

# COE Never Normal News

# **Celebrating COE Excellence**



# **COE Receives Frank Murray Award**

The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) awarded Sam Houston State University College of Education recognition for leadership and commitment to continuous improvement. SHSU is one of only 21 providers from 15 states and the United Arab Emirates to receive this prestigious recognition. Recipients of the 2023 Frank Murray Leadership Recognition for Continuous Improvement are selected from the educator preparation providers (EPPs) that were granted accreditation by CAEP at the

initial level from the previous year, who provided a full complement of evidence with demonstrated data trends and no plans. Recipients had no stipulations or areas for improvement. Providers selected for recognition advance equity and excellence in educator preparation through purposeful use of self-study procedures and evidence-based reporting that assure quality and support continuous improvement to strengthen P-12 learning. These EPPs use inquiry and assessments to establish quality assurance systems to drive improvement. Dean Edmonson said, "This recognition is the result of an incredible team effort and I am so very proud of the high quality educator preparation happening throughout our college."



Three SHSU undergraduate students participated in the Emerging Scholars track at the **CSOTTE conference** where they shared their research with conference attendees.

Participants included:

Paytyn Saha (faculty mentors Dr. Mary Petron and Dr. Jaime Coyne)Madison Seiter (faculty mentor Dr. Bill Edgington)Mark Magpusao (faculty mentor Dr. Susan Harte)

Pictured left to right: Paytyn Saha, Madison Seiter, Mark Magpusao



**Dr. Julie Combs** received the 2023 TCPEA Educator of the Year award. Congratulations, Dr. Combs!



**Dr. Susan Harte and Andy Oswald** presented at the 2023 CSOTTE 2023 Annual Conference. Their presentation was titled "The Empowered Faculty: How One COE's Yearlong Residency Faculty Moved from Requesting Reports to Running Their Own for Governance."

**Drs. Gabriela Silvestre and Ricardo Montelongo** from Educational Leadership attended the Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education (TACHE) Gulf Coast Region Professional Development Summit. Several students from our Higher Education Administration master's and Higher Education Leadership doctoral programs participated at this summit held on the University of Houston – Downtown campus on Friday, October 6th. Attendees had opportunities to hear from several TACHE higher education leaders from the area and networked with other higher education professionals and graduate students.



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We are thrilled to share that the **SHSU Charter School**, has been named the **#1 Charter School in Houston** by Niche. It's a testament to shared values, dedication, and commitment to students. Kudos! <u>See ranking</u>



#### Bring 'Em Back Kats!

The 'Bring 'Em Back Kats' (BBK) Annual Professional Conference took place on Saturday, September 30th, at the SHSU Woodlands Center. This conference is designed for novice teachers with less than 5 years of experience and offers a platform for them to engage with faculty and attend sessions focused on topics of high importance and interest in education. Attendees had the opportunity to network with peers, professors, and classmates, as well as earn Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit.

A special highlight of the event was the Guest Speaker, Mary E. Evans, who is the author of the picture book "Thunder and Lightning." The success of the conference was also attributed to the dedication of Committee Members, including Drs. Andrea Foster (Chair), Diana Nabors, Alma Contreras-Vanegas, Melanie Kinskey, Christina Gushanas, Susan Harte, Jessica McQueston, and Jaime Coyne. Additionally, the conference was supported by BBK Volunteers, including Drs. Amber Godwin, Lory Haas, and Mrs. Erin Owens.

The conference featured a diverse range of presentations on various topics relevant to education, including integrating technology, artificial intelligence (AI), supporting Emergent Bilingual students, graphic novels, behavior management strategies, content-based instruction, creativity, and visual literacy tools. This event provided valuable professional development opportunities for novice teachers and facilitated the exchange of ideas and knowledge within the education community.

Submitted by Dr. Jaime Coyne

# **Counselor Education Internship Fair**

The Department of Counselor Education will host an internship fair for current counseling students.

October 21 10:00 am - 12:00 pm <u>SHSU The Woodlands Center</u> <u>View flyer</u> and <u>register</u>

# **Upcoming Events**

COE Transfer Student Social: October 17, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm, TEC 153

Dean's List Reception Main Campus: October 18, 8:00 - 9:00 am, TEC 279

Dean's List Reception The Woodlands Center: October 26 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., TWC East Commons

Career & Internship Fair in partnership with COE: October 18, 9:00 am -12:00 pm, LSC Orange Ballroom

SHSU v. FIU Tailgate: October 18, 4:00 pm, Bearkat Alley

SHSU v. UTEP Tailgate: October 25, 5:00 pm, Bearkat Alley

For additional information, please contact Events Coordinator.



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Share your news with Shelie Goodwin in the COE Communications Hub by noon on Monday.

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