

# School Counseling Program Newsletter

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## Special Points of Interest:

- \* CACREP Site Team set to visit ASU College of Education School Counseling Program
- \* LiveText is **Mandatory** for all students
- \* Welcome Dr. Edwards Joseph!!!

## School Counseling Program Approved For CACREP Site Visit

The School Counseling Program's application for accreditation has been reviewed and accepted by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs, fondly known as CACREP. CACREP is an independent agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation to accredit master's degree programs in School Counseling. The counseling faculty worked tirelessly during the Spring

2013 semester to ensure the program's self-study was approved and a site-visit would be approved. On **February 2- 5, 2014**, a site visit team will be on campus. The team will look forward to meeting students, alumni, faculty as well as administrators and other program stakeholders. Please join us in welcoming the CACRE Team to Albany State University.

## LiveText

### LiveText and EDUC 5199 are REQUIRED!

Any student who has not completed EDUC 5199 should have received an email from the College of Education. Graduate students have until **September 19, 2013** to complete the Online Module of EDUC 5199. You can email Ms Bonnie L. Chambers ([Bonnie.Chambers@asurams.edu](mailto:Bonnie.Chambers@asurams.edu)) to enroll.

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## Faculty Update



Dr. Arline Edwards-Joseph is from the twin island nation of Antigua and Barbuda in the West Indies. There she worked as a school counselor, an addiction counselor, and a college counselor. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology at North Carolina Central University and a Master of Education in School Counseling also from North Carolina Central University. She earned her doctorate degree in Counselor Education from North Carolina State University, in 2008. She was an Assistant Professor of Counselor Education at Georgia Southern University for five years before coming to Albany State University in the fall of 2013. Her research interests include international issues in both mental health and school counseling as well as counselor education. Her passion leads her to research issues such as international students studying in the United States, immigrant populations in the United States and counseling in the Caribbean. Outside of work, she enjoys painting abstract art, making jewelry, and other arts and crafts; she also enjoys spending time with her 14-year-old son and her husband.

## Faculty Update

CONGRATULATIONS, **Dr. Bryant!** Dr. Bryant is serving as Interim Vice-President for Student Affairs. In her new role, she is temporarily away from her program duties. We know that she will do a great job!

**Dr. Jones** has made changes as well. She has decided to become part-time faculty.

Faculty are available for consultation during their office hours, however, as faculty perform numerous duties, appointments are strongly recommended. You may receive a response more quickly when communicating by email. **RAMMAIL** is the official communication medium for the College of Education.

## Are You Interested in Presenting?

Georgia Southern University's Division of Continuing Education invites you to the **Cross-Cultural Counseling and Education Conference for Research, Action, and Change** on February 7-8, 2014 at The Coastal Georgia Center in Savannah, Georgia. The Conference Theme is: The Changing Face of Power, Privilege, and Oppression. The conference goals are to:

- Develop a working understanding of the notions of racial identity, ethnic identity, and sexual identity.
- Compare the stages of identity development for different ethnic, racial, and cultural groups.
- Construct a picture of the way identity operates in the everyday adjustment of people of color and other oppressed groups.
- Recognize how racial and cultural identity experiences can influence interpersonal relations in corporate and educational settings.

**\*\* The deadline to submit a proposal is October 11, 2013.** To submit a proposal, please visit: <http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/ce/conferences/ccissues/callforproposals/>

The registration fee for the conference includes two days of instruction, conference materials, 2 continental breakfasts, 1 lunch, refreshment breaks, and continuing education credits.

- \$115 Student Fee (\$125 Student Fee after 1/27/2014)
- \$65 One Day Student Fee (\$85 One Day Student Fee after 1/27/2014)

Students must be enrolled in at least 6 semester hours to receive the student registration rate. Registration form must be accompanied by a statement to that effect signed by a faculty member. Faculty signature for full-time graduate students required.

To register Online: <https://ms-eagle48.georgiasouthern.edu/wconnect/CourseStatus.awp?&course=14CAAE439A>

## Volunteer Opportunities

### GSCA Contact Needed

GSCA is the only organization in Georgia that represents, promotes, and enhances professional school counseling. The Graduate Student Liaison, Jessica Lundy, provides representation to GSCA leadership for graduate students in school

counselor education programs and promotes encourage graduate students' active participation and involvement in GSCA.

This year's Graduate Student Liaison plans to have a committee with a contact person from each school to help keep all GSCA graduate stu-

dent members posted on GSCA news. If you would like to be the ASU contact person and committee member, please notify Dr. Rollins

([carolyn.rollins@asurams.edu](mailto:carolyn.rollins@asurams.edu)).

## Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

The **Georgia School Counseling Association 2013 Conference** will be held on **November 13 - 15, 2013** in Jekyll Island, GA.

The theme is **Advocating for Success!** Benefits of attending this conference includes:

- **Dynamic** opening session
- **Dramatic and uplifting** closing Session speaker
- Many, many **breakout sessions** covering topics of current interest to counselors
- **Networking** ideas and best practices with counseling professionals throughout the state of Georgia. What can you share?  
What can you learn?
- **Roll Call of Regions:** Meet with fellow counselors in your region of Georgia. What will you bring to share? What  
will you take back to implement?
- **And As always...** President's Reception, Spotlight on **Exhibits**, **PROBE party**, **Awards Program** and Reception, and **Professional Development** (PLU and CEU credits)

HOME PAGE: <http://www.gaschoolcounselors.com/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=395>

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### Your Professors and Fellow Colleagues will be presenting at the Conference, Your Support is Appreciated

**Wednesday, November 13, 2:20 pm – 3:35 pm**

Walker, Q. D., Jones, S. G., & Kennedy, T. (2013). Rural school counseling: Your role as an ethically responsible advocate. Invited Presentation for Georgia School Counselor Association.

**Thursday, November 14, 4:30 pm – 5:45 pm.**

Jones, S. G., Walker, Q. D., Clenney, J., Simmons, T., Soles, W. (2013). Deconstructing Advocacy and Social Justice: A Nexus of School Counseling Professionals. Invited Presentation for Georgia School Counselor Association.

The **Rural Based HIV Education and Training Conference** will take place on September 20, 2013 at the Coastal Georgia Center in Savannah, Georgia. The Rural Based HIV Education and Training Conference seeks to improve HIV treatment and prevention services by educating clinical practitioners, mental health clinicians, and allied health professionals about children, youth and families in rural communities dealing with HIV. This conference will include several featured individuals.

REGISTRATION: Call 1.855.478.5551

HOME PAGE: <http://academ-ics.georgiasouthern.edu/ce/conferences/ruralhiv/>  
DETAILED PROGRAM: <http://academ-ics.georgiasouthern.edu/ce/conferences/ruralhiv/rurahivschedule/>

## Mark Your Calendars

October 9–11	Mid-term Examinations
October 15	Deadline to withdraw without academic penalty with a grade of "W"
September 20	Rural Based HIV Education and Training Conference
November 11-15	Advisement for Spring 2014
November 13-15	2013 Annual Georgia School Counseling Association Conference
November 18-22	Registration for Spring 2014
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Holidays
December 5	Classes End
December 6-1	Final Examinations
December 14	Commencement Ceremony
February 2–5	CACRE Site Visit
February 7-8, 2014	Cross-Cultural Counseling and Education Conference for Research, Action, and Change

# Congratulations!!

**To those of you who successfully passed the GACE exam during the Summer and Fall 2013 term!!!**



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