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Greetings!

As we continue to navigate the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, I want to highlight the ongoing excellence of our faculty, students and staff. All of you have persevered under tough conditions, and stayed focused on our primary mission of delivering a quality education to our students. I know it has not been easy, and that you have experienced many frustrations along the way. Thank you for your continued efforts!

In this issue, we celebrate some recent departmental initiatives, student and alumni highlights, and the careers of former colleagues we lost this past year.

Unfortunately, just as with last spring, we will not be able to gather in person to celebrate this year's CSBS retirees. Please join me in thanking Dave May and Dolly Maier for their many years of service to UNI, and take a few moments to read their biographical sketches in this issue. We hope to celebrate this year's faculty promotions and awards and introduce our new faculty at an in-person event next fall.

In the meantime, we will remain resilient in the face of the pandemic and confident that, as the vaccination efforts expand, a brighter future is on the horizon. While Zoom has been an important technological tool that has allowed us to continue with our work, I know that we all look forward to the day when we can once again meet our colleagues and students freely and in person as we renew connections and our sense of community.

Brenda L. Bass

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FACULTY ACCOLADES

ANNETTE LYNCH was quoted in "Inside the Sexy Halloween Costume Industry," an article published in *The Face* on how the industry's ideas around gender are becoming increasingly irrelevant.

KIMBERLY MACLIN published the 9th edition of her book, "Experimental Design in Psychology: A Case Approach."

JENNIFER MCNABB published the Audible original, "Witchcraft in the Western Tradition," part of *The Great Courses* series.

ANDREY PETROV, **TATIANA DEGAI**, **JOHN DEGROOTE**, **MARK WELFORD** and a colleague from Texas State University were awarded a nearly $200,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) for their study, "Tracking and Understanding Spatiotemporal Dynamics of the COVID-19 Pandemic in the Arctic (COVITA)."

MARYBETH STALP and colleagues from Mississippi State University were featured in several news stories for their research on the public's response to the onset of the pandemic. Marybeth was also quoted in the *Vox* article, "Was that fun?," on the sociological effects of adjusting to the "new normal" of quarantine during the pandemic.

MARK WELFORD and colleagues from the University of South Florida received funding from a National Science Foundation Rapid Response Research Grant initiative for their study on the effects of COVID-19 and the use of public shelters in hurricane-prone environments.

AWARDS

ELIZABETH LEFLER
2020 UNI Regents Award for Faculty Excellence

JAMES DIETRICH
2020 CSBS Tenure-Track Faculty Award for Scholarship and Creative Activity

ELAINE ESHBAUGH
2020 CSBS Outstanding Service

ANDREY PETROV
2020 CSBS Outstanding Scholarship

HEATHER KENNEDY *and* **MATTHEW VASQUEZ**
2020 Outstanding Teaching Award for Untenured Faculty

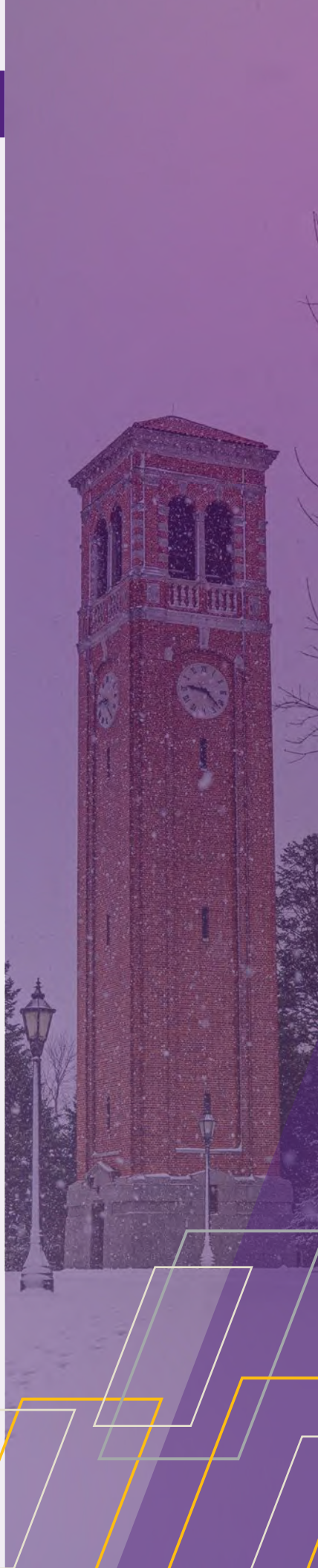
NEW FACULTY

CHERYL DONG
Assistant Professor of History

ALEX DOOLEY
Instructor, School of Applied Human Sciences

KYLE ENDRES
Associate Director for the Center of Social and Behavioral Research and Assistant Professor of Political Science

THOMAS LARSEN
Instructor of Geography



RETIRING

DAVE MAY

has been a committed and effective teacher since arriving at UNI in 1985. He received the CSBS Outstanding Teaching Award and the UNI Class of 1943 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2000. He was the recipient of the Regent's Award for Faculty Excellence in 2001.

Dave has authored and/or co-authored dozens of articles on geomorphology and geoarcheology during his career. He received the J. Warren Nystrom Award of the Association of American Geographers for the most significant research paper based on a dissertation in 1988. In 2001, he was recognized as "one of the leading geomorphologists working in the Great Plains."

Dave's service to the Department of Geography was consistently extensive, significant and excellent. He was the department's graduate coordinator for a decade, growing the graduate program under his tutelage to be the largest within CSBS by 2000. He also served as interim and acting department head.

DONNA (DOLLY) MAIER

has been a valued member of the Department of History since her appointment in 1978. Her record of scholarship, teaching and service at UNI, combined with her human rights advocacy work and international profile in bringing awareness to past and present genocides, has enriched the UNI campus community and beyond.

Dolly has an extensive record of achievement as an educator at UNI. She developed a number of courses in her specialization which brought her vital areas of expertise to UNI students.

Dolly has an impressive scholarly record. She published several books, chapters, reviews and articles in prestigious journals including the Journal of African History and the International Journal of African Historical Studies.

Dolly's service to the department, the college, the university, and the profession has been significant. She served as chair of the Graduate Faculty, member of the Graduate Council and the Faculty Senate. Dolly has either chaired or has been a member of numerous CSBS and History committees. Her greatest contribution to the department, however, may be her years as an active, thoughtful steward of History's graduate program.

IN MEMORIAM

HATTIE MAE MIDDLETON

passed away on May 7, 2020, at Prairie Hills Senior Living in Des Moines.

Hattie earned her BA at Florida A&M University, her MA at the University of Northern Iowa, and her PhD at Kansas State University. She taught at UNI from 1988 to 2000. She also taught in China as part of a UNI faculty exchange.

Hattie belonged to many organizations such as Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, OES, Unity Presbyterian Church in Waterloo and Bethel AME Church in Des Moines. She was a member of the Iowa Department of Public Health. Above all, she enjoyed entertaining family and friends and traveling.

RONALD E. ROBERTS

passed away on Oct. 29, 2020, of COVID-related complications at Ravenwood Specialty Care, Waterloo, Iowa.

Ron received his BA from Drake University and earned his MA and PhD at Louisiana State University. He taught sociology at UNI from 1969 to 2001.

Ron was an avid reader, prolific writer on sociological issues and the human experience, lecturer and an activist for the oppressed and powerless. He was instrumental in helping to make the John L. Lewis Memorial Museum of Mining and Labor in Lucas, Iowa, a reality.

Ron enjoyed traveling abroad, socializing with his life-long friends and colleagues, viewing movies, biking, and participating in RAGBRAI.

As his last act as a citizen, he proudly exercised the right to cast his vote.

JAMES G. CHADNEY, JR.

lost his 13-month battle with gastric cancer on May 13, 2019, at his home in Salem, Oregon.

Jim earned his BA at Portland State University and his MA and PhD at Michigan State University. He taught anthropology at UNI from 1968 to 1999. He became assistant dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences in 1994 and served as interim dean in 1998-9. Jim left UNI in 1999 to serve as the dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Western Oregon University until his retirement in 2005.

Jim's scholarship focused on the Sikh community in Vancouver.

In retirement, Jim enjoyed golfing and traveling with his wife.

HAROLD (HAL) WOHL

died peacefully of natural causes on Nov. 20, 2020 in Cedar Falls.

Hal grew up in Brooklyn, New York. He earned his BA and PhD at the University of Iowa. Hal began his career at UNI in 1956 and taught American history, the philosophy of history and colonial America until his retirement in 1995. Hal also was a visiting professor at Herzen University in St. Petersburg, Russia. In retirement, Hal and his wife, Jean, enjoyed travel, especially ocean cruises.

Hal continued to teach after retirement for UNI's Lifelong Learning University and Wartburg College's Keep on Learning Program.

ALBERT R. GILGEN

passed away Jan. 4, 2021.

Al grew up in Akron, Ohio. He earned his BA at Princeton University, his MA at Kent State University, and his PhD at Michigan State. Al came to UNI in 1974 to serve as head of psychology; a position he held until 1994. He retired in 2001.

Al published articles and books on topics ranging from contemporary American psychology to International psychology to the relevance of chaos theory for psychology. He taught on a Fulbright at the University of Galway, Ireland, and presented invited papers in Russia, Austria, Mexico, and Ecuador.

Diversity Colloquium: Race, Social Justice and Policing

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology's Oct. 2020 Diversity Colloquium panel discussed policing changes in the wake of Black deaths caused by police across the nation.

Panelists Joel Fitzgerald, Waterloo police chief; **GAYLE RHINEBERGER** and **RYAN STEVENSON, '18** (political communication) and moderator **ASHLEIGH KYSAR-MOON** shared their perspectives on various issues surrounding police violence and race, particularly over the past five years.

To view a recording of the colloquium, visit **youtu.be/InsMcuDFM3Y**.

#PanthersVote

The campus-wide #PanthersVote initiative, led by the Department of Political Science, UNI Athletics, Northern Iowa Student Government (NISG) and university chapters of the American Democracy Project (ADP) and Campus Election Engagement Project (CEEP), saw another successful year of student voter engagement for the 2020 presidential election.

The #PanthersVote team remained in close contact with Black Hawk County elections officials to confirm logistics for voter registration, early voting and election day. To help ensure students and all Black Hawk County voters cast their ballots safely, the UNI-DOME was utilized as both an early and election day voting location.

Political science faculty moved their typical election year educational opportunities online, with virtual discussions on topics including a general overview of the 2020 presidential and congressional elections, election security and political news. Post-election sessions focused on results and implications were also available to students.

UNI remains one of the nation's top universities for student voter turnout.

Constitution Day

The Department of History, Department of Political Science and UNI chapter of the American Democracy Project (ADP), with support from the R. Gordon Hoxie Fund, extended a virtual welcome to Christina Wolbrech, University of Notre Dame, as the guest speaker for 2020 Constitution Day.

Wolbrecht's presentation, based on her co-authored book, "A Century of Votes for Women: American Elections Since Suffrage," explored how women voted across the first 100 years since the ratification of the 19th Amendment.

Wolbrecht is the author or co-author of books and articles on the politics of women's rights, women as political role models and the representation of women. She is co-editor of the journal *Politics & Gender* and is on the executive committee of Women Also Know Stuff, an organization dedicated to promoting the work of women political scientists. Wolbrecht is professor of political science, director of the Rooney Center for the Study of American Democracy and C. Robert and Margaret Hanley family director of the Notre Dame Washington Program.

Constitution Day is observed each year on Sept. 17 to commemorate the signing of the Constitution on Sept. 17, 1787. The federal observance recognizes the adoption of the United States Constitution and those who have become U.S. citizens.

CSBS Faculty Provide Expert Perspectives on a Variety of Current Issues

PROTESTS, PRISONS AND COVID-19

In a June 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **ALISON COX**, an expert on the impacts of incarceration, weighed in on this and other pressing issues in the criminal justice system. Read more at **bit.ly/3u07Gph**.

FACING CONFEDERATE PAST

In a June 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **TOM CONNORS**, an expert on historical memory and monuments, commented on summer demonstrations, fallen statues and a country grappling with its racist past. Read more at **bit.ly/3qniYBO**.

FUTURE OF POLICING

In a July 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **GAYLE RHINEBERGER** discussed demands surrounding police reform and the role UNI plays in preparing future criminal justice professionals.
Read more at **bit.ly/3kJe2VP**.

MAKING CHANGE HAPPEN

In a Sept. 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **BELINDA CREIGHTON-SMITH** is featured for her work as an instructor, pastor, community leader and inspiration to many on campus, and as a member of the President's Inclusion, Transformative Social Justice and Advocacy Advisory Committee. Read more at **bit.ly/3qnVMDv**.

THE IMPACT OF POLITICS ON BRANDS

In an Oct. 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **KYLE ENDRES** discussed his recent research on how three companies - Apple, Macy's and Nike - were impacted by tweets from former President Donald J. Trump. Read more at **bit.ly/2N1d1w1**.

COPING WITH STRESS AND ANXIETY THROUGH THE ELECTION SEASON

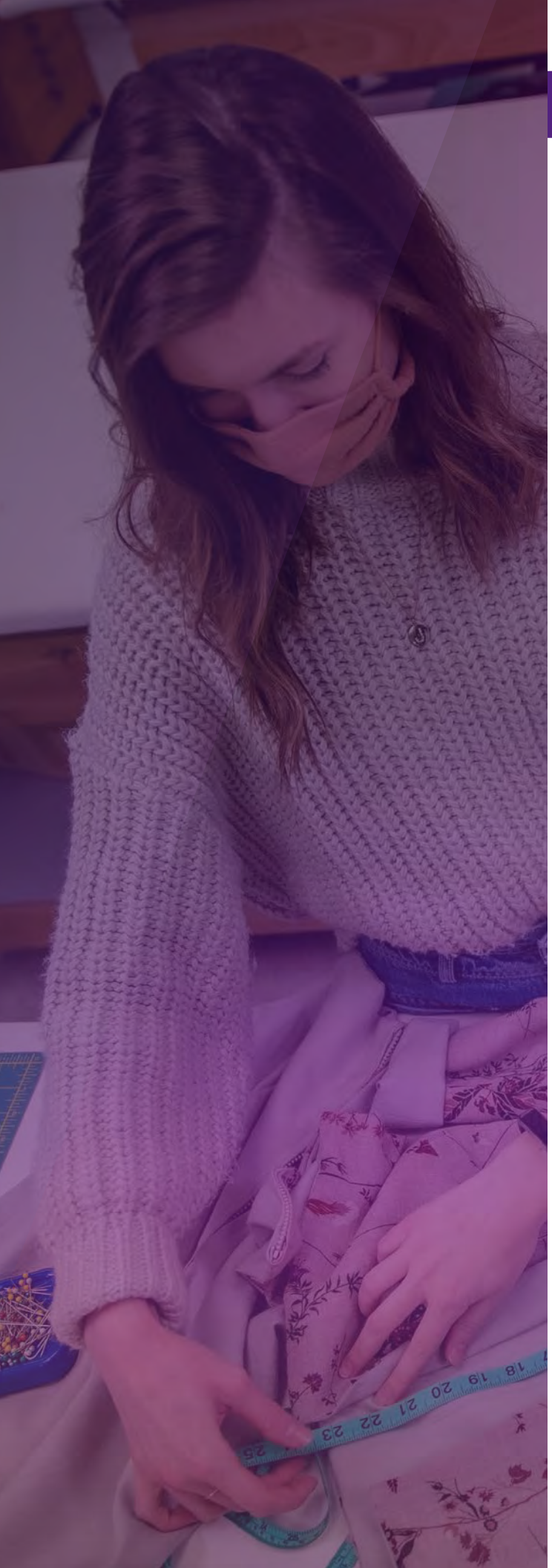
In an Oct. 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **ADAM BUTLER** and **HEATHER KENNEDY** discussed ways to cope with stress and anxiety during election season. Read more at **bit.ly/3di7r30**.

A HISTORY OF WITCHCRAFT

In an Oct. 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **JENNIFER MCNABB** discussed her research on the causes and consequences of witch hunts, and its relevance for today. Read more at **bit.ly/3u26fGL**.

HURRICANE EVACUATIONS IN THE AGE OF COVID-19

In a Nov. 2020 edition of InsideUNI, **MARK WELFORD** discussed his joint study, funded by a National Science Foundation Rapid Response Research Grant Initiative, which explored how people would balance the need to evacuate during hurricanes against the danger of contracting COVID. Read more at **bit.ly/3ddemKN**.



STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

ASHTYN CHANCE (interior design) was awarded third place in the 2020 Durkin dscvr Student Design Competition for her ballroom floorscape design, “Rocky Waters.”

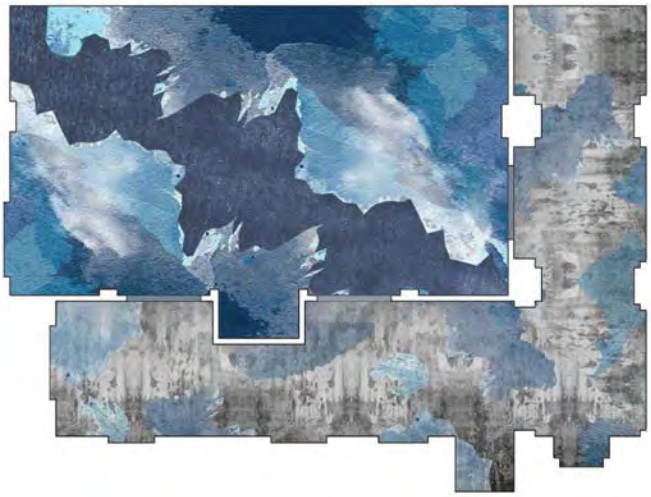
ALLADIN DAFALLA (political science) received the American Economics Association's Andrew Brimmer Undergraduate Essay Prize for his essay, "Homeownership amongst Black Americans." Read more at **bit.ly/3pn8EbB**.

HASINA JALAL (WGS) was named one of the “100 Most Influential Women in Afghanistan” in Oct. 2020. This past summer, she was honored with an “Iconic Women Creating a Better World” award at the Women Economic Forum in Bangalore, India (virtual). Read more at **bit.ly/2ZlIGKR**.

ELERSON G. SMITH (psychology) discussed his reaction to George Floyd’s death in a June 2020 article by *The Courier*. Read more at **bit.ly/3b70vmC**.

Environmental Geography students **SCOTT HAYDOCK**, **SCHUYLER HOP**, **DRE PRESSWOOD**, **CASEY SHANABERGER**, **PEYTON SIMMONS**, **KARI WELLMAN** and **DANIEL BENNETT**, along with Instructor of Geography **THOMAS LARSEN**, discussed the weather phenomenon of derechos in a guest column for *The Courier*. Read more at **bit.ly/2ZgOQvZ**.

TIARA MOSLEY (social work) spoke about helping young adults without stable support systems in the face of the instability of the pandemic in a June 2020 op-ed for the *Des Moines Register*. Read more at **bit.ly/3pobtcu**.



“Rocky Waters” // Ashtyn Chance

Tomson Scholars // Summer & Fall 2020

The O. Jay and Patricia Tomson Student Internship Scholarship is awarded to UNI students completing internships in the areas of bullying and gender violence prevention programming and intervention and/or victim services for those affected by domestic or sexual assault. For more information, visit **cvp.uni.edu**.

EMILY SCHEPERS (family services; leisure, youth and human services) completed a victim services internship with Friends of the Family's outreach office in Dubuque. She worked with victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking and homelessness.

HASINA JALAL (WGS) completed an internship with the Center for Violence Prevention (CVP). At CVP, she worked on capacity-building initiatives for individuals working in various agencies including law enforcement, criminal justice, K-12 schools, community colleges, universities and victim services. She also had the opportunity to conduct research on a number of topics related to violence prevention.

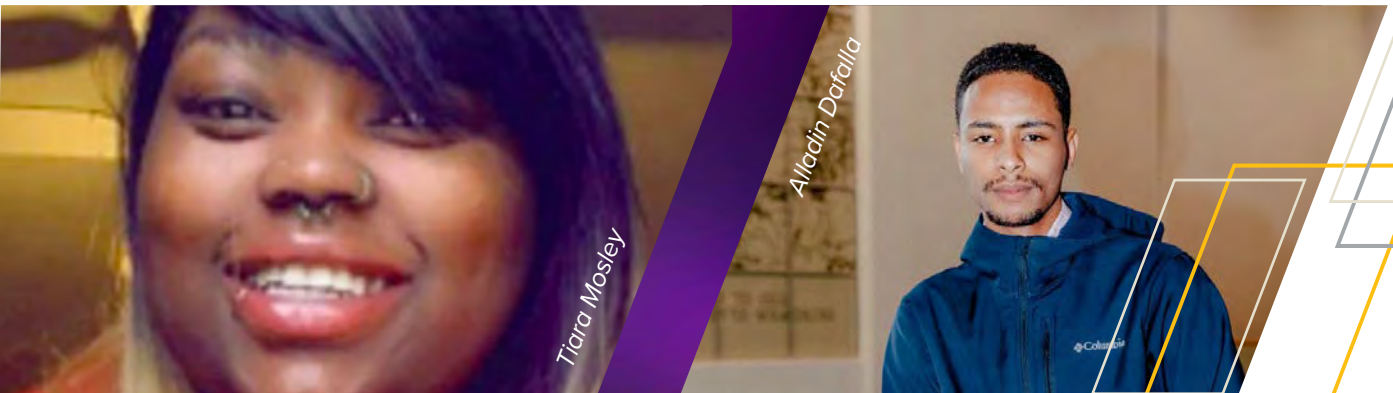
MELODY KOSOBUCKI (WGS) completed an internship with the Riverview Center. Her work included research on the barriers preventing LGBTQ survivors from seeking aid and advocacy. She also assisted in producing a support group guide for LGBTQ survivors.

SUSAN (MONS) MCCARRAGHER (psychology) completed an internship with Riverview Center. She worked alongside two full-time advocates to learn more about medical and legal advocacy roles with an emphasis on Title IX.

MARISSA WARD (family services) completed an internship at Assault Care Center Extending Shelter & Support (ACCESS) in Ames, supporting their conversion to virtual services by creating a presentation for new ISU students and surveying over 700 past clients.

JUSTIN MOODY (counseling) was hired on a temporary license as the elementary school counselor for South Central Calhoun in Rockwell City. He used his background in youth services and experience as a resident assistant to create a safe environment for the TK-3rd grade students.

CASSIDY POWELL (family services) completed an internship with the Community Crisis Center in Elgin, IL. At the CCC, she assisted with the crisis hotline, intakes with clients, and daily advocacy for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.



ALUMNI HIGHLIGHTS

KIRK ANDERSON, '83 (sociology), was named one of Orange County's Most Influential People of 2020. As program administrator for the Orange County Juvenile Hall School, Kirk created the first distance-learning model in California to provide education for all the county's incarcerated youth during the pandemic.

ANDREW BELL, '11 (history), defended his dissertation at Boston University in Aug. 2020.

GEORGE M. CROUCH, JR., '88 (criminology), was named Special Agent in Charge of the Newark Field Office of the FBI in Aug. 2020. He previously served as the deputy assistant director in the Human Resources Division at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

MATT DEGNER, '02 (history teaching), was named Iowa City schools superintendent after having served as interim since July 2020.

TRISHA ETRINGER, '19 (psychology), was featured in an Oct. edition of InsideUNI for her work with the Great Plains Action Society, advocating for Indigenous rights across the Midwest, and her perseverance through homelessness, intergenerational trauma and domestic abuse. Read more at **bit.ly/3tZxnpP**.

SARAH NAUGHTON, '20 (WGS), is the new community impact coordinator for United Way of Erie County (New York).

TIMOTHY NELSON, '04 (history), presented his research on the forgotten history of Blackdom, New Mexico, in a virtual lecture hosted by the Department of History this fall.

ALEXANDER PAULS, '16 (history), was admitted to the Ph.D. program in Special Education at the University of Iowa this fall.

SHANNON M. RISK, '94 (history), is now serving as chair of the Department of History at Niagara University. She was inducted into the New York Academy of History in 2018.

GEORGE STIGLER, '72 (history), retired on July 30, 2020, as Iowa's longest active serving judge. Judge Stigler went on to become the state's second Black district court judge. He served on the bench for 42 years, four months and four days. Read more at **bit.ly/UNIStigler**.

SUNNYCHO TEELING, '17 (counseling), was awarded the NBCC Foundation Minority Fellowship for Doctoral Counselors (NBCC MFP). As a doctoral fellow, Teeling will receive funding and training to support her education and service to underserved populations.

ANGELA WITTMER, '02 (social science teaching), school counselor at Holmes Junior High School, has been named the 2020 Iowa Middle School Counselor of the Year.

JESSE WOZNIAK, '04 (sociology), has published "Policing Iraq: Legitimacy, Democracy and Empire in a Developing State." The book draws upon Wozniak's experience studying the reconstruction of the Iraqi police force. He is currently an associate professor of sociology at West Virginia University.

20 under 40

Three CSBS alumni were among *The Courier's* 20 Under 40 'Class of 2020.'

JOYCE LEVINGSTON, '14
(family services), community leader, doctoral student and director of One City's Waterloo Momentum program.

ANDREW MORSE, '09
(psychology), assistant to the president for board and governmental relations at the University of Northern Iowa.

RYAN STEVENSON, '18
(political communication), community leader and political activist from Waterloo.

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.

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