Join us on a Graduate Student Wellness Hike and Meditation
September 30, 2016
9:30 am - 12:30 pm
organized by TECS GSO

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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.

FORMATION OF DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Rebecca Mazur

Proposed Dissertation Title: Planning for Diffusion of Computer Science Instruction and Computational Thinking: A social Network Analysis Approach

Statement of Problem: The work of increasing and improving opportunities for P-12 students to experience high-quality computer science education (CSE) is essential. Communication patterns and organizational structures within and across schools either constrain or support teacher efficacy and their choice to adopt and implement educational reform initiatives. Any lasting curricular innovation, will be in large part determined by the professional support network available to the teachers and administrators charged with carrying out the changes. In the elementary and middle grades, where integration of CSE instruction is expected to happen in nearly every classroom, it will be essential to understand the extent to which teachers have both access to and awareness of colleagues who will be able to enhance their sense of self-efficacy and skills related to CSE in the classroom. Similarly, high school teachers will be expected to address CSE by incorporating digital and informational literacy skills that support their curriculum regardless of content area. Moreover, like any subject, the teaching of computer science requires more than content knowledge – it requires the same pedagogical expertise necessary to engage all learners in meaningful instructional activities. Because CSE is new and being taught for the first time and by teachers who may be the only ones in their school teaching the subject, instructors will need access to high-level support not only to develop their content knowledge, but also their instructional skills. For that reason, an empirical examination of existing professional support network capacity to support curricular innovation and widespread instructional improvement is an imperative. By analyzing the underlying structure of district professional support networks and the attributes and position of individuals within the professional support networks, educational leaders can more effectively plan, enact, and evaluate complex change initiatives such as CSE.

Chair: Dr. Rebecca Woodland

Ask Steve the education librarian

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

Come ask Steve questions. He has answers.
Westfield State University Government, Criminal Justice and Non-Profit Fair, Wednesday, October 12th, 1:30-4:00pm, Westfield Student Union, Woodward Center. UMass Amherst students and alumni are invited.

Resumania for Arts Internship Fair, Wednesday, October 12th, 5pm-7pm, Goodell 512. Be sure to bring a copy of your résumé with you.

Arts and Music Internships Fair, Thursday, October 13th, 11am-2pm, FAC Atrium, co-sponsored by Career Services and the College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

Life Sciences Career Fair, Tuesday October 25th, 12pm-4pm, Campus Center Auditorium. Representatives from several large pharmaceutical and life sciences companies will be on campus recruiting UMass students for a variety of positions.

Check the Career Services Calendar for details, for additional upcoming employer information sessions and off-campus job fairs offered by employers. To view these and other events go to our calendar: http://www.umass.edu/careers/career-services-calendar

Interested in an internship or co-op opportunity abroad? Visit the International Programs Office, 467 Hills South, 4th Floor for more information about international programs.

Career Service’s Walk-In Advising and Résumé Review Hours are Monday-Friday from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. You can get help with your resume, cover letter, interview and networking skills, learn about career choices, and more! Check in at the main desk in 511 Goodell.

Internships and Co-ops Info Sessions are offered weekly on Mondays throughout the semester (except on Monday holidays, of course) from 12:30pm – 1:00pm in 508 Goodell.

CAREER ADVISING
If you would like to make an appointment with a career advisor who is assigned to your College/School/Major, you can call us at 413-545-2224 or log into CareerConnect and “Request An Advising Appointment” through the system at https://www.umass.edu/careers/log-umass-amherst-careerconnect

ACCOMMODATIONS
If you need accommodations to access any of our resources, please contact us at: careerservices@umass.edu or 413-545-2224.
Announcements

The ORE is organizing the following three workshops this semester:

- 10/14 10:30am—12:00pm in Furcolo W01: Mentoring graduate assistants (RAs, Pas, and TAs).
- 11/17 1:30pm—3:00pm in S149: Institutional Review Board processes, case studies, and sample forms. To be facilitated by representatives from the Human Research Protection Office.
- 12/7 10:30am—12:00pm in S125: Topic to be announced, please keep an eye on this space for an announcement later this semester.

Recent Awards

Korina Jocson has been awarded by the Fulbright Scholars Program and will serve as Fulbright Visiting Research Chair of Human Rights and Social Justice in Canada.

Recent Publications


Upcoming Conference Presentations

Leadership team meetings

minutes and agendas are posted here:
https://www.umass.edu/education/faculty-staff/faculty-resources/leadership-team

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

Join the celebrations at Homecoming 2016!
Download and print the Homecoming schedule.

The Hub.
In Furcolo.
Breakfast, lunch and snacks until 7 pm weekdays,
2pm Fridays.
**From the UMass Amherst Graduate School**  
Office of Professional Development

**Friday, September 30th - 12:00-1:30pm** 1634 Lederle Graduate Research Tower

**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Peer Review Session**  
Our peer review session will provide a low-stakes opportunity to receive high-impact feedback. Limited to those preparing applications for NSF's Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP). You bring the proposal, we bring the pizza! This event is part of the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Series. [Pre-registration](#) is required; further instructions will be emailed upon registration.

**Tuesday, October 4th - 1:00-2:30pm** 904-08 Campus Center

**Grant and Fellowship Strategies for International Students and Postdocs**  
Many external grants and fellowships are restricted to US citizens or permanent residents, posing a challenge for international graduate students and postdocs. This session will offer strategies to help international students and postdocs search for external funding and understand related visa requirements. Light refreshments provided. Co-sponsored by the International Programs Office. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

**Friday, October 7th - 12:00-1:00pm** 804-08 Campus Center

**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Series: Intellectual Merit and Broader Impacts**  
Trained NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Mentors have organized this series to support students preparing NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) applications. Mentors, all former NSF GRFP recipients, will lead sessions that focus on elements of a competitive application; this session will focus on identifying and communicating Broader Impacts and Intellectual Merit, two critical review criteria. Bring your lunch; coffee and cookies provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

**Tuesday, October 4th - 12:00-1:00pm** 528 Goodell

**Beyond Opinions to Critical Thinking: Learning by Discussing**  
While “good” discussions can be a powerful tool for encouraging student learning, successful discussions rarely just happen. This interactive workshop provides opportunity to review strategies instructors can use to stimulate discussion that encourages impactful learning and critical thinking. Pizza lunch will be served. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

**Friday, September 30th - 10:00am-11:00am** 153 Goessmann

**Networking at Conferences and Everywhere**  
Discuss networking strategies for small and large conferences, and how to network during the conference, such as poster sessions, oral presentations, social events and business meetings. Learn about networking follow-up and actions to take before, during, and after the conference. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

**Friday, September 30th - 1:00-2:30pm** 528 Goodell

**Talking About Teaching: Portfolios and Statements (Academic Job Market Series)**  
Intended for graduate students and postdocs on the fall job market, this workshop will address how to talk about teaching in various job documents. The afternoon will begin with a short discussion of the purpose, content, and format of the teaching portfolio and teaching statement. Participants will then have an opportunity to get peer feedback on their teaching statements. Part of the Academic Job Market Series. Light refreshments will be provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required; further instructions will be emailed upon registration.

**Wednesday, October 5th - 12:00-1:30pm** 905-09 Campus Center

**Effective Interview Strategies for the Academic Job Search (STEM)**  
Join Dr. John Lopes (CNS Assoc. Dean) for a discussion about what to expect, how to prepare, who to impress, things to avoid, and how candidates are often judged in an academic interview. He will discuss the logistics of a campus interview, describe the “hidden” interviews, provide tips for the job talk, and offer advice about pre-trip preparation to maximize chances for success. Part of the Academic Job Market Series. Pizza lunch will be served. [Pre-registration](#) is required.
College of Education Meetings and Events

**Wednesday, October 5**
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  Amherst Room, Campus Center

*Graduate Student Scholarship Reception*
A celebration of our graduate student scholarship recipients and a thank you to our donors who make the scholarships possible.

**Thursday, October 13**
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM  Furcolo, room 101

*Brown Bag Breakfast with Chancellor*
Featuring Chancellor Subbaswamy. Coffee and donuts provided.

**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.

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**Travel Grant Information for the current year is available here:**

[http://www.umass.edu/education/students/current/travel-grant-programs](http://www.umass.edu/education/students/current/travel-grant-programs)

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**Do you have anything to run by Joe?**
**He’s 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 October 6 and 13, and November 10, 17 and 24, which is Thanksgiving Day.
Dear Graduate Students and Postdocs,

Each fall, the Teaching at Teaching Intensive Institutions Conference brings together graduate students, postdocs, and faculty from universities and colleges throughout New England to talk about working at teaching intensive colleges and how to successfully apply for faculty positions. Last year, UMass Amherst proudly hosted the event, attracting more than 200 participants from 35 institutions. The event was highly regarded: 97% would recommend the event to their friends!

This year, the conference will be hosted by our UMass Boston colleagues on Friday, October 7th and we encourage UMass Amherst graduate students and postdocs to attend! Participants will engage with faculty and deans from a range of teaching-intensive institutions across the New England region through a series of talks, panel presentations, and networking opportunities. Faculty will be available to review and offer advice on CVs and cover letters, so students are encouraged to bring their CVs along. View the program agenda here: http://bit.ly/TTII2016agenda

Space is limited and pre-registration is required here: http://bit.ly/TTII2016
During registration, graduate students and postdocs needing travel assistance to UMass Boston may request a seat on the UMass Amherst bus, sponsored by the Graduate School.

Questions related to UMass Amherst registration and the UMass bus transportation may be directed to opd@grad.umass.edu.
Questions related to the event programming/agenda may be directed to camille.martinez@umb.edu.

Shana Passonno
Director, Office of Professional Development
Graduate School
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From the Graduate School
2016-2017 Feinberg Family Distinguished Lecture Series:
The U.S. in the Age of Mass Incarceration

How is it that the United States has the highest incarceration rate in the world? What forces led us here, and what alternatives are on the horizon? The 2016-2017 Feinberg Family Distinguished Lecture Series will explore the ways that state violence, mass incarceration, and mass criminalization have transformed the U.S. economy, culture and society. More than a dozen panels, performances, gallery exhibitions, and lectures by the nation’s leading scholars, artists and activists will explore a wide range of topics, from police brutality, immigration detention, and carceral feminism to the consequences of incarceration for women, people of color, and LGBTQ individuals. The series will culminate in the opening of the national traveling exhibition States of Incarceration: A National Dialogue of Local Stories.

This Feinberg Series aims to offer meaningful events that consider the carceral state in historical perspective and that will support and amplify ongoing work by community groups and activists, enriching undergraduate and graduate education at UMass and surrounding educational institutions. Taken together, these powerful events will explore the many ways in which the carceral state impacts our lives and our world in deep and far-reaching ways.

All events are FREE and open to the public.

Wednesday, September 28 -- The Circumference of a Prison: Youth, Race, and the Failures of the American Justice System, Feature Lecture
Lecture and book signing with Reginald Dwayne Betts, author of A Question of Freedom, PEN New England Award winner and national spokesperson for the Campaign for Youth Justice. Arrested at age sixteen, Betts served eight years in an adult prison. Today, Betts uses his experiences to speak about the current state of the criminal justice system—including sentencing juveniles as adults, solitary confinement, maximum security prisons, the collateral consequences of a criminal record—and presents promising ideas for reform. 7pm, Cape Cod Lounge, UMass Amherst Student Center

Lecture and book signing with award-winning historian Talitha L. LeFlouria (University of Virginia) on the plight of post-Civil War black women prisoners and their day-to-day struggles to overcome work-related abuses and violence. Copies of LeFlouria's prize-winning book Chained in Silence will be available for purchase. UMass/Five College Graduate Program in History Distinguished Annual Lecture. 4:30pm, Bernie Dallas Room, Goodell Hall, UMass Amherst

Wednesday, October 26 – Resisting Police Violence in Springfield and Beyond: Mothers, Activists, and Queer People of Color Speak Out
An evening with local and national voices, Kissa Owens (mother of Delano Walker), Andrea Ritchie (attorney, writer, Soros Justice Fellow), Shaeshae Quest (OutNow), Maria Ververis (mother of Michael Ververis), and Rhonda Williams (community organizer and scholar). Co-hosted by OutNow, Arise for Social Justice, and Project Operation Change, with the STCC School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. 7pm, Scibelli Hall Auditorium, STCC, Building 2

Spotlight on Research

We would like your feedback on Spotlight on Research, particularly the “Engagement” section, which we envision as a space for information about and links to webinars, blog posts, and other publications and activities related to the research of College of Education faculty and students.

Please email your thoughts to educore@educ.umass.edu. Thanks!
CSSR FALL 2016 CALENDAR

Sep 28  Workshop: Is a Ph.D. in Higher Education right for you?  
Answers to questions like: Why get a PhD? When to go? Where to go? -and- How to pay for the degree? – By Zeke Kimball  
12 pm @Furcolo 101

Oct 5  Center for Student Success Research Kickoff  
Celebrate the opening of CSSR – Food & Funding Opportunities  
12pm @Furcolo 101

Oct 19  Speaker Series: Cris Smith  
Implications of the Adult Transitions Longitudinal Study (ATLAS) for Adult Basic Education-to-College Student Success  
12 pm @Furcolo 101

Nov 2  ASHE Preparation- Do you (want to) present at ASHE?  
Practice Your Talk or Observe for Next Year!  
12pm @Furcolo W201

Nov 30  Workshop: Turning your Conference Paper into Publication  
Tips and tricks on how to publish - By Ryan Wells  
12 pm @Furcolo 101

Dec 7  Speaker Series: Dean Robert Feldman  
How Today’s Undergraduates Are Different, Why It Matters, and Teaching Strategies That Lead to Student Success

These events are organized by Center for Student Success Research
For questions email: rswells@edu.umass.edu

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From University Health Service

Don't let flu bug you!

Flu season is here and so are campus flu clinics. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommend that everyone over the age of six months be vaccinated against flu.

New this year: UHS flu clinics are open to all members of the campus community - students, faculty and staff! Costs are billed to your health insurance; bring your insurance plan's ID card with you. For questions about insurance coverage and billing at UHS please go to: https://www.umass.edu/uhs/insurance

Walk-in clinics around campus:

- **Thursday, Oct. 6**, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m., North Apartments, Building D
- **Thursday, Oct. 13**, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m., Commonwealth Honors College
- **Friday, Oct. 14**, 3 - 6 p.m., North Village Apartments
- **Thursday, Oct. 20**, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m., Berkshire Dining Commons
- **Friday, Oct. 21**, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., The Spot, Student Union
- **Thursday, Oct. 27**, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m., Webster Lounge
- **Thursday, Nov. 10**, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m., Recreation Center
- **Thursday, Nov. 17**, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m., Van Meter Lounge

Walk-in clinics in UHS, room 302:

- **Thursday, Sept. 29**, 1 - 4 p.m.
- **Friday, Oct. 7**, 9 a.m. - noon
- **Friday, Oct. 28**, 9 a.m. - noon
- **Friday, Nov. 18**, 9 a.m. - noon
- **Friday, Dec. 2**, 9 a.m. - noon
- **Thursday, Dec. 8**, 1 - 4 p.m.

You can also be vaccinated during a scheduled visit – just ask!

Learn more about flu, ways to stay healthy, and what to do if you’re sick on the CDC website.

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The College’s calendar of events and meetings is on our web site

http://www.umass.edu/education/news/calendar

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Dance is currently completing a book manuscript titled Gone With the Neo-Liberal Wind: Minority Teens, School Reform, and Urban Change in Sweden and the U.S. and has established cross-national symposia using poetry to engage urban youths in empowering dialogues (www.streetposia.org).

ABSTRACT: When comedians, satirists, and/or humorists approach sensitive subjects in a manner that enhances critical thinking about social inequalities, what are the secrets to their success? As Western nations experience increases in racism, which types of comedy, humor, and/or satire can be used to help us laugh with instead of at each other? Can humor/satire be used successfully to build dialogue across communities separated by racial/ethnic differences and/or within communities demoralized by racial/ethnic discrimination? And if so, how?

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016  4:00 – 6:00 P.M.
COMMONWEALTH HONORS COLLEGE EVENTS HALL – 160 EAST

Refreshments will be served  Open to All

FOR MORE INFORMATION
413-545-0394
resist@umass.edu
www.umass.edu/resistancestudies/events
Center for Student Success Research

Kick-Off!

Enjoy refreshments and learn more about the focus areas of the center, possibilities for collaboration, and funding opportunities.

RSVP: http://tinyurl.com/zoynfsu

October 5, 2016

12 - 1pm @ College of Education, Furcolo 101
813 N Pleasant St, Amherst.

For questions: gbettenc@umass.edu

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Indigenous Women of the Americas:
Activism and Research
♦ A Symposium ♦

Speakers:

Gladys Tzul Tzul
“Indigenous Women: The Reproduction of Life and the Politics of Desire”

Irma Alicia Velásquez Nimatuj

Discussants:

Anahi Morales Hudon
Assistant Professor
Université Saint-Paul University

Manuela L. Picq
Visiting Associate Professor
Amherst College

Thursday • October 6, 2016
5:00 – 7:00 pm • Herter 301
This event is free & open to the public

Organized by CLACLS; co-sponsored by Anthropology, Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies; Teacher Education & Curriculum Studies; and Student Development

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