

2015-2016 Faculty Achievements

College of Liberal Arts Summary of Achievements

The College of Liberal Arts, comprised of the Department of Behavioral Sciences, the Department of Fine Arts, the Department of History and Social Sciences, and the Department of Languages and Literature, is a large and diverse academic unit charged with servicing a considerable percentage of the University's basic curriculum. This past school year, the faculty members were extremely active. The college produced over twenty journal articles, book, and other scholarly publications. The faculty members also presented over forty scholarly presentations regionally, nationally, and internationally. The college also added several new faculty members in the Department of Fine Arts and in the Department of Languages and Literature.

Department of Behavioral Sciences

Key Achievements (Faculty and Departmental)

The Department of Behavioral Sciences is revitalized in its new workspace in renovated Spieth Hall. During the 2015-16 school year, **Dr. Joy Cauthron** acted as Interim Chairperson following the promotion of **Dr. Mark Davis** to Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Available lab space has made possible increased research productivity and much greater involvement of students in research than in previous years. The department has established a general psychology research requirement and a subject pool system like those used in a majority of R1 institutions, and student laboratory fees have made it possible to outfit the labs with computer equipment and biometric software currently used in labs at Stanford, Harvard, and Yale. This year departmental faculty have had eight notable publications of articles, chapters, and books, six presentations at the regional or international level, grants submitted at the institutional and federal level, and occupation of significant positions in three different professional organizations. Most of these scholarly activities involve substantial collaboration with current and former UWA students, as emphasis within the department is placed on active mentorship of students in the ways of the professional psychologist or sociologist. **Dr. James Gilbert** has joined the department as a full-time, tenure-track Associate Professor. The 2015 William E. Gilbert Award winner, **Dr. Kelly Pivik-Kelley**, is a member of the department. Finally, the nascent Masters of Science in Experimental Psychology boasts its first graduate, Krista (Breana) Black Thompson, and the program has an incoming cohort of twelve students.

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Mark Davis

Koehn, M.A., Jonason, P.K., Navarette, C.D., **Davis, M.D.**, & McGarty, C. (2016). A person-centered view of prejudiced attitudes: The Big Five, Dark Triad, and prejudice. Manuscript submitted for publication.

Warlick, C.A., Ingram, P.B., Ternes, M.S., Krieshok, T.S., & **Davis, M.D.** (2016). Attitudes and Values as an Integrative Framework for Vocational Decision Making. Research in progress.

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Mark Davis

Freitas-Magalhães, A., Coelho-Moreira, A., Alves, D., Campus, A.C., & **Davis, M.D.** (2016). *Handbook on Facial Expression of Emotion (Vol. 2)*. Porto: FEELab Science Books. ISBN: 9789898766052.

Williford, G. & **Davis, M.D.** (2016). Psychopathy and emotion: A review of the literature. In A. Freitas-Magalhães, A. Coelho-Moreira, D. Alves, A. C. Campos, & M. Davis (Eds) (pp. 67-88). *Handbook on Facial Expression of Emotion (Vol. 2)*. Porto: FEELab Science Books.

Patterson, K. & **Davis, M.D.** (2016). Microexpressions and deception detection. In A. Freitas-Magalhães, A. Coelho-Moreira, D. Alves, A. C. Campos, & **M. Davis** (Eds) (pp. 177-188). *Handbook on Facial Expression of Emotion (Vol. 2)*. Porto: FEELab Science Books.

Mata, R., **Davis, M.D.**, & Beutler, E. (2016). Emotions: A review and an integrative theory proposal. In A. Freitas-Magalhães, A. Coelho-Moreira, D. Alves, A. C. Campos, & **M. Davis** (Eds) (pp. 234-260). *Handbook on Facial Expression of Emotion (Vol. 2)*. Porto: FEELab Science Books.

Reducing Misanthropic Memory through self-awareness: Reducing bias. *American Journal of Psychology*, 128 (3), 347-354. DOI: 10.5406/amerjpsyc.128.3.0347 (2015).

Dr. Mark Davis and Dr. Kelly Pivik-Kelley

Pivik, K., Williams, C. C., & **Davis, M. D.** (2015). Toward a More Comprehensive View of Prejudice via Empathy and Facial Expression Mimicry. A. Freitas-Magalhães, (Ed.), *Emotional expression: The brain and the face (Vol. 7)*. Porto, Portugal: Edições Universidade Fernando Pessoa. ISBN: 978-989-8766-10-6.

Dr. Kelly Pivik-Kelley

Published a book chapter

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Mark Davis

Ingram, P.B., Warlick, C.A., Ternes, M.S., Krieshok, T.S., & **Davis, M.D.** (2015, August). Validation of the Integrated Hope Scale. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association annual convention in Toronto, Canada.

Warlick, C.A., Ingram, P.B., Ternes, M.S., Krieshok, T.S., & **Davis, M.D.** (2015, August). Incorporating hope into Vocational Psychology. Poster presented at the American Psychological Association annual convention in Toronto, Canada.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Mark Davis

International Society on Facial Expression of Emotion: Vice President

Dr. Russ Davis

Elected to the Board of Directors of the Alabama Rural Health Association

Funded Grants:

Dr. Mark Davis

US Department of Education: Co-author and Course Development Faculty Partner: UWA CARES (Center for Achievement, Retention, and Enrichment Services). PR Award # P382A150030. Total award - \$2,299,730. Award period – 2015 – 2020.

Department of Fine Arts

Key Achievements (Faculty and Departmental)

The Fine Arts Faculty of the University of West Alabama again represented UWA on the regional, national, and international levels during the 2015-16 school year.

Jessica Smith was in residence in Gilfélagið, Akureyri, Iceland, where she had a solo exhibition of her work at the Deiglan Galeri in Akureyri. Her works were also featured in Detroit, MI; Peoria, IL; and Corpus Christi, TX, among other locations and venues.

Manley Blackwell accompanied multiple recitals at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, AL, in addition to his multiple appearances throughout the school year at the University of West Alabama. He presented an organ recital for the Demopolis Music Study Club, and adjudicated for the Alabama Federation of Music Clubs Junior Festival as well as for the Huntsville Music Teachers Association District Auditions.

Erik Larson presented a guest lecture and oboe masterclass at the New York University's Steinhardt School of Music in Manhattan, New York. He also presented a series of lectures on "Performing Acoustics" at Powell Symphony Hall in St. Louis, MO; at Helzberg Hall in Kansas City, MO; at Boettcher Concert Hall in Denver, CO; and at El Pomar Great Hall in Colorado Springs, CO.

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Manley Blackwell

Hanthorn, Carter and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for Trombone and Piano." Senior Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. April 24, 2016.

Doyle, Edward and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for Trombone and Piano." Master of Music Degree Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. April 24, 2016.

Pugh, Elijah, and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for Trumpet and Piano." Doctor of Musical Arts Degree Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. April 5, 2016.

Funkhauser, Haley and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for French Horn and Piano." Junior Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. April 3, 2016.

Blackwell, Manley. "Recital of Music for Organ." Demopolis Music Study Club, First Presbyterian Church, Demopolis, Alabama. March 9, 2016.

Snead, Charles and **Manley Blackwell**. "Grabbing Life by the Horns." Recital of Music for Multiple French Horns and Piano. The University of West Alabama, Bibb Graves Auditorium, Livingston, Alabama. October 29, 2015.

King, Martin and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for French Horn and Piano." Doctor of Musical Arts Degree Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. September 2, 2015

Snead, Charles and **Manley Blackwell**. "Recital of Music for French Horn and Piano." Faculty Recital. University of Alabama School of Music, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. August 24, 2015

Ms. Jessica Smith

Artist Residency, Gilfélagið, Akureyri, Iceland

Selected Exhibitions:

Contents May Vary, Pewabic Pottery, Detroit, MI (Juror: Heather Mae Erickson)

Art of the State, Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, Tusculumbia, AL (Jurors: Janet Gorzegno and Jennifer Torres)

Central Time Ceramics, Heuser Art Center, Bradley University, Peoria, IL (Juror: Verne Funk)

National Drawing and Small Sculpture Show, Del Mar College Art Gallery, Corpus

Christi, TX (Juror: Brian Dettmer)

Solo exhibition, Deiglan Galeri, Akureyri, Iceland

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Mr. Erik Larson

Sang National Anthem at University of Alabama Men's Baseball game, with One Accord vocal ensemble (member). University of Alabama, Sewell–Thomas Stadium, Tuscaloosa, AL. Televised Regionally. April 17, 2016.

Guest Soloist for UWA Choir Christmas concert, University of West Alabama, Livingston, AL. December 4, 2015.

Mr. Erik Larson and Dr. Manley Blackwell

“Recital of Music for Oboe and Piano.” Sponsored by the Sumter County Fine Arts Council. The University of West Alabama, Bell Conference Center, Livingston, AL. November 3, 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Manley Blackwell

Adjudicator for the Huntsville Music Teachers Association District Auditions. First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama. April 16, 2016.

Adjudicator for the Alabama Federation of Music Clubs Junior Festival. Forest Lake Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. February 20, 2016.

Mr. Erik Larson

Adjudicator for the Alabama Federation of Music Clubs Junior Festival. Forest Lake Baptist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. February 20, 2016.

Workshops Conducted:

Mr. Erik Larson

Guest lecture and masterclass. Steinhardt School of Music, New York University, Manhattan, New York. March 23, 2016.

Coordinated with the Music Department at Shelton State Community College to create student trip on “Performing Acoustics.” Led on-site lectures detailing acoustical characteristics of Powell Symphony Hall (St. Louis, MO); Helzberg Hall (Kansas City, MO); Boettcher Concert

Hall (Denver, CO); El Pomar Great Hall (Colorado Springs, CO). Researched and authored architectural and acoustical guide for tour members. St. Louis, MO; Kansas City, MO; Denver, CO; Colorado Springs, CO. August 7-10, 2015

Department of History and Social Sciences

Key Achievements (Faculty and Departmental)

The Department of History and Social Sciences continues to pursue a strong mission of scholarly productivity and outreach to the community. Every member of the department engaged in some level of scholarship this past year. Two of the more outstanding examples are **Dr. Valerie Burnes'** book, *Visions of the Black Belt: A Cultural Survey of the Heart of Alabama* and **Dr. Chris Haveman's** book, *Rivers of Sand: Creek Indian Emigration, Relocation, and Ethnic Cleansing in the American South*. Dr. Burnes' book has been very popular and is already in its second edition. Dr. Haveman's book has received rave reviews in scholarly journals and promises to be an important book in the study of Native Americans for years to come.

Other faculty members are also involved in important scholarly publications. Dr. Riser continues to do a masterful job editing *The Alabama Review*, our state's official historical journal. Dr. Gentsch is nearing completion on the Historical Resource Study for Shiloh National Military Park which will be the official source of information used by the National Park Service for the next several years. Dr. Dumas has written an essay for a collection of works on archaeology. Similarly, Dr. Griffith has an essay in an upcoming book on the theme of honor.

The members of the faculty have also been active in presenting papers at scholarly events. In addition to several presentations around the state concerning her new book, Dr. Burnes was also invited to present a paper at the National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture Conference in Montgomery. Dr. Dumas had an active schedule as she presented important work on the archaeology of salt, not only in the US, but also in Rumania as well. Both Drs. Griffith and Schellhammer presented papers at the Association of Core Texts in Teaching conference in Atlanta.

Members of the faculty also engaged in important community outreach work. Most especially were Dr. Burnes' presentations on her book as well as other presentations on civil rights and also on the culture of the Black Belt region that she made at various libraries and museums throughout the state. Dr. Haveman, likewise, presented a talk at a library to a group of local history enthusiasts.

Both Drs. Burnes and Gentsch provided valuable consulting work outside the university community. Dr. Burnes consulted on numerous public history projects, and Dr. Gentsch conducted guided hikes as part of Shiloh National Military Park's anniversary.

A number of faculty members are serving as officers on state organizations. Dr. Burnes serves as the treasurer of the Alabama Historical Association while Dr. Dumas is the 3rd VP for Membership/Development, Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation and the State coordinator

for the Making Archaeology Public Project. Drs. Gentsch and Schellhammer are officers for the Alabama Historical Association servicing as treasurer and president, respectively.

The Department of History and Social Sciences is particularly proud of three programs. The first is the new minor/concentration in Public History. We have had our first cohort go through the first two classes in the program before they begin their more specialized, skills courses. The program is being helmed by Drs. Burnes and Dumas.

The second project is the ongoing work at Fort Tombeche. The development of Fort Tombeche into an outdoor classroom and interpretive space for UWA students has progressed by the completion of seven 2 x 3 foot permanent, informational panels. These panels tell the story of the fort and those who lived there and will be installed at the fort later this summer. Under the direction of Dr. Dumas, UWA work-study and jobship students finished processing artifacts from the last field school, which will enable the completion of the field reports on research there made over the last five years.

The third project is the ongoing attempt to create a center for the study of Native Americans, particularly those of the Black Belt region. Drs. Haveman and Dumas have strategically focused their library funds toward the acquisition of books and media about Native Americans of the Eastern Woodlands and, in particular, the Southeast. Dr. Dumas also redesigned the Anthropology minor, including the creation of several new courses focused on Native Americans and coordinating these courses with the existing History courses. The ongoing library additions and approved curriculum changes will facilitate students' ability to complete a minor in Anthropology and lay the groundwork for future developments in Native American studies at UWA.

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Jeff Gentsch

Historical Resource Study, Shiloh National Military Park

Dr. Mark Griffith

Wrote chapter titled, "Winston Churchill and Honor: in the book *Perspectives on Modern Honor*. Also, working on turning the chapter into a book about Churchill.

Working on a paper title, "Churchill's Dream" for the Association of Core Text meeting in 2016.

Dr. Chris Haveman

Bending Their Way Onward (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, forthcoming, Fall 2017).

Book chapter: Alabama Women: Their Lives and Times (University of Georgia Press, forthcoming Spring 2017).

Rivers of Sand: Creek Indian Emigration, Relocation, and Ethnic Cleansing in the American South (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2016).

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Valerie Burnes

Burnes, Valerie and Robin McDonald. *Visions of the Black Belt: A Cultural Survey of the Heart of Alabama*. Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2015.

Burnes, Valerie and Robin McDonald. "Visions of the Black Belt." *Alabama Heritage Magazine* 118, Fall 2015, 32-41.

Dr. Ashley Dumas

An Ethnoarchaeological Interpretation of the Salt Life, A.D. 1200. In *Archaeology of the Everyday*, edited by Sarah E. Price and Philip J. Carr. University Press of Florida, Gainesville. (Accepted for publication in 2017)

Review of Exploring Southeastern Archaeology, edited by Patricia Galloway and Evan Peacock. *Journal of Southern History* Vol. LXXXII (3), August 2016.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Valerie Burnes

National Alliance of Preservation Commissions' biennial FORUM July 30, 2016 Mobile, AL. Presentation on African American Equalization Schools built in Alabama between 1945 and 1975 as a final push to provide separate but equal facilities in the decades following the *Brown v. Board of Education* Supreme Court decision, in an attempt to stop integration.

"The Rise and Fall of Alabama's Black Belt" – AHA Spring Meeting, Montgomery, AL. April 16, 2016.

Interpreting Prehistoric Eastern U.S. Salt Production Using Ethnographic Analogy. The 81st Annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, Orlando, Florida, April 9, 2016.

Calvin Coolidge – Sumter County DAR, February 9, 2016

Samford University Antiquities Class, October 27, 2015

Clarke Co. Historical Society, October 25, 2015

Book Smith – Birmingham, AL., October 6, 2015

“Visions of the Black Belt” presentations:

Demopolis Public Library “Lunch and Learn” series, April 14, 2016.

Alabama Book Festival – Montgomery, AL., April 23, 2016.

Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts, Auburn University, April 7, 2016.

UWA – Campbell House per History Dept., March 21, 2016.

Gwinnett County (GA) Archaeological Society, March 10, 2016.

OLLI – Greensboro, March 8, 2016.

Presentation on Geneva Mercer to Jefferson Community Club, February 25, 2016.

Presentation on Geneva Mercer to Primrose Club, Livingston, AL. February 25, 2016.

OLLI – Tuscaloosa, February 23, 2016.

Birmingham Museum of Art, December 3, 2015.

UWA Library, December 1, 2015.

Episcopal Church Women Black Belt Convocation Meeting, November 14, 2015.

Selma/Dallas County Public Library, November 12, 2015

Mustard Seed – Demopolis, AL., November 5, 2015

Chair Caning Living History Demonstration – Clarke County Museum, October 31, 2015.

Primrose Club – Livingston, AL., October 22, 2015

Perry County Historical Society – Marion, AL., October 15, 2015

“The ‘New’ Cemetery at Old Cahaba” – Alabama Historical Association Fall Pilgrimage, October 9, 2015.

Black Belt Treasures Cultural Arts Center – official release party, October 1, 2015

“The History that Created the Artists: How Poverty Shapes Art in the Black Belt” – presentation to the Three Arts Club, Marion, AL., September 17, 2015.

“The Civil Rights Movement in Perry County.” Presented at the August 5, 2015 National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture conference on the 50th

anniversary of the Signing of the 1965 Voting Rights Act, Alabama State University, Montgomery, AL.

Dr. Ashley Dumas

Salt Production as a Reflection of Inter-Ethnic Contact and Culture Change during Late Prehistory (A.D. 800-1100) in South Alabama, United States. First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, A. I. Cuza University, Iasi, Romania, August 22, 2015.

A Summary of the Recent Archaeology of Salt in the Eastern United States. Plenary Session of the First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, A. I. Cuza University, Iasi, Romania, August 20, 2015.

Ethnoarchaeology of the Salt Life, circa A.D. 1200. The 72nd Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, November 19, 2015.

Little, Keith A., **Ashley A. Dumas**, and Hunter Johnson. A Summary of the Eighteenth-Century Ceramic Chronology of the Eastern Division Choctaw. The 72nd Southeastern Archaeological Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, November 19, 2015.

Dr. Mark Griffith

Presented a paper on Churchill's Dream to the Association of Core Text Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Richard Schellhammer

"Cicero's *On Friendship* in the Age of Facebook," presented to the Association of Core Texts in Teaching, April 2016, Atlanta, GA.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Valerie Burnes

Treasurer – Alabama Historical Association, 2013-present

Maritime Advisory Council, appointed by Governor Robert Bentley, 2012-2017

Cahawba Advisory Commission, appointed by Governor Bob Riley, 2011-2017

Dr. Ashley Dumas

3rd VP for Membership/Development, Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation

Assistant Journal Editor, *Journal of Alabama Archaeology*

State coordinator for the Making Archaeology Public Project

Dr. Jeff Gentsch

Treasurer, Alabama Association of Historians; revamped Academic Integrity Committee's procedures and stipulations and created committee's website.

Dr. Chris Haveman

(Institutional Service)

Faculty Senate

Colquitt Colloquium

Phi Kappa Phi

(Public Service)

Sylacauga Library presentation

Dr. Richard Schellhammer

President, Alabama Association of Historians. Helped organize the annual meeting of the Alabama Association of Historians at Jacksonville State University, February, 2016.

Professional Consultant:

Dr. Valerie Burnes

Interviewed by journalist Lee Roop from Al.com for an article entitled "Alabama's Black Belt feels the state cuts: 'There's nothing to do here'". Appeared on al.com on October 11, 2015.

National Register nomination for the Lincoln Normal School, Marion, AL

Provided archival consultation services to resident of Sumter Co. to preserve family papers related to the history of the area.

Provided building relocation and preservation consultation to Delta Chi Fraternity for the possible relocation of the Houston-Bailey House to the UWA campus for use as their chapter house.

Provided preservation consultation to Collins family for Lakewood, Livingston, AL. This is where Julia Tutwiler lived during part of her tenure at UWA.

Dr. Jeff Gentsch

Led guided tours for Shiloh National Military Park's Anniversary hikes, April 2015

Awards and Honors:

Dr. Ashley Dumas

Selected as a presenter at the James E. Colquitt Faculty Colloquium for “These Places Matter: Slave Houses as History and Anthropology”

Funded Grants:

Dr. Jeff Gentsch

United States Marine Corps Heritage Foundation-received grant to write journal article: “The Evolution of Amphibious Operations, 1854-1945.”

Department of Languages and Literature

Key Achievements (Faculty and Departmental)

In July, 2015, we took 6 students as part of the Reed Literary Odyssey to visit the Flannery O’Connor House in Milledgeville, GA, as well as the UGA campus in Athens and the Margaret Mitchell House in Atlanta.

In October, we held our Poetry at the Lake event at Lake LU.

In April, we hosted the Black Belt Symposium, featuring Dr. Philip Beidler.

In April, we hosted the eighth installment of the Callaway Schoolhouse Fiction and Poetry Reading and Workshop, featuring faculty members from the University of Alabama creative writing program. This is a recurring program, every semester, providing support for our student writers.

In March, UWA Integrated Marketing Communications students placed in the following categories at the 2016 Southeast Journalism Conference:

- * 1st Place TV News Reporting – Callie Murphy
- * 1st Place Media Ethics – Blake Barton, Will Tittle, and Lauren Wilkins
- * 2nd Place Best Arts and Entertainment Writer – James Banks
- * 3rd Place Current Events – Emily Edwards
- * 3rd Place Best Multimedia Journalist – Brianna Champion
- * 3rd Place Best Journalism Research Team

* 3rd Place Best News Graphic Designer

* 4th Place Best News Photographer: Paige Ip

* 7th Place Best Television News Reporter – Tierra Robinson

Dr. Brown produced another monograph in his well-received series of books on ghostlore of the American South, *Ghosts of Florida's Gulf Coast*, and conducted research for two others. And we have other books in the pipeline. Dr. Threatt is co-authoring an edited manuscript, *The International Handbook on the Demography of Marriage and the Family*, along with behavioral sciences colleague Dr. Farris. True to our department's commitment both to scholarship and creativity, Dr. Taylor has two works of fiction, *Pineapple* and *The Theoretics of Love*, which will appear in the next two years, and Dr. Threatt has a collection of poetry, *The Dreams of Daughters*, which is currently under review for publication.

Integrated Marketing Communications is the most thriving major at UWA. Our students have attended the Southeast Journalism Conference for the past several years, and this year won first prizes in TV News Reporting and in Media Ethics. Perhaps more impressively, as part of their senior capstone courses, the students put their creative energies in public relations and fundraising to use in the service of such worthy projects as Sumter County Strays (an organization that helps stray dogs and cats), the Special Olympics of Tuscaloosa, and the American Diabetes Association. In the spring, they planned and hosted an IMC conference, free of charge, for over 75 high school students in the two-state area.

Our Languages and Literature students have always been the focus of our efforts, and we have taken them on field trips, entered them in contests at conferences, and enlisted them in publishing creatively. In the past year, we took six students on the Reed Literary Odyssey, a field trip to literary Georgia, visiting the homes of Flannery O'Connor and Margaret Mitchell. We have also revived our literary magazine, *The Sucarnochee Review*, provided office space for it in Wallace 307, and published the first number in May. The first issue of the new era includes poetry and prose from undergraduates from 25 different colleges and universities around the country.

Part of what we do to broaden our students' knowledge and understanding of the world is bring speakers to campus. In April, we hosted the Black Belt Symposium, bringing Dr. Philip Beidler to campus to discuss the publication of Harper Lee's *Go Set a Watchman*. And in the spring we also hosted two creative writers from the University of Alabama who held a workshop for student writers and gave a reading from their own work.

In the past year we have outspent our department travel allocations. Our faculty have presented conference papers at the American Literature Association and the South Atlantic Modern Language Association (Dr. Shaul), the Delta Blues Symposium and Mississippi Philological Association (Dr. Brown), the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (Dr. Jones), the Southwest Social Science Association (Dr. Threatt), to name but a few.

As this report demonstrates, both faculty members and undergraduate majors have advanced our mission within the university, and we look forward to another fine academic year in 2016-2017.

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Alan Brown

Between December 2015 and, March 2016 conducted research for my book *Mississippi's Haunted Golden Triangle*. Much of my research involved combing the archives of the Columbus Public Library for information.

Conducted research for my book *Haunted Alabama* from April 2016 and September 2016. Much of research involved driving throughout the entire state of Alabama garnering photographs and information.

Conducted research for my presentation of *Hound of the Baskervilles* (October 20, 2016) and *Chinatown* (March 23 2016) for the University Film Series.

Dr. Tina Jones and Dr. Amy Jones

“Ruby Pickens Tartt: Composing a New Score.” *Alabama Women: Their Lives and Times*, Athens: U of Georgia P, 2017.

Dr. Lesa Shaul

Conducting research on the following topics: Harper Lee’s controversial “second” novel, *Go Set a Watchman*; Robert Penn Warren’s later poetry; Reaganomics and the short fiction of David Foster Wallace; and feminist dystopias in the novels of Margaret Atwood and Octavia Butler.

Dr. Joe Taylor

Reading for Tartt’s First Fiction Contest

Read 98 opening stories for manuscripts

Read nine finalists all the way through

Read about 100 queries last year for unsolicited novels. Read about ten all the way through.

Dr. Elizabeth Threatt and Dr. Nicole Farris

Co-authoring an edited manuscript: *International Handbook on the Demography of Marriage and the Family*. Contracted with Springer. Publication scheduled November 2017.

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Alan Brown

Ghosts of Florida's Gulf Coast. Pineapple Press. September 1, 2015.

Dr. Joe Taylor

The Theoretics of Love forthcoming, NewSouth Publications.

Pineapple. Forthcoming, Sagging Meniscus Press. New York. 2018.

"Madonna on a Country Road" *Steam Ticket*. U of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Alan Brown

Conference paper. "Ex-Slave Narratives of Alabama" Fall into Folklore. Birmingham, AL, November 13, 2016.

Conference paper. "Haunted Bed and Breakfasts of the South." Annual meeting of the American Ghost Society. June 25, 2016.

Conference paper. "Bob Dylan's Murder Ballads." Delta Blues Symposium. Jonesboro, Arkansas. April 16, 2016.

Conference paper. "H.P. Lovecraft's debt to Edgar Allan Poe's The Narrative of A. Gordon Pym" Mississippi Philological Association, Columbus, MS. February 13, 2016.

Dr. Amy Jones

Social media playbook: An analysis of athletes' social media use. The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues; Minneapolis, MN. (June 26, 2016).

Simpson, R. & Jones, A. (June 24, 2016). Back that sexism up: Analyzing female objectification in music videos. The society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues; Minneapolis, MN.

Dr. Tina Jones

"Two Women, Two Lives, One Song: Ruby Pickens Tartt & Vera Hall. Fall into Folklife: A Symposium on Alabama's Folk Culture. Alabama Folklife Association. Birmingham, AL. Nov. 13, 2015.

Panelist. "Heritage Areas and Their Impact on Main Street." Cultivating Place in Main Street Communities Conference. Main Street of Alabama. Opelika, AL. March 2016.

“Creating a Community Festival: A Checklist” Festival Workshop for the Black Belt Community Foundation, Selma, AL. Feb. 2016.

“Museums and Communities: Working Together.” Museum Workshop for the Black Belt Community Foundation, Selma, AL. Feb. 2016.

“Why Preservation and History Matters: Alabama’s Bicentennial Celebration.” Keynote speaker for annual meeting of West Jefferson County Historical Society, Bessemer, AL. April 23, 2016.

Dr. Tina Jones and Ms. Angel Jowers

“Getting the Team Ready for SACS Visit.” Southern Association of Schools and Colleges Annual Meeting; Houston, Texas. December 2015.

Dr. Kendrick Prewitt

Discussion leader, *The Madness of King George*, Arkansas chapter of American College of Physicians annual Reading Retreat, Heber Springs, AR, April 2016.

Dr. Lesa Shaul

“What Will the Folks Back Home Say?”: Local and National Responses to the Publication of Harper Lee’s *Go Set a Watchman*.” Paper presented at ALA (American Literature Association), San Francisco, California, May 26, 2016.

Harper Lee’s *Go Set a Watchman*.” Paper presented at ALA (American Literature Association), San Francisco, California, May 26, 2016.

“A Concert of the Senses: Synesthetic Metaphors in Robert Penn Warren’s Last Poems.” Paper presented at SAML (South Atlantic Modern Language Association), Durham, North Carolina, November 14, 2015.

Dr. Joe Taylor

Associated Writing Programs in Los Angeles.

Alabama Book Festival in Oldtown.

“An Editor’s Work” invited talk at SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton NY.

Dr. Elizabeth Threatt

“The Voiceless Double: Postcolonialism and Identity in *Breath, Eyes, Memory* and *Annie John*.” Southwest Social Sciences Association, November 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Alan Brown

President. Alabama Folk Life Association for 2015/2016.

Recording Secretary. Sumter County Fine Arts Council for 2015/2016.

Panelist, "The Legacy of Wes Craven." Fear Fete. Biloxi, MS, October 17, 2016.

Panelist. Harper Lee's *Go Set a Watchman*. Black Belt Symposium, Livingston, AL. April 14, 2016.

Panelist. Harper Lee's *Go Set a Watchman* at the annual meeting of ACETA in Tuscaloosa, AL on February 27, 2016.

Dr. Amy Jones

Southeast Journalism Conference:

Vice President

UWA Faculty Delegate

Judge for on-site Graphic Design Competition

Judge for Best of the South Magazine Layout competition

Judge for Best of the South Newspaper Layout competition

Alabama Council of University Faculty Presidents:

President

Mr. Greg Jones

Panelist for Wes Craven Director Tribute, FearFete, Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center. Biloxi, MS. October 18, 2016.

Panelist for the 2016 Black Belt Symposium, The Two Novels of Harper Lee: From Classic to Controversy. Bell Conference Center. April 14, 2016.

Judge for Feature Writing, South Eastern Journalism Conference, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, TN. February 19, 2016.

Judge for Arts and Entertainment Writing, South Eastern Journalism Conference, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, TN. February 19, 2016.

Dr. Tina Jones

President, Black Belt Heritage Area Board of Directors

President, Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation (statewide partner of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, editor of the Trustee newsletter)

Member of the Black Belt Action Commission, Marketing Tourism Committee

Member of the Alabama Folklife Association Board of Directors (board development committee)

Member, Southwest Alabama Tourism Board

Member, Black Belt Treasures Cultural Art Center Board

Member of the Friends Board for the Alabama Department of Archives and History (chair, Archives Fellows Committee)

Black Belt Community Foundation – Arts Committee, Community Associate

President, Sumter County Fine Arts Council

Dr. Lesa Shaul

Serve as a representative on the Interdisciplinary, Honors, and Innovative (IHI) Committee for the AGSC (Alabama Articulation and General Studies Committee).

Dr. Elizabeth Threatt

Appointed 2016/2017 Affiliate President of Women and Gender Studies for the Southwest Social Science Association.

Served as Southwest Social Science Association Women and Gender Studies Co-Chair 2015-2016

Edited/Published *The Sucarnochee Review*, Volume 23, Spring 2016.

Current faculty editor of *The Sucarnochee Review*

Professional Consultant:

Dr. Alan Brown

Manuscript review of the article “Thomas Pynchon’s Ukulele” for *The Journal of American Culture*.

Awards and Honors:**Dr. Lesa Shaul**

McIlwain Bell Trustee Professor, 2015-2016

Funded Grants:**Dr. Alan Brown**

In January 2015, \$2800 grant request for the Sucarnochee Folklife Festival was funded by the Alabama State Council on the Arts.

Mr. Greg Jones

2016 Office of Sponsored Programs Seed Grant Project: UWA Print Sports Magazine. September 17, 2015. \$1,500.

Dr. Tina Jones

Certified Nursing Assistant Program Award from the Alabama Department of Commerce/ Workforce Development Division (awarded July 1, 2016) (\$117,000)

Black Belt Community Foundation Grant – Sumter County Fine Arts Council, \$3000.

National Endowment on the Arts. The grant was awarded to Alabama Public Television for their series *Journey Proud*. For this project, I am named as a humanities advisory scholar.

Publications:**Dr. Elizabeth Threatt**

Lascaux Review. Finalist. "The Dreams of Daughters." Fall 2015.

Workshops Conducted:**Dr. Alan Brown**

Presented a workshop on comma usage to the Mississippi Writers' Guild on May 28, 2016.

Dr. Lesa Shaul

Honors Common Book Experience meetings: *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee (in preparation for the 2016 Black Belt Symposium panel discussion).

Other:**Dr. Tina Jones**

Selected & attended Bill Bates Leadership Institute sponsored by the Alabama State Council on the Arts, Mt Cheaha, August 2015.

Selected for Leadership Alabama, Class XXVII

Faculty Fellow and Faculty Chair for Operation Discovery, Living Learning Communities in Gilbert Hall.

Relay for Life – Team Captain, Media Maniacs (UWA Team of the Year), and Sumter County Relay for Life County Committee member.

*College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Summary of Achievements*

Mathematics

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Thomas Ratkovich

Attended the biweekly Algebra Seminar at the University of Alabama

Dr. Frank Rogers

Researching Fuzzy Logic and its applications to Cryptography.

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Frank Rogers

Fuzzy Linear Congruence and Linear Fuzzy Integers. *International Journal of Advanced and Applied Sciences*. {Accepted for publication 05/20/16}

Linear Fuzzy Integers and Bezout's Identity. *Asian Journal of Fuzzy and Applied Mathematics*. 4 (2016), 5-9.

Method for Optimizing the Dual of Linear Fuzzy Programming Problems. *Journal of Advances in Mathematics*. 12 (2016), 5895-5904.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Hazel Truelove

Oct. 24: presented "A Qualitative Study of the Mathematical Practices of Pre-Service Mathematics Teachers" at the Kennesaw Mountain Undergraduate Mathematics Conference, Kennesaw, GA.

Oct. 24-25: Attended Kennesaw Mountain Undergraduate Mathematics Conference. The conference was designed as a venue for undergraduate students of Mathematics to present topics in a variety of fields. It also served as a venue for instructors to share ideas in teaching and information about avenues for undergraduate research to be published. **Dr. Jing Chen** two students, Audrey Cochran and Nick Spradling also attended. The conference gave the students a chance to see what other students were doing

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Ms. Rita Bonner

Judge for the UWA Regional Science Fair

Ms. Kim Giles

AISA District High School Mathematics Tournament Host

AISA District Middle School Mathematics Tournament Host

High School Science Fair Judge

Recruitment Drive at Area High Schools

Dr. Thomas Ratkovich

Chair, Dept. of Mathematics

Police Officer, UWA Police Dept.

University Academic Council

NSM Academic Council

Graduate Council

Pre-Engineering/Dual Degree Advisor

Promotion/Tenure NSM College Review Group 10/19/15

Search Committee-bbY Coordinator of Professional Development and Sales

Search Committee-Professor of Public Safety

Promotion and Tenure Committee College Review Group

OSP Seed Grant Committee

Internship Evaluations:

Internship Supervision for COE, 9/24/15, Sumter Central HS

Internship Supervision for COE, 10/21/15, Sulligent HS

Internship Supervision for COE, Demopolis High School, 2/16/16

Internship Supervision for COE, Southview Middle School, 3/23/16

Internship Supervision for COE, Bibb County High School, 3/25/16

Internship Supervision for COE, Oakman High School, 4/8/16

Recruitment:

Football Recruiting Luncheon 1/15/16

Football Recruiting Luncheon 1/22/16

Preview Day, 9/10/15

Preview Day 10/3/15

Preview Day 3/5/16

Preview Day 4/23/16

Recruiting Trip, Alabama School of Math & Science, Mobile, AL 9/23/15

Recruiting Trip, Murphy High School, Mobile, AL 9/23/15

Recruiting Trip-College View Day, Mississippi School of Math and Science 10/6/15

Recruiting Trip, Fayette County High School, Fayette, AL 10/20/15

Recruiting Trip, Alabama School of Math & Science, Mobile, AL 11/11/15

Recruiting Trip, Sumter Central High School, 2/24/16

Recruiting Trip, College Night, Huntsville, AL 3/24/16

Judge-Science Fairs:

Science Fair, South Choctaw Academy, 2/11/16

Science Fair, Pickens Academy, 2/17/16

Science Fair, Holy Spirit School, 2/23/16

West Alabama Regional Science Fair, 3/5/16

Undergraduate Research Symposium, 3/8/16

Family Day 9/5/15

Pre-Professional Advisory Committee

Career Fair, Bell Conference Center, 9/16/15

Presenter – Honors Day Convocation, 3/16/16

Police Traffic Control, Undergraduate Research Symposium, 3/8/16

Judge, Leadership Training, Tuscaloosa, AL 4/19/16

Dr. Hazel Truelove

Judge for Alabama Regional Science Fair in the field of Humanities.

Representative for the Department of Mathematics supporting the College of Education's NCATE review.

Funded Grants:

Mr. Frank Rogers

Participated in the NSF LSAMP proposal

Mr. Micky Smith

Secured \$4000 grant for the Sumter/Marengo Water Festival

Other:

Dr. Ratkovich, Ms. Rita Bonner, Ms. Kim Giles and Mr. Jay Smith.

Recruiting Trip, Alabama School of Math & Science, Mobile, AL 9/23/15

Recruiting Trip, Murphy HS, Mobile, AL 9/23/15

Recruiting Trip, Alabama School of Math and Science 11/11/15

Recruiting Trip, Fayette County HS, Fayette, AL 10/20/15

Biological and Environmental Sciences

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Brian Burnes

Host Origin Analysis of Fecal Microbes in Pintlalla Creek. Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District Board, Montgomery, Alabama. 2015.

Ms. Chengke Liu

Reveal the mystery of endophytic fungus-mycovirus-plant symbiosis that controls plant thermotolerance. Meeting of the Southern Section of the American Society of Plant Biologists (SS-ASPB), Denton, TX April 1-4, 2016.

Dr. Brian Keener

Gave presentation to the Fleur de Lis Garden Club, Camden, Oct 5, 2015

Gave presentation to the Blountsville Cosmos Club, Blountsville, Oct 8, 2015

Gave presentation to the Blount County Wildflower Society, Oneonta, Nov 12, 2015

Dr. John McCall

“Alabama Biodiversity”. Alabama Onsite Wastewater Association Trade Show and Online Conference, Livingston, Alabama, 31 March and 1 April 2016.

Dr. Mustafa Morsy

Ables B., Warren M., Ames V., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Pathogens vs. Unknown Bacteria: A Search for Novel Antibiotics. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Anderson C., Edmondson K., Wilson L., Young K., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Discovery of New Antibiotic Producing Bacteria. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Barlow R., Meza G., Turner H., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Uncovering Tomorrow’s Medicine: The Search for New Antibiotic Cures in Dirt. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Cole D., Coley A., Atkins J., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Fighting Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria: The Search Antibiotics. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

King R., Deluca M., and **Morsy Mustafa.** (2016). Microbiome and Antibiotic Discovery in the Saline Gradient of the Simpson Wild Life Sanctuary. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Larkin A., Carroll J, and **Morsy M.** (2016). Fungal Symbionts Improve Tomato Production. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

AgMicrobiomes Consortium Meeting supported by the US National Science Foundation and held in March 2016 in Asilomar, CA.

Birmingham-Southern College, Department of Biology, Bio-Boom: Fungal Endophytes Improve Tomato Fruit Taste Quality. Oct 20, 2015

Suez Canal University, Egypt. Promoting Undergraduate Biology Research with a Minimum Budget. Dec. 10 2015.

University of West Georgia, Department of Biology. Bio-Boom: Enhancing Crop Production using Habitat Specific Fungal Endophytes. Sept 18, 2015.

UWA Office of Sponsored Program, One Stop Grant Shop: NSF Funding: Insights from an Awardee and Panelist, June 17, 2015.

Tindol B., Montgomery J., Harrington D., and **Morsy M.** (2016). The Biological Fight between Soil and Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Tompkins R., Densmore M., Black M., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Antibiotics: Diamonds in the Dirt. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL, March 2016.

Turner H., Coley A., and **Morsy M.** (2016). Uncovering Tomorrow's Medicine: The Search for Novel Antibiotic Cures in Dirt. American Society for Microbiology, ASM Microbe, Boston, MA, June 16 -19.

Dr. Mustafa Morsy and Mr. Blake Cleckler

Bio-Boom: Fungal endophytes enhance tomato drought and salt tolerance. Meeting of the Southern Section of the American Society of Plant Biologists (SS-ASPB), Denton, TX April 1-4, 2016.

Bio-Boom: Fungal Endophytes Improve Tomato Fruit Taste Quality. Workshop on Plant Development and Drought Stress, Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, CA, Nov. 1 – 4, 2015.

Dr. Andrew Rindsberg

Knaust, Dirk, & **Rindsberg, Andrew K.** “Ichnotaxonomy: the Foundation for Ichnological Work.” Keynote talk, Ichnia 2016, Idanha-a-Nova, Portugal, May 6, 2016.

Martin, Anthony J., & **Rindsberg, Andrew K.** “Trace Fossils and Ichnology as an Integral Part Evolutionary Studies and Education.” Southeastern Evolutionary Perspectives Society 2016 Conference, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, February 14, 2016.

Pavela, Martin, Mikuláš, Radek, & **Rindsberg, Andrew K.** “A Carboniferous Chiton (Mollusca, Polyplacophora) at the End of its Trail: a Unique Find from the Czech Republic.” Ichnia 2016, Idanha-a-Nova, Portugal, May 7, 2016.

“A Brief Geological History of the Black Belt.” 29th Alabama Onsite Wastewater Association Trade Show and Online Conference, Livingston, Alabama, March 31 and April 1, 2016.

Rindsberg, Andrew K., & Martin, Anthony J. “Implications of Behavioral Evolution for the Taxonomy of Trace Fossils.” Southeastern Evolutionary Perspectives Society 2016 Conference, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, February 14, 2016.

Rindsberg, Andrew K., Martin, Anthony J., and Henderson, Stephen W. “The Ichnologic Heritage of Robert Wayne Frey (1938-1992).” Ichnia 2016, Idanha-a-Nova, Portugal, May 7, 2016.

Dr. Michael Sandel

Newburn, T., **Sandel, M.**, and Morrow, C. Characterization of the dermal mucosa microbiome of red drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*). American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists, New Orleans, July 8, 2016.

Deep, cold, dark, and old. Accounting for non-neutral DNA sequence variation reconciles the Perciformes mitochondrial phylogeny. American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists. New Orleans, July 9, 2016.

Invited seminar (1-hr), Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia. "Causes and consequences of mtDNA convergence: Teleost fishes as a case study"

Research presentation at the Southeastern Fishes Council, November 13-15, Gainesville, Florida: "Preliminary characterization of the dermal mucosal microbiome of Red Drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*)"

Dr. Ketia Shumaker

Invited and sponsored by the National Science Foundation to speak on "Broader Impacts through Student Internships" at the 2015 International Plant & Animal Genome Conference (San Diego, CA), and 2015 American Society for Plant Biologist Conference (Minneapolis, Minnesota)

Dr. Lee Stanton

Invited speaker at the East Gulf Coastal Plain Joint Venture Board Meeting, December 9-10, Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS. Presentation entitled: "*The Black Land Prairie Restoration Initiative and the Center for the Study of the Black Belt*"

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Ms. Janis Beaird

Chair, West Alabama Elementary Science Olympiad

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Epsilon Delta Premedical Honor Society

Dr. Brian Keener

Director and Curator of the University of West Alabama Herbarium (UWAL)

Director of the Alabama Plant Atlas. www.floraofalabama.org

Served as Chair of the Alabama Wildflower Society Scholarship Committee, 2015.

Dr. John McCall

Faculty Advisor, Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society

Archivist, Alabama Academy of Science

Dr. Kevin Morse

Alabama Academy of Science (Secretary, 2013-14 & 2014-15)

Dr. Mustafa Morsy

Chair, Undergraduate Research Symposium Committee.

Chair of the 3rd Annual Small World Initiative (SWI) Symposium, at the American Society for Microbiology Conference, ASM Microbe. May, 2016

Peer Reviewer/Panelist of grant proposal for the National Science Foundation DUE and BIO Directorate

Associate Editor of the Journal of Investigative Genomics

Associate Editor of the BMC Research Notes

Dr. Michael Sandel

Treasurer of the Southeastern Fishes Council

Dr. Ketia Shumaker

2nd Vice President, Alabama Academy of Sciences

Dr. Lee Stanton

Director, Black Belt Conservation and Restoration Institute:

UWA Liaison Officer, Marine Environmental Sciences Consortium, Dauphin Island Sea Lab (2015-present)

President, UWA Phi Kappa Phi Chapter (2012-2014).

Funded Grants:

Ms. Chengke Liu

Awarded Pyramid Grant by UWA Office of Sponsored Programs.

Dr. Jeffery Merida

Re-awarded \$40,000 Grant for PBI Bloom Project.

Dr. Kevin Morse

Jefferson County Professional Services Contract for 3-Year Benthic Macroinvertebrate Study of the Cahaba River for \$110,000

Dr. Mustafa Morsy

Bio-BOOM: A Closer Step to a Natural Biofertilizer. The United States Department of Agriculture Specialty Crop Block Grant –Farm Bill Program, October, 2015; \$25,000. (**New award**)

“Release the Writer” Incentive Program for Grant Proposals, The Office of Sponsored Programs, 2015; (\$4000) (**New award**)

Confirmation of the roles of fungal genes in plant stress tolerance. The National Science Foundation, June 2014, \$548,000. (Continuing award)

Bio-BOOM: Boosting Crop Production using Alabama-specific Symbionts. USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant – Farm Bill Program, May 2014; \$23,000. (Continuing award)

Dr. Mustafa Morsy, Dr. John McCall and Dr. Lee Stanton

Biology Opportunities and Scholarships for Success (BOSS). The National Science Foundation S- STEM, June 2014, \$609,000. (Continuing award)

Dr. Mustafa Morsy, Dr. Brian Burnes and Ms. J.J. Wedgworth

UWA iLOVE Biology Research (Improving Learning Outcomes Via Enhancement of Biology Research). National Science Foundation. Amount requested \$300,000 (pending).

Mr. Michael Sandel

NSF grant to pursue work in Lake Baikal, Siberia. \$455,000

One pilot grant preliminary proposal was invited for submission of full proposal (due 16 January, 2016).

Dr. Ketia Shumaker

Continued funding on a consulting project to fund two more UWA undergraduates as summer interns at Pennsylvania State University through a grant funded by the Apes Valentes Undergraduate Research Program at PSU and funded by PSU's Center for Pollinator Research.

Submitted a Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation collaborative grant proposal to the National Science Foundation with five other Alabama universities in the role of a co-principal investigator (Fall 2015)

Submitted the UWA Advance Catalyst for Institutional Transformation grant proposal to the National Science Foundation in the role of a co-principal investigator (Fall 2015)

Serving on the UWA planning committee for the iLove Biology Research grant proposal for a National Science Foundation grant (Fall 2015 - Spring 2016).

Co-principal investigator of the newly funded United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Interdisciplinary Climate Education grant. In collaboration with Virginia Tech University's project director, Dr. Carlyon Copenheaver, a three-year research project entitled, "Forest Resilience to Climate Change: A Dendroclimatic Assessment of Trees with Commercial and Conservation Value" will be conducted. (\$445,000)

Dr. Lee Stanton

Partnered with Auburn University and AL Cooperative Extension Service and was awarded an EPA Environmental Education Local Grant for "Increasing Environmental Literacy and

Watershed Stewardship through Youth-Focused Citizen Science". \$4500 and will coordinate a three-day environmental education workshop in July 2016.

Publications:

Dr. Brian Keener

Keener, B.R. and L.J. Davenport. 2015. Change in Taxonomic Rank for a *Hexastylis* (Aristolochiaceae) Taxon of the Southeastern United States. *J. Bot. Res. Inst. Texas* 9:317-318.

Pseudabutilon. Pp. 308-309 in *Flora of North America north of Mexico*, vol. 6, ed. *Flora of North America Editorial Committee*. Oxford University Press, New York. 2015.

Keener, Brian. Alabama Plant Atlas Editorial Committee. 2015. *Alabama Plant Atlas*. [S.M. Landry and K.N. Campbell (original application development), Florida Center for Community Design and Research. University of South Florida] University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama.

Dr. Heather McDonald

McDonald, H.M., Macon, K., Johnson, D., McCombs, D., Teale, M., Wall, S.B., Wilson, W.W., DeLucas, L. J. Self-interaction chromatography and human osteoprotegerin. *Journal of the Alabama Academy of Sciences*. 2015, **86**, 1-14.

Dr. Kevin Morse

Frings, D. M. and **K. J. Morse**. 2015. New state record and southeastern United States range extension for *Cyzicus mexicanus* (Claus) (Mexican Clam Shrimp). *Southeastern Naturalist* 14(4): N67-N69.

Dr. Mustafa Morsy

Safaa Al-Hamdani, Austen Stoelting, and **Morsy M.** (2015). Influence of Symbiotic Interaction between Fungus, Virus, and Tomato Plant in Combating Heat Stress. *American Journal of Plant Sciences*. 6: 1633-1640.

Safaa Al-Hamdani, Austen Stoelting, and **Morsy M.** (2015). Influence of Symbiotic Interaction between Fungus, Virus, and Tomato Plant in Combating Heat Stress. *Journal of Alabama Academy of Science*. 85: 150-159.

Dr. Andrew Rindsberg

Kopaska-Merkel, D.C., & **Rindsberg, A.K.**, 2015, Bioirrigation in *Alph nigen.*, arthropod cubichnia from the Mississippian Hartselle Sandstone of Alabama (U.S.A.): *Geodinamica Acta*, v. 28, nos. 1-2, p. 117-135. DOI: 10.1080/09853111.2015.1108569.

Rindsberg, A.K., 2015a, Construction of ichnogeneric names: *Annales Societatis Geologorum Poloniae*, v. 85, no. 3, p. 529-549. URL

Rindsberg, A.K., & Martin, A.J., 2015, Caster's plasters: neoichnological experiments by Kenneth Caster on limulids in 1937, in McIlroy, D., ed., *Ichnology: Papers from Ichnia III: Geological Association of Canada, Miscellaneous Publication*, no. 9, p. 197-210.

Vallon, L.H., **Rindsberg, A.K.**, & Bromley, R.G., 2015, An updated classification of animal behaviour preserved in substrates: *Geodinamica Acta*, v. 28, nos. 1-2, p. 5-20. URL <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/09853111.2015.1065306>

Vallon, L.H., **Rindsberg, A.K.**, & Martin, A.J., 2015, The use of the terms *trace*, *mark* and *structure*: *Annales Societatis Geologorum Poloniae*, v. 85, no. 3, p. 527-528. URL http://www.asgp.pl/sites/default/files/volumes/85_3_527_528.pdf

Physical Sciences

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Yun Ho Kim

“Synthesis of Tooth Anesthetic: (E)-N-(4-methoxyphenethyl)-N-methylcinnamamide” at the Twelfth International Symposium on Recent Advances in Environmental Health Research, Jackson State University, MS on Sept 15, 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Roger Campbell

Served as director of the 2015 West Alabama Regional Science Fair.

Dr. Yun Ho Kim

Traveled to Korea in May 2015 to conduct meetings with numerous universities and high schools to work toward and exchange program with UWA.

Funded Grants:

Mr. Roger Campbell

Served as director of the 2015 West Alabama Herbarium (UWAL)

Dr. Heather McDonald

Co-PI on grant submitted to the National Science Foundation ADVANCE program November 2 with Dr. Nicole Farris (PI) entitled, *Sparking Progress: Attracting, Advancing, and Retaining Women in STEM at UWA*.

College of Business Achievement Report

Key Achievements

- 1 faculty completed 2nd Ph.D. – Dr. Uchena Akpom
- 2 faculty completed Ph.D. – Dr. Anna Cai (Part-time), Dr. Brie Winkles
- 10 faculty participate in 30 scholarly research activities
- 5 faculty published 15 articles in professional journals or conference proceedings
- 11 faculty made 25 professional presentations
- 2 faculty made 23 recruiting presentations to high schools and community colleges
- 7 faculty held 14 positions in professional organizations
- 2 faculty provided consulting services
- 3 faculty received 4 awards
- 4 faculty were awarded 8 grants for \$235,000

Staff

- 1 professional staff participated in research activities with faculty
- 2 professional staff participated in writing grants with faculty
- 2 professional staff made a 2 professional presentations with faculty
- 2 professional staff made 8 recruiting presentations to high schools and community colleges

Departments

AFE Department hosted first annual Accounting and Finance Day, March 2016, with prospective employers and graduate schools

Accounting Finance and Economics

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Linyun Cai

Currency exchange

Causes of the Financial Crisis

Bank Deposit Insurance in China

Public Policy: Welfare and Taxation

Dr. Joo Young Lee

Lee, Joo Young, and Lee, Youn Mi. “Economic Impacts on Family Issues.” January 2015 to Present.

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Linyuan Cai

“The East Asian Dollar Standard”

“Bank Deposit Insurance in China.”

“Understanding the Financial Crisis.”

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Uchena Akpom

Anoruo, E. & **Akpom, U.** Military Spending - Household Consumption Nexus: A Heterogeneous Panel Data Approach. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Economics and Finance, Pensacola Beach, Florida, February 2016.

Akpom, U. & Anoruo, E. The Impact of Corporate Governance Structure On Corporate Social Responsibility: An Empirical Study of Listed Financial Services Companies in Nigeria. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Economics and Finance, Pensacola Beach, Florida, February 2016.

Dr. Uchena Akpom and Dr. Adrian Doss

Estimating the impact of state government spending and the economy on crime rates. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Society of Economists, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 11-15 March, 2016.

Dr. Uchena Akpom and Dr. Janie Gregg

The Impact of Company Size on Corporate Social Responsibility: Empirical Evidence from a Developing Economy. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Society of Economists, Oklahoma City, OK. 11-15 March, 2016.

Dr. Anna Cai

“Asian Currency Standards: Finding a Balanced Basket”-Paper presented at GDUF-December, 2015.

Dr. Linyun Cai

The East Asian Dollar Standard – GDUF Lecture Series

Bank Deposit Insurance in China – GDUF Lecture Series – Presented by President Tucker

Ms. Sharon Stipe, Dr. Janie Gregg and Dr. Aliquippa Allen

“Responding to Employers’ Expectations: Requiring a Junior/Senior Two – Year Series of Professional Development Courses.” Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), June 17-20, 2016, Atlanta, GA.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Uchena Akpom

Southwestern Society of Economists, discussant at the 2016 meeting

Academy of Economics and Finance, discussant at the 2016 meeting

Dr. Anna Cai

Organized and led 16 students to the Student Managed Investment Fund Conference

Dr. Linyun Cai

Sponsored 15 students in attending the Student Managed Investment Fund Conference

Member, University Academic Council

Ms. Kristy Chapman

Attended the ASCPA's Accounting Educator's Conference

Attended the ASCPA's Accounting Technology Conference

Attended the ASCPA's Accounting Pilot and Bridge Program Conference

Secretary of the University's Faculty Senate

Advisor to UWA Accounting Club

Dr. Mitzi Green

Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) Site Visit, Team Chair:

West Virginia State University, Institute, WV, September 2015

Delta State University, Cleveland, MS, February 2016

Professional Consultant:

Ms. Kristy Chapman

Consultant for Toxey Baptist Church, Toxey, Alabama.

Funded Grants:

Ms. Sharon Stipe

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program received from Impact Alabama and the IRS. (\$3,300)

Business Administration and Management and Marketing

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Aliquippa Allen and Ms. Veronica Triplett

“The Journey to Maximizing all Human Resources in the Accreditation Process.” Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), June 17-20, 2016, Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Janie Gregg

“Realistic Job Preview: Faculty, Practitioner, and Student Testimonials About the Value of Combining Internships, Work Shadows, and Enactus Small Business Projects/Competition.” Marketing Management Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico, September 2015.

(Co-Authors/presenters: UWA students -Ashley Osier, Johnny Chacon, Anthony Smith, & Josh Williams)

“Providing a Realistic Job Preview During the College Experience: The Value of Combining Internships, Work Shadows, and Enactus Small Business Projects/Competition.” Southwest Academy of Management. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. March 2016. (Co-authors/presenters: Deward W. Bedford, University of West Alabama and UWA student, Ashley Osier.)

“Climbing the Ivory Tower in Stilettos: How to Promote Higher Education for Women.” Southwest Academy of Management. Oklahoma City, OK. MaRCH 2016. (Co-authors/presenters: Victoria P. McKee, University of Central Oklahoma, M. Suzanne Clinton, University of Central Oklahoma, Meagan Brock Baskin, University of Central Oklahoma, Kimberly Merritt, Oklahoma Christian University.)

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Aliquippa Allen

Chair, Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) Region 3

Executive Committee Member, Alabama Committee of Excellence (ACE)

Member, ACE Sustainability Committee

Co-Champion, ACBSP Assessment Committee

Co-Chair, COBT Strategic Planning Committee

Chair, UWA’s Gilbert Award Committee

Advisor, UWA Toastmasters Community Club

Advisor, COBT Student Leadership Council

Member, ACBSP Council of Regional Chairs

Member, University Academic Council

Member, Graduate Council

Member, Veteran of Foreign Wars (Post #5377), Demopolis, AL

Ms. Karen Braxton

Founder, Little Black Dress Event - Women's Networking Event. Co-Sponsored by Demopolis Chamber of Commerce

Vice President, Braxton Senior Care – A non-profit organization serving adults 18 plus with a physical or mental disability.

Attendee: ACBSP Conference, Atlanta, Georgia. June 2016

Dr. Janie Gregg

2015-2016 Past President, Southwest Academy of Management. In charge of the Doctoral Student/Junior Faculty Consortium and Board of Director Election.

Paper reviewer for *Journal of Business Ethics*

Personal Consultant:

Dr. Janie Gregg

Enactus-consulted with two small businesses in Livingston: Coffee Shop on Monroe and SH Design, and one small business in Demopolis: Kora's Place. We provided marketing, management, accounting, and financial assistance.

Awards and Honors:

Dr. Janie Gregg

UWA - Nellie Rose McCrory Service Award.

UWA - Steelcase Active Learning Faculty Fellow for 2015-2016

Funded Grants:

Dr. Janie Gregg

Enactus - WalMart Women's Economic Empowerment Grant (**\$1,500**)

Enactus - Sam's Step Up for Small Business Grant (**\$2,000**)

Enactus – ADP Veteran Empowerment Grant (**\$1,500**)

Enactus – Unilever Bright Futures Project (**\$1,500**)

Workshops Conducted:

Dr. Aliquippa Allen

“Human Resource Management.” Alabama Public Safety Leadership Academy (APSLA). Feb 19, Livingston, AL. Workshop.

“The Art of Small Talk.” Area 25 Toastmasters International. Feb 19, Livingston, AL. Workshop.

“Public Speaking” Marengo County Youth LEAD. Apr 14, Robertson Bank, Demopolis, AL.

CIS/Technology

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Adrian Doss

Doss, D.A., He, F., Li, M., Liu, M., Yang, D. (Submitted – Under Review). Assessing day versus night student perceptions of plagiarism at a regional university. *Journal of College Teaching & Learning* (Submitted – Under Review).

McElreath, **D.**, **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Mallory, S., Wigginton, M., Lyons, T., Williamson, L., & McElreath, L. (Submitted – under review). Failed hopes of education: Revisiting the relevancy of education as a method of diminishing recidivism. *The Journal of Correctional Education* (Submitted – Under Review).

McElreath, D., **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Mallory, S., McElreath, L., Williamson, L., Lyons, T., & Flaschka, W. (Submitted – under review). The Mississippi Hustle: Corrupting the financial principal-agency relationship at the Mississippi Department of Corrections. *Crime, Law, and Social Change* (Submitted – Under Review).

Li, M., He, F., Lin, S., Chen, S., Wang, Z., & **Doss, D.** (Submitted – Under Review). Assessing upperclassmen versus underclassmen business student perceptions of plagiarism at a regional institution of higher education. *Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Education*, (Submitted – Under Review).

Dr. Adrian Doss and Dr. Russ Henley

Doss, D.A., **Henley, R.**, Jones, D., McElreath, D., Miller, L., Hong, Q., Lin, S. (Submitted – Under Review). An analysis of graduate vs. undergraduate business student plagiarism perceptions at a southern regional university. *Journal for Excellence in Business Education* (Submitted – Under Review).

Dr. Adrian Doss, Dr. Russ Henley and Dr. Balkrishna Gokaraju

Doss, D.A., McElreath, D., Lackey, H., **Henley, R.**, Jones, D., **Gokaraju, B.**, & Sumrall, W. (Submitted – under review). A literature review of campus violence: Considering plans, programs, and strategies among educational institutions. *Kentucky Journal of Higher Education Policy and Practice* (Submitted – Under Review).

Doss, D.A., **Henley, R.**, McElreath, D., Lackey, H., & **Gokaraju, B.** (Submitted – under review). Law enforcement process improvement: Urban vs. rural personnel perspectives of a derivative CMMi process maturity framework. *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, (Submitted – Under Review).

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

B. Gokaraju (PI), **V. Triplett** (P.D), **R. Teseiro** (Co-PI), **D. Cobb** (Chair), and **W. Bedford** (Expert Advisor) (\$ 2,395,416.00). “Encouraging Fast-Track Certifications and Local Industry Partnerships (E-FLIP): For Development of Advanced Manufacturing Skills Workforce in Rural West Alabama,” In co-ordination with COB and CBES.

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Donnie Cobb, Dr. Adrian Doss and Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

“An Analysis of High-School and Community College Student Transitions and Performances at a Regional University,” *Journal Research in Higher Education*, Submitted Dec 12, 2015.

Dr. Adrian Doss

Wigginton, M., Burton, R., Jensen, C., McElreath, D., Mallory, S. & **Doss, D.** “Al-Qods force: Iran’s weapon of choice to export terrorism.” *Journal of Policing, Intelligence, and Counter Terrorism*, 10.2 (2015): 153-165.

McElreath, D., **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Lyons, T., Williamson, L., & Jones, D. (2016, IN PRESS). The end of the Mississippi experiment with conjugal visitation. *The Prison Journal*, IN PRESS

Sumrall, R., Sumrall, W., & **Doss, D.**, (2016, IN PRESS). A review of correctional philosophies toward reaffirming rehabilitation as an Ohio correctional paradigm. *International Journal of Business and Social Science*, IN PRESS.

Sumrall, W., Sumrall, R., & **Doss, D.** (2016, IN PRESS). A review of memory theory. *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, IN PRESS.

Li, M., He, F., Lin, S., & **Doss, D.** (2016, IN PRESS). A review of Chinese philosophers: Intersecting Eastern and Western higher education. *Journal of Education & Social Policy*, IN PRESS.

McElreath, D., **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Lackey, H., Wigginton, M., Jones, D., & Bramwell, J. (2016, IN PRESS). State Defense Forces: Homeland Security Strategic Resources. *American Journal of Management*, IN PRESS

Yang, D., He, F., Li, M., Liu, M., & Doss, D. "Do you have anything to declare? Considerations of the Fourth Amendment and border searches." *Proceedings of the Academy of Organizational Culture, Communications, and Conflict*, 21.1 (2016): 66-69.

Yang, D., Liu, M., He, F., Li, M., & Doss, D. "Legality: Assessing full-time vs. part-time student perceptions of plagiarism." *Proceedings of the Academy of Organizational Culture, Communications, and Conflict*, 21.1 (2016): 70-74.

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Liu, M., Yang, D., He, F., Li, M., & Doss, D. "Professionalism: Assessing full-time vs. part-time student perceptions of plagiarism." *Proceedings of the Academy of Organizational Culture, Communications, and Conflict*, 21.1 (2016): 35-39.

He, F., Liu, M., Yang, D., Li, M. & Doss, D. "Cognitive models: Piaget, McCarthy, and Organizational Management." *Proceedings of the Academy of Organizational Culture, Communications, and Conflict*, 21.1 (2016): 17-22.

Liu, M., Yang, D., He, F., Li, M., & Doss, D. "Perspectives of technology and the instrumentalist paradigm." *Proceedings of the Academy of Organizational Culture, Communications, and Conflict*, 21.1 (2016): 34-38.

McElreath, D., Doss, D., Jensen, C., Lackey, H., Wigginton, M., & Jones, D. "State defense forces: Strategic resources for homeland security and emergency management." *Proceedings of the Southwest Academy of Management*, 2016, (2016): 263-274.

Dr. Adrian Doss and Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Doss, D., McElreath, D., Jensen, C., Lackey, H., Jones, D., & Gokaraju, B. "Modern emergency incident management: Lessons from the great 1927 Mississippi River flood." *Proceedings of the Southwest Academy of Management*, 2016, (2016): 288- 297.

Dr. Adrian Doss and Dr. Russ Henley

Doss, D.A., Henley, R., Becker, U., McElreath, D., Lackey, H., Jones, D., He, F., & Lin, S. (2016, IN PRESS). Assessing male vs. female business student perceptions of plagiarism at a Southern institution of higher education. *Georgia Educational Researcher*, IN PRESS.

Dr. Adrian Doss, Dr. Russ Henley and Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Doss, D.A., Henley, R., Gokaraju, B., McElreath, D., Lackey, H., Hong, Q., & Miler, L. "Assessing domestic vs. international student perceptions and attitudes of plagiarism." *Journal of International Students*, 6.2 (2016): 542-565.

Doss, D.A., Henley, R., McElreath, D., Lackey, H., Jones, D., & Gokaraju, B. "Homeland security education: Managerial vs. non-managerial market perspectives of an academic program." *Journal of Education for Business*, 91.4 (2016): 203-210.

Doss, D.A., Jones, D.W., Sumrall, W., **Henley, R.**, McElreath, D., Lackey, H., **Gokaraju, B.** “A net present worth analysis of considered academic programs at a private, regional higher education institution.” *Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Education*, 4.1 (2015): 55-77.

Doss, D., Henley, R., Gokaraju, B., McElreath, D., & He, F. (2016, IN PRESS).

Integrating the GOMS Model and the Intelligence Cycle. *Journal of Business and Economics*, IN PRESS.

Daniel Adrian Doss, David H. McElreath, Hilliard Lackey, **Russ Henley**, Don W. Jones, William Sumrall, **Balakrishna Gokaraju**, “A Literature Review of Campus Violence: Considering Plans, Programs, and Strategies among Educational Institutions,” *International Journal of Education and Social Science*, In revision, Dec 4, 2015.

Doss, D. A., McElreath, D., **Henley, R., Gokaraju, B.**, Sumrall, W., Jones, D. W., “homeland security education: managerial vs. Non-managerial market perspectives of an academic program,” *Global Education Journal (GEJ)*, T&F's *Journal of Education for Business*, In second Revision Nov. 2015.

Daniel Adrian Doss, David H. McElreath, Hilliard Lackey, **Russ Henley**, William Sumrall, **Balakrishna Gokaraju**. “Violence in American Academic Settings: An Institutional Murder-Suicide at Delta State University and Comments Regarding Plans, Policy, and Programs,” *Journal of School Violence*, Submitted Oct. 10, 2015.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Donnie Cobb

CIST Presentation to Demopolis Area Business Council. Demopolis, AL August 25, 2015.

D. Cobb, M. Brumeloe Presentation to Gateways to Opportunities. Selma Community College. October 28, 2015.

CIST Presentation to York Rotary Club. February 9, 2016.

CIST Presentation Engineering Day Shelton State C.C. April 7, 2016.

GIS Professionals. Tuscaloosa, AL March 31, 2016.

GISA Conference. April 18-21, 2016.

Dr. Donnie Cobb, Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju and Dr. Ray Tesiero

D. Cobb, B. Gokaraju, R. Tesiero, C. Jones. Worlds of Work “WOW” meeting. Shelton State CC. October 8th and 9th 2015.

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Demopolis City School Campus visit, April 2016.

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Commissioner, Alabama State Labor Statistics, Visit November 2016.

Dr. Donnie Cobb, Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju, Dr. Ray Tesiero and Mr. James Gray

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to CEMEX Industries, April 2016.

Dr. Adrian Doss

McElreath, D., Jensen, C., **Doss, D.**, Wigginton, M., Williamson, L., Lyons, T., McElreath, L., & Mallory, S. "Mississippi hustle: Corruption in the Mississippi Department of Corrections." Paper presented to the American Society of Criminology annual conference, Washington, D.C., November, 2015.

Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Mallory, S., McElreath, D., & **Doss, D.** "National survey of state police crowd control training." Paper presented to the American Society of Criminology annual conference, Washington, D.C., November, 2015.

Harbour, T., McElreath, D., McElreath, L., **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., & Wigginton, M. "Mississippi crime stoppers: A valuable partner in the enhancement of community society." Paper presented to the American Society of Criminology annual conference, Washington, D.C., November, 2015.

McElreath, **D.**, **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Mallory, S., McElreath, L., Williamson, L., Lyons, T., & Flaschka, W. "The Mississippi hustle investigation: Violating the principal-agency relationship at the Mississippi Department of Corrections." Paper presented to the Mustang Journals International Conference. Dallas, TX, October, 2015.

Doss, D., McElreath, D., Mallory, S., Wigginton, M., Jenkins, C., & Lande, U. "Mississippi vs. Alabama: Examining management vs. non-management personnel perceptions of the capability maturity model among justice system organizations." Paper presented to the Mustang Journals International Conference. Dallas, TX, October, 2015.

McElreath, **D.**, **Doss, D.**, Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Lyons, T., Williamson, L., & McElreath, L. "The failed hope of education and vocational training in the correctional setting: Emphasizing the importance of using education and employment in breaking the cycle of recidivism." Paper presented to the Mustang Journals International Conference. Dallas, TX, October, 2015.

McElreath, D., Doss, D., Jensen, C., Lackey, H., Jones, D., & Wigginton, M. "The emergency management cycle: Modern lessons from the 1900 Galveston hurricane." Paper presented to the annual conference of the Southwest Academy of Management. Oklahoma City, OK, March, 2016.

Dr. Adrian Doss, Dr. Aliquippa Allen and Dr. Russ Henley

Doss, D., **Allen, A.**, **Henley, R.**, McElreath, D., Miller, L., & Hong, Q. "An analysis of graduate vs. undergraduate plagiarism perceptions at a regional university." Paper presented to the Mustang Journals International Conference. Dallas, TX, October, 2015.

Dr. Adrian Doss, Dr. Russ Henley

“An elemental model considering GOMS tasks and Bloom’s learning outcomes in the virtual classroom.” Paper presented to the Society of Business Research. Nashville, TN, October, 2015.

“Enhancing the Compstat paradigm via an assessment architecture and framework.” Paper presented to the Society of Business Research. Nashville, TN, October, 2015.

Dr. Adrian Doss, Dr. Russ Henley and Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Doss, D., Henley, R., Gokaraju, B., McElreath, D., Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., & Lackey, H. “Integrating the intelligence cycle and the GOMS model.” Paper presented to the Society of Business Research. Nashville, TN, October, 2015.

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju and Dr. Adrian Doss

Balakrishna Gokaraju, Anish C. Turlapaty, **Daniel A. Doss,** Roger L. King and Nicolas H. Younan" Change detection analysis of tornado disaster using conditional copulas and data fusion for cost-effective disaster management," Applied Imagery Pattern Recognition Workshop (AIPR), 2015 IEEE, Washington D.C., Oct. 13-15, 2015.

http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/login.jsp?tp=&arnumber=7444537&url=http%3A%2F%2Fieeexplore.ieee.org%2Fxppls%2Fabs_all.jsp%3Farnumber%3D7444537

Doss, D. A., McElreath, D., Jensen, C., Lackey, H., Jones, D. W., **Gokaraju, B.,** “Modern Emergency Incident Management Lessons from the Great 1927 Mississippi River Flood,” 2016 Southwest Academy of Management conference in Oklahoma City. Abstract Submitted

Balakrishna Gokaraju, Shanti Bhushan, Valentine Anantharaj, Anish C. Turlapaty, **Daniel A. Doss,** “comprehensive review of evolution of satellite sensor specifications against speedup performance of pattern recognition algorithms in remote sensing,” Applied Imagery Pattern Recognition Workshop (AIPR), 2015 IEEE, Washington D.C., Oct. 13-15, 2015.

http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/login.jsp?tp=&arnumber=7444540&url=http%3A%2F%2Fieeexplore.ieee.org%2Fxppls%2Fabs_all.jsp%3Farnumber%3D7444540

B. Gokaraju D. Yessick, D. Steel, D.A. Doss and A.C. Turlapaty. “Integration of Intrusion Detection and Web Service Alarm for Home Automation System Using ‘Arm’ Microprocessor,” Paper presented at the IEEE Southeast Conference 2016 Conference - Norfolk, VA, April 2016.

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

In coordination with the Phi Kappa Phi Chapter committee, organized Phi Kappa Phi student social meeting in Fall 2015.

As a Phi Kappa Phi secretary, presented in the induction ceremony of Phi Kappa Phi, March 2016.

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju, Dr. Ray Tesiero and Mr. James Gray,

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Secretary, Alabama State Labor Statistics, visit March 2016.

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju and Mr. James Gray,

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Secretary, Westervelt Industry, visit October 2015.

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Foster Farms Industry, visit October 2015.

Presentation and demonstration of the Engineering Technology Labs to Foster Farms Industry, visit August 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Adrian Doss

Southwest Academy of Management – Chair for project management and homeland security sessions.

Mr. Curtis Jones

Judge for South District Automotive Competition

Evaluator Team Leader (ETL) for East Mississippi Community College Automotive Program Accreditation.

Professional Consultant:

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Collaborated with V. Triplett of CBES, College of Business for the grant award of National Summer Transportation Initiative Summer Camp Workshop in June 2016.

Expert Faculty talk in Electrical and Computer Engineering for the Division of Outreach Upward Bound Summer Camp regarding Robotics and Mechatronics Automation Technology, June 16th, 2016.

Developed course curriculum and laboratory for TY-282 Advanced Programmable Logic Control Programming.

Developed course curriculum and laboratory for TY-283 Microprocessor and Micro-controller Programming course.

Awards and Honors:

Dr. Adrian Doss

2015 Distinguished Paper Award, Mustang International Business Conference -- Dallas, TX

McElreath, D., Doss, D., Jensen, C., Wigginton, M., Mallory, S., McElreath, L., Williamson, L., Lyons, T., & Flaschka, W. (2015, October). *The Mississippi hustle investigation: Violating the principal-agency relationship at the Mississippi Department of Corrections.*

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Invited and Inducted by the “MultiDisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute” (MDPI) to be an official Reviewer to the Journal “Sensors”

Invited talk for the Division of Outreach Upward Bound Summer Camp regarding Robotics and Mechatronics Automation Technology, June 16th, 2016.

Funded Grants:

Dr. Donnie Cobb

\$100,000-UNCF Career Pathways Initiative. **Ms. Tammy White, Mrs. Veronica Triplett, Mrs. Jessica Wedgworth, Ms. Danielle Buckalew, Dr. Donnie Cobb.**

Dr. Balakrishna Gokaraju

Gokaraju B., and Yessick, D., “Advanced Industrial Maintenance Training program” in coordination with Demopolis City Schools (DCS), March 2014 to July 2016. **(\$220,000)**

Gokaraju B., (PI), “Tornado Disaster Assessment using pattern recognition techniques for Cost-Effective Disaster Management. Case Study: Tuscaloosa City,” by the Office of Sponsored Programs, UWA. **(\$1,500)**

Gokaraju B., (PI), “Integration of Remote Sensing Imagery and Geo-Spatial Maps for Augmenting and Enabling Higher Dimension Studies of the Archaeological Science in The West Alabama Region,” by the Office of Sponsored Programs, UWA. **(\$4,000)**

Workshops Conducted:

Dr. Donnie Cobb

Taught Self-Defense class to UWA Girls Basketball Team

Mr. Curtis Jones

Conducted a Care Clinic for Enactus Group

*Julia S. Tutwiler College of Education
Summary of Achievements*

Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Mae Daniel and Dr. Dana Rolison

Borders, B., Daniel, M. & Rolison, D., (2015). "Taking the Multiple Intelligence to a Higher Level". *American Society of Public Administration, intelligencetheory-higher-level/*.

Dr. Lynn Kelley

Served as Editor *Social Studies Research and Practice*. Vol.10-3.socstrp.org. (2015)

Examining second graders construction and interpretation of questions used during interviews. *Social Studies Research and Practice*. Vol.10-3.socstrp.org. (2015).

Kelley, L., and Brown, T. (2015). While you were sleeping. *Social Studies Research and Practice*. Vol.10-3.socstrp.org

Dr. Lynn Kelley and Dr. Jodie Winship

Kelley, L., Winship, J., Morgan, J. & Poole, C. (2015). Inventions. *Social Studies Research and Practice*. Vol.10-3.socstrp.org

Dr. Erica King and Dr. Erica Tanner

Quality of asynchronous discussions: A case study of professor impact. *American International Journal of Contemporary Research*, 5(5), 35-42. (2015).

Dr. Dana Rolison and Dr. Mae Daniel

"Notable Trade Book Lesson: Jake's Thumb". Early Childhood Special Edition of Social Studies Research and Practice, Winter 2015.

Dr. Reenay Rogers, Dr. Jodie Winship and Dr. Yan Sun

Systematic support for STEM pre-service teachers: An authentic and sustainable four-pillar professional development model, Innovative professional development methods and strategies for STEM education. (October, 2015).

Dr. Erica Tanner

Reflective Teaching or Program Fidelity: Sacrificing One for the Other Manuscript in editing phase and publication options are being explored. (2015).

Dr. Melina Vaughan and Dr. Esther Howard

Notable Tradebook article: F is for Friendship: A Quilt Alphabet. Social Studies Research and Practice, (published fall 2015).

The Flag We Love. NCSS Notable Trade Book Lesson Plan submitted for publication February, 2015.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Mae Daniel and Dr. Dana Rolison

“Music, Reading, and Movement”, Mississippi Early Childhood 2015 Annual Conference. Natchez, MS. October, 2015.

Dr. Esther Howard, Dr. Andrea Minear and Dr. Melina Vaughan

EdTPA a Performance-based Approach to License Early Childhood Teacher Candidates. NAECTE. New Orleans, June 2015.

Alabama: Strengthening the lead through early childhood teacher education. Poster session presented at the annual conference of the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators (NAECTE), Orlando, FL. (November, 2015)

Dr. Lynn Kelley

Kelley, L., and NCSS Early Childhood/Elementary Community. “Integrating the Curriculum through the use of Notable Books.” Presentation at the Social Studies Council of Alabama Annual Convention, Birmingham, AL, 2015.

“NCSS Elementary and Early Childhood Notable Book Lesson Plans!” Presentation NCSS National Conference, New Orleans, LA, November, 2015.

Dr. Erica King

Writing it right! Strategies for all students. *Mississippi Early Childhood Association- Imagine 62nd Annual Conference*. October 8-9, 2015; Natchez, MS.

Dr. Dana Rolison

“Notable Tradebook Presentation”, NCSS Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA. November, 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Mae Daniels

Reviewer for Current Trends in Education

Dr. Lynn Kelly

Office of Research and Teaching in the Disciplines (UA)

Social Studies Council of Alabama

Served as a reviewer for Social Studies Research and Practice socstrp.org

Delegate to the NCSS House of Delegates

Outgoing NCSS Community Chair

Dr. Dana Rolison

Reading Fair Judge at Southeast Elementary School, Lauderdale County, Mississippi

District Reading Fair Judge for Lauderdale County, Mississippi

Dr. Erica Tanner

Reviewer for the Southern Early Childhood Association's publication *Dimensions*

Reviewer of new children's literature for the Southern Early Childhood Association

Reviewer for the Annual Conference of the Mid-South Educational Research Association

Funded Grants:

Dr. Andrea Minear, Dr. Esther Howard, Ms. Annie Upchurch, Dr. Amanda Pendergrass, Dr. Jodie Winship, and Dr. Melina Vaughan

First Class Pre-K, UWA Campus School. OSR Grant Award: \$119,000. (Spring 2015)

Dr. Melina Vaughan

Piloting and Implementation of edTPA within the College of Education at the University of West Alabama. ALSDE Grant Award: \$15,000. (Spring 2015) Current primary investigator: Spring 2016.

Dr. Jodie Winship

Project BLOOM Grant issued by the United States Department of Education, Program Coordinator

Department of Instructional Leadership and Support

Scholarly Research:

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth and Dr. Reenay Rogers

Collaboration in higher education: A comparison of wikis with traditional formats. Manuscript accepted for publication in *European Journal of Education Sciences*, July 2016.

Dr. Yan Sun and Dr. Reenay Rogers

Validation of the Online Learning Self-Efficacy Scale (OLSS): A structural equation modeling approach. Educational Technology Research and Development. (in preparation).

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Wheat, C. A. & Hill, L.H. (article manuscript under review by *Research in the Schools Journal*). “The Leadership Styles and Practices of Women Administrators at Doctorate granting Universities.”

Wheat, C. A., & Hill, L.H. (article manuscript under review by *Qualitative Research Quarterly Journal*). “The Role and Influence of Mentors and Role Models on University Women Leaders’ Career Paths to the University Presidency.”

Dr. Poppy Moon and Dr. Nisha Warbington

[An examination of the change in emotional vocabulary & intelligence in students participating in the Inside Out cinema guidance curriculum]. Unpublished raw data. (2016).

Dr. Pam Rochester

[Diversity Research Project in reference to the Counseling of Multicultural Cultural Populations Course] Research in Progress (2016).

Dr. Nisha Warbington

Using Adult Coloring as a method to decrease stress, anxiety, and depression among undergraduate students. (2016).

Increasing Emotional Intelligence in K-12 students using Cinema therapy.

Effective Use of Virtual Classrooms for Online Supervision; Enhancing Connectivity in the Online Classroom

Stress Management for School Professionals

Dr. Celeste Wheat, Dr. Yan Sun, Dr. Martha Hocutt and Ms. J.J. Wedgworth, (Article manuscript in preparation). “One Year of the Steelcase Active Classroom: Lessons Learned.”

Papers/Books/Articles:

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

Wellness as a framework for counselor education and college student intervention. *Proceedings of the S.T.E.A.M & Education Conference*, Honolulu, HI. (2016, January).

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

Chan, W.Y., **Hollingsworth, M.,** Espelage,D., & Mitchell, K. (2016). Preventing violence in context: The importance of culture for implementing systemic change. *Psychology of Violence*, 6 (1), 22-26.

Dr. Poppy Moon

Moon, P. & Wooldridge. (2015). *Operation: Breaking the middle school code*. Chapin, SC: Youthlight Books

Jensen, Stephanie. *Princess Priscilla and the great bezilla*. Illus. **Poppy Moon**, Chapin, SC: Youthlight Books 2016.

Moon, P. (Producer), Sahib, J. (Director), & Sahib, E. (Writer). (2016). *Self-worth: Real life snippets* [Motion picture on Streaming media]. USA: Youthlight, Inc.

Moon, P. (Director). (2016, February 1). *Dr. Moon's Guide to Basic Counseling Skills – Playlist* [Video file]. Retrieved from [//www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxvMB4VTSZ26EHqHR27BP2BFplY6Z](http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxvMB4VTSZ26EHqHR27BP2BFplY6Z)

Moon, P. (Director). (2015, October 4). *Setting the Table* [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2HHomqGDuk>

Moon, P. (Director). (2015, September 4). *Gloria Files: Basic Counseling Responses* [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=46EZppwjDQc>

Moon, P. (Director). (2015, September 8). *Autumn* [Video file]. Retrieved from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ydC7wlZzZ88>

Moon, P. (Producer), Sahib, E. (Writer), & Sahib, J. (Director). (2015). *Supplemental digital material for Counseling children and The transformed school counselor*. [Motion picture on Streaming media]. USA: Cengage Learning.

Dr. Reenay Rogers

“Creating Engaging STEM Partnerships: The University of West Alabama’s Project Engage”. *Partnering to Support P-12 Student Success* (Spring, 2016)

Dr. Reenay Rogers, Dr. Jodie Winship and Dr. Yan Sun

Systematic support for STEM pre-service teachers: An authentic and sustainable four-pillar professional development model. In Dikilitaş, K. (Ed.). *Innovative professional development methods and strategies for STEM education*. MePA: IGI Global. (2016)

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Guilott, M., Gaylynn P., & **Wheat, C. A.** (book chapter under review for book prospectus *Comprehensive Problem-Solving and Skill Development for Next Generation Leaders*. Tools to Change School Culture Learning About Learning Together. Pennsylvania: IGI Global.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Debbie Dean (Rose), Ms. Leah Sornsin and Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

UWA Campus Suicide Prevention: Break the Silence, SAMSHA Annual Grantee Conference, Washington, D.C. (2016, June)

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

Wellness as a Paradigm for Counseling and Counselor Education, American Association of Christian Counselors Counseling Association Annual Conference, Nashville, TN. (2015, September).

Lifestyle Protective Factors for Suicide Prevention. Professional Development for Mental Health Providers – Community Connections: Building Bridges and Saving Lives. August 7, 2015, University of West Alabama, Livingston, AL. (August 7, 2015)

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth and Dr. Barry Green-Burns

The One Minute Spa: A De-Stress Place in the School or Other Setting. Alabama Counseling Association Annual Conference, Montgomery, AL. (2015, November).

Dr. Poppy Moon

Creating Sacred Spaces. Workshop presented at the Alabama Counseling Conference, Montgomery, AL. (2015, November)

Dr. Pam Rochester and Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

“The Development of Student Personal and Civic Responsibility through Service Learning” presented at the Alabama Mega Conference, Mobile, Alabama. (2015)

Dr. Reenay Rogers

Learning with Lecture Capture presented at Alabama Educational Technology Conference, Birmingham, AL. (June 2016)

Dr. Reenay Rogers and Dr. Jan Miller

Learning with Lecture Capture presented at Georgia Educational Technology Conference, Atlanta, GA. (November 2015)

Dr. Reenay Rogers and Dr. Erica Tanner

Ahoy! COE Session: LiveText, CAEP, NCATE Update presented at The University of West Alabama Online Professional Development Conference (Summer, 2015)

Dr. Yan Sun

Tinkering and engineering Reinforcement: Improve mathematics learning through 3D printing and modeling. Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) 2015 Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dr. Yan Sun, Dr. Reenay Rogers and Dr. Jodie Winship

“Preparing Culturally Responsive Pre-Service Teachers to Educate Students in STEM and Beyond” paper presentation accepted at the CREA Annual Conference 2016.

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Wheat, C.A., & Hill, L. “The Leadership Styles and Practices of Women Key-line Administrators and Presidents at Doctorate-granting Universities: A Qualitative Inquiry.” Paper

accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association Conference, Lafayette, LA. Lafayette, Louisiana. (November 6, 2015).

Dr. Celeste Wheat and Dr. Martha Hocutt

“Using the 5E (Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate, and Evaluate) Learning Cycle and Interactive Technology Tools to Empower Educators in Creating Active Learning Environments.” Training session at the annual meeting of the Mid-South Educational Research Association Conference, Lafayette, Louisiana. November 5, 2015.

“Technology for each Phase of the 5 E Lesson Plan.” Poster session with digital photo gallery accepted for presentation at the annual EDUCAUSE Conference, Indianapolis, IN. 27-30 October 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Debbie Hildreth

Was elected by CAEP to be trained as a site visitor and served as journal article reviewer for AAPEL journal.

Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

Was the Chairperson, Sumter County Department of Human Resources Quality Assurance Committee for Foster Care and Child Protective Services.

Dr. Kevin Jones

Participated in various professional activities including being selected as CAEP Site Visitor, chairing the interview team for selection of Career and Technical Center Director for the Kemper County School District, mentoring for Livingston Junior School principal, and serving as a guest speaker for Transition program at Livingston Junior High School.

Dr. Pamela Rochester

Served as a Board Member for the Elizabeth Louise Ramsey Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. Reenay Rogers

Participated in various professional activities including serving as a research paper reviewer for the International Society of Technology in Education, the Culturally Responsive Educational Association, and the *Journal of Online Interactive Learning*.

Served as a grant reviewer for the Alabama Commission on Higher Education

Treasurer elect for UWA’s Phi Kappa Phi

Chosen by the Council for Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP) to receive training as an onsite reviewer.

Dr. Nisha Warbington

Served as a volunteer for Alabama Association of Counseling Educators and Supervisors (ACES) and as Chair of the Anti-Bullying Committee for Tuscaloosa County Schools.

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Was a reviewer for a book titled, *Comprehensive Problem-Solving and Skill Development for Next Generation Leaders*. Pennsylvania: IGI Global.

Served as a Graduate Student Committee member for the Mid-South Educational Research Association.

Professional Consultant:

Dr. Susan Cordell

Consulted with two educational entities in Grundy, TN. Consulted with the Director of Secondary Education for the Grundy County School District on turning the current high school library into a model, 21st century learning commons. Also, consulted with the Grundy County Board of Education to write a grant for upgrading the library to a learning commons.

Dr. Poppy Moon

Was a member of the Board of Directors of *Counselor Created* (2016, January 15).

Dr. Nisha Warbington

Consulted with multiple school systems including Tuscaloosa County Schools, Sumter County Schools, and Sumter Academy.

Also served as a Visiting Faculty at the Capitol School

Awards and Honors:

Dr. Kevin Jones

Received the Hat's Off Award from the Mississippi Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Dr. Poppy Moon

Was named the Alabama Counseling Association's Elementary School Counselor of the Year, 2015.

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Was selected to present research paper titled "A Qualitative Inquiry into the Leadership Identities, Styles, and Practices of Female Administrators and Presidents at Doctorate-Granting Universities" at the UWA Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's James E. Colquitt Faculty Colloquium. April 14, 2016.

Funded Grants:

Dr. Reenay Rogers

Continued to serve as Co-Principal Investigator on Project Engage-U.S. Department of Education MSEIP grant.

Drs. Yan Sun and Reenay Rogers

Received the UWA Seed Grant: Develop and Validate an Instrument to Measure Student Self-efficacy in Learning Online, 1,500. (September, 2015).

Dr. Nisha Warbington and Dr. Mary Ann Hollingsworth

Received a CACREP Grant through National Board of Certified Counselors.

Dr. Celeste Wheat

U.S. Department of Education Predominantly Black Institutions Competitive Grant Program. *The University of West Alabama Center for Achievement, Retention and Enrichment Services* (Funded, \$2,299,733.00). **Primary Investigator: Angel Jowers; Co-Primary Investigators: Dr. Celeste Wheat, Dr. Debbie Dean-Baker, and Dr. Mark Davis.** September 2015.

University of West Alabama Programmatic Seed Grant. *Extending*

Dr. Celeste Wheat, Dr. Martha Hocutt, and Dr. Yan Sun

Received the Steelcase Education Active Learning Center Grant (2015). Steelcase Education fund for creation of an active learning classroom in Lyon Hall at the University of West Alabama. Primary Investigators: Dr. Celeste Wheat and Dr. Martha Hocutt. (Funded, up to \$50,000.00).

Workshops Conducted:

Dr. William Green-Burns

Co-lead groups for bullying prevention at Livingston Jr. High School

Spring of 2016 co-led The Breakfast Club for delinquent students at Livingston High School for 30 Hours.

Led a bullying prevention group for the third grade at Sumter Academy.

Dr. Yan Sun and Dr. Martha Hocutt

Conducted a series of workshops called Teaching, Learning, and Leading with Technology.

Dr. Nisha Warbington conducted the workshop Boundary Training for Spiritual Leaders (April 2016).

Dr. Celeste Wheat

Interactive White Board Training and New Technology Tools: Workshop presented

to Active Learning Faculty Fellows at The University of West Alabama. Livingston, AL, January 9, 2016.

The Importance of Student Engagement in Campus Activities. Workshop presented to University 101 classes. Livingston, Alabama, October 8, 2015.

Professional Image and Resume Preparation. Workshop presented to Dr. Nicole Farris' University 101 class. Livingston, Alabama, September 16, 2015.

The Benefits of Collegiate Sisterhood. Keynote address at Panhellenic recruitment brunch. Presented at The University of West Alabama. Livingston, AL, August 29, 2015.

Active Learning Center Orientation and Training. Workshop presented to Active Learning Faculty Fellows at The University of West Alabama. Livingston, AL, August 11, 2015.

In-service Training for Residence Life Assistants. Understanding College Student Transitions in Residence Life. Presented at The University of West Alabama. Livingston, AL, August 6, 2015.

Department of Physical Education & Athletic Training

Community Service

The Athletic Training Faculty & Staff with assistance from the physicians at Andrews Sports Medicine & Orthopedic Center provided pre-participation physical examinations for approximately 250 high school and junior high athletes.

Dr. R. T. Floyd provided athletic training and sports medicine consultation to area schools, physicians, physician assistants, physical therapists and people in the West Alabama service area.

Brad Montgomery and Ben Stewart taught CPR/AED Professional Rescuer to the Athletic Department Staff and the Athletic Training faculty, staff and students.

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Dr. Gunars Cazars & Dr. Natasha Satcher

“Improve Your PETE Program by Creating a Physical Education Advisory Council.” Paper presented at SHAPE America. National Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 7 April 2016.

Dr. R. T. Floyd:

“The Elbow and Forearm” 30th Southeast Athletic Trainers' Association Athletic Training Student Symposium, Atlanta, GA.

“NATA Foundation Update”, Gulf South Conference Athletic Trainers Meeting, Columbus, GA.

University of Southern Mississippi Athletic Training Student Workshop, Hattiesburg, MS. Presented on the following topics: “The Evaluation Process,” “The Ankle and Lower Leg,” “Cervical Spine and Brachial Plexus, Hip & Thigh Injuries”

Dr. James Robinson:

Rate of Oxygen Deficit and Oxygen Debt in Athletes and Non-Athletes with Exercise-induced Bronchoconstriction during Exercise, March 2016. K. Cunningham, N. Davis. V. Jackson. Z. Mosley, A, Robertson, **J. Robinson** Ph.D. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL.

In-Season Strength Decline of Division 2 Football Offensive and Defensive Linemen, March 2016. K. Cunningham, N. Davis. V. Jackson. Z. Mosley, A, Robertson, **J. Robinson** Ph.D. University of West Alabama Undergraduate Research Symposium, Livingston, AL.

Dr. Natasha Satcher:

SHAPE America Conference: Improve PETE Program by Creating a Physical Education Advisory Council- April 2016.

Alabama State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance: Navigating the River of Opportunity: Choosing the Right Graduate Program- November 2015.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Dr. Gunars Cazars

Served as College Council Chair-Elect, Alabama State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (ASAHPERD)

Dr. R.T. Floyd

Served as Director of the 2016 Southeast Athletic Trainer’s Association Athletic Training Student Annual Competencies in Athletic Training Workshop.

President, National Athletic Trainers Association Research and Education Foundation Board.

Served as Past President of the Alabama Council of University Faculty Presidents for 2015-2016.

Served as chair of the Higher Education Partnership Board of Directors.

Represented the National Athletic Trainers Association Research and Education on Athletic Training Strategic Alliance

Served as webmaster for the National Athletic Trainers Association Research and Education Foundation District websites, Southeast Athletic Trainers' Association, Alabama Athletic Trainers' Association, and Alabama Council of University Faculty Presidents.

Dr. LaJuan Hutchinson

Judge for the Research Symposium sponsored by the Biology Department, SPR 2016
Historian, Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated (Tuscaloosa)

Committee Member for Hometown Sports Exhibit in conjunction with Smithsonian
Institute and Black Belt Museum

Mr. Brad Montgomery

Served as Chairman of Alabama Board of Athletic Trainers

Dr. James Robinson

President of Phi Kappa Phi

Board member, Livingston Country Club

Membership coordinator, Livingston Lions Club

2016 SEACSM National Conference free communication abstract reviewer

UWA Student Food Bank-Founder and Executive Director

UWA Exercise Physiology Laboratory-Director

UWA Faculty Fellow, Steelcase Active Learning Center

Dr. Natasha Satcher

Chair-Physical Activity Council-Alabama State Association for Health, Physical Education,
Recreation, and Dance

Chair-Elect for Recreational Council-Alabama State Association for Health, Physical
Education, Recreation, and Dance

Awards/Honors:

Dr. James Robinson

Honorary Advisor, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

Dr. LaJuan Hutchinson

RICOH Higher Education Technology Essay Contest- “How is technology transforming the interaction between faculty and students?”

Funded Grants:

Dr. R.T. Floyd

Continued implementation of an Athletic Training Outreach Grant from E. Lyle Cain, Jr., M.D., Champion Sports Medicine, and St. Vincent’s Birmingham. Funded for \$330,000 for five years and successfully obtained a \$4,000 annual increase for 2015-2016 year.

Completed implementation of a Jeff Anderson Regional Medical Center grant for utilization in funding our athletic training students to travel to Meridian for clinical experiences. Funded for \$15,000.

Continued a St. Vincent’s Birmingham Sports Medicine Grant for athletic training personnel. Funded for \$20,000.

Dr. James Robinson

Received the UNCF Career Pathways Initiative (CPI) planning grant, funded by Lilly Endowment Inc. (\$100,000.00 Funded). The UWA College to Career (C2C) program is designed to improve employment outcomes for students by providing clearly defined career pathway programs, creating an intentional career development pathway for students throughout their college career, integrating career preparation into curricula and providing additional staffing to better assist students and colleges as they prepare their students for work within specific industries.

Workshops Conducted:

Dr. Natasha Satcher

Health and Fitness Workshop, Livingston, AL.

*Nursing
Summary of Achievements*

Presentations at Professional Meetings:

Ms. Marsha Cannon

OWN It: Timely Information for Organ Donation, Wound Care, and Nutrition; University of West Alabama; Nurse Continuing Education Program; April 26, 2016.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Ms. Marsha Cannon

SACS Substantive Change Committee: Middle Georgia State University

Ms. Sharon Davis

Secretary of MS Nurse's Association District 16

Member of American Psychiatric Nurse's Association Addictions Council: Tobacco Dependence Branch (have been certified as a Tobacco Treatment.

Specialist and have revised this program for the employee health department of Anderson Regional Medical Center to assist those employees seeking tobacco cessation).

Renewed ANCC certification as Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner as well as Adult Psychiatric Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist in Fall 2015.

Professional Consultant:

Ms. Sharon Davis

Work weekly in outpatient psychiatric clinic – Behavioral Medicine Clinic in Meridian, MS as a Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

Provide consultation as a Certified Diabetes Educator for inpatients at Anderson Regional Medical Center South Hospital, Meridian, MS.

Provide consultation as a Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner for residents needing psychiatric services at Bedford Care Center, Newton, MS.

Conducted Virtual Dementia Tour training program for the staffs of the GeriPsychiatric Unit, Maynor Rehab Unit, and Swing Bed Unit at Anderson Regional Medical Center South in Fall 2015.

Workshops Conducted:

Ms. Sharon Davis

Assisted in planning and organizing CE workshop held at Speith Hall for local nurses in Spring 2016 – NOW: Nutrition, Organ Donation, & Wound Care.

Conduct Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Courses for Anderson Regional Medical Center, Meridian, MS at least quarterly.

Library
Summary of Achievements

Key Achievements (Faculty and Departmental)

The Library was responsible for the fall 2015 exhibit in Webb Hall Gallery. *Curio: Exhibit by Garland Farwell* hung in the gallery from August through December, 2015. Mr. Farwell is a teaching artist and muralist in local school districts and communities. Originally from California, he currently resides in York, Alabama. The Library hosted an opening reception for the exhibit on September 24, 2015.

The Library co-hosted a one-day conference with the College of Education on November 6, 2015, entitled *Reading Across the Curriculum: Building Bridges to Other Cultures*. University students and faculty, as well as educators from local school systems were invited to attend a half day of workshops focused on children's literature and incorporating the College of Education's theme of "Reading Across the Curriculum".

The Library hosted a book review/signing event in the library on Tuesday, December 1, 2015. Dr. Valerie Burnes and Mr. Robin McDonald spoke to the gathered group about their recently published book, *Visions of the Black Belt: A Cultural Survey of the Heart of Alabama*. The authors signed copies of the book and the library provided refreshments afterwards in the Jim Pate Collections area of the library.

Library staff participated in the Read Across America Program at the Livingston Junior High School in March, 2016.

Library staff hosted a poetry workshop at the campus school for National Poetry Month on April 29, 2016.

The Library hosted an event commemorating the 100th anniversary of the death of Miss Julia Strudwick Tutwiler on Sunday, June 12, 2016, in the library. Ms. Ellise Mayor portrayed Miss Tutwiler in an outstanding performance of *My Name is Julia*, a one-woman play authored by Kathryn Tucker Windham. The library hosted a reception following Ms. Mayor's performance.

The Library curated an exhibit in Webb Hall Gallery, *Remembering Miss Julia*, which celebrates her life and contributions to this university and the state of Alabama as well. The exhibit is composed of memorabilia from the library's archives department. The exhibit will be on display from July until the end of August, 2016.

The Library hosted a reception on Thursday, July 14th in Webb Hall Parlor to open the *Remembering Miss Julia* exhibit.

Scholarly Research:

Ms. Shelia Limerick

Giuseppe Moretti

Geneva Mercer

Library marketing

Papers/Books/Articles:

Ms. Braegan Abernethy

Abernethy, Braegan C., & Weaver, Kari D. "Mentoring: A Select Annotated Bibliography." *Southeastern Librarian* 63.3 (2015): 2-8.

Offices/Positions in Professional Organizations and/or Other Significant Professional Activities i.e. Panelist, Judge, Accreditation team:

Ms. Breagan Abernathy

Chair, Handbook Committee- New Member Round Table: American Library Association

ALA NMRT Liaison- Alabama Library Association

Member, Communications Committee- University Libraries Section: Association of College and Research Libraries

Member, Online Content Committee: Network of Alabama Academic Libraries

Ms. Shelia Limerick

Advisory Board, Friends of the Ruby Pickens Tartt Library

Vice President for Programs, Sumter County Fine Arts Council

Funded Grants:

Ms. Braegan Abernethy

UWA Seed Grant Fall 2015 (co-author), "Reading Across the Curriculum: Building Bridges to Other Cultures", \$1300.

Ms. Shelia Limerick

Co-Author, University of West Alabama Seed Grant, \$1300, awarded Fall 2015 for a conference entitled "Reading Across the Curriculum: Building Bridges to Other Cultures"

Workshops Conducted:**Ms. Breagan Abernathy**

Reading Across the Curriculum: Building Bridges to Other Cultures Conference, November 2015.

Ms. Shelia Limerick

“Reading Across the Curriculum: Building Bridges to Other Cultures”, November 6, 2015, Julia Tutwiler Conference Center at Lyon Hall, UWA. Assisted in funding, planning, development, and evaluation of the conference as well as worked at the conference to register attendees.

“Poetry to my Senses,” April 29, 2016, UWA Campus School K-4 class. Developed, planned and conducted a poetry workshop in celebration of April as National Poetry Month.

