



The E-Newsletter of the Warner School of Education at the University of Rochester

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HAPPENINGS



Over 150 faculty, staff, students, and friends celebrated the new semester and Warner's new home in LeChase Hall at the first Wednesday Lunch Hour.



Howard Kirschenbaum, professor emeritus, was this semester's first Wednesday Lunch Talk speaker, sharing his experiences as a college student in the 1960s when he became involved in the Civil Rights Movement. He spoke about participating in the 1963 march on Washington where Dr. Martin Luther King delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech; being jailed on a Freedom Ride in Maryland; participating in the Mississippi Summer Project of 1964 when three of his co-workers were murdered by the Ku Klux Klan; and witnessing the start of the Selma, Alabama freedom marches of 1965.



EVENTS

2/06/2013
[Wednesday Lunch Talk - Reading and Writing Community: Literacies in Use](#)

2/07/2013
[Immigrants in America Film Series: 9500 Liberty](#)

2/08/2013
[Career Services - The Academic Job Search for Doctoral Students](#)

2/09/2013
[Writing Workshop - Genres of Academic Writing](#)

2/15/2013
[Career Services - Professional Networking at Regional or National Conferences](#)

2/15/2013
[Writing Workshop - Constructing an Argument in Academic Writing](#)

3/01/2013
[Career Services - The Job Search for Master's Students](#)

3/02/2013
[Writing Workshop - Critiques and Literature Reviews](#)

3/08/2013
[Career Services - Resume and Cover Letter Writing](#)

3/08/2013
[Safe Schools Against Violence in Education \(SAVE\) Workshop](#)

3/08/2013
[Writing Workshop - Citations, Referencing, and APA Style](#)

3/15/2013
[Career Services - Preparing for a Professional Interview](#)

3/16/2013
[Writing Workshop - Writing Short Proposals for Papers and Conferences](#)

NEWS

[Free Film Showing, Discussion for 9500 Liberty Documents the Immigration Policy Debate](#)

A public showing of the film *9500 Liberty* will be offered through the Warner School on Thursday, Feb. 7 at 7:15 p.m. in the Genrich-Rusling Room of LeChase Hall on River Campus. The showing, which is the third in a film series exploring immigrant and refugee experiences that will screen during the academic year, is free and open to the public.





In January, master's and doctoral students from departments across the Warner School presented the research projects they proposed as their culminating assignment from the fall 2012 Master's Research Methods and Concepts and Issues in Social Science Research course. Twenty poster presentations by 51 students were on display in the Wentworth Atrium. The studies covered an array of topics and utilized a broad range of qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods designs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upsilon Rho Updates

The Upsilon Rho (UR) chapter of Chi Sigma Iota (CSI) has been very busy this academic year! Chi Sigma Iota is an international academic and professional counseling honor society, with strong membership in the Upsilon Rho chapter here at the Warner School. The Warner chapter is headed up by recent Warner graduate Aquella Robinson '12 (MS) and supervised by Karen Mackie, assistant professor, and Bonnie Rubenstein, associate professor.

In fall 2012, members were involved in Alzheimer's Awareness week in October, organized a collection for refugees in November, and hosted a Holiday Benefit Happy Hour in December. Members attended the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's event in Corn Hill to finish up a week of awareness for the disease, which also included a CSI workshop hosted by Warner doctoral student Susan Santiago.

In November and December, members of CSI encouraged and organized a clothing collection for local refugees through Mary's Place Outreach. The Happy Hour in December, organized by several CSI members, including master's students Jonelle Redhead, David Liesegang and Elizabeth Knapp, also served as a collection point for hats, gloves, and other clothing items for the refugee project, which was very successful.

CSI has big plans for this spring. Master's student Meghan Keough is at the front of the Warner student movement to make an impact in Albany this February, when legislature will be decided regarding the scope of practice for licensed mental health counselors. Several Warner counseling students plan to attend this event in collaboration with students from other local counseling graduate programs, and the members of CSI will organize the trip. In addition, CSI plans to hold a Valentine's Day event for students in February.

2013 University Diversity Conference Keynote Speaker Announced

The keynote speaker for this year's diversity conference is Lani Guinier, prominent civil rights attorney and the first tenured African-American woman professor at Harvard Law School. The call for workshop proposals is now open: students, faculty, staff, and alumni are invited to submit proposals for workshops and posters at the conference, which takes place on April 12. Proposal submissions can showcase best practices, curriculum models, research, outreach strategies, training methods, and other topics related to diversity and inclusion. The deadline for proposals is Feb. 21. [Read more...](#)

LeChase Hall Stair Towers

Please note that you can no longer access levels 3 and 4 from the two side stair towers of LeChase Hall. This is a temporary problem, as we await a change in hardware.

If you get "stuck", return to level 2 and use the central staircase or elevator. The stair towers remain open from those floors for emergency exit or to access levels 1 and 2.

We apologize for the inconvenience.

FACULTY/STUDENT NOTES

Hursh Publishes in *Journal of Education Policy*

David Hursh, professor, wrote the article "Raising the Stakes: High-Stakes Testing and the Attack on Public Education in New York," which was published in the *Journal of Education Policy*, 28(3). In the article, Hursh suggests that high-stakes testing has come about as part of a larger neoliberal agenda to disparage public institutions and educators to justify reducing public expenditures and privatizing schools. [Read the article.](#)

Willmott, Wall Publish Study of Entrepreneurial Initiatives

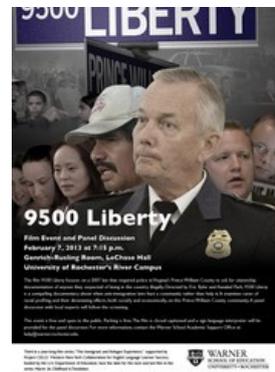
Doctoral student Kristen Willmott and Andrew Wall, associate professor and chair of the educational leadership program, have published their study of entrepreneurial initiatives, titled "Responding to Fiscal Tensions and a Changing Educational Context: A Librarian Entrepreneur," introduced by Dr. Ron Dow, previous Dean of Libraries at the University of Rochester, in the December 2012 issue of the *Journal of Cases in Educational Leadership*. Willmott and Wall's work highlights how entrepreneurial ideas can be applied within educational contexts, specifically the academic support context of the university library. Findings point to the potential and limits of entrepreneurial practice for educational leaders operating within the changing fiscal landscape of higher education. [Read the article.](#)

Dreher Named Teacher of Merit

Doctoral student Ashli Dreher was one of 25 winners of *Business First's* 2012 Teachers of Merit awards, which spotlight outstanding work by Western New York teachers in the classroom and in extracurricular venues. Dreher teaches special education at the Lewiston-Porter Senior High School. [See news clipping.](#) [Read the story.](#)

Casquarelli Co-Writes Article Published in *Counseling Today*

Doctoral student Elaine Casquarelli co-wrote the article "Overcoming the Schism Between Spiritual Identity and Sexual Orientation," which was published in the January 2013 Issue of *Counseling Today*. In the article, Casquarelli and her co-authors describe what value conflicts counselors may experience in working with clients on this important issue and offer suggestions for providing ethically competent counseling. [Read the article.](#)



New Home, New Era for Warner School

Nearly 50 years after its founding, the Warner School of Education has a home to call its own. With the start of classes for the spring 2013 semester, the new Raymond F. LeChase Hall is officially open.

IN THE NEWS

[Zach White-Stellato '11 '12W \(MS\) Brings Get Real! Science to Bronx Classrooms](#)

[Lammers Quoted in eSchool News Article on Girls and Video Games](#)

[Warner Student Basir Barmak Featured in Currents as Part of the University's Human Library](#)

[Warner Doctoral Student Shaun Nelms Featured in Democrat and Chronicle](#)

Lammers Co-Facilitates Webinar on Girls and Video Games

Jayne Lammers, assistant professor, co-facilitated the webinar entitled "Educational Games for Girls: Collaboration and Context" in January. Webinar topics included how girls' preferences in computer games vary from those of boys and how teachers can incorporate games to engage all of their students. Co-presented by Lammers and Victoria Van Voorhis, founder and CEO of Second Avenue Software, who have studied girls and gaming from diverse perspectives, this webinar armed teachers with the insight they need to make smart choices about games for learning. The event was sponsored by edWeb.net's Game-Based Learning community. [View the webinar](#), [Read the article](#).



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