BLACK LIVES MATTER
What does it mean?
Exploring Implications for the College of Education

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2016
Furcolo Hall, UMass Amherst
THE HUB, 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM
ROOM 101, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Moderated by Durryle Brooks

Facilitators
ROMINA PACHECO
Alumna
College of Education
TREVOR A. BAPTISTE
Diversity & Student Leadership Coordinator
School of Earth and Sustainability
ELAINE BRIGHAM
Doctoral Candidate
College of Education

COLLEGE of EDUCATION
University of Massachusetts Amherst
Colleague Café

Four Thursdays, Oct 20, 27, Nov 10, 17.
9:45 – 10:45 am in Furcolo S125
facilitated by Chris Spicer

A weekly drop-in gathering for staff, coffee and tea. A chance to relax, connect, and share strategies for teamwork and self-care. Come to get ideas and support your colleagues.

What: 3 parts
1. Grounding exercise or other "self-care" skill or practice.
2. Check-in. Opportunity to share an element of work life and put out requests for support.
3. Theme of week. Could be communication skills (what to say when ...; e-mail communication), customer service, managing conflict, etc.

First meeting: Thursday, Oct. 20, 9:45.
Place: Furcolo S125
Theme: Managing personal stress at work

Questions, suggestions: contact Chris at 1christopherspice@gmail.com or 413-585-8755.
**Graduate Student Family Research**

**FALL TRAVEL AWARDS**

**Application Deadline: Friday, 21st October 2016**

**Notification: Mid-November 2016**

The Center for Research on Families will give out awards of $300 to a minimum of two graduate students who have written an outstanding paper or created an exceptional poster on issues of family research and will be presenting the paper or poster at a national research conference before December 31, 2016. The paper must already have been accepted for presentation at the conference and the award money will be used exclusively for travel expenses associated with the conference.

For more information

[http://www.umass.edu/family/students/grad/travel-award](http://www.umass.edu/family/students/grad/travel-award)

Family research is broadly defined and encompasses all disciplines.

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**College of Education Meetings and Events**

**Tuesday, November 1**

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM  Location TBA

**College Dialogue: Black Lives Matter - Implications for the College of Education?**

Join the College for inter-departmental, meaningful, safe, stimulating and intellectually challenging dialogue about our beliefs and knowledge related the Black Lives Matter movement. First in a series of conversations.

**Thursday, November 3**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  Furcolo, room 101

**Brown Bag Breakfast on Campus Budget Processes**

Featuring Elizabeth Chilton, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Engagement and co-chair, Joint Task Force on Resource Allocation. Coffee and donuts provided.
Recent Publications


Upcoming Conference Presentations


College of Education
2016 Fall Convocation

Why Are All the Black Kids Still Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?

with Distinguished Speaker
Beverly Daniel Tatum
President Emerita,
Spelman College

**New Date**
November 18, 2016 @ 11:00 AM
CHC Events Hall

The lecture is open to the entire campus community and sponsored by the College of Education, with support from the Institute for Teaching Excellence and Faculty Development, the Office of Student Affairs and Campus Life, the Chancellor’s Office, and Commonwealth Honors College.
College of Education Graduate Students,

Have you ever thought about pursuing a faculty position? Want to know more about how to develop a competitive application?

WHAT? Have you ever thought about pursuing a faculty position? Want to know more about how to develop a competitive application? Join faculty members from the College of Education for a conversation about their own experiences on the job market or on search committees. Learn more about topics like: planning for a possible faculty career, creating a compelling curriculum vitae, choosing professional references, and tailoring cover letters for specific searches. Cookies/coffee will be provided.

WHEN? Monday, November 7 from 6:15-7:15pm (Please feel free to arrive late or depart early as your schedule requires.)

WHERE? Conference Room in Montague House (Center for International Education, next to Furcolo)

This opportunity is being sponsored by the Office of Academic Affairs and the Center for Student Success Research. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Kristin Tyler at ktyler@educ.umass.edu

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINAL ORAL EXAMINATION

GWENDOLYN BASS, November 14, 2016, 1:30 p.m. Furcolo. “The Role of Foster Parents in Improving Educational Outcomes for Youth in Foster Care.”
Co-Chairs: Dr. John Carey and Dr. Michael Krezmien

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

LASHA KOKI LASHVI LI, November 3, 2016, 1:00 p.m. room 214 Montague House.
Chair: Dr. David Evans

Students – About Your UMass Email Address

- The official email for UMass Amherst correspondence on any matter is your UMass email account.
- If you are using another personal email address, please link your UMass email address to your personal email address.
WELCOME our new staff member!

Scott Latham
Your working title and office, department or concentration you are working in or for.
Administrative Assistant for the Center for Educational Assessment? It’s nebulous.
Where do you live?
Northampton
What do you like to do when you are not working?
Hiking with the dog, fiddling with Legos, biking, and reading trashy science fiction.

Would you like to share what you did before you had this job with the college?
I used to bartend, and still do on weekends at Osaka in Northampton.
Are you a member of any social, philanthropic or other organizations? If so, let us know what they are.
N/A
AND.....Do you have pets? If so, what kind and what are their names? If you don’t have a pet right now, what would your pet be if you had one?
Family dog, Rocky the boxer.

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Send announcements, news, photos for the Beacon to Denise
dms@educ.umass.edu
WELCOME our new staff member!

Ellen Bitzer

Your working title and office, department or concentration you are working in or for.
Grants and Contracts Coordinator, Office of Research and Engagement (ORE)

Where do you live?
Colrain

What do you like to do when you are not working?
Golf! I also enjoy going to the YMCA, reading, walking and spending time with my husband and 3 sons (when they are home.)

Would you like to share what you did before you had this job with the college?
International Student Program Coordinator—International Student Advisor at North Mount Hermon (NMH) School. I had also worked in the Dean's Office, Registrar's Office and as the Work Program Coordinator at NMH.

Are you a member of any social, philanthropic or other organizations? If so, let us know what they are.
YMCA, Edge Hill Ladies Golf League, Country Club of Greenfield Ladies Gold League, Baystate Franklin Auxiliary—work in the gift shop 9(volunteer) at Franklin Medical Center.

AND.....Do you have pets? If so, what kind and what are their names? If you don’t have a pet right now, what would your pet be if you had one?
We just rescued a 3-year old Golden retriever named Stella. We also have a yellow lab, Bailey, who is 8 1/2 years old and a 19(!)-year old black cat named Zoe (We are pretty sure she is immortal!)

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Ask Steve the education librarian

Steve McGinty, education librarian, holds office hours in The Hub, Tuesday afternoons from 3:00 to 4:00

Drop by- no appointment needed.
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](http://www.umass.edu/education/students/current/forms)

Leadership team meetings
minutes and agendas are posted here:
[https://www.umass.edu/education/faculty-staff/faculty-resources/leadership-team](https://www.umass.edu/education/faculty-staff/faculty-resources/leadership-team)
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!

FACULTY and STAFF:
Joe Berger has informal talk time
in The Hub most Thursdays at 11

Faculty and staff are invited to meet informally with Joe Berger, Interim Senior Associate Dean, on Thursdays in The Hub from 11 to 12 throughout this semester. Stop by for a few minutes or for a longer conversation.

Joe will not be available on November 10, 17 and 24, which is Thanksgiving Day.
Teaching Associateships (2017-18 AY)
University Writing Program

Each year the First Year Writing Program hires approximately 100 graduate Teaching Associates (TOs) to teach Basic and College Writing (Englwrit 111/112). Of these, approximately 30 are new appointments.

Graduate students may apply for a 2017-18 teaching associateship in the Writing Program. We are especially interested in students who would be available to work for us for at least two years, given the substantial training requirements for employment in our program. Thus, terminal MA students and dissertators in their last year on campus might not be ideally suited for these positions.

In evaluating applicants, the staff considers the following:

- applicant's teaching/tutoring experience;
- applicant's related academic experience;
- applicant's understanding of and interest in Writing Program goals;
- assurance by departments that the applicant is making appropriate progress toward the degree, or has been accepted for graduate study;
- applicant's own ability to write clear prose in English.

A teaching associate in the Writing Program teaches three sections of Englwrit 112 during the academic year: two sections fall semester and one section spring semester or vice versa. Class size is limited to 15. The current stipend for 2017-2018 is $19,174.80, and also entitles the teaching associate to tuition credits and 95% exemption of health fees, plus dental and vision benefits. Residual mandatory fees would remain his/her responsibility.

Graduate students wanting to apply should complete our application form, available from the Writing Program web site - http://www.umass.edu/writingprogram/teaching/employment.html. Completed applications must be submitted to the Writing Program no later than 4 pm, December 15, 2016.
The College of Education’s
Statistical Consulting Services

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**FREE** to all UMass faculty, staff, and students

Sign up at [www.sites.google.com/site/UMassStatConsulting](http://www.sites.google.com/site/UMassStatConsulting)
or email frick@umass.edu. **Walk-ins are always welcome!**

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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

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Unbounding Ethnography: Theory and Method Beyond the Disciplines
November 4 & 5, 2016
UMass Amherst Campus Center

This inaugural graduate student conference at the University of Massachusetts is meant to convene dialogue and build community between ethnographers across the range of disciplines.

Michael Burawoy, UC Berkeley, well-known public sociologist and ethnographer in workplaces in Zambia, Chicago, Hungary, and Russia, will give the keynote address, “Relational Ethnography: From Poverty to Precarity”.

Friday, November 4, 2016: UMass Campus Center
Amherst Room: 9-10AM: Poster Session, 10-11.45AM: Welcome/Keynote
9th floor: 1-6PM, Panels

Saturday, November 5, 2016
10AM-12:30 PM: Graduate student workshop with Michael Burawoy

Conference is free. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Register: Unbounding Ethnography—Friday sessions (Keynote/luncheon and panels)
https://umassamherst.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0x12BqMLdo98B1F
Register: Unbounding Ethnography—Saturday sessions (Graduate Student workshop)
https://umassamherst.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eFkRjt7jDlagYw5

✉ unbounding@soc.umass.edu
💻 umass.edu/sociology/event/unbounding-ethnography-2016

This conference is generously supported by the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences, the Graduate School, the Institute for Social Science Research, the Departments of Sociology, Communication, Anthropology, Political Science, and Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies, and the College of Education.
From the Graduate School

Wednesday, November 2nd – 12:00–1:30pm  301 Goodell
Teaching Challenges: The 5 Why's Process (International Group Series)
Have you ever left your classroom feeling unsettled because your lesson didn’t go at all like you planned it? During today’s session you will have an opportunity to dig deeper into the root causes of a teaching challenge that has been troubling you. Come join our International Group Series for this conversation with other faculty, post-docs, and graduate TAs. Together we will engage with the “5 Whys” technique to collaboratively problem-solve your teaching challenges and identify teaching strategies that are appropriate for your classroom. Light refreshments will be provided. Co-sponsored by TEFD. Pre-registration is required.

Wednesday, October 26th – 12:00–1:30pm  804–08 Campus Center
Working in the US: OPT/CPT for SBS/HFA/Education Graduate Students
Ken Reade, Director of International Student & Scholar Services in the International Programs Office (IPO), will present the guidelines, limitations and application strategies for working/interning in the US with F-1 or J-1 Visas. Bring your employment questions about post-graduation, internships, OPT and CPT. Pre-registration is required.

Thursday, October 27th – 9:30–10:30am  115, Engineering Lab II
A Cell Biologist's Journey as a Government Fellow, Consultant, and Entrepreneur
Have you heard the term “informational interview” but don’t really know how to conduct one? Do you wonder how your skills might help you break into policy, consulting, or entrepreneurship related careers? Join Alysia Birkholz (OPD) as she conducts an informational interview with Dr. Samuel Murphy of BioPharma Capital, Inc. Engage as much or as little as you like! Pre-registration is required.

Friday, October 28th – 10:00–11:00am  153 Goessmann
Non-Academic Careers: Interviewing and Negotiating
Interviewing and negotiating job offers can be extremely stressful. Come hear tips and suggestions on how to make both of these processes run smoother, including ideas on what can be negotiated. Pre-registration is required.

Friday, October 28th – 1:00–2:30pm   538 Goodell
Academic Interview Practice (Academic Job Market Series)
Are you hoping to interview for an academic job this year? Do you already have a skype or conference interview scheduled? Come practice your interviewing skills in this interactive workshop. Part of the Academic Job Market Series. Light refreshments will be provided. Pre-registration is required.