

Today is March 25, 2016

SOE Diversity Statement

Hot off the presses! Our new diversity statement reads: Drake University School of Education is committed to diversity and inclusivity. As members of the SOE, we strive to work toward an affirming learning and teaching environment. We do so by seeking to educate culturally responsive professionals who are able to work effectively with all stakeholders. Aligned with our commitment to *academic reflection, collaborative learning* and *social justice*, we seek to facilitate the development of our students as reflective practitioners, critical thinkers, and public intellectuals.

Innauguration RSVP requested

Participation in the presidential inauguration (with or without robes) is encouraged - RSVP to joseph.schneider@drake.edu if you plan to attend, and whether or not you plan to

Note from the Dean

Following the work completed by 4 other units, we are commencing work on a Continuous Improvement Plan. After many months of listening and learning about all Drake programs and services, President Martin presented a simplified system of strategic planning and provided development support from Nate Reagan and Matthew Mitchell. Robyn Cooper, Jerrid Kruse, Chuck Sengstock, Doug Stilwell and I have agreed to create first draft of the CIP to be reviewed toward the end of the semester.
Jan McMahill, Dean

A tribute to Doris Brunette

After nearly 10 years of service as the lead Administrative Assistant to the Counseling and Vocational Rehabilitation Program within the SOE, Doris is leaving for a new position at Laudauer Publishing so closely related to her own quilting and quilt pattern design projects. Doris was instrumental in the budget management and graduate follow-up for one of the country's largest federally funded rehabilitation programs. Doris will be missed by the faculty, staff and students who were fortunate to have worked with her!

TEDxDrakeU

Dr. G. Douglas Stilwell applied for and was recently selected to give a TEDxDrakeU talk on April 15. The topic: Driving out Fear. Anyone else?

Emily Lang award finalist

Emily Lang is one of the finalists for the DSM Young Creative Professional of the Year award. She and her husband Kristopher Rollins have previous won a Commitment to Diversity Award and the two of them do great work in Des Moines, including helping to craft Drake's DMPS degree program.

wear robes (this determines where you will sit). To review: even if you are attending and sitting in the stands, they want to get a count. Thanks so much.

Counseling student honor

Counseling student Susan Myers received a scholarship from North American Society of Individual Psychology to attend the annual conference in May. This is a competitive scholarship for which applicants must have established previous experience or exposure in Adlerian psychology and plans for applying ideas/techniques learned at the conference after returning home.

More information can be found

here: <http://www.alfredadler.org/2016-conference>

K-12 administrator turnover

http://wfcourier.com/news/local/education/tight-budgets-extra-duties-lead-to-high-turnover-for-iowa/article_74ea9683-9f9f-537a-8a77-7e56c88d2cf8.html

Sexual violence prevention

The Violence Intervention Partner peer advocacy team is now accepting applications for the 2016–2017 school year. You can find job duties and the application here:

<http://www.drake.edu/sexual-assault/programsandgroups/violenceinterventionpartnervippeeradvocacyteam/> Applications are due by Friday, March 25 (may be extended if needed), with interviews starting the week of April 7th with the advisory team. Please help me in promoting this out to prospective students and thank you. Alysa Mozak, M.S., CVSP, CSHE, Coordinator for Sexual Violence Response & Healthy Relationship Promotion