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The Research Newsletter

What's New in Research at the College of Health Professions

Through the work of our faculty and students, and generous grants, we have been able to make great strides in research at the **College of Health Professions (CHP)**. The Fall semester featured visitors from all over the globe, faculty publications, and new learning opportunities.

Here are some highlights:



Isadora Costa and Marjorie Medeiros Melo joined CHP as Visiting Scholars from Federal University of Rio Grande Do Norte in Brazil. They will be here for one year working with faculty member Andrea Sonenberg, PhD, WHNP, CNM-BC, FNAP, FNYAM, to develop their doctoral dissertation work.

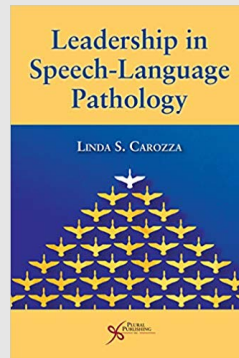


From October 22nd to October 26th, 2018, CHP hosted a delegation from the University of Development Studies (UDS) in Tamale, Ghana, which included Professor Gabriel Ayum Teye, Vice-Chancellor, Professor Gordana Kranjac-Berisavljevic, Director International Relations, Professor Nafiu Amidu, Dean, School of Allied Health Sciences, and Dr. Vida Nyagre Yakong, Head of Department Midwifery. The delegation presented at the CHP Faculty Development Colloquium on International Collaborative Research, visited the Interprofessional Center for Healthcare Simulation and University Health Care on both campuses, gave guest lectures and met with faculty and

students during their weeklong stay.



CHP collaborated with the Wilson Center for Social Entrepreneurship to host visiting fellow Cynthia Johnson from Sierra Leone, a Global Community Leader from the State Department's Community Solutions (CSP) program. Cynthia delivered several guest lectures across all CHP programs including a lecture and panel discussion with representatives of nursing, health sciences, and the Associate Director of the Wilson Center for Social Entrepreneurship on the topics of human trafficking, water, sanitation and health and the organization of community health workers during the Ebola epidemic in rural Sierra Leone. Over 150 students representing several nursing and health science classes attended. Ms. Johnson also hosted two "CHP Hot Topics" brown bag lunches where she discussed her experience in rural Sierra Leone with CHP faculty, staff and students.



Leadership in Speech-Language Pathology, a book by Linda Carozza, PhD, CCC-SLP, will be published in May 2019. Readers will gain a comprehensive view of leadership with the discussion of healthy leadership cultures, current leadership trends, and how to instruct emerging leaders.

Continue reading to learn more about what's happening in research below!

Faculty Spotlight:
Visiting Fulbright Scholar
Kristin Heggdal, RN, MNsc, PhD



Dr. Heggdal completed her PhD in Nursing Science at the University of Bergen, Norway in 2003. Her doctoral degree implied the development of a new concept and theory of health, named Bodyknowledging. The theory describes how patient's capability for health in long-term illness is being developed through a non-linear and dynamic process of Bodyknowledging. Presently, she is the Head of Research and Professor at Lovisenberg Diaconal University College in Oslo, Norway.

Dr. Heggdal's research on the development and trial of The Bodyknowledging Program (BKP) has been funded by the South-Eastern Norway Regional Health Authorities, by the Norwegian Health Directory and by the Professional group of Respiratory Nurses in Norway.

The aims of Dr. Heggdal's Fulbright project were to promote international research collaboration in the field of health promotion in chronic illness and to establish the grounds for feasibility testing and piloting of the BKP as a new health intervention for people with chronic illness in the U.S. The overall aim of the Fulbright project was to establish an international research group for the further development and testing of The Bodyknowledging Program (BKP) internationally. The title of her Fulbright project is: **Collaborative Intervention Research for the Promotion of Health and Well-being among Patients with Chronic Illness.**

During her time here, she gave presentations of her research to faculty and the PhD students in Nursing. Two faculty members, Dr. Natalie Stepanian and Dr. Joshua Mendelsohn at The College of Health Professions have been recruited to participate in her international research group on health promotion in chronic illness, and the first videoconference between the Norwegian and American scholars was held the 3rd of December. Furthermore, in order to establish the grounds for feasibility testing of BKP in America, Dr. Heggdal has been writing an application for grants announced by The Norwegian Research Council and NIH. The ALPS Center and The Center for Research in Primary Health Care led by Dr. Carol Roye have been her affiliates on this project during her time as a Fulbright Scholar at Pace. Dr. Heggdal plans to continue her cooperation with her new partners in research at Pace University and she will come back to visit us in the last part of May 2019.

Global Research



Dr. Andréa Sonenberg in Columbia

CHP faculty have had the opportunity to travel the globe to conduct research and present in important topics:

- Over the past semester, Dr. Andréa Sonenberg has been to Bogota, Colombia, and Rotterdam, Netherlands to present on a variety of topics from improving access to care to expanding workforce capacity in a low-resource country. In Colombia, she conducted her presentation entirely in Spanish!
- Drs. Rhonda Maneval and Keville



Drs. Maneval and Frederickson in Cambridge, England



Dr. Carol Roye in Haiti

Frederickson traveled to England to present at the STTI 4th European Regional Conference at Anglia Ruskin University

- Dr. Joshua Mendelsohn attended and presented at the 22nd International AIDS Conference in Amsterdam.
- Dr. Carol Roye, traveled to Haiti for a conference on Women's Health and a graduation ceremony for the second class of Family Nurse Practitioner students as part of her work as President of Promoting Health in Haiti. The students presented their research.



Faculty Published Work

From a feminist approach to the study of gender influence on the experience of stroke caregivers to living with aphasia, CHP faculty members are being published in professional journals.

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Conference Presentations by Faculty Members

Faculty members present their research to interprofessional colleagues throughout the year at professional conferences.

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Research Posters Displayed by Faculty and Students

Faculty and students regularly attend professional conferences to showcase their research.

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