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We Are "Producing Professionals"

Greetings!! The School of Professional Studies is proud to introduce you to its Inaugural issue of the Proficionada Magazine. It is our pleasure to share with you the initiatives, goals, objectives, and accomplishments.

Our mantra in the School of Professional Studies (SPS) is "We Are Family" and we pride ourselves in our dedication to assuring that all SPS students receive the mentoring, guidance, advisement and tough love to remain in school and graduate on time. Our objectives as a School include the ability to connect our students to their career goals by assuring that we provide innovation in academic programming, assistance with their ability to transfer their knowledge to the workforce, using their education and playing active roles to revitalize the communities to which they return, and becoming significant contributors to economic development.

The School was founded in 2007 and is comprised of four departments; Applied Psychology & Rehabilitation Counseling, Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement, Social Science, Political & Sociology and Social Work which service 1000 students on average per year in 10 undergraduate degree programs, 5 graduate degree programs and 7 advanced certificates.

We prepare students for entry into the world of the human service professions. Students can receive undergraduate degrees in Rehabilitation Services, Applied Psychology, Criminal Justice, Interdisciplinary Studies, Political Science, Social Science, Sociology, Urban Studies, Non -Profit Leadership and Social Work. Our graduate degrees include Rehabilitation Counseling, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling, Criminal Justice and Human Services Administration.

From undergraduate preparation through completion of graduate education, our faculty and staff give 100% of their enthusiasm, commitment and passion toward our Professional Studies Students. From academic advising to designing cutting-edge programs and from mentoring to always seeking life-transforming opportunities our students are the recipients of nurturing, guidance and tough-love.

We also provide a number of supplemental offerings to

assure our students take full advantage of every opportunity to enhance their college experience. These offerings include a quarterly newsletter, *the SPS Informant*, school meetings which cover topics such as leadership, mentoring, Orientation to College Life and Life After Coppin; an Alumnae Resource Bank which connects students with alumnae who have graduated from their respective programs; an SPS Student Ambassadors' Corps, Student Advisory Board and External Advisory Board.

Every department within the School of Professional Studies is engaged in a number of significant activities. The next pages highlight initiatives and achievements throughout our undergraduate and graduate programs. We hope you enjoy reading our first issue, we invite you to visit our campus, virtual tour at www.coppin.edu/professional_studies, and contact us at any time at professionalstudies@coppin.edu.

Beverly J. O'Bryant
Beverly J. O'Bryant
 PhD, LPC, NCC, NCSC
 Dean



Applied Psychology and Rehabilitation Counseling

The Department of



From The Department Chair

Dr. Judith Kehe

With a unique heritage that promotes diversity and a strong commitment to prepare students to apply knowledge gained to everyday practical situations and to the workforce, the department proudly boasts two undergraduate majors, two

graduate programs and four certificate programs.

At the undergraduate level we offer four majors in

Rehabilitation Services and Applied Psychology. Rehabilitation Services majors are prepared to work with individuals with various disabilities. Applied Psychology majors select one of two concentrations. Those with interests in working with addicted individuals select the alcohol and substance abuse concentration and those with interests in modifying behavior and working with more diverse populations select the psychological services concentration.

At the graduate level we offer Master degrees in Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling and Rehabilitation Counseling. Graduates of these two programs also typically pursue certifications and licensure in these areas to complement their excellent preparation for the workforce.

A dedicated and diverse faculty and staff of lifelong learners contribute to the education of our students. Several are engaged in research, have presented at national and international conferences, and have held national leadership positions.

The Department also manages the University's Disabilities Support Services Program to address the needs of students with documented disabilities.

To learn more about our department please visit our website at www.coppin.edu/professional_studies/aprc or call 410-951-3510.

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." -- Henry Ford

Phenomenal Accomplishment

Dr. Janet Spry

The CSU/SPS Rehabilitation Counseling Program has been approved as an Employment Network (EN) by the Social Security Administration (SSA).

As only the second university program in the United States to hold this distinction, the

Rehabilitation Counseling Program will arrange for assessment and evaluation, vocational rehabilitation



services, counseling services, employment services and other supports to individuals with disabilities to secure competitive and gainful employment and stay employed. Students will fulfill internship requirements while gaining practical experience.

CSU/SPS Rehabilitation Counseling Program Becomes Only 2nd in the United States Approved as an Employment Network

An EN designation also allows the Rehab Counseling program to access additional unrestricted funding and provide opportunities for program expansion within the clinical/experiential learning component areas inclusive of a community-based outreach center. Dr. Janet Spry, the Coordinator of the Master's Program in Rehabilitation Counseling and Principal Investigator of the Social Security Administration grant says "...it is a win-win scenario for everyone: students receive real world, hands-on counseling experience, the community receive quality services and the program receives financial compensation. We look forward to working with the Social Security Administration in providing this wonderful training opportunity for our students as we provide services to individuals with disabilities."

For more information contact: Dr. Janet Spry, RCP Ticket Program Director at jspry@coppin.edu or by telephone at 410-951-3514.

Department Awarded \$1 Million in Grants

The Department of Applied Psychology and Rehabilitation Counseling was awarded one million dollars (\$1M) in grants over the last academic year: the Senior Community Service Employment Program grant to employ 20 seniors, a \$750,000 RSA Grant to provide \$150,000 in scholarships and leadership

training annually for next 5 years to Rehabilitation Counseling Graduate Students, and a \$120,000 SAMHSA Minority Education Institute (MEI) Grant to promote peer education on HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis and Substance Abuse.

Rehabilitation Services Administration Long-Term Training Grant...\$750,000



Under the leadership and project direction of Dr. Michelle Pointer, the Master's Program in Rehabilitation Counseling was awarded a Rehabilitation Services

Dr. Michelle Pointer

Administration (RSA) Long Term Training Grant in the amount of \$750,000. This is a 5 year grant in the amount of \$150,000 per year. The grant will focus on expanding leadership training for students who meet the eligibility requirements.

Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)...\$200,000

Thanks to Dr. Janet Spry, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) has come to Coppin State University through the School of Professional Studies. Through SCSEP, departments within the School of Professional, School of Graduate Studies, and The Honors College have had the services of several senior aides, acquired through a competitive grant process from Senior Service America, Inc. (U.S. Department of Labor). This non-profit organization provides civic engagement and employment opportunities for qualified individuals who desire to re-enter the workforce. SCSEP fosters and promotes useful part-time opportunities in community service activities as well as individual economic self-sufficiency. CSU's SCSEP aides are assisting departments by providing clerical assistance and support. The senior aids are a welcome addition to the Coppin/SPS Family.



Front row, left to right: Dr. Janet Spry, Coordinator, Ms. Edna Broadway, Ms. Vera Daryton,, Ms. Dorothy Holland, Ms. Cynthia Brown, Ms. Sheila Young, Back Row, Left to Right: Mr. Wilton Taylor, Ms. Christine Thornton, Ms. Patricia Owens, Ms. Vivlan Wiggins, and Mr. Sam Weiss.

SAMHSA Minority Education Initiative...\$120,000



Left to Right: Dr. Rolande Murray, Dr. Beverly J. O'Bryant and Dr. Judith Kehe

Congratulations to the Department of Applied Psychology and Rehabilitation Counseling for receiving additional funding of \$20,000 for the MEI Project. The initial grant was for \$85,000 from McFarland and Associates Inc. in

conjunction with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The grant funds an initiative to fill significant gaps in HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis

awareness within the CSU community and beyond through peer outreach.

Dr. Rolande Murray and Dr. Judith Kehe in-conjunction with the referral of Dean Beverly J. O'Bryant, were the initiators of this highly competitive grant which will educate targeted communities about HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis awareness. Through train the trainer modules, the grant will provide peer-outreach for HIV, STD's and Hepatitis.

CSU was among eight Historically Black Institutions (HBI) selected to receive this grant. We are delighted and honored that we have been given yet another opportunity to continue our efforts to increase the awareness of HIV/AIDS, Substance Abuse and Hepatitis on campus.

Department of Criminal Justice & Law Enforcement



Senator Ralph Hughes
Department Chair

With a longstanding tradition of serving the students at Coppin State University the Department of Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement proudly offers an undergraduate degree in criminal justice. The department currently serves several hundred students providing each of them with the most current knowledge and techniques that are applied in the law enforcement community.

Students are able to receive training from the classroom setting, as well as by a hands-on approach in completing an internship experience with one of the many law enforcement sites with which the department has agreement. Upon completion of degree requirements, undergraduate students are well prepared to pursue a graduate education or enter the work force in a variety of settings at the city, state, and federal levels.

The department also offers a graduate degree in criminal justice that is specifically designed to focus on several critical concentration areas. The areas of concentration include criminal justice administration, crime control delinquency, correctional counseling and research & planning. Each of these particular areas, provides students with valued training that they may apply as they continue their education or begin new careers.

The department also offers certificate programs. Its new state of the art forensics laboratory located on the 5th floor of the Health and Human Services Building. The laboratory is used by students taking lab science courses in forensic investigation, policing strategies and Investigative Sciences related to criminal forensic investigations. The laboratory serves as a tremendous compliment to the department's Moot Court Room which is able to provide a real courtroom setting to students who are in training to practice law or be affiliated in some manner with the court system.

The criminal justice department faculty is exceptional and brings to its students many years of education and training in the field. The faculty's experiences range from criminal law to policing, corrections, juvenile delinquency and state and federal government with each faculty member possessing an expertise in a particular area.

The Coppin State University student graduates with a plethora of experience in criminal justice and law enforcement. Students leave Coppin well trained and ready to be successful in their chosen field, and have an established history of success in obtaining employment in a number of related areas.

By: Dr. Brian Schmitt



Franklin Fellows with Secretary of State Hillary Clinton

Franklin Fellows Reception

Dr. Beverly O'Bryant and Dr. Claudia Nelson attended the U.S. Department of State's Reception to honor the Franklin Fellows, thank the companies and institutions which sponsored the Fellows and the State Department and U.S. Agency for International Development Offices which hosted the Fellows. Tenured faculty are encouraged to consider for a Franklin Fellows position.

If interested, contact Dr. O'Bryant at bobryant@coppin.edu for more information.

Left to right: Dr. Claudia Nelson, Bill Pope, Senior Advisor for Fellows and Dean Beverly J. O'Bryant



Dr. Michael Berlin and Ms. Dee Loftis Initiate SPS Meeting with the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C.

Dean Beverly O'Bryant and Dr. Michael Berlin's visit to the U.S. Department of State to discuss faculty fellow-ships and student internships, revealed exciting opportunities for Coppin State University faculty and students. Dean O'Bryant and Dr. Berlin met with William Pope, Senior Advisor for the Franklin Fellows Program and Joanne Martin, an Advisor for Fellows, concerning prospective CSU faculty applications to the Franklin Fellows and potential placements in the Office of the Secretary and State Department Bureaus. Susan Dee Loftis, a Franklin Fellow, took Dean O'Bryant and Dr. Berlin to lunch in the State Department dining hall overlooking the National Mall and shared her inspiring experiences as a Fellow.

The State Department is encouraging faculty applications from Historically Black Colleges and University (HBCU) faculty. Possible placements range from African Affairs to Counterterrorism and International Narcotics and Law Enforcement to AIDS, Hunger and Food Security. Fellows come from higher education, government, non-profits and the private sector, and generally serve one year. They are typically on sabbatical from their respective institutions. Most assignments are in Washington, D.C. Applications must be submitted at least several months in advance to allow time for necessary security clearances and back-ground investigations. For additional information and a current list of Franklin Fellow positions go the U.S. State Department Franklin Fellows web-site, www.careers.state.gov/FF.

Dean O'Bryant and Dr. Berlin also met with Barbara Cummings, Diplomat in Residence at Howard University, who shared information concerning a wide variety of paid and unpaid student internships. These internships offer extraordinary career and educational opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students. For information concerning these internships go to www.careers.state.gov/students/programs.



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"The Coppin Connection" Radio Show Every 4th Sunday on the "Ask Dr. B" Show, WOLB 1010 AM

Dr. Beverly O'Bryant, Dean of the School of Professional Studies, is the hosts of the *Coppin Connection* every fourth Sunday on the "Ask Dr. B" radio show.

The "Ask Dr. B" Radio Show is hosted weekly by Dr. LaReneque Bartholomew...aka Dr. B- who discusses the concerns of parents, grandparents, caregivers, teachers, school administrators, and community providers regarding at-risk youth and juvenile delinquents within Baltimore City. Dr. B provides solutions, strategies, and resources that work.

Dr. O'Bryant highlights programs and events at Coppin State University each month. Topics include subjects such as academic program offerings, theater arts performances, community tax preparation services offered by the School of Management Science and Economics, athletic schedules, and the availability of the CSU Wellness Center to the Community.

To Access Archived Radio Shows Visit:
www.coppin.edu/professional_studies/



Radio Host, Dr. LaReneque Bartholomew, aka: Dr. B, Monthly Coppin Connection Host, Dr. Beverly O'Bryant, Dean, SPS, Dr. Kenneth Morgan, frequent Coppin Connection co-host and Coordinator of SPS Urban Studies Program, Gennifer Robertson, an SPS Master's Degree student in Human Service Administration and intern at Radio One.



Listen live on **WOLB 1010 AM** and call in to (410) 481-1010, Dr. B every Sunday and to *The Coppin Connection* with Dr. O'Bryant every 4th Sunday from 4:00 PM-5:00 PM. You may also listen to the broadcast on www.wolbbaltimore.com

Department of Social Work

The Social Work Department has been described by some as the heart of the University. As educators in a department that advocates for social and economic justice, we are dedicated to preparing students to be change agents and, where needed – the voice for the voiceless. With approximately 183 majors and minors, a faculty of five full –time professors, five adjunct professors, we are dedicated to making a difference both locally and globally. Our graduates continue to excel both as graduate students and as licensed professionals. Many of our recent graduates have enrolled in graduate programs at area schools such as the University of Maryland, Morgan State University, and Washington DC schools such as Gallaudet and Howard University.

Within the past five years the Department has introduced changes so as to better respond to the needs of our students and introduce them to social work beyond the borders of the United States. In so doing we have, wherever possible, offered various options such as

different meeting times for core courses, winter and summer offerings, as well as seven week courses to better facilitate the students matriculation through the program.

One area where there has been noticeable growth is in our field education program. Previously, students were only able to start their field experience in the Fall semester. As of January 2008, students may now also start their internship in the Winter Semester and complete it by the end of the Summer Session I. To accommodate the expanded structure, we have increased our partners and the diversity of our field placements. The department is now also working on developing a summer international field internship that will occur in Barbados.

This year the Department welcomed Ms. Edna Swan, one of its 2002 graduates, to coordinate the field program. After graduating from Coppin, she completed her MSW in 2004. Ms. Swan replaces, Dr. Bolden who is now serving as Chair of the Department.



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DR. ERROL BOLDEN
Department Chair

Dr. Dorothy I. Height Endowed Chair In Social Work

The Dorothy I. Height Chair is being established in honor of Dr. Height's outstanding humanitarian contributions to the social work community. Her life embodied exemplary leadership and dedication to social, economic, and political justice for all citizens, both nationally and internationally.



Dr. Dorothy I. Height

About the position:

The purpose of the Height Chair is to provide opportunity to further the humanitarian ideas and mission that the late Dr. Dorothy I. Height exemplified. Specifically, the recipient of the Endowed Chair is expected to be nationally renowned in areas of teaching, research, scholarship, and service that promote social

change and social justice. The Department of Social Work believes that the establishment of this Endowed Chair will not only continue the legacy of Dr. Height but strengthen the academic future of the social work program.

Priority Areas:

The holder of the Dorothy I. Height Chair must possess the following attributes and /or areas of expertise:

- ❖ Advocacy skills needed to promote human rights and strategies to eradicate human rights violation.
- ❖ Expertise in social work methods to address the global crises and sustainable development.
- ❖ A strong knowledge base of women's issues, especially Black women.
- ❖ An understanding of the black family and its special needs (Black Perspective).

Department of Social Science, Political Science and Sociology



*Dr. John Hudgins
Department Chair*

The Department of Social Science, Political Science and Sociology continues to offer a wide range of programs and activities to help students understand and navigate the social environment.

Programs are at the cutting edge of analyzing and pursuing intervention strategies for many of the problems and issues common to an urban setting. The department

provides majors leading to Bachelor's Degrees in Social Science, Political Science, Sociology, Urban Studies, Non-Profit Leadership and Interdisciplinary Studies.

The Department announced the start up of two new major programs this academic year. Both the Urban Studies Program and the Program in Nonprofit Leadership were approved by the University System Board of Regents during the 2009/2010 Academic Year; and, both programs lead to the Bachelor of Science Degree. The Nonprofit Leadership Program is an extension of the Minor in Nonprofit Management which is co-sponsored by the School of Management Science and Economics. The program will also incorporate the existing Nonprofit Leadership Certification offered by the Department. The Urban Studies major is a welcome addition to the Coppin State University Campus where Urban Service is a critical part of the institution's mission. Through the lens of race and social class, the program integrates study from many disciplines to examine complex urban issues and activities. The Baltimore metropolitan area provides the primary teaching and learning laboratory. This program will allow students to assume major roles in the study and understanding of urban life. It will expose students to a wide variety of service opportunities including extensive internships.

During the past eleven years the department has also offered a very successful master's degree program in Human services Administration. Students are prepared to become leaders in understanding and interpreting the larger social world. As such they are prepared to pursue employment and graduate study utilizing superior comprehension, research, and communication skills. Students are afforded a wealth of experiential and internship opportunities, as well as exceptional classroom preparation. Faculty integrate the broader theoretical and substantive discipline understandings with the students' day to day experiences and lived realities.

As a result, graduates continue to be very successful in gaining employment across the wider metropolitan area in

entry level positions in public agencies, nonprofit institutions, and the private sector. They are leaders in their community civic and social organizations. Faculty efforts in the department through the graduates represent significant contributions to the city and the state, as well as the national and global communities. The department continues to build and maintain an outstanding faculty fully committed to these ends.

Use of Geo-Spatial Analyses Comes to SPS

It started with Dr. John Hudgins, Professor James Thomas and Dean Beverly O'Bryant's attendance at the 30th Annual International GIS Conference in San Diego. Three days of conference specifically designed to address educational programs and issues, and five days devoted to national and international programs and issues sparked enthusiasm, interest and determination. The trio attended content sessions such as Socio-demographic Modeling and Analysis for Educational Planning and Decision Making, Spatial Thinking and Content Integration with GIS, Teacher Professional Development, Assessing Informal Education Practices, Enhancing Teaching and Learning with GIS, Integrating the World with GIS education, Educational Research and Teacher Education, and Incorporating GIS and College STEM Courses to Boost Student Enrollments. As a result, they designed the SPS Center for Spatial Analysis through the assistance of Dr. Ahmed El-Haggan and the Office of Information Technology. SPS Faculty have begun training on the use of GIS systems and most recently, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene sponsored its 5th Annual GIS Conference at Coppin State University through Professor James Thomas, Dr. John Hudgins, Dean O'Bryant, the School of Professional Studies (SPS) and Mr. Wesley Taylor (and Mr. James Thomas) from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The use of Spatial Analysis is HERE in the School of Professional Studies!!!



Left: Professor James Thomas from the Department of Environmental Health and Food Protection
Right: Dr. Cliff Mitchell, Assistant Director, Environmental Health and Food Protection

Non-Profit Leadership Alliance



My role as the campus director for the American Humanics program at Coppin State University is to work with students who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of others. American Humanics is a national alliance of colleges, universities, and nonprofit organizations dedicated to educating, preparing, and certifying professionals to strengthen and lead nonprofit organizations. During my tenure, I have observed students flourish into prominent nonprofit leaders in the sector.

Daily, students enter into my office with a glimmer in their eyes. Many say to me, “One day, I would like to open my own nonprofit organization”, or they may say, “I just feel like I am called to help people”. Having once been on their side of the desk, I understand

whole-heartedly what they are experiencing. It is a desire or an interest that is often unexplainable.

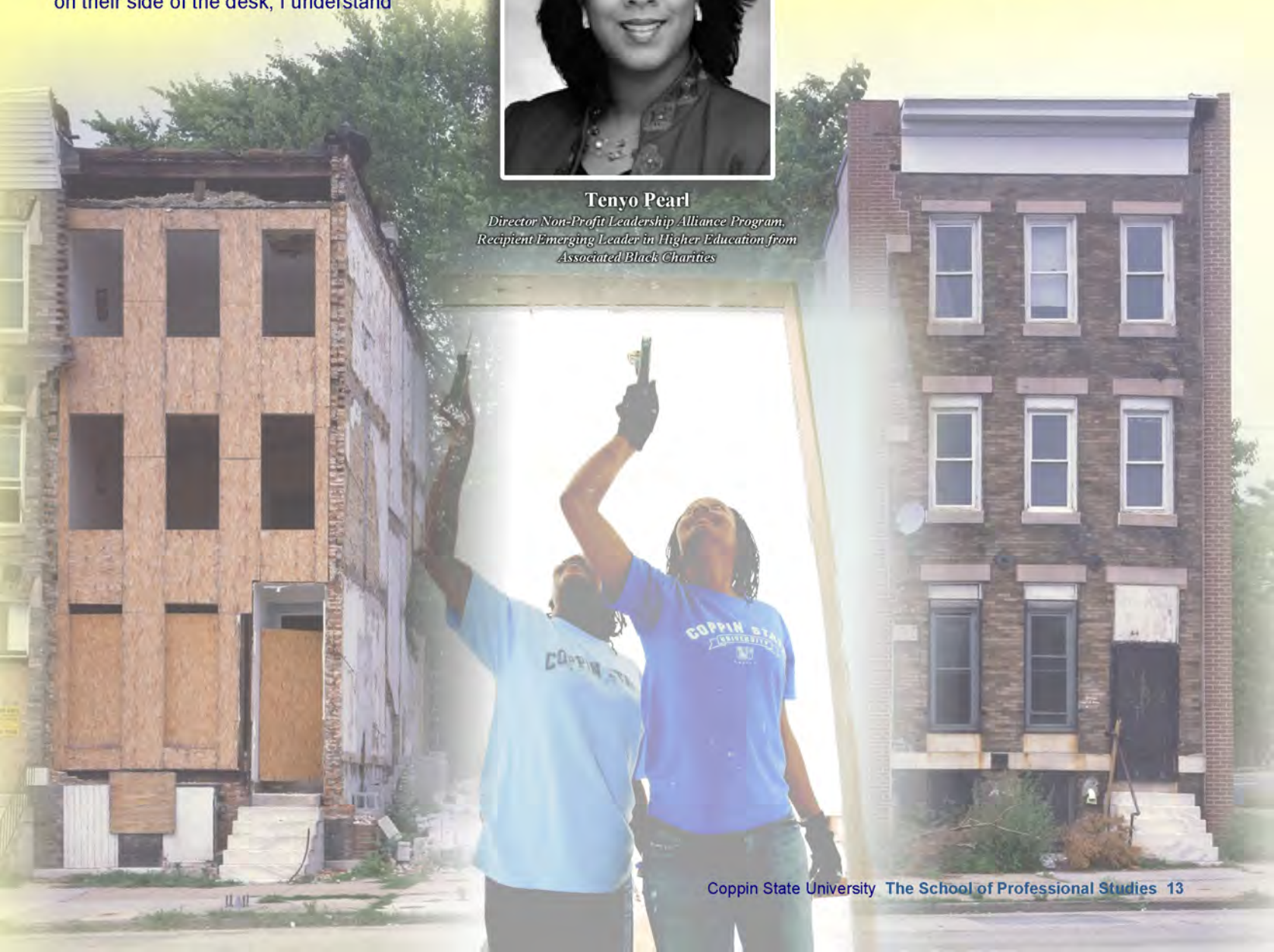
This is a very exciting time. Coppin State University now offers students an opportunity to explore their interests in the nonprofit sector by offering an array of specialized courses. This year, The Department of Social Sciences, Political Science and Sociology launched a new degree that will allow students an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nonprofit Leadership.

Students also have a choice in declaring a minor in nonprofit leadership and youth development and receive a national certification in Nonprofit Management via American Humanics National Office.



Tenyo Pearl

*Director Non-Profit Leadership Alliance Program,
Recipient Emerging Leader in Higher Education from
Associated Black Charities*



SPS INTERNATIONAL Travel Highlights

SPS Faculty and Staff Have Engaged in International Travel, Research and Presentations:

BARBADOS

The Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development Second International Conference on Higher Education:

Dr. Errol Bolden, *Examining the Role of Culture Shock in the Educational Arena and Relational Aggression among Adolescent Females*

Professor Delores Long-Coleman: Relational Aggression among Adolescent Females

Dr. John Hudgins, *Recapturing Education Attainment in Underperforming Institutions. Nature, nurture, or structure?*

Dr. Judith Kehe, *Examining the Role of Culture Shock in the Educational Arena*

Dr. Shirley Newton-Guest, *The Psychosocial Implications of Bullying on School-age Children and Relational Aggression among Adolescent Females*

Dr. Beverly J. O'Bryant: *An Individual 'Process and Procedure' Counseling Model for Increasing Retention among High Risk College Freshmen*

CANADA

Dr. Michael Berlin attended the Academy of Criminal Justice Science and presented "Minority Youth Attitudes Toward Police" and "The Compatibility of Community Policing and Compstat".

ENGLAND

Dr. Viretta Bryant attended the Mental Health Conference on Qualitative Research in Nottingham to present: *Crisis of faith: Religion and depression among African American women examining African American women's beliefs about depression and its influence on their help seeking patterns*.

Dr. Kunirum Osia attended Oxford University in the United Kingdom to present "Beyond Juridical Abstraction: Poverty in a World of Plenty."

INDIA

Dr. Michael Berlin attended the IPES Community Conclave and presented "Evolution of Community Policing"

Dr. Dilip Das attended a Special IPES Meeting on Community Policing.

JORDAN

Professor Gail Satchel

MALTA

Dr. Dilip Das attended the IPES Conference

SPAIN

Dr. Christopher Brittan-Powell attended the EDULEARN Conference in Barcelona, Spain and presented "Lecture Capture Systems Technology" – Are they Worth It?", and "Improving Faculty Adoption of Instructional

Dr. Catherine Cameron attended the International Conference of Education, Research, and Innovation (ICERI) in Madrid, Spain and presented "Student Use and Attitudes about Technology in the Classroom; Does it Enhance Learning?"

Dr. Judith Kehe attended the EDULEARN Conference in Barcelona, Spain and presented "What really works in promoting student success in an online course?"

SWEDEN

Dr. Dilip Das attended the Nordic Police Conference and presented the keynote speech "…He also visited Budapest, Hungary and Serbia for Professional work at the same time."



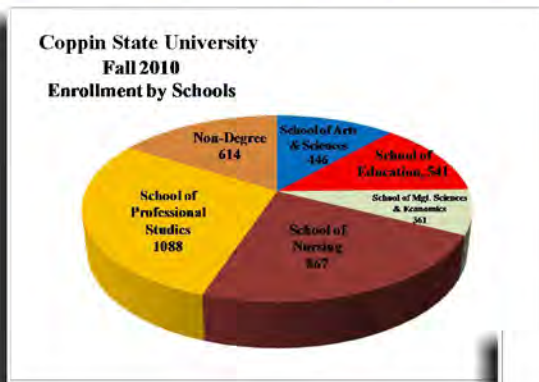
School of Professional Studies STUDY ABROAD in GHANA, WEST AFRICA

A dynamic team from the School of Professional Studies (SPS) traveled to Ghana, West Africa this summer to begin the process of establishing the first study abroad program within SPS. The reconnaissance team included Dean Beverly J. O'Bryant, Drs. Judith Kehe, Jacqueline Rhoden-Trader, Claudia D. Nelson and Errol Bolden. The team departed BWI on May 31, 2011 arriving in Accra, Ghana on June 1, 2011 to assess the feasibility of the country in meeting our specific SPS goal to "provide an international exchange program for SPS students to broaden their global perspectives and awareness of global employment opportunities." The team was in country for fourteen days and engaged in an intensive "boots-on-the-ground" mission. Over the two-week period the days began as early as 6:00 a.m. and the nights ended as late as the early part of the next morning. We attended more than 25 meetings and visited just as many historical and notable sites.

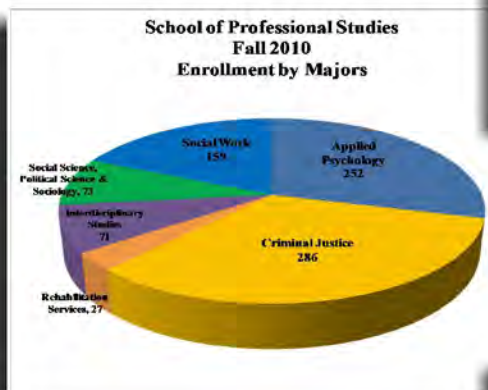
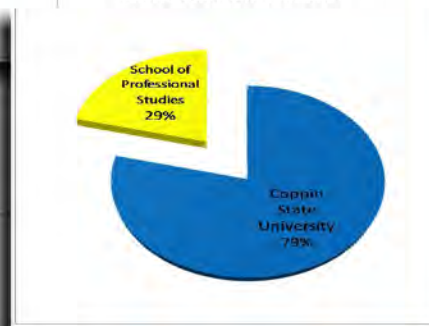
As a result of the reconnaissance mission, the School of Professional Studies has designed a 6-hour cross-disciplinary course, the SPS Study Abroad Initiative: Global Perspectives within Social Sciences (GPSs) Frameworks which will include comparative classroom content as well as a 4-week study abroad component applicable to every major within SPS (Criminal Justice, Non-Profit Leadership, Political Science, Psychology, Rehabilitation Services, Social Science, Sociology, Non-Profit Leadership, Urban Studies and Social Work).

**Persons interested in contributing to the SPS Study Abroad Program can contact us at
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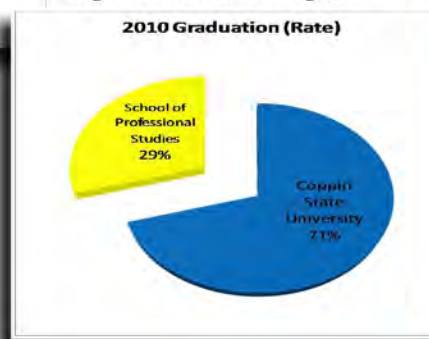
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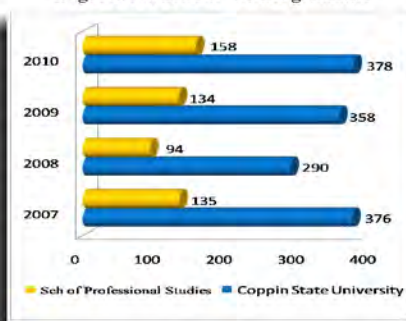
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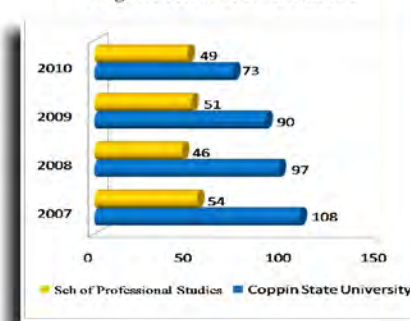
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