

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTH CARE

The School of Allied Health Professions would like to congratulate students and faculty who represent the Health Sciences Center, School and their professions at local, state and national levels. A component of professional development is engagement in service-related activities. In this newsletter, the School would like to highlight 2 students and their national achievements.

Representative Assembly Member of the AOTA



Kristen Davis, Occupational Therapy student, Class of 2013, has been elected to serve on the American Occupational Therapy Association's (AOTA) Representative Assembly. The Representative Assembly (RA) is the policy-making body of the American Occupational Therapy Association and the direct link to action on professional issues and concerns. Each state has a representative that votes on motions on behalf of their constituency during the annual fall and spring RA meetings.

As a Student Representative, Kristen will be a voting member of the RA and a member of the Assembly of Student Delegates Steering Committee. A large majority of the motions that have been brought before the RA have shaped the scope of occupational therapy practice and the education students receive. The nomination process for Student Representative began in November 2011. Kristen had to complete an application, including recommendations and an essay. Nationwide elections were held from January 17-February 28, 2012. All occupational therapy AOTA student members were eligible to vote. Kristen received notice of her position in March 2012. Installation of the new AOTA officers will be held on April 25, 2012 at the AOTA Conference & Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana.

"I will vote on the issues before the RA on behalf of the students, and with students' best interests in mind."

TEDMED

Front-Line Scholarship Recipient



Cynthia Weatherly, Clinical Laboratory student, Class of 2013, received a TEDMED Front-Line scholarship in the amount of \$4950.00 to attend the 3rd annual TEDMED conference in April 2012 (TED = Technology, Entertainment, Design). Cynthia is one of 1,000 individuals who was selected to attend the 3 1/2 day conference in Washington D.C.

TEDMED selects conference attendees in order to have a diverse blend of disciplines, specialities and leadership. In April, 300 medical and nonmedical disciplines will meet to explore the issues, challenges, and innovations that will shape the future of health and medicine.

TEDMED is a community of individuals who are passionate about imagining the future of health and medicine. Cynthia is a fan of TEDTalks. This is the first year for scholarship opportunities. Immediately upon seeing the opportunity on the TEDMed website, Cynthia applied for the scholarship.

"I am thrilled to be attending such a prestigious event where I will be immersed in a place of learning, be provoked, stimulated and be inspired. I can't begin to explain my excitement about attending a conference along side of the Director of the CDC, the Director of the NIH and the President of the American Red Cross."

FACULTY SERVICE

The mission of the School of Allied Health Professions is to promote education, research, scholarship and service. Many of our faculty participate in service activities at the state and national level. Faculty contribute their time, talents and expertise to serve professional associations and community-based organizations. The School would like to recognize the following faculty for their dedication to service in 2011:

Administration

J. M. Cairo, PhD, RRT, FAARC

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools - Site Visitor; Southern Association of Allied Health Deans - Board of Directors; Respiratory Care Journal - Reviewer; Journal of Allied Health-Reviewer; Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care - Site Visitor

Tina Gunaldo, PT, DPT, MHS

Louisiana Physical Therapy Board - Advisory Committee Member; Health Policy and Administration Section of the APTA, Chair of Member Services Committee; Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center Foundation, Inc. - Board of Directors Member; Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, Continuing Competence Committee Member

Audiology

Annette Hurley, PhD, CCC-A, F-AAA

American Academy of Audiology, Global Perspectives in Central Auditory Processing Disorder Program Planning Committee - Member; American Academy of Audiology, American Speech-Language Program Committee - Member; Council for Academic Affairs - Site Visitor; Educational Audiology Association-Professional Issues Committee Chair; Educational Audiology Association - CEU Coordinator; Educational Audiology Association Research Committee - Member

Barbara Gordon-Wendt, PhD, CCC-A, F-AAA

American Academy of Audiology, Convention Committee - 2011; Audiology NOW Featured Sessions - Member

Robert Turner, PhD, CCC-A, F-AAA

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Government Relations and Public Policy Board - Member

Clinical Laboratory Sciences

Angela Foley, MS, MT(ASCP)SH

Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners Advisory Committee - Member; American Society for Clinical Pathology Board of Certification, Hematology Examination Committee - Member; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Kleiner Awards Selection Committee - Member; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Education and Research Fund - Trustee and Liaison to Awards Committee; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Consumer Information Response Team - Member; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Abstract Review Committee - Member; Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity Board of Directors - Treasurer

Elizabeth Williams, MHS, MT(ASCP)SBB

Louisiana Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Nominations Committee - Member; American Society of Clinical Pathology, Immunohematology Exam Committee Board of Certification - Member

SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS

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Larry Broussard, PhD, DABCC, FACB

College of American Pathologist, Chemistry Resources Committee - Member; National Academy of Clinical Biochemistry, Finance Committee - Member; National Academy of Clinical Biochemistry, Nominations Committee -Chair

Patsy Jarreau, MHS, MT(ASCP)

Louisiana Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Area VII - Representative; Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners - Director of Clinical Laboratory Personnel; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Finance Committee - Chair; Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners - Director; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science Alpha Mu Tau Fraternity, Finance Committee - Member; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Online Consumer Response Team - Member; American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Professional Standards Review Committee - Member

Cardiopulmonary Science

Andy Pellett, PhD, RDCS

American Society of Echocardiography, Council on Cardiac Sonography - Member; American Society of Echocardiography, Information Technology Committee - Member; Cardiovascular Credentialing International Certified Cardiographic Technician, Exam-Writing Committee - Member

John Zamjahn, PhD, RRT

Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care, Ad-Hoc Academic Committee - Member; Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care, Board of Directors - Treasurer; Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care, Budget and Audit Committee -Chair; Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care, Education Committee - Member; Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care, Hospital of the Year for Respiratory Care - Panel Member

Physician Assistant

Debra Munsell, DHSc, PA-C

American Academy of Physician Assistants, External Affairs Committee - Member; American Academy of Physician Assistants - Liaison Coordinator; Society of PAs in Otolaryngology/HNS, Board of Directors - Member; Physician Assistant Education Association - Liaison to AAPA Prof. Ed./Development Council Member

Physical Therapy

Jane Eason, PhD, PT

Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section of the APTA, Research Committee - Member

Rachel Trommelen, PT, DPT, NCS

Vestibular Special Interest Group of the APTA- Member

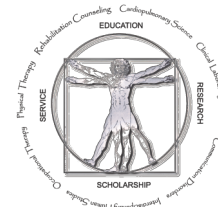
Rehabilitation Counseling

Erin Dugan, PhD, NCC, LPC-S

Louisiana Association for Counselor Educators and Supervisors - Past President; Louisiana Association for Play Therapy - President; Association for Play Therapy, Registration and Continuing Education Committee - Member; Association for Play Therapy, University Education Committee - Member

Henry McCarthy, PhD, CRC, LPC

American Counseling Association, 2011 Annual Conference Program Committee - Member; Rehabilitation Counseling



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within an Interdisciplinary Network

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