you again for all you have done for me in my three years at UNI. I am very excited about my senior year!

Best,
Elizabeth Lynch
Public administration and political science double major
Burlington, Iowa

P.S. During my internship, I blogged weekly about my experiences. Visit my blog ealeastward.wordpress.com to learn more about the great time I had in Washington D.C.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS



KARA POPPE, '15 (geography: environmental systems) is participating in the Princeton in Africa (PiAf) fellowship program. Annually, PiAf places about 50 highly qualified recent college graduates with organizations throughout Africa that range from large international organizations, like the UN World Food Programme and International Rescue Committee, to small local ones, such as the BOMA Project and Hope through Health. As a PiAf fellow, Poppe contributes to her organization through work like monitoring and evaluation and project management. She is stationed at Nyumbani Village in rural Kenya, where she is serving as their volunteer coordinator and sustainability assistant. "While our work and living situations are diverse, we all share a passion for service and the African continent," commented Poppe.

BEN HAMMES, '08 (political science) is now the communications director for Gov. Terry Branstad and Lt. Gov. Kim Reynolds. Hammes worked for Sen. Charles Grassley in Washington, D.C. for just short of three years as a staff assistant and legislative correspondent. He returned to Iowa in 2011 and worked for Congressman Tom Latham both in an official capacity and on his re-election campaigns until his announced retirement in late 2013. Hammes has since served the administration in variety of capacities. He and his wife, Morgan, reside in Clive.

SUE CALEY, '81 (history) was given the Alumni Service Award by the UNI Alumni Association in November. The Alumni Service Award recognizes those graduates who have shown long and continuous service to the university and their community.

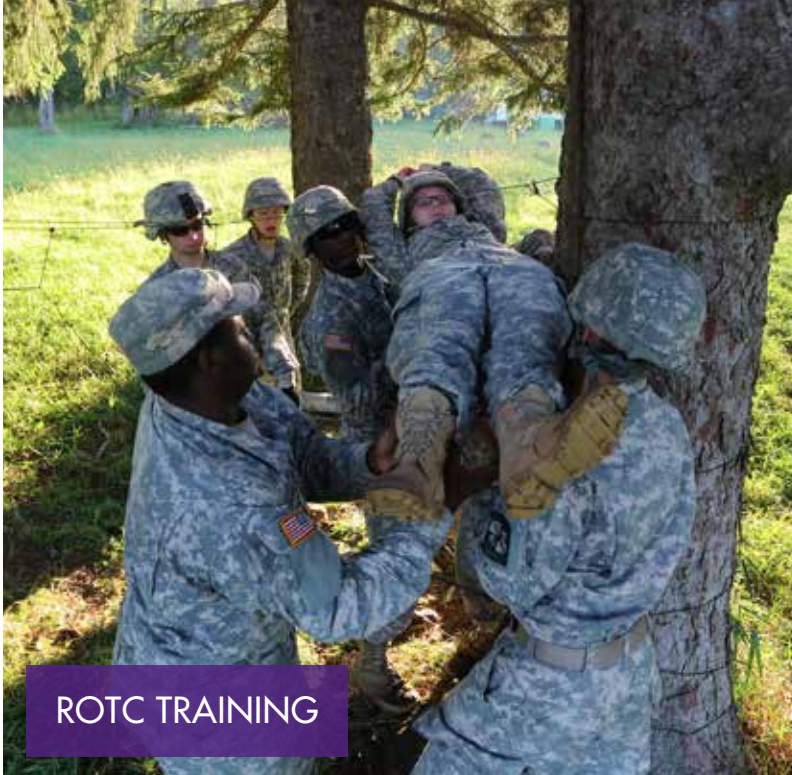
BILL HOOD, JR '62 (social science teaching) was recognized by the African-American Museum of Iowa as a 2015 recipient of the History Makers award winner. Chosen after a statewide nomination process, a History Maker is defined as an African-American who recognized as a trailblazer, change agent, legacy maker and role model.

JOAN LARSEN, '90 (political science and spanish) was appointed to the Michigan Supreme Court.

JENNIFER BELLINGTIER, '06 (psychology) was recently featured in Time magazine for her research on adults between the ages of 60 and 96 and how they dealt with major event stressors and smaller daily stresses.

CSBS SNAPSHOTS

Reminder: Please share the good work happening in CSBS so we can promote your program along with our college to a broader audience. An email link is provided in CSBS Weekly for your convenience.



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FAMILY WEEKEND ANTHROPOLOGY BREAKOUT



CSBS Kudos, published every semester, highlights accomplishments of faculty, students and alumni of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and makes colleagues in the college and across campus aware of the great things being done in CSBS. By sharing these ideas, interests and contributions, we strive to sustain a sense of community.