

ELPA CONNECTS

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Renner Receives Fulbright Award

Dr. Jasmine Renner received a Fulbright Specialist Scholar Award by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board in August 2012. The Fulbright Specialist Scholar program is the United States government's flagship international faculty exchange program. Candidates are reviewed by peers in the same discipline, and by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

The Fulbright Specialist Program promotes linkages between U.S. academics and professionals and their counterparts at over a 100 host institutions worldwide. This

award is for a period of five years. The program is designed to award grants to qualified U.S. faculty and professionals, in select disciplines, to engage in collaborative projects such as lecturing, conducting seminars, teacher training, special conferences or workshops, as well as collaborating on curriculum planning, institutional and/or faculty development at host institutions in over 100 countries worldwide.

Renner Participates as Principal Investigator in Grant

In July 2012, Dr. Renner was named Principal Investigator

of the Women's Leadership Program In Rwandan Education in a \$1 million grant funded by the Higher Education for Development and the U.S. Agency for International Development. The proposed project, Rwandan Women Accessing College and University Teacher Education, submitted by ETSU in collaboration with other TBR institutional partners, will promote and support the access of women to higher education in underserved communities in Rwanda. Through partnership with the Kigali Institute of Education and other relevant stakeholders, ETSU and

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION MAY GRADUATES

Rowena Bailey

Donna Renee Clifton

Joseph Combs

Deanna Garman

Heather Jones

Yi Lin

Heather Moore

Donna Nelson

Melissa Pannell

its collaborative TBR institutional partners will promote and strengthen female empowerment, equality and access of women and children to education and actively promote and support the Government of Rwanda and USAID/Rwanda national educational goals.

New cohorts Spring 2013

Post-Secondary and Private
Sector Leadership (Ed.D.)

School Leadership (Ed.D.,
Ed.S.)

Administrative Endorsement
(M.Ed., Ed.S., Ed.D)

For more information go to
www.etsu.edu/coe/elpa

Go to www.etsu.edu/gradstud to apply.

PPSL expands program

Post-Secondary and Private Sector (PPSL) now offers a masters degree with a major in Student Personnel.

Fall 2012 semester marked the beginning of the first cohort for the masters degree in Student Personnel. PPSL program coordinator Dr. Jim Lampley announced, "The focus of this program is on the professional development of entry to mid-level staff in higher education." Graduates of this masters program will increase their knowledge of leadership principles and have the ability to become more effective members of their organizations.

The 36 hour program will use the cohort model, allowing students to form supportive and professional relationships as they move through the program. Six credit hours are scheduled each semester, including summer. The courses will be offered online.

Additional cohorts will be formed on a regular basis. Dr. Don Good may be contacted for additional information at gooddw@etsu.edu.

Plans underway for Leadership Symposium

The 3rd annual Leadership Symposium will be held October 25, 2012, at Johnson City's Millennium Centre. This symposium will build on the content of the previous two, Motivation and Change, blending those into the innovative concept of "Forward Thinking." This topic should be valuable to members of any organization or group.

Three break-out sessions will be followed by a luncheon with featured speaker ETSU's president, Dr. Brian Noland.

For more information please contact Miriam Phillips at zmsm26@goldmail.etsu.edu



College of Education Awards

The Clemmer College of Education presented the Spring 2012 awards. Dr. Angela Lewis (c) presented the award for Outstanding Tuition Scholar to Megan Charles, (l). Miriam Phillips (r) received the award for Outstanding Graduate Student.

Nashville conference

The International Conference of Learning and Administration in Higher Education was held in Nashville May 23-25. This conference united those from differing disciplines and countries to share ideas and research.

A number of ELPA students, graduates, and faculty members joined attendees from around the world to participate in this event.

Presentations:

- **Leadership, Service, and Community: A Regional Focus**

Miriam Phillips
Stephanie Tweed
Pamela Scott

- **Ethical Climate, Organizational Commitment, and Job Satisfaction of Full-Time University Faculty Members**

Heather Moore
James Lampley
Don Good

- **Service: University as Community Partner**

Virginia Foley

- **Intercultural Communication Competence and Intercultural Communication Apprehension among Chinese Students Studying in the USA**

Yi Lin, University of North Florida
Jasmine Renner



Jasmine Renner (r) and ELPA graduate Yi Lin (l) were among those who presented at the Nashville conference.

- **The Writing on my wall: Freedom of Expression, First Amendment and Social Media: New Faculty Rights Concerns**

Jasmine Renner
Bethany Flora

- **Understanding and Managing Change: A Leadership Perspective**

Pamela Scott

Summer Dissertations

Summer 2012 is the final semester for four ELPA students. Maria Costa, Amy Hall, Paula Holder, and Jason Horne have successfully defended their dissertations. These summer graduates will be honored during the December commencement ceremony.



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in the news

- Jason Horne has been named principal of Tennessee Online Public School, by Bristol Tennessee City Schools.
- Randy Watts, Dr. Virginia Foley, and Dr. Don Good authored "Parental Involvement: Perceptions and Actions in a Small School District." The article was published in the Spring 2012 issue of *Tennessee Educational Leadership*.
- Rick Spurling has been named superintendent of Mitchell County, NC., Schools.
- Dr. Lamar Smith has been named Director of Federal Programs for Kingsport City Schools.
- Brian Cinnamon has been named Early Childhood & Special Education Coordinator for Kingsport City Schools.
- Deanna Garman and Don Good authored "Student success: A comparison of face-to-face and online sections of community college biology courses" for *Review of Higher Education and Self-Learning*,

Congratulations to Dr. Virginia Foley on her election to the office of Vice-President of Faculty Senate.