Happy and Healthy 2016 to you! My office hours this winter are on Tuesdays at 1:30-2:30pm (on the 3rd Floor in Parker) and on Thursdays at 4:30-6:00pm (on the 2nd Floor in Maltz). I am also available for individual appointments. My home page is on http://cahss.nova.edu/faculty/yang.html where my contact information is accessible. I applaud the CAHSS Grad SGA and the NSU Undergrad SGA for their caring initiatives for community engagement on and off campus. Let’s keep in touch.

With appreciation,

Honggang Yang
Dean
NSU’s College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Greetings Sharks,

On behalf of the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Graduate Student Government Association, it is my pleasure to welcome you to Nova Southeastern University. I am honored to serve as your student body president as we go through the “Shark Experience” together.

The CAHSS Graduate SGA is comprised of an executive council and program representatives of every academic program in our college. We hold ourselves to a high standard to ensure that everything we do is successful. Our SGA is here to make your graduate school experience the best it can be. We aspire to do this by continuously creating unique and exciting events and programs in commitment to serve our peers and by continuing to support clubs and organizations in their programming initiatives. Our goal is to uphold NSU’s mission to engage students in a dynamic, life-long learning environment. Always remember, SGA stands with you and your voice matters to us. If you have any concerns or ideas for the betterment of our college, we encourage you to reach out to your representatives. We take all concerns and requests very seriously.

Throughout this past semester, our SGA members and our student body have been able to provide many different opportunities and experiences for the student body to grow and professionally develop as you will see throughout this newsletter. We hope that everyone was able to take part in some of the opportunities we were able to provide. However, if you were unable to participate last semester, then we look forward to seeing you at some upcoming events this semester.

Best of luck to all our students in 2016,

Danny McFadden
CAHSS Graduate SGA President ’15-’16
The Fall 2015 semester was an exciting one in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences! Our students, faculty, and staff have been busy with a multitude of projects events, from presentations and workshops to on-campus productions and SGA-sponsored trainings.

As we continue into the Winter 2016 semester, we are focusing on our diverse population of graduate students while collaborating with our undergraduate counterparts to uphold the core values of NSU and represent CAHSS as a group of committed, contributory students and professionals. We are delighted to continue some of our traditional programming, such as the Professional Development Workshop Series, while introducing exciting new opportunities and encouraging our students and faculty to get involved in the college and the community.
The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences is proud to highlight the following students and faculty who presented on a variety of interesting and relevant topics throughout the Fall 2015 semester. These presentations and workshops occurred locally and abroad, featuring topics from each of our CAHSS departments.

**PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS**

Carlyn Jorgenson, “The Role of Language in the Media during the 1994 Rwandan Genocide”
Carlyn Jorgenson, a Doctoral Candidate in the Conflict Resolution Studies Department, presented her paper entitled “The Role of Language in the Media during the 1994 Rwandan Genocide” at the 47th Annual Northeastern Political Science Association Conference. Carlyn’s presentation was in a panel on Regimes and Political Change in the Developing World. The Conference was held in Philadelphia November 12-14, 2015.

Christina R. Wilson, “Mind Over Matter”
Christina R. Wilson presented “Mind Over Matter” to the Association for Conflict Resolution on October 7, 2015. This presentation was an overview of session three of a 10-session conflict resolution course taught to inmates. The presentation included the full “Mind Over Matter” class and exercises, along with relevant and current research, followed by a discussion on how the material can translate to any person struggling with negative thinking and the consequences.

Emily Skinner & Katherine Sosa, “Rethinking How We Market #Conflict Resolution”
Conflict Studies Ph.D. candidates, Emily Skinner and Katherine Sosa, presented at the Association for Conflict Resolution conference in Reno, NV on October 7, 2015. They presented “Rethinking How We Market #ConflictResolution,” a healthy critique of the field discussing the use of media, and social media’s power to produce a marketable culture for the conflict resolution fieldwork by educating the larger community about theory and practice to gain buy-in, not only with their money, but with their thoughts, actions, and behavior. They engaged the audience to look at the public understanding of conflict resolution and the need for pracademics to become a part of the global conversation around conflicts.

Bertha Kadenyi Amisi, Ph.D., African United Council Conference- Orlando
Bertha Kadenyi Amisi, Ph.D., faculty in NSU’s CAHSS, was the invited speaker at the African United Council Conference (AUC) in Orlando. Amisi has extensive experience with international NGOs and the UN in the area of conflict and community development, peace advocacy, and humanitarian intervention. She was the Program Advisor at the Nairobi Peace Initiative-Africa, a pan-African peace resource organization. She has also worked with the Africa regional office of the U.K. charity, ActionAid, where she provided policy and program support to seven country programs in conflict and disaster prone situations in the western, eastern and southern Africa sub-regions. Her research and teaching interests include political conflict, peaceful resolution of conflicts, globalization and state-society relations in Africa, and gender and conflict.

Cheryl Duckworth, Ph.D., International Peacebuilding Training for ASPR in Austria
Cheryl Duckworth, Ph.D., faculty in NSU’s CAHSS designed and co-facilitated an international peacebuilding practitioners’ training with South African facilitator and mediator Eldred DeKlerk. Invited by the Austrian Study Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR), the sessions focused on intercultural dialogue processes, mediation, negotiation, and dialogues around traumatic and/ or contested history. Participants came from around the globe, including Alabama, Lebanon, Nigeria, Ghana, Argentina, Kashmir and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Alexia Georgakopoulos, Ph.D., “How Neutrals’ Can Help Save the World: Saving Our Planet Earth and Children”
Alexia Georgakopoulos, Ph.D., faculty in the Department of Conflict Resolution Studies (DCRS) in NSU’s CAHSS, presented a workshop at the 23rd Annual Florida Dispute Resolution Conference in Orlando. The theme of the conference was, “Treasuring the Past & The Spirit of Change.” Her presentation was entitled, “How ‘Neutrals’ Can Help Save the World: Saving Our Planet Earth and Children.”

NEW! Veterans Resource Center
The Veterans Resource Center is located on NSU’s main campus in the Rosenhall Building on the second floor in room 218. The room is open from 7 a.m. – 10 p.m., seven days a week.

The Veterans Resource Center is designed to be a “one stop shop” where student veterans can access a myriad of services and resources. The VRC includes a workspace where students can study, including two computers and printing services. Additionally, the VRC provides amenities such as couches and lounge spaces, a television and video game consoles, and an individual cup coffee brewer.

For more information about NSU’s Veterans Resource Center, please contact them via phone at 954-262-FLAG (3524) or e-mail VRC@nova.edu.
Charles E. MacLean, J.D., M.B.A., B.A., “Integrating Experiential Legal Writing Throughout the Law School Curriculum;” “Judicial Myopia and the Death Penalty” Charles E. MacLean, J.D., M.B.A., B.A. was invited by the Institute for Law Teaching and Learning to present “Integrating Experiential Legal Writing Throughout the Law School Curriculum.” His presentation addressed the need for Law Schools “to properly sequence the writing curriculum, carefully incorporate experiential learning exercises into legal writing assignments, and emphasize the importance of context and strategic judgment” (Lamparello & MacLean, 2015). MacLean also presented at the Widener Law Journal Symposium on Halt & Reform: Death Penalty & Criminal Sentencing. His presentation was titled: Judicial Myopia and the Death Penalty.

Jacquelyn Browne Ph.D., J.L.S.W., “Finding Your True North: Aging with Resilience” Jacquelyn Browne, Ph.D., J.L.S.W., faculty in the Department of Justice and Human Services in NSU’s CAHSS, has been invited to provide three workshops in the community on resilience and aging titled Finding Your True North: Aging with Resilience. The workshops will be presented at La Posada, the Mandel Jewish Community Center and the Elder Services Resource Network.

Suzette Henry-Campbell, “Transforming the Profile of Caribbean HRD: Building Global Organizations Locally-Protocols of Transformation” Suzette Henry-Campbell, doctoral student NSU’s CAHSS, Department of Conflict Resolution Studies (DCRS) presented a workshop at The University of the West Indies (UWI) Human Resources Development Conference. The conference was held over three days and the theme was, “Transforming the Profile of Caribbean HRD: Building Global Organizations Locally.” Henry-Campbell’s presentation was titled, “Transforming the Profile of Caribbean HRD: Building Global Organizations Locally-Protocols of Transformation.” Her co-presenter was Salma Hadeed, a graduate student at Florida International University.

Stephen Levitt, LL.M., “Average German Citizens speak Truth to Power” Stephen Levitt, LL.M., was featured as the opening lecturer at the CAHSS Intellectual Conversations on September 24, 2015. His lecture, “Average German Citizens speak Truth to Power,” considered the stories of average Germans whose conscience compelled them to speak out against the Nazi regime, even when speaking or writing a few truthful sentences could have cost them the ultimate price.

G. Nelson Bass III, J.D., Ph.D., “Truth to Power: Examining Neoliberalism in Chile from a Critical Perspective” G. Nelson Bass III, J.D., Ph.D., faculty in the Department of History and Political Science presented as part of the CAHSS Intellectual Conversations event on September 24, 2015. His topic, entitled “Truth to Power: Examining Neoliberalism in Chile from a Critical Perspective,” was based on research by Bass and Linea Cutter (FCAS class of 2015), this work examines the effects of those reforms, and questions whether much of the current scholarship on the Chilean “success story” is flawed. Moreover, this research is aimed at speaking truth to power about the effects of neoliberalism on the Chilean population.

David Kilroy, Ph.D., PBS show Haiti Journal David Kilroy, Ph.D., faculty in the Department of History and Political Science, was a recent guest speaker on the PBS show Haiti Journal. The show focused on the 100th anniversary of the U.S. occupation of Haiti. Kilroy’s teaching and research interests include U.S. foreign relations and the correlation between U.S. foreign policy and issues of domestic American cultural and political identity. His second book, Days of Decision: Turning Points in U.S. Foreign Policy, co-authored with Michael Nojem, Ph.D., in 2011, offers 12 case studies of major pendulum shifts in U.S. foreign policy, from the Spanish-American War in 1898 to the U.S.

Steven Leigh, Ph.D.; Judith McKay, J.D., Ph.D.; Sharonrose Bollers, M.A., “Recent Research Trends in Mediation and Conflict Resolution” Judith McKay, J.D., Ph.D., faculty and chair of the Department of Multidisciplinary Studies (DMS) gave two presentations for mediators, arbitrators, other conflict resolution practitioners and scholars at the 23rd Dispute Resolution Center’s (DRC) Annual Conference. The conference was held during this past summer in Orlando. The theme of the conference was “Treasuring the Past & the Spirit of Change.” McKay’s first workshop was titled, “The Latest Research, Trends and Interventions in Family Violence for Mediators.” Her second presentation was co-presented with doctoral student Sharonrose Bollers, M.A., and CAHSS doctoral alumni Steven Leigh, Ph.D. It was titled “Recent Research and Trends in Mediation and Conflict Resolution.”
Neil Katz, Ph.D. & Katherine Sosa, “Emotional Intelligence: A Personal Competitive Advantage”

Neil Katz, Ph.D., faculty in the Department of Conflict Resolution Studies (DCRS), led a workshop with doctoral candidate Katherine Sosa titled Emotional Intelligence: A Personal Competitive Advantage, in New York. The workshop was a part of the Cable Communications Institute sponsored by the Association of Cable Communicators.

Stephen Andon, Ph.D., “Place, Memory, and Myth in Dos-A-Cero”

Stephen Andon, Ph.D., faculty in NSU’s CAHSS, gave a presentation at the 36th Annual North American Society for the Sociology of Sport Conference held in Santa Fe, NM. The theme of the conference was “Sports at/on the Borderlands: Translations, Transitions, and Transgressions.” Andon was part of a panel entitled, “Red, White, Blue, and Green: Perspectives on the US-Mexico Soccer Rivalry.” His presentation was, “Place, Memory, and Myth in Dos-A-Cero.” It focused on how sports, but specifically soccer, become mythologized through memory, nostalgia, and its various materializations. His research presentation will become part of an edited book on the US-Mexico soccer rivalry due to be published next summer.

Larry Schooler, M.S., Conversation Corps; Partnership between Austin, Texas & Austin Dispute Resolution Center

Larry Schooler, M.S., helped form Conversation Corps, a multi-agency partnership in Austin, Texas, that trains community members to facilitate monthly dialogue sessions on public policy issues in the community. Thus far, more than 70 people have become hosts and facilitated dialogue all across the region. For more information, please visit axtalks.org. He also established a partnership between the City of Austin and the Austin Dispute Resolution Center, whereby DRC mediators assist with facilitating public meetings for the City. More than 25 mediators have participated.


Michael Caldwell, D.M.A., professor in the Department of Performing and Visual Arts and Special Assistant to the Dean of CAHSS, presented as part of NSU’s Diversity Dialogues Series on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. He led the Inclusion and Diversity Council Organizational Meeting and Calendar Overview.

Tara Centeno, M.S., Nehemiah Chung, & Peter Melnik, “Transitioning Your Way Through Graduate School”

CSA alumni Tara Centeno, M.S., and CSA students Nehemiah Chung, and Peter Melnik presented at the NASPA Florida Drive-In at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida.

Stephan Jean-Louis, Daryn Moore, & David Beliard, A Different World: How Hillman College Fostered Growth and Identity Development In Its Students

CSA students, Stephan Jean-Louis, Daryn Moore, and David Beliard, presented at the NASPA Florida DriveIn. The program addressed the importance of self-identity experience among African American students on college campuses. The session provided best practices for practitioners invested in helping African American students in their personal, academic, and social development.

Serena Brown, Nehemiah Chung, & Lorena Cabrera, “Something has to Give... or Does It?”

CSA students, Serena Brown, Nehemiah Chung, and Lorena Cabrera, presented at the NASPA Florida Drive-In at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida.

Diego Castano, Ph.D., “Truth and the Improbability of Being”

Diego Castano, Ph.D., faculty in the Department of Chemistry and Physics in the Halms College of Natural Science and Oceanography presented as part of CAHSS’s Intellectual Conversations on “Truth to Power.” Dr. Castano’s presentation focused on “Truth and the Improbability of Being.”


Robin Cooper Ph.D., Denise Crammer-Turner, Psy.D., Judith McKay J.D., Ph.D., David Shapiro, Ph.D., and Lenore Walker, Ed.D., ABPP presented during one of CAHSS’s Shark Chat Academic Forums.
We are proud to recognize the following CAHSS Faculty for earning these distinguished awards within their fields of study.

Shanti Bruce, Ph.D.
2016 SWCA Achievement Award
Southeastern Writing Center Association

Ismael Muvingi, Ph.D.
One of “South Florida’s Top Black Educators”
Legacy South Florida Magazine

Jessica Garcia-Brown, J.D., LL.M.
Appointed to the FL Bar Committee on Student Education/Admissions to the Bar
Florida Bar

Kevin Dvorak, Ph.D.
Named President
International Writing Centers Association

Semester Highlights - Awards & Recognitions
We are proud to highlight just a few of the recent publications of work by CAHSS faculty and students.

**Kathleen Watkins-Richardson, M.B.A.**

“The Economic Development of Space” in NASA’s International Space Station—Benefits for Humanity

**Molly Scanlon, Ph.D.**

“The Work of Multimodal Composition: Comics Collaborations and Their Implications for Writing Scholarship and Pedagogy” in Composition Studies

**Kelly Concannon, Ph.D.**


**Claire Lutkewitte, Ph.D.; Pradeep Vanguri, Ph.D., ATC**

“Assessing iPad Use by Arts and Science Faculty” in Academic Exchange Quarterly

**Safeer Bhatti, Ph.D.**

“International Conflict Analysis in South Asia: A Study of Sectarian Violence in Pakistan”

**Charles E. MacLean, J.D., M.B.A., B.A.**

“Recommendations to United Nations Secretary - General Ban-Ki Moon: Best Practices for Protecting the Protected - Eliminating U.N. Peacekeeper Sexual Assault of and Transmission of Disease to Local Populations”

“Stop Blaming the Prosecutors: The Real Causes of Wrongful Convictions and Rightful Exonerations, and What Should Be Done to Fix Them”

“Constitutional Jurisprudence by Tallying State Legislative Enactments: Harmonizing the Eighth and Tenth Amendments”

“Death Penalty: Is Death Really That Different?”

“Foreword: Capital Punishment: Iterating Toward Perfection, when Perfection is Unattainable”

“Sexting: Overcriminalization of ‘Show Me Yours & I’ll Show You Mine’: A Comparative Survey of Common Law Nations’ Approaches to Teen Sexting”
The CAHSS family was out and about this semester making a difference in the community and bringing interesting and fun experiences to campus. Here we feature just a few of these experiences which strengthened our relationships with the local community and presented CAHSS students with unique opportunities throughout the Fall 2015 semester.

“Serving others is one of our mandates but it is also a privilege. As we touch the lives of those we serve we enrich our lives with hope and love.”

Dr. Elena Bastidas

CAHSS & PVA, Broward Dance Coalition Initiative
Continuing its work to cultivate South Florida’s dance community, Broward Cultural Division partnered with the Department of Performing and Visual Arts to launch its Broward Dance Coalition Initiative. This initiative, held at the Don Taft University Center Performance Theater, was a high-powered, inspirational experience with the renowned Dr. Rennie Harris, who is the choreographer and director of “Rome and Jewels,” the longest running hip hop dance theater work in American history with three Bessie Awards, two Black Theater Alvin Alley Awards, a Herb Alpert award and a nomination for a Lawrence Olivier Award (UK). Participants were able to take a master class with Dr. Harris, and then engage in community dialogue immediately following.

Rachel Stephan, Steffi Schoeder, & Rachael Stephan, NASPA-FL Drive-in Case Study
CSA students, Rachel Stephan, Steffi Schoeder, & Rachael Stephan, competed in this year’s NASPA-FL Drive-in Case Study Competition hosted at University of South Florida in Tampa, FL. The students were given a case study with under 48 hours to prepare a response and application utilizing student development theories, and law while addressing the root problem of the case. The students competed against Case Study teams across the state by presenting their conclusion and plan of action to a panel of higher educations administration and faculty.

Nova International Relations Association (NIRA), NSU-MUN High School Conference
The Nova International Relations Association (NIRA), which serves as NSU’s Model United Nations team, welcomed over 150 Broward-area high school students to campus for the 3rd Annual NSU-MUN High School Conference. On Friday, October 30 the entirely student-led event brought together student delegates from 8 local high schools and involved a full day of debating global issues and working within the parameters of an actual UN General Assembly meeting.

Maribel Del Rio Roberts, Psy.D., Strong Mind, Strong Bodies Event at the Special Olympics
Maribel Del Rio Roberts, Psy.D. collaborated on the Strong Mind, Strong Bodies Event at the Special Olympics with 20 social work students.

Maribel Del Rio-Roberts, Psy.D., Despierta America
Professor Maribel Del Rio-Roberts, Psy.D. appeared on the Spanish talk show Despierta America to offer tips on combating childhood depression.

Career Development serves to support Nova Southeastern University’s undergraduate students, graduate students, and alumni in the implementation of successful career planning. All students are encouraged to participate in career advisement, opportunities to meet employers, and assistance with preparation for the job or graduate school search. Career advisement is available through drop in advisement (Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) or by scheduled appointment only. To schedule an appointment or to learn more, call the office at (954) 262-7201, or stop by either of their two on-campus locations: Horvitz Administration Building, Room 152 or DeSantis Business Building, Room 1042.
Alvin Sherman Library and CAHSS, Irish Film Festival
In co-sponsorship with the Alvin Sherman Library, CAHSS sponsored the Irish Film Festival on November 9, 11, and 15, 2015. The festival, which was free and open to the public, marked its eighth year bringing independent contemporary Irish films to the South Florida area. This year featured three films: Out of Here, Good Vibrations, and Gold. The films were screened in the Alvin Sherman Library.

Stephen Ross Levitt, LL.M., associate professor at NSU’s College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, explored Denmark’s position during World War II and the resistance movement, in conjunction with the exhibition: “War Horses: Helhesten and the Danish Avant-Garde during World War II” at NSU’s Art Museum.

Douglas Flemons Ph.D., Understanding the Benefits of Marriage and Family Therapy
Douglas Flemons Ph.D. was featured on Understanding the Benefits of Marriage and Family Therapy during the Fall.

CAHSS, Mock Trial
Faculty members Timothy Dixon, J.D., and G. Nelson Bass, J.D., Ph.D., along with former NSU undergraduates who are currently in law school, gathered together on Tuesday, September 29 to answer questions about law school and the application process. The informational seminar also featured information about joining the NSU Mock Trial team, led by team coach Timothy Dixon, J.D.

Department of Family Therapy, Snow Day at North Side
On December 17th, Department of Family Therapy faculty and students (both master’s and doctoral) continued a holiday tradition of providing gifts for all 450 children attending a local elementary school. Funds were raised by bake sales held by the MFT Club, and from generous donations from family therapy alumni and local businesses. The children served are from recent immigrant families and would not otherwise receive holiday gifts; with the generosity of the DFT, each child received at least two gifts. In addition, the DFT provided a celebration that was both public school appropriate and culturally congruent, which included a range of holiday music. This annual event has been ongoing for over a decade and is organized by Dr. Anne Rambo.
The Department of Performing and Visual Arts hosted a guest art show from October 27 to November 30, 2015 titled, “Self-Discovery,” featuring artist Kyoto Matsuyama.


Mark Duncan, M.F.A., faculty and chair in the Department of Performing and Visual Arts, and Scott Douglas Wilson trade stories in Thinking Cap Theatre’s Waiting for Waiting for Godot. Duncan is the Managing Director/Associate Producer at Thinking Cap Theatre, a professional theatre company in Fort Lauderdale.

Tennille Davis Schuster, M.F.A., faculty in CAHSS, displayed two of her works at the Bienes Museum of the Modern Book as part of the 2015 Florida Artists’ Books Prize. This is a state-wide juried exhibition. Schuster’s works were titled, “Behind Closed Doors” and “Bound Together.”

The Department of Performing and Visual Arts hosted a Dance Concert on November 6 and 7, which featured an eclectic mix of dance performances choreographed by dance faculty and guest artists and performed by members of the NSU Dance Ensemble.

NSU Theatre performed “Bat Boy: The Musical,” on Oct. 9-11, 2015. The musical comedy/horror show is about a creature that is half boy, half bat.

The Department of Performing and Visual Arts hosted a guest art show from October 27 to November 30, 2015 titled, “Self-Discovery,” featuring artist Kyoto Matsuyama.
CAHSS students are a part of many exciting clubs and organizations. Below are two of these organizations, highlighting the outstanding achievements of CAHSS students.

**Nova International Relations Association (NIRA)**

The Nova International Relations Association (NIRA) recently participated in the 10th Annual Florida Model United Nations Conference (FMUN), earning two awards at the conference. Vanessa DuBoulay won the top award for the Security Council, receiving the "Most Outstanding Delegate" for her representation of Malaysia. Additionally, the NSU students won the "Distinguished Delegation" award for their overall representation of Malaysia. Among the colleges in the competition were Florida State University, University of Florida, University of Central Florida, and Middle Tennessee University.

**Delta Kappa Omicron (DKO)**

CAHSS is proud to announce a new chapter in Delta Kappa, the official International Marriage and Family Therapy Honor Society. NSU’s chapter, Delta Kappa Omicron, is advised by Kara Erolin, Ph.D., faculty in the Department of Family Therapy and was officially installed on October 30, 2015. To be eligible to join the chapter, one must be a graduate student with at least 12 graduate credits and a minimum GPA of 3.75. Other members may be graduates of the program with a GPA of 3.5 who have achieved Clinical Fellow status in AAMFT, or select senior practitioners. For more information about becoming a member, please contact faculty advisor Kara Erolin, Ph.D. at kerolin@nova.edu.

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**ALUMNI**

NSU’s CAHSS prides itself on producing outstanding graduates who bring value, creativity, innovation, and pride to their future career fields. This semester we recognize four alumni who are doing great things and making us proud!

**Alexander Star, B.A., Keynote Performer & Speaker for United Nations**

Alexander Star, B.A., a 2012 graduate of the communications program, was a speaker as well as the featured keynote performer at the United Nations during the 7th Annual Millennium Campus Conference. The conference hosts student leaders and world leaders from over 50 countries to collaborate on ways to aid global development.

**Andre Sinclair, M.S., Joint IRS as Investigative Analyst**

Andre Sinclair, M.S., graduate of the National Security Affairs program, has joined the federal government’s Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as an investigative analyst. Sinclair was selected as South Florida’s pilot of the Wounded Warriors Project, an initiative to enable veterans to acquire the skills, knowledge, and abilities for possible employment with the federal government, an avenue to serve our country once again.

**Jacqueline Font-Guzman, J.D., Ph.D., Puerto Rico Bar Association 2015 Juridical Book of the Year Award**

Jacqueline Font-Guzman, J.D., Ph.D., a graduate of the Conflict Analysis and Resolution program, has received the Puerto Rico Bar Association 2015 Juridical Book of the Year Award in the category “Essay Promoting Critical Thinking and Analysis of Juridical and Social Issues.” Her book, Experiencing Puerto Rican Citizenship and Cultural Nationalism, based on her dissertation research, explores how some Puerto Ricans construct and experience their citizenship and national identity while at the margins of the United States.

**Sherika Hornes, M.S., NSU Distinguished Alumni**

Sherika Hornes, M.S., was honored as one of 14 outstanding graduates at the 2015 Distinguished Alumni Achievement Awards ceremony. The Distinguished Alumni Achievement Awards are the highest and most prestigious honor that NSU bestows upon its graduates, and they pay tribute to alumni who have made outstanding contributions to their professions and/or community, have great pride for their alma mater, and are committed to advancing NSU’s values and goals.
Over the course of the Fall 2015 semester the CAHSS Graduate SGA has redefined its purpose to not only provide opportunities for students to connect with colleagues, the University and surrounding community, but as a resource for students to gain training and experience in the University’s core values, and holistically support students’ success now and in the future. The CAHSS Graduate SGA provided opportunities in three different tiers: 1. Community and Diversity, 2. Academic Excellence, and 3. Opportunity and Scholarship/Research.

In addition to programming throughout the semester the CAHSS Graduate SGA organized the Hollywood themed CAHSS Interdepartmental Social, and the Mastering the Basics: Tips and Tricks for Resume and Interview Success workshop. Attendees enjoy great food, conversations, and live performances. Winter Residential Institute also has a jam packed schedule of great opportunities to engage with colleagues both at a professional and personal level. Some events are open to the graduate community, while others are open to the entire CAHSS community. Keep an eye out for emails and marketing on how to get involved or attend some of these great events!

“A night with the stars...”
Coffee Dialogues
In order to address the many hot topic issues that are currently buzzing, CAHSS Graduate SGA developed the Coffee Dialogues series. Series topics include various hot topics related to prevention and awareness months relative to CAHSS programs and interests. During the Fall Semester two Coffee Dialogues were hosted including: Bullying Prevention; and Local, National, and World Hunger. Students, faculty, and staff were invited to join CAHSS Graduate SGA for free coffee in the Maltz lobby before class, and to chat about the evening’s topic. The format was very relaxed and allowed individuals, classes, and cohorts to join and speak about the topic in regards to their specific interest/focus.

Emotional Intelligence Workshop
Emotional intelligence is a key practice referenced a lot within CAHSS, and its various programs, for this reason CAHSS Graduate SGA decided to host a workshop on it. Emotional intelligence is important not only for basic communication, but for resolving conflict, for building networks, and for our students to succeed. The workshop was sponsored in collaboration with PanSGA and was marketed to the University as a whole. The all-day workshop had nearly 50 in attendance and had great reviews for the content delivered.

Suicide Prevention Campaign
In response to International Survivors of Suicide Day, the CAHSS Graduate SGA developed a Suicide Prevention Campaign. The campaign was tri-fold. It included: posters with phrases to build confidence and provide facts; stickers to start the conversation; and a video addressing facts, support, and resources for NSU students. The video was also played during the week of International Survivors of Suicide Day on NSU’s SUTV. The campaign was well received on the Fort Lauderdale-Davie campus, and online. The video can be found on the CAHSS Graduate SGA’s YouTube channel here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMo6ISv90bk

World Aids Day
In response to World Aids Day, the CAHSS Graduate SGA put together and distributed hundreds of red ribbons across campus for University members to wear in recognition of the day. The SGA’s hope was to start conversations about prevention and attention to aids.

Forgotten Soldiers
CAHSS Graduate SGA collaborated with a member of the Academic Advising team at NSU to develop materials to assist in the fundraising of Forgotten Soldiers. Posters and a video were developed and spread around campus to invite people to consider the soldiers during the holiday season.

The Fall 2015 Workshop Series
CAHSS Graduate SGA collaborated with the Department of Writing and Communication, Career Development, and the Alvin Sherman Library to provide workshops on: public speaking and capturing an audience, building resumes and interviewing, and determining who to publish with. A new workshop series will be delivered during the Winter term, and the workshops will be announced during Winter Residential Institute 2016.
meet your CAHSS GRADUATE SGA

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President
M.S. College Student Affairs
NSU Undergrad Alumni
Virginia

Kaitlyn Priestley
Vice President
Ph.D. Conflict Resolution & Analysis
NSU College Student Affairs Alumni
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Texas

Lesa Phillips
Professional Development Committee
M.S. College Student Affairs & M.S. Teaching English as a Foreign Language
NSU Undergrad Alumni
New Jersey

Zhiwei Wang
At Large Board Member
Ph.D. Conflict Analysis & Resolution
China

Meet Your CAHSS Graduate SGA
Greetings CAHSS Family,

The CAHSS Graduate SGA’s Professional Development Committee has developed the Fall 2015 CAHSS Dialogues issue with three goals in mind: reflect the University’s realignment; share and celebrate our community’s engagements and successes; and share University resources available to the CAHSS community.

The Fall 2015 semester was packed with presentations, publications, awards, exhibitions, and community outreach. The CAHSS Graduate SGA is pleased to highlight all of these accomplishments and congratulate all of those that have achieved or exceeded their goals this past semester.

While the Fall semester has come to a close, we look forward to another great semester of social programs, networking opportunities, professional development workshops, and CAHSS achievements and accomplishments! As the semester progresses be sure to let us know what you are up to!

Please feel free to provide feedback and message us via our Facebook page or email SGA President, Danny McFadden at: dm1634@nova.edu, or SGA Vice President, Kaitlyn Priestley at: kp958@nova.edu.

Best wishes for another great semester!

Kaitlyn Priestley
Editor
CAHSS Graduate SGA Vice President ‘15-’16
STUFFED ANIMAL TOY DRIVE
Maltz Lobby
Alvin Sherman Library
Rolling Hills RecPlex

WEAR RED PHOTO
Maltz Lawn
8:45 AM Sharp

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT POSTER SEMINAR & SERVICE OPPORTUNITY
Maltz 2055-57-58
2PM - 4PM

CAHSS INTERDEPART. SOCIAL
RSVP Only**
Grand Oak 7PM - 10PM

INTERDEPART. SYMPOSIUM
Maltz 2051
12PM - 1:15

COMMUNITYFEST
Gold Circle Lake
12PM - 4PM

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PANEL DISCUSSION
Maltz 2051
12PM - 1:15

CAHSS TALKS: GENDER
PVA Theater
6PM - 7:30PM

SEUSSFEST
Alvin Sherman Library
12PM - 4PM

CAREER EXPO
Arena
University Center
4:30PM - 6:30PM

STAYED CONNECTED VIA SOCIAL MEDIA FOR MORE GREAT EVENTS TO COME!
NSU Flight Deck Pub

The NSU Flight Deck Pub is a modern, cozy restaurant space for the NSU community to enjoy.

This venue is fully equipped with indoor and outdoor bars, 17 wide-screen televisions, six outdoor cabanas which seat eight to 10 people each, plush lounge furniture, a multipurpose space, a tranquil plaza, and Spirit Rock that was donated by the Undergraduate Student Government Association. The restaurant is open from 11:00 AM until 11:00 PM everyday, serving pub-style food, beer, and wine.

Alvin Sherman Library

NSU’s Alvin Sherman Library, a joint-use facility between NSU and the Broward County Board of Commissioners, is your go-to place for resources, technology, and study spaces. Standing five stories high with wireless access throughout the building, cozy reading niches, 22 study rooms, 1,000 user seats, and a cafe, the library environment is spacious, high tech, and friendly. Most importantly, it hosts a professional library staff attuned and ready to serve your needs, from assisting with locating materials, to providing instruction on how to use the library’s references and other features. Learn more at http://sherman.library.nova.edu/.

Shark Store

The NSU Shark Store, an extension of the NSU Bookstore, officially opened in the Don Taft University Center during the Fall 2015 semester! The Shark store carries a variety of Shark logo merchandise such as clothing, accessories, and gifts. The Shark Store is open during select special events and on week days: Monday through Thursday, 10 am – 6 pm, and on Friday, 10 am – 4 pm. The assortment of products in the Shark Store will change often and may only be available for a limited time. All items found at the Shark Store can also be purchased from the NSU Bookstore website as well: www.nsubooks.bncollege.com

Shark Discount Program

The Shark Discount Program offers NSU students, faculty and staff at the Fort Lauderdale campus a discount with local vendors. All vendors will provide at least a 15% discount with NSU ID unless otherwise noted. Some of the local vendors offering discounts include restaurants, salons, entertainment, and auxiliary services. To view a list of current discount opportunities, please visit http://www.nova.edu/sharkdiscountprogram/.

Throughout the NSU Fort Lauderdale-Davie Campus you will find a lot of resources available to you as a student including free career advice, free gym membership, places to chill, attend great workshops, or buy Shark merchandise, and valuable discounts that you can receive throughout the Fort Lauderdale area by presenting your NSU ID.