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Check Out Higher Ed Live's 'Building Your Career in Student Affairs' Episode!

Wednesday, October 7, 2015 - 1:00 p.m. EST

Are you considering a career in student affairs? Are you investigating possible grad schools and interested in knowing more about the profession? Or, do you work closely with undergraduate students or recent graduates who might be well-suited for a career in student affairs? We invite you to tune in to the next episode of Student Affairs Live to learn more about the exciting opportunities available in the field of Student Affairs. On this informative episode, sponsored by ACPA, host Heather Shea Gasser connects with six student affairs educators who are engaged in the field as new professionals, mid-level professionals, faculty members, and senior student affairs officers at a variety of institutional types. They will discuss: What is the field of Student Affairs? How does one go about preparing for and then building a career in Student Affairs? What are the possible areas of employment within the field how does one locate resources to learn more about possible careers? What are the foundational practices and theories? What are the benefits and challenges that student affairs professionals face? For more information, [click here](#)!

Just Push Play with 20% off Graduate Student Membership <link to

[>](http://www.myacpa.org/graduate-student-membership)

Now through October 31, new graduate student members can join ACPA for 20% off! With a graduate student membership, you receive discounted rates for ACPA professional development opportunities, access to publications, and [ACPA Video on Demand](#)! [Join](#) today!

Diverse: Suicide Heavily Impacts LGBTQ, Native American Youth

Addressing suicide is difficult in communities, but is necessary as we prepare students for college completion and successful careers. To help to ensure all students receive an excellent education, we must continue to raise awareness of the critical importance of our students' mental health and wellness inside and outside the classroom. To read more of this article, please [click here](#).

CAS Releases the 9th Edition of CAS Professional Standards for Higher Education

The Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education (CAS) recently released the 9th edition of *CAS Professional Standards for Higher Education*. ACPA – College Students Educators International is one of 41 collaborating professional associations that make up the CAS board, which works to develop standards and guidelines for over 100,000 professionals in higher education. *CAS Professional Standards for Higher Education* is the complete book of

standards developed by CAS and includes functional area standards accompanied by introductory contextual statements, along with the CAS Learning and Development Outcomes for 44 functional areas.

The newest edition of the "Blue Book" contains updates to standards and guidelines for [13 functional areas](#) as well as revisions to the General Standards, which guide the culture and standard of practice in our field as a whole. The accompanying CAS Self-Assessment Guides (SAGs) have also been [fully reformatted and revised](#) to help practitioners gain informed perspectives on the strengths and deficiencies of their programs and services as well as to plan for improvements.

CAS Professional Standards for Higher Education may be [ordered online](#) as a single copy, in bulk, or as part of a packaged set including the CAS Self-Assessment Guides. An EBook version is also newly available.

ACPA white paper: From Remediation to Graduation: Directions for Research & Policy Practice in Developmental Education

Just released! The ACPA white paper: From Remediation to Graduation: Directions for Research & Policy Practice in Developmental Education is available [here](#).

This publication introduces the various perspectives and responses within the debate on the future of developmental education. The white paper's authors issue a call to action for research, policy, and practice on all campuses that enroll academically underprepared students.

This white paper was a collaborative effort by the Commission for Two Year Colleges and NACADA.

ACPA Awards

It is time to celebrate our colleagues for their significant contributions to the Association, student affairs, and college students. Nominations for ACPA Awards are now open and details about the nomination process can be found at <http://myacpa.org/awards>.

Dr. Robert Mock selected as President of Johnson and Wales University's Charlotte Campus

University of Kentucky's Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Robert C. Mock Jr. was recently selected to be the second president of Johnson and Wales University's Charlotte Campus. Dr. Mock will become one of the first African-American College or University presidents in the

state of North Carolina. Congratulations Dr. Mock and thank you for your many contributions to the lives of students and colleagues! We wish .

Below are links to some articles that were featured in the Charlotte Observer and the Kentucky Kernel.

Charlotte Observer Article from August 28, 2015:

<http://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/local/education/article32626977.html>

Kentucky Kernel Article from August 28, 2015:

<http://kykernel.com/2015/08/28/breaking-news-student-affairs-vice-president-to-depart/>

Help ACPA Grow the Profession: Nominate Commission Leaders Now!

We need your support and input as ACPA continues to focus on expanding pathways to leadership. One of the key historical pathways to leadership in ACPA is through involvement in our strong commission structure. The work of commissions is enhanced by diversity in leadership. As we enter the election nomination period, we encourage you to nominate colleagues for leadership on ACPA commission directorates. To access the nominations form directly [click here](#). To read more about the focus of each commission, [click here](#). Thank you for your support in identifying the future leaders of the association.

ACPA Foundation: New Diamond Honorees!

The 2016 Class of ACPA Diamond Honorees has been announced and it is time to celebrate their commitment to ACPA and our profession. Please [click here](#) to meet the group of student affairs educators and leaders and consider making a donation to support ACPA!

2015 ACPA Foundation Grant Recipients

The ACPA Foundation announces it's new research grant recipients for 2015:

Matthew Couch, The Ohio State University

Phenomenological Study of Over-Involvement in Undergraduate Students

Jason Laker & Erica Boas, San Jose State University

Sexual Coercion and Violence in College: Reforming Policies and Practices for Consent Education and Personal Agency

Anh Le, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Beyond Adjustment: A Phenomenological Study Of High-Achieving International Students

Elizabeth Niehaus & Letitia Williams, University of Nebraska-Lincoln / University of Trinidad and Tobago

Exploring Student Engagement and Student Development in Caribbean Tertiary Education

Dan Tillapaugh, California Lutheran University
Shattering Perceptions: The Experiences of Men Who Survived Sexual Violence in College

Join us in Orlando for the Institute on Social Justice

Explore your Personal Responsibility in Social Change at the [2015 Institute on Social Justice!](#) The primary purpose of this institute is to build our collective responsibility to facilitate a living and learning environment for which we all strive, and to develop understanding and respect for each other. Toward that end, the institute will bring together national experts, scholars, and student affairs educators at all career levels, institutional types and functional areas. The closing keynote speaker is [Dr. Eddie Moore, Jr.](#) [Click here to register today!](#)

Nominate a Colleague for the ACPA Aspiring SSAO Institute

ACPA is proud to offer this exciting professional development event for those who are considering a Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO) role as a future career goal. The ACPA Institute for Aspiring SSAOs: Exploring Underrepresented Identities and Career Paths will explore ways in which our diverse backgrounds (such as gender identity and presentation, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and physical/cognitive qualities) impact our move to and experience within an SSAO role. Do you know someone who would benefit from the experience? [Nominate them today!](#) Do you want to attend? [Apply today!](#)

Nominate a colleague today to attend MMI!

Going into its 18th year, the Donna M. Bourassa Mid-Level Management Institute (MMI) is an ACPA signature educational program for those desiring to understand their authentic leadership, strengthen their capacities, and learn more about themselves and organizational dynamics in order to lead well.

On behalf of our faculty members Jake Diaz, Dean of Students at the University of South Florida; Case Willoughby, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management at Butler County Community College; Bridget Turner Kelly, Associate Professor at Loyola University Chicago; Mamta Motwani Accapadi, Vice President for Student Affairs at Rollins College; and Steve Tyrell, President of North Country Community College, I'd like to invite you to send one or more of the mid-level managers in your division to join us for the Institute. For more information, and a nomination form you can use to encourage a colleague, click [here!](#) MMI will take place at St. Louis Community College Corporate College in St. Louis, Missouri on Monday, January 4, 2016 (begins at 3pm) to Friday, January 8, 2016 (ends at 12pm).

The 25th Annual Association for Black Culture Centers Conference

Since 1989 the ABCC has offered an annual conference co-hosted by one of our institutional members. This year's conference theme is "*Commemorating A History...Establishing A Legacy.*" 2015 marks an important anniversary for many U.S. college culture centers. Our

centers have served as support for academic excellence, safe havens, campus resources and hubs for cultural expression at many institutions since their inception. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to learn about and discuss relevant issues related to Black, Latino, Asian and Multicultural centers and issues of race. Northeastern University and the John D. O'Bryant African American Institute will co-host the 25th Association for Black Culture Centers' conference, which will be held **Thursday, November 5 – Sunday, November 8, 2015**, in historical Boston, Massachusetts. [Register today!](#)

ACPA Video On Demand

View the latest from ACPA Video on Demand. Recently added content include :

- [Integrating Appreciative Advising Into Our Work As Professionals](#) - During this webinar, participants will be introduced to Appreciative Advising, a specific means of building relationships with students through the broader framework of Appreciative Education. In addition to providing an overview of the six ingredients and phases of Appreciative Advising, featured speaker Dr. Amanda Propst Cuevas will discuss ways in which higher education professionals across a variety of functional areas can integrate aspects of this positive-based approach into their everyday work with students. This webinar is designed for individuals who advise students in a variety of capacities, across both academic and student affairs. Access the PowerPoint and handout here: [Appreciative Advising](#)
- Kristen Renn shares her thoughts on Scholarship and Faculty for [ACPA's 2016 Convention](#) being held in Montréal, Québec, Canada. [Click here](#) for more information on the convention which will be focusing on curriculum and competency and providing you with opportunities to engage in exploration of cultural, global, and contemporary issues in higher education.
- On September 29, ACPA will host the [2015 Presidential Symposium](#) – a live, virtual event that brings higher education thought leaders and professionals together, using online technology to discuss the ways student affairs professionals can better foster student learning and success.

Check out these and other critical issues on [ACPA Video on Demand](#).