Our Hidden Treasures Tea Cup Raffle benefits local agencies. Donations of re-gifted items needed.

The College of Education is coordinating its 2nd annual Hidden Treasures Tea Cup Raffle to benefit the UMass Amherst Community Campaign. We need your help securing donations of re-gifted items for the raffle.

- **Faculty and staff**, please donate an unwrapped item that might not have been a treasure to you but could be for someone else. It could be a book, a bowl, a bottle opener, a basket, scarf, jewelry, nice chotchkes, things of value that are lovely or wonderful and good to give to raffle winners! You will receive a raffle ticket for your donated item that you may use to win another prize on the raffle table!

- All proceeds from the raffle will benefit local service agencies.

- In fact, the GRAND PRIZE winner of our raffle will be able to designate which UMACC agency will receive ALL of our raffle proceeds. How wonderful is that?!!!

- Please bring your unwrapped donation to the Financial Services Office between Thursday, November 17 and Monday, December 5. We’ll wrap all donations.

- The raffle will be held on Friday, December 9, time and location TBA.

- More details to follow on raffle ticket sales.

- Any questions, please contact Jennifer Masztal in the Financial Services Office.

- To learn more about UMACC, please visit [https://www.umass.edu/umacc/](https://www.umass.edu/umacc/)
WRITE IN
Dec 2
2 pm - 7 pm

4 pm
OPD Workshop
Crafting Abstracts and Proposals

Steve McGinty will be available
2-4 pm

Open to all
GRAD students

Refreshments Provided

COME & WRITE
WITH US

Furcolo Hall 101-102

COLLEGE of EDUCATION
University of Massachusetts Amherst
The College of Education’s Annual Winter Potluck Celebration

Friday, December 9 at 11:30am in The Hub.

The potluck is open to all faculty and staff. Bring your favorite dish to share and celebrate the season. The College will supply beverages and tableware.

More details to come soon. Any questions, please contact Jennifer Masztal in the Financial Services Office.

Use the College’s Calendar of Events and Activities

Find out about the college’s events, meetings and activities on our college calendar.
http://www.umass.edu/education/news/calendar

Send information about your department’s or concentration’s events, using the format you’ll see on the calendar, to: dms@educ.umass.edu
WINTER COATS
for refugee families
in western Mass

One coat or many coats. Every donation helps our new neighbors.

Collecting new or gently-used winter coats for men, women and children, any size, to be distributed to Syrian and other refugee families who have relocated to our area.

Please help. Bring your donations of clean coats, sweaters, hats and gloves to the big box near the Welcome Desk in Furcolo Hall from now until Monday, December 19.

Thank you.

From the UMass Amherst Graduate School

Monday, December 5th – 5:30–6:30pm 2601 WEB Du Bois Library
Science, Technology and Policy (ST&P) – A Workshop for Graduate Students
Policy-makers make crucial decisions about science and technology that affect everyone's lives. How are scientists' work shaped by policy, and what roles can scientists and engineers play in shaping those policies? Where do science and policy intersect? How should scientific knowledge inform policy in other arenas? Join us for an engaging discussion, led by Jane Fountain, Distinguished Professor of Political Science and Public Policy. This workshop is the first in a series that will explore the science-policy interface more deeply. Pizza will be served and pre-registration is required (those requesting childcare assistance must register by November 27th). This workshop is offered with partial support from the National Science Foundation, and is a collaboration between the College of Engineering, Graduate School, Institute for Social Science Research, School of Public Policy, and Department of Political Science.
NORTHAMPTON HOLIDAY STROLL PHOTO CHALLENGE
FRIDAY, DEC. 9 6PM-8PM THORNES, NORTHAMPTON
Conference Presentations


Conference Presentations Cont.


FILM SCREENING
NOVA
SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE
FRIDAY 12/16 @ 3PM
FURCOLO 101

In a new age of information, rapid innovation, and globalization, how can we prepare our children to compete? Once the envy of the world, American schools are now in trouble. How can the latest research help us fix education in America? Can the science of learning—including new insights from neuroscientists, psychologists, and educators—reveal how kids’ brains work and tell us which techniques are most likely to engage and inspire growing minds? What role should technology play in the classroom? Teachers, students, parents, and scientists take center stage as NOVA explores a new vision for the “School of the Future.”

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
University of Massachusetts Amherst
Leadership team meetings
minutes and agendas are posted here:
https://www.umass.edu/education/faculty-staff/faculty-resources/leadership-team

February 2017 Degree Deadlines
for Master’s Degree (M.Ed.) and Education Specialist Degree (Ed.S.) candidates
filing to graduate for the February 2017 degree period

December 1, 2016 is the deadline to submit TYPED forms to Kristin Tyler, Office of Academic Affairs, Furcolo Hall to file to graduate for the February 2017 degree period. Please submit your typed forms to Kristin now, assuming no changes to your course registration. You do not have to wait until the 12/1/16 deadline to submit your forms.

- **Master’s Degree** (M.Ed.) submit:
  - Typed **Master’s Degree Eligibility Form (Non-thesis Students)**
  - Typed College of Education’s **Form M-2** Completed Program of Study
  - List in chronological order by semester from your transcript only graduate courses to be counted toward the Master’s degree
  - Department, course numbers, course titles, semester and year, credits, and grades listed on the Form M-2 must match transcript and Degree Eligibility Form exactly
  - Leave the grade column blank for courses in which a grade has not yet been posted on your transcript

- **Education Specialist Degree** (Ed.S.) submit:
  - Typed **Education Specialist Degree Eligibility Form**
  - Typed College of Education’s **Form ES-2** Completed Program of Study
  - List in chronological order by semester from your transcript only graduate courses to be counted toward the Ed.S. degree
  - Department, course numbers, course titles, semester and year, credits, and grades listed on the Form ES-2 must match transcript and Degree Eligibility Form exactly Leave the grade column blank for courses in which a grade has not yet been posted on your transcript
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- This deadline is to allow time for processing and obtaining the necessary signatures.
- Your **advisor** must sign the College of Education’s Form M-2 or ES-2, but NOT the Degree Eligibility Form.
- Please note that handwritten, incomplete, and/or incorrect forms will not be accepted.
- Forms are fillable and are found at the following URL. If you have any difficulty, please open the forms in Internet Explorer or Safari: http://www.umass.edu/education/students/current/forms
February 2017 Doctoral Degree Deadlines
for Ed.D. and Ph.D. candidates
filing to graduate for the February 2017 degree period

December 1, 2016 is the deadline to submit your TYPED Doctoral Degree Eligibility Form, TYPED Form D-9 (Result of Final Oral Examination) and one original signature page to Kristin Tyler, Office of Academic Affairs, Furcolo Hall.

- Submit your TYPED Doctoral Form D-8 and final draft of your dissertation to Kristin Tyler to schedule your final oral defense 4 weeks plus 2 additional business days in advance of the defense date in order to meet the Graduate School’s 4 week deadline.
- Schedule your defense no later than November 22, 2016 to have time to make any necessary edits.
- Rooms are reserved by emailing the College of Education’s room request at: educ-roomrequest@educ.umass.edu
- The Doctoral forms are fillable and are found at the following URL. If you have any difficulty, please open the documents in Internet Explorer or Safari: http://www.umass.edu/education/students/current/advising-guidelines/doctoral-guidelines
- Please note that handwritten, incomplete, and/or incorrect forms will not be accepted.
- Kristin will submit these forms to the Graduate School.
- December 15, 2016 (by 4:30pm) is the deadline for you to electronically submit your dissertation and the Survey of Earned Doctorates to the Graduate School. THIS IS A FIRM DEADLINE!

Here are positions currently being advertised for the College of Education.

Clerk IV https://umass.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp?JOBID=78924&CNTRNO=1&TSTMP=1479406181703

Clerk IV https://umass.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp?JOBID=78923&CNTRNO=2&TSTMP=1479406181703

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINAL ORAL EXAMINATIONS

Chair: Dr. David Evans

JOHN HEFFERNAN, December 15, 2016, 1:00 p.m. room S115 Furcolo. “Cross Study of an Elementary Engineering Task.”
Chair: Dr. Florence Sullivan
ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATIONS

ROBIN MARION, December 7, 2016, 12:30 p.m. room S115 Furcolo. Chair: Dr. Denise Ives

BHARAT RATHOD, December 8, 2016, 2:00 p.m. room S115 Furcolo. Chair: Dr. Sangeeta Kamat

Letters of recommendation for faculty RTDY

This is an invitation to members of the College to write letters of recommendation for assistant professor Chrystal George Mwangi. Dr. George Mwangi is undergoing her third year review. You can send your letter of recommendation as a PDF document to Judy Pierce, judithpierce@educ.umass.edu by December 12th. Please write the name of the faculty member the letter is for in the subject of the message. Thank you.

Rebecca Woodland, Associate Professor of Educational Policy and Leadership, Interim Chair, Department of Educational Policy, Research & Administration

STUDENTS: Discuss your experiences with the College’s course scheduling practices

On Tuesday, December 6 graduate assistants will set up near the Hub from 9 am – 7 pm. Both undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to stop by and discuss their experiences with the College’s course scheduling practices – what works, what hasn’t worked, what they would like to see, what they want to never see again, etc.

Any student who stops by will be provided with a ticket for one free regular coffee from the Hub.

PD for staff: Advanced Word. Classes begin in January

Alexandra Martines of Workplace Learning and Development will offer 90 minute classes in Advance Word beginning in January.

Details:
9:30 - 11 a.m.
Thursday, January 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 9.

W009 Furcolo.

Please put this on your calendars. All are encouraged to attend.
Join us in a Dialogue about:

**Arts-Informed Practice: Teaching and Research Across Disciplines**

Sponsored by the Five College Arts Integration Faculty Seminar Series

- **February 10, 2017**: Stephen Carpenter, Professor of Art Education and African American Studies, Artist. Pennsylvania State University
- **March 24, 2017**: Tara Goldstein, Professor of Education, Playwright, Ethnographer, Writer. University of Toronto

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**Krista Harper**  
Cultural Anthropology  
UMass Amherst

Krista’s work investigates urban mobilizations, environment, food, and social justice. She uses ethnographic and participatory visual and digital research methods.

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**Jana Silver**  
Art Education  
Hampshire College

Jana will share how her research on arts integration has influenced her teaching. In particular, she will demonstrate how she uses the visual arts as tools for reflecting on course content.

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**Olabode Omojola**  
Five College  
Professor of Music

Olabode will talk about his research on the music of Yoruba twins, focusing on how it provides a window into understanding Yoruba culture.

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**Friday, December 2, 2016**  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm  
240 Studio Arts Building  
University of Massachusetts Amherst
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John Hosp, Professor & Interim Chair, Department of Student Development

The College’s Calendar of Events is on our web site. Find it on the home page here.

www.umass.edu/education

Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum
See photos from our Convocation

Send information about your events, meetings, activities to dms@educ.umass.edu to be included on the calendar

USE OUR CALENDAR!
The College of Education’s Statistical Consulting Services

Fall 2016

Statistical Consulting Drop-In Hours

Students and faculty from the College of Education’s Center for Educational Assessment are available for consultation free of charge.

Providing assistance with:

- Research Design
- Drawing Samples
- Modes of Data Collection
- Reliability & Validity Studies
- Survey Development
- Interpretation and Presentation of Results
- Regression, ANOVA, and Multivariate Analysis
- Factor Analysis
- Power Analysis
- Longitudinal and Multi-Level Data Analysis
- Structural Equation Models
- Statistical Software Support including Excel, SPSS, SAS, Mplus, and R
- And more!

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Note: No drop-in hours on Oct. 26 & 27 due to a conference

FREE to all UMass faculty, staff, and students

To schedule an appointment outside of drop-in hours, fill out an information form at https://sites.google.com/site/UMassStatConsulting/ or email dpham@umass.edu

Research in Educational Measurement and Psychometrics (REMP)
Promoting sound educational research and testing practices since 1968
SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION
As winter approaches, we all should know how to obtain information related to severe weather, including closing announcements, parking rules, staggered departure procedures for early closings, related time and attendance policies and the rescheduling of final exams on snow days. For information on the weather closing status of the campus, visit www.umass.edu/closing/
For a summary of severe closing weather information, including radio and TV stations that broadcast closing announcements, go to http://www.umass.edu/closing/sites/default/files/WeatherClosingInfo.pdf
Information on the rescheduling of final exams on official snow days is available at http://www.umass.edu/closing/sites/default/files/Finals.pdf

For park smart tips for snow days, check the Parking Snow Policy at https://www.umass.edu/transportation/snow-policy

To read the Staggered Departure Procedure, go to http://www.umass.edu/closing/sites/default/files/ClosureDeparture.pdf

For information on inclement weather and related time and attendance policies, visit http://www.umass.edu/closing/sites/default/files/InclementWeatherMemoEmployees.pdf

When the governor issues an order to close state executive offices in response to a severe winter weather advisory or alert, University officials take into account the governor’s decision in relation to local conditions and community safety. There may be times when regional weather conditions will allow the campus to remain open.

Sign up for UMass Amherst Alerts Emergency Text Messaging System
UMass Amherst Alerts Emergency Text messaging system is one of the primary methods the university will use to notify the campus community of an ongoing or imminent campus emergency, including weather-related closures. It is important to receive these time-critical emergency notifications. You are encouraged to register for these emergency notifications at http://www.umass.edu/emergency.

From the UMass Amherst Graduate School

Tuesday, December 13th - 2:30-3:30pm  528 Goodell
Setting Writing Goals for the Winter Break
The Winter Break offers stretches of uninterrupted writing time, but too often our writing goals remain unmet at the start of Spring Semester. Prevent procrastination by making a plan. This workshop explores strategies (suitable all year round!) for setting and prioritizing goals in order to make time for writing. Co-sponsored with the Writing Center. Light refreshments will be provided. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesday, December 13th - 11:30am-1:30pm  528 Goodell
Crafting a Syllabus for Spring 2017
Your syllabus can be a powerful tool for communicating your passions and intentions, and encouraging an active, meaningful learning experience for students. This session will provide tools to help you develop course goals, learning outcomes, assignments, statements of responsibilities and other course policies. Throughout the session, you will work on constructing your own syllabus for a class that you are independently teaching. Pizza lunch will be served. Pre-registration is required.
Here are the 7 most popular *Education Week* stories and opinions you and your colleagues have been reading this week. Take a look!

1. Trump to Meet Michelle Rhee as Education Secretary Search Continues
2. The Education of Barron Trump and Other 'First Kids'
3. Trump and Potential Education Secretaries Talked Choice, Common Core
4. Teachers Make the Worst Parents
5. Get to Know Donald Trump's Education Transition Team
6. Few Women Run the Nation's School Districts. Why?

Wednesday, December 7 Don’t miss it!

Office of Research and Engagement Workshops

**OGCA—Resources for Grantseekers and Grantholders**

12/7 from 10:30 to 12:00 in Furcolo S125.
Office of Grants and Contracts Administration staff will discuss resources and procedures for grantseekers and grantees.
Colleagues Café

STAFF– We are having good conversations with each other about work but more than that, we are getting to know each other better and gaining an understanding of who we are individually and as a work group.

Those of us who have been attending the café regularly have already experienced some benefits – with easier communication with each other being at the top of the list. And who doesn’t like that?

Please join us.

Thursday, DECEMBER 1

NOTE the TIME 9:30 in Furcolo S125

A weekly drop-in gathering for staff, with coffee and tea.

A chance to share strategies for teamwork.

Come to get ideas or share your own, and support your colleagues.

No throwing of koosh balls allowed.