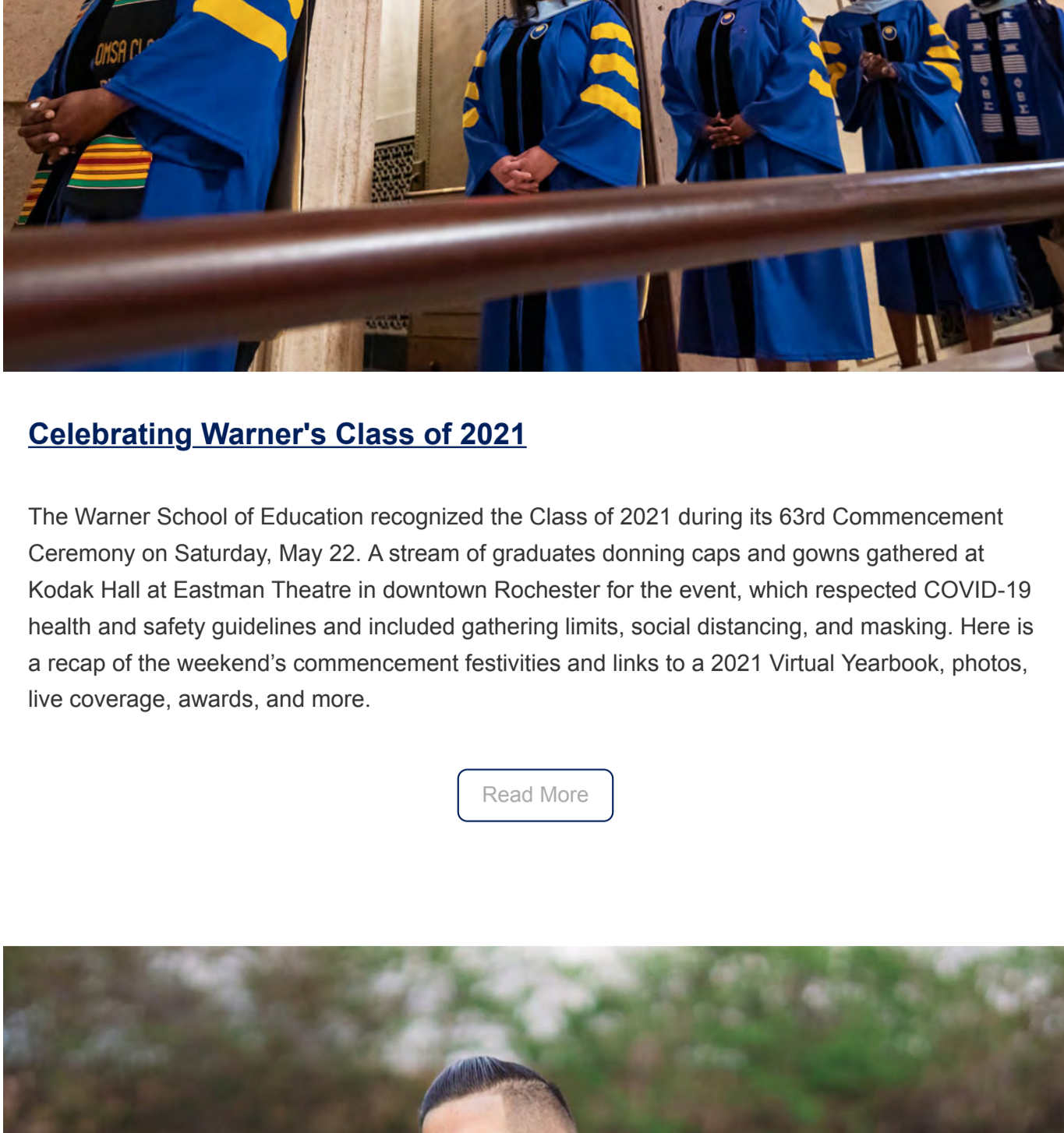




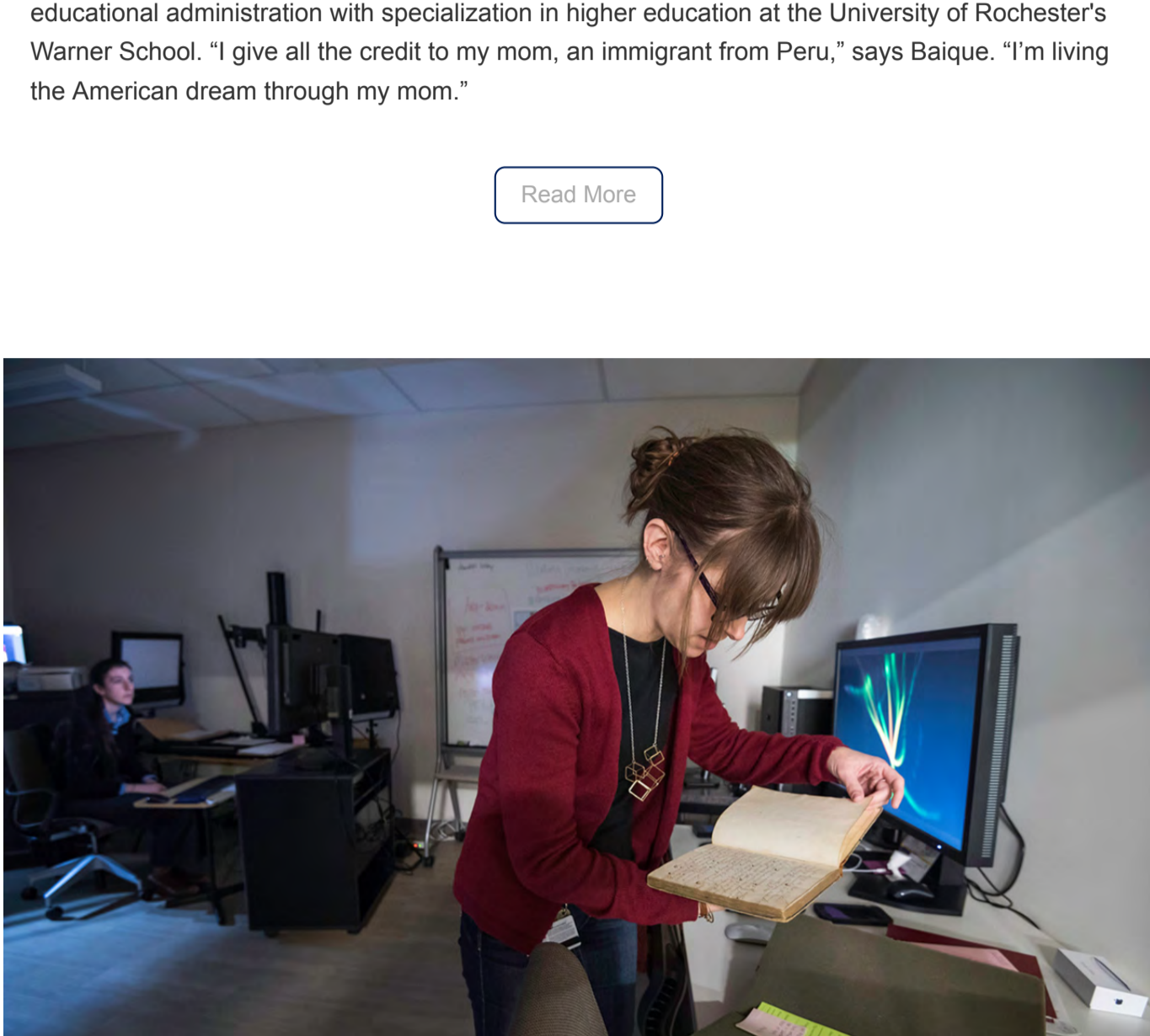
## SPRING 2021



### [Celebrating Warner's Class of 2021](#)

The Warner School of Education recognized the Class of 2021 during its 63rd Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 22. A stream of graduates donning caps and gowns gathered at Kodak Hall at Eastman Theatre in downtown Rochester for the event, which respected COVID-19 health and safety guidelines and included gathering limits, social distancing, and masking. Here is a recap of the weekend's commencement festivities and links to a 2021 Virtual Yearbook, photos, live coverage, awards, and more.

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### [Thanks to Persistence and Tough Love, a First-Generation Student Earns His Doctorate in Education](#)

Miguel Baique teared up during his dissertation defense this spring. Nearly two decades earlier, he and his five siblings were moving house to house in a single-parent family trying to make ends meet, and now he was doing something he never thought possible—earning a doctorate in educational administration with specialization in higher education at the University of Rochester's Warner School. "I give all the credit to my mom, an immigrant from Peru," says Baique. "I'm living the American dream through my mom."

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### [Research During the Pandemic: How Warner School Faculty Are Navigating Scholarship in the Age of COVID-19](#)

When COVID-19 closed down campuses in early 2020, universities across the country had to navigate the many unforeseen interruptions the pandemic inflicted upon academic life. But during a time of uncertainty and disruptions, faculty at the University of Rochester's Warner School of Education have continued to successfully press on and even rise to the challenge of innovating their research through the pandemic.

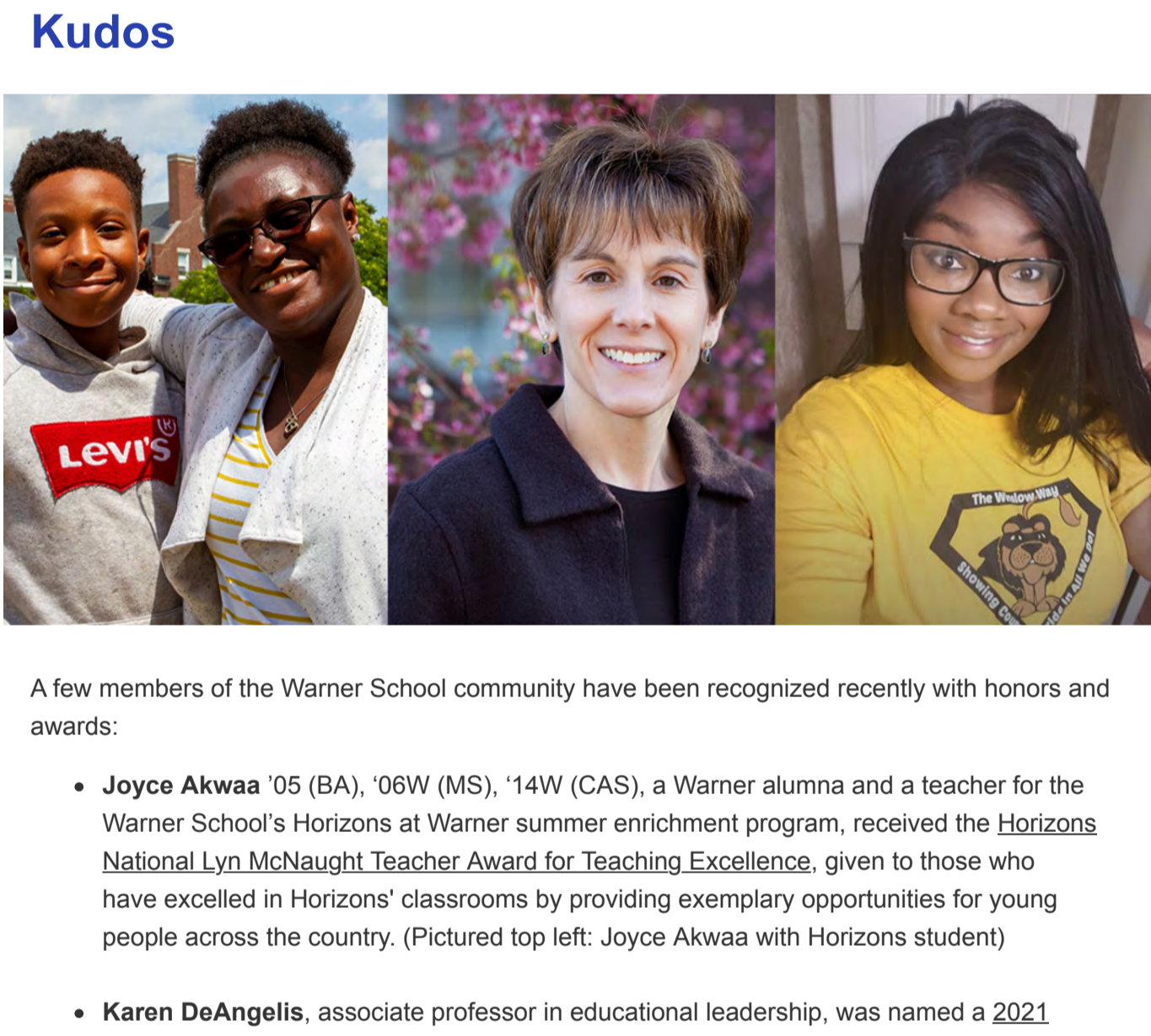
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### [Embracing and Celebrating Equity and Diversity in East's Classrooms](#)

For the past five years through the school's partnership with the University of Rochester, with Superintendent Shaun Nelms '04W (MS), '13W (EdD) at the helm, East High School has been delivering instruction that is culturally relevant, responsive, and sustaining. Pictured: Warner alumnus Quinton Mitchell '13 (BS), '14W (MS), a social studies teacher at East Lower School.

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### [Remembering Bryan Gopaul](#)

The Warner School community experienced a tremendous loss in May with the death of Assistant Professor Bryan Gopaul, a mentor and friend to many across the University of Rochester. A faculty member in Warner's higher education program, he taught courses and conducted research in multiple areas of the higher education field, particularly equity and inclusion. The University flags will be lowered Tuesday, June 15 for Dr. Gopaul, who died on May 13. [Read Bryan Gopaul's obituary.](#)

### More News

[Earl B. Taylor Professor of Education Brian Brent Receives William H. Riker University Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching](#)

[Assistant Professor Tricia Shalka Receives University's Curtis Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching](#)

[Warner Alumna Alice Holloway Young '57W \(MEd\), '69W \(EdD\) Honored with the University's Hutchison Medal](#)

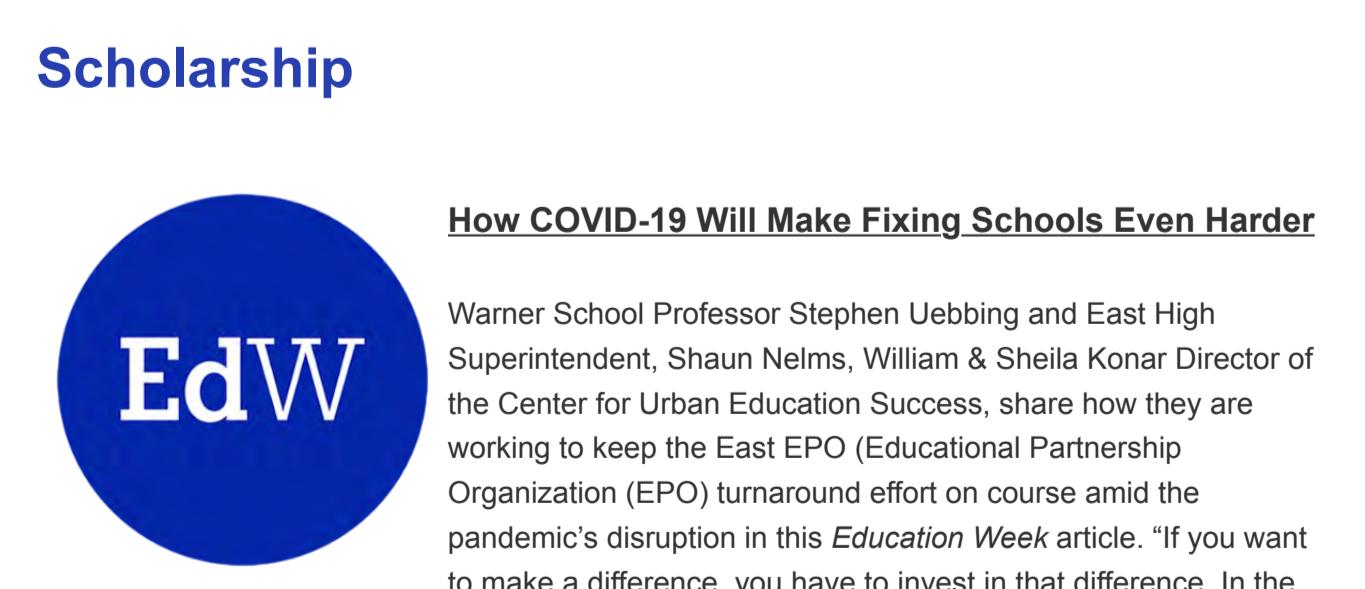
[Former Director of Higher Education Logan Hazen Named Professor Emeritus of Education](#)

[Warner School Counseling Programs Earn CACREP Reaccreditation](#)

[Wayne-Finger Lakes Leadership Institute Approaches 20 Years](#)

[East Superintendent and Director of the Center for Urban Education Success Shaun Nelms Makes Rochester Business Journal's Inaugural Power 100 List](#)

## Kudos

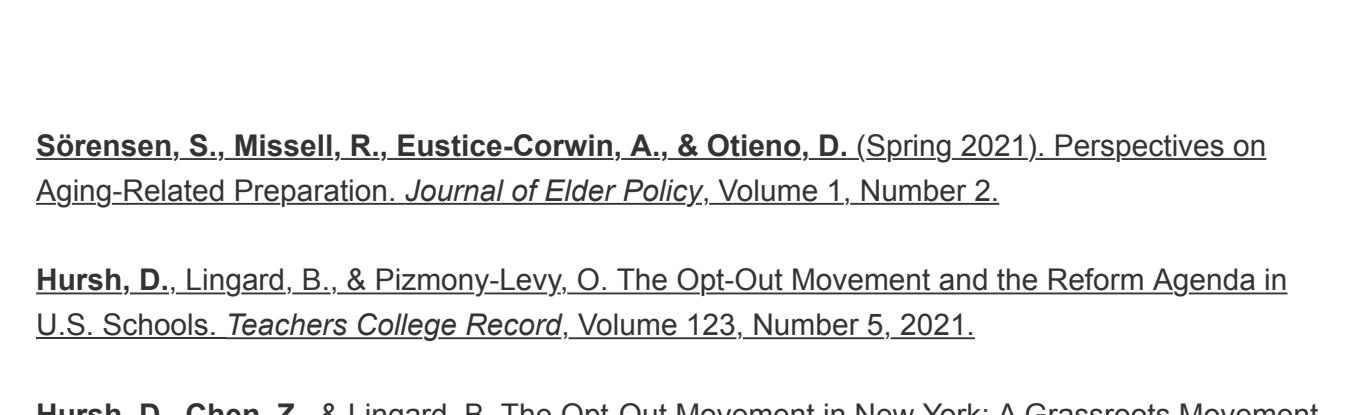


A few members of the Warner School community have been recognized recently with honors and awards:

- **Joyce Akwaa '05 (BA), '06W (MS), '14W (CAS)**, a Warner alumna and a teacher for the Warner School's Horizons at Warner summer enrichment program, received the [Horizons National Lyn McNaught Teacher Award for Teaching Excellence](#), given to those who have excelled in their country's classrooms by providing exemplary opportunities for young people across the country. (Pictured top left: Joyce Akwaa with Horizons student)
- **Karen DeAngelis**, associate professor in educational leadership, was named a [2021 Distinguished Researcher and Practice Fellow by the National Education Finance Association \(NEFA\)](#), an honor that goes to individuals who have distinguished themselves in the area of current education finance research and practice. (Pictured top center: Karen DeAngelis)
- **Qianna Reaves-Campbell**, a graduate student at Warner, was recognized with the [Rochester Area College Continuing Education Consortium as an Outstanding Adult Student](#), awarded to students who excelled academically while successfully combining their college education with other commitments to family, job, career, and service to the community. (Pictured top right: Qianna Reaves-Campbell)

## Zoom In

With Warner lectures, lunch talks, and other events online, we have the opportunity to Zoom in, record, and share sessions about Warner research and activities, as well as the work of alumni.



### [Athletes and Scholars: Understanding Wellness in Urban Sports](#)

The inaugural Center for Urban Education Success (CUES) Research Webinar Series featured a panel discussion on May 17 that addressed student wellness in urban school sports and featured research and programming undertaken by CUES and the University of Rochester's Center for Musculoskeletal Research. The discussion emphasized the importance of developing trusting relationships between students and caring adults to the success of intervention programs and the research associated with those initiatives.

[Watch the Video](#)

### Wednesday Lunch Talks



#### [Inclusive Science Learning Experiences: Focusing on Students with Learning Disabilities to Improve Equity](#)

[Samantha Daley, Assistant Professor, Teaching & Curriculum, Counseling & Human Development, and Educational Leadership](#)



#### [The Future of Mind/Body Counseling in Healing Chronic Pain](#)

[Douglas Guiffrida, Professor, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Director of the Advanced Certificate Program in Mind/body Healing and Wellness](#)



#### [Seeking Beyond the Eighth Horizon: Sharing Experiences with Diversity and Equity Work](#)

[Kristin Hocker '15W \(EdD\), Assistant Professor of Clinical Nursing, Co-Specialty Director of the Health Care Organization Management and Leadership \(HCM\) Program, and the School of Nursing's Deputy Title IX Coordinator](#)

[View More Lunch Talks](#)

## Scholarship



### [How COVID-19 Will Make Fixing Schools Even Harder](#)

Warner School Professor Stephen Uebbing and East High Superintendent, Shaun Nelms, William & Sheila Konar Director of the Center for Urban Education Success, share how they are working to keep the East EPO (Educational Partnership Organization (EPO) turnaround effort on course amid the pandemic's disruption in this [Education Week](#) article. "If you want to make a difference, you have to invest in that difference. In the long run, it'll make a better life for these kids," said Uebbing.



### [An A to W of Academic Literacy: Key Concepts and Practices for Graduate Students](#)

Mary Jane Curry, Associate Professor, et al.

Curry coauthored the publication with Warner doctoral students Fangzhi He, Weijia Li, Ting Zhang, Yanhong Zuo, and Jihan Ayeshe and Warner alumnus Mahmoud Altaloui '20W (PhD). [An A to W of Academic Literacy](#) is designed for graduate students of all language backgrounds and at any level of study. It is created as a comprehensive reference for graduate students. As a glossary of terms, it can also be used as a supplemental textbook for graduate workshops and seminars and by writing consultants and instructors across the disciplines. To receive a 30 percent discount, enter the code ATOWMICH21 at checkout when purchasing at [www.press.umich.edu/elt](http://www.press.umich.edu/elt).



### [Challenging the Autonomous Wall: Literacy Work in an Urban School Setting](#)

Joanne Larson, Michael W. Scandling Professor of Education & Associate Director of Research for the Center for Urban Education Success, et al.

The April 2021 issue of *Journal of Literacy Research* includes an article, "Challenging the Autonomous Wall: Literacy Work in an Urban School Setting," coauthored by Larson; Eleni Duret, PhD student at Warner; Jennifer Rees, chief accountability officer at East High; and Warner alumna Jessica Anderson '16W (MS), a former literacy coach at East. The article features research about the literacy gains made at East High School in Rochester, N.Y., while the University of Rochester has served as the Educational Partnership Organization for East.

[Sörensen, S., Missell, R., Eustice-Corwin, A., & Otieno, D. \(Spring 2021\). Perspectives on Aging-Related Preparation. \*Journal of Elder Policy\*, Volume 1, Number 2.](#)

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