



# Academic Affairs

Points of Pride Fall 2016



## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE & ENGINEERING



“Where open doors open minds”

### Core Values:

Integrity – Respect – Intellectual  
Curiosity – Excellence – Hard Work



- Four graduate students traveled to Namibia over the summer to examine complex volcanic terrain and geologic patterns under the supervision of Richard Hanson, Harold D. and Imogene Herndon Professorship. The students’ travel was funded in part by the newly endowed Gretchen Swanson Family Fund in Geology Research.
- The College of Science & Engineering welcomes its tenth endowed faculty position. Dr. Richard Denne has joined the School of Geology, Energy & the Environment as the founding Hunter Enis Endowed Chair in Petroleum Geology.
- Zygmunt “Karol” Gryczynski, W.A. “Tex” Moncrief Jr. Chair of Physics, was awarded the inaugural “Medal of the Polish Biophysical Society” this summer during the Congress of the Polish Biophysical Society.
- This fall, TCU Press released a book entitled *Shots of Knowledge: The Science of Whiskey*, co-written by Eric Simanek, the Robert A. Welch Professor of Chemistry, department chair and Director of the TCU IdeaFactory . This coffee table book is the story of how science and engineering coalesce to create whiskey. Simanek teaches a course for non-science majors, “Whiskey: Science & History,” which fulfills the natural science requirement of TCU’s core curriculum.
- Senior biology major Meriel LeSueur has held internships with the U.S. Navy’s Marine Mammal Program the past two summers. This opportunity is offered to students pursuing degrees in animal science-related fields. She assisted the Navy with training dolphins and sea lions to detect foreign objects in water such as mines and swimmers.
- As a part of the CSE’s SciCom initiative, the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science visited TCU this fall to conduct workshops for select faculty and administrators from TCU, UNTHSC and the new FW Medical School. The workshops featured improvisational exercises and other techniques designed to help participants communicate with a variety of audiences.
- Stathis Michaelides won the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal from the Fluids Engineering Division with citation “for seminal contributions to the discipline of Fluids Engineering.

# ADDRAN

College of Liberal Arts

## Mission:

To Advance Life Long Learning and Discovery



**Criminal Justice** – The spring 2016 Internship in CJ class scored 91% and higher on the Education Testing Service’s Major Field Test; and on the six out of seven sections of the test scored 95% and higher.

**English** – Elizabeth MacLeod Walls, PhD Alumna '01, is now the first woman president of William Jewell College and the youngest university president in the U.S. Her inaugural address:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KzYqFR3zj1I&sns=em>

**Political Science** – TCU Model United Nations competition. Working with students from all over the world TCU students led by Maddie Bailey and Stephanie Shady won accolades across the board; most notably 11 students representing 18 committees won awards for “Outstanding Position Papers.”

## History

- History major Haley Schroer ('16) was accepted to the PhD program at the University of Texas at Austin.
- History major Jordan Mabry ('12) was promoted to Business Development Representative at the Metropolitan Gallery in Austin.
- Dr. Rebecca Sharpless received the Thomas L. Charlton Lifetime Achievement Award from the Texas Oral History Association, and was named a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association.
- Dr. Max Krochmal’s NEH-funded Civil Rights in Black & Brown team carried out over four hundred oral history interviews over the summer for a multimedia digital humanities and collaborative book project.
- Dr. Kara Vuic was featured on the TLC series “Who Do You Think You Are,” appearing with actress Katey Sagal.
- The U.S. Department of the Army invited Dr. Gene Allen Smith to participate in a “National Security Seminar” at the U.S. Army War College during June 2016.
- Graduate student Miriam Villanueva won the graduate student essay prize at the Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies Congress, and received one of two Phillips Exeter Academy Dissertation Year Fellowships for 2016-2017.

# -- College of Education --

Mission: To Develop effective, ethical educators with a passion for learning

## Faculty Accolades

- Dr. Cecilia Silva was named a [2016 Piper Professor](#), one of ten professors in Texas recognized for superior teaching.
- Dr. Michelle Bauml received the [Honorary Leon Jaworski Award for Teaching Excellence in Law Focused Education](#), presented by Law Focused Education, Inc. of the State Bar of Texas and Texas Young Lawyers Association.
- Dr. Curby Alexander and Counseling doctoral student Dr. Brenda Reed among [TCU Student Government Association's 2015-16 Faculty of the Year](#).

## Program Accolades

- The Language & Literacy Program received the [Wisniewski Teacher Education Award](#) in Spring 2016, an honor presented annually by the Society of Professors of Education (SPE) to recognize an outstanding teacher education program at a college or university.

## Student Accolades

- Higher Education Leadership graduate Chris Hightower [was accepted for publication](#) in a book titled *Intercultural Competence in International Higher Education*.
- Master's in Educational Leadership graduate Paige Zinsou named [Campus Teacher of the Year](#) for Wedgwood Middle School.
- Curriculum Studies doctoral candidate Julie Vu named [Saginaw Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Year](#) for her contributions as English Language Arts & Reading curriculum specialist in Eagle Mountain Independent School District.



# Schieffer College of Communication



## Mission:

To educate students to think, act and communicate effectively, ethically, critically and creatively in a global environment enriching their personal and professional lives



- A team of **Strategic Communication** students under the direction of professor Margaret Ritsch won second place nationally in a competition sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice. Our students' campaign, titled "Project Unity," built bridges between Fort Worth police officers and Fort Worth high school students from diverse backgrounds. Our students were invited to Baltimore, Maryland, at the end of June to present their campaign to Justice Department officials.
- **Communication Studies Department** has been named 2016 Outstanding Master's Program by the National Communication Association, which will make the award in November at its national convention in Philadelphia. The department's nomination was spearheaded entirely by its Master's Program alumni.
- Radio station **KTCU** in October celebrated its 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary on air.
- Dr. Catherine Coleman, associate professor of **Strategic Communication**, has been named a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of London, Royal Holloway. She is in residence in October and November at Royal Holloway, where she will conduct research and collaborate with faculty and doctoral students, as well as give public lectures.
- A research paper by our Strategic Communication graduate student Maggie Holman, titled "Personalized Advertising and the Internet of Things" was accepted for presentation at the 2016 Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication Symposium in November. Holman's research investigated the ethical and practical concerns advertising professionals have about using audience members' personal data in developing advertising messages.

# Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences

## Mission:

The mission of Harris College is to enhance the human condition by preparing graduates who think and practice as ethical leaders, and by advancing knowledge of health and human development within the global community. Faculty fulfill this mission by offering a dynamic curriculum that is responsive to the local and global communities. Students are prepared for a variety of professional roles, including clinical and generalist practice, teaching, or further study in graduate programs. Faculty provide exemplary education in the context of the highest standards, preparing students to enter careers that will benefit society.



- Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences created the Health Innovation Institute at TCU to integrate the collaborative efforts of four centers of excellence.
  - The Center for Translational Research, led by Director Dru Riddle, will focus on shortening the gap between the discovery of new knowledge and clinical implementation.
  - The Center for Collaborative Practice, led by Director Linda Humphries, will consult with hospitals and agencies looking to make process improvements and provide leadership of the TCU Evidence Based Practice Fellowship.
  - The Center for Oncology Education and Research will remain under the leadership of Director Suzy Lockwood.
  - The LiINK Center will house the LiINK Project under the leadership of Director Debbie Rhea.
- Multiple study abroad courses were offered by Harris College faculty this summer including courses in Spain, Ireland, England, Scotland, and Switzerland. More than 65 students and faculty participated in these global learning experiences.
- Dr. Debbie Rhea (Harris College Associate Dean) has been recognized in the national media (The Today Show, NBC Nightly News, NPR, Washington Post, etc.) for her innovative research project titled LIINK (Let's Inspire Innovation 'N Kids) that seeks to improve childhood health through increased recess and character development. Dr. Rhea was also recently recognized as a Healthcare Hero by The Fort Worth Business Press.
- DNP Alumni Dr. Joan Clark is President of American Organization of Nurse Executives
- Dr. Juan Qunitana (DNP Alum) is President, American Association of Nurse Anesthetists
- Three DNP Alumni will be inducted into the American Academy of Nursing as Fellows in October 2016
- One of only two Texas universities receiving a 2016 HRSA Nurse Faculty Loan Program grant to support student preparation as nursing faculty (amount of \$660,520).
- Irmgard Payne of the Davies School of Communication Sciences and Disorders and Dr. Suzy Lockwood of Nursing travelled to Buenos Aires, Argentina to develop a new study abroad course for Harris College students.
- Dr. James Petrovich of Social Work has received a grant from the True Worth Foundation to create a series of services for homeless citizens in Tarrant County.
- Dr. Emily Lund received a grant from the National Institutes of Health to study language development in children with cochlear implants.
- The Miller Speech & Hearing Clinic served more than 250 families of individuals with communication disorders during the 2015-2016 academic year.
- Students and faculty of the Davies School provided free hearing screenings to faculty and staff of TCU.

# College of FINE ARTS

Mission: To provide students with a superior arts education, nurture ethical and responsible leadership, foster excellence in creative discovery and research, and contribute to the cultural enrichment of a global society



Garth Fagan Dance From left, Sarah Herbert, Tristan Griffin, Sade Bully and Adriene Barber in Norwood Pennewell's "So You See," set to music by Marc Cary and Vijay Iyer, at the Joyce Theater on Tuesday. Andrea Mohin/The New York Times

- **School of Music** - The TCU Wind Symphony, Symphony Orchestra and Concert Chorale performed the works of John Corigliano with the Composer in attendance.
- Current theatre students, Samantha McHenry, Sara Kreski, Kyle Montgomery and Jovanne Caamano, are all cast in the upcoming 2016 National Tour of *Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer*.
- First place and Owners Choice were awarded to **TCU Interior Design** students at IES (Illuminating Engineering Society) Student Design competition. These are the top honors in the competition, and five out of the eight awards were given to our students.
- Hayley Fowler, **School of Art**, was awarded the prestigious International Sculpture Center's Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award for 2016.
- Mehrdad Gholami, **School of Music**, was invited to perform the world premiere of Kouchyar Shahroudi's "Dances Mystiques for flute and piano" at the 44<sup>th</sup> annual National Flute Association Convention.
- **Graphic Design** majors have earned seven awards to date in the *Graphis* International New Talent Annual Design Competition.
- Four recent theatre alumni have been cast in national tours for productions of *Born for This*, *Dirty Dancing*, *Fun Home* and the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National
- Recent dance graduate, Krista Kee, received a Vice Chancellor Scholarship to pursue a MA in Dance Politics and Sociology at the University of Roehampton, the leading dance institution in the United Kingdom.
- **School of Music** alum, Xuesha Hu, won the Grand Prize and Gold Medal in Piano and current student, Peng Wang, won the Silver Medal in Strings at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Young Texas Artists Music Competition.
- Faculty - Elizabeth Gillaspay received the Larry White Excellence in Teaching award from the Dance Council of North Texas.

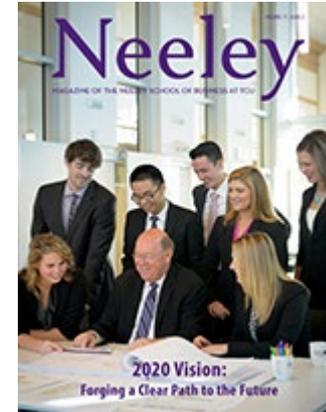
# NEELEY

## School of Business

*It's more than business. It's Personal.*

- **Bill Cron, Deputy of Faculty Research, Honored with 2016 Chancellor's Award**  
Dr. Cron was nominated and selected for TCU's highest honor by his colleagues, to recognize his extraordinary creative teaching and scholarship.
- **TCU Accounting Ranks Top 25 and Top 50 in the Nation**  
For the second year in a row, the TCU BBA and MAC programs rank among the best in the nation in the Public Accounting Report. The TCU undergraduate accounting program ranks No. 15 and the TCU Master of Accounting (MAC) ranks No. 16 among all accounting programs of similar size throughout the nation.
- **TCU Real Estate Team Brings Home the Gold**  
TCU Neeley students went the distance for a year to win First Place and \$50,000 over every school in the country in the Real Confidence<sup>SM</sup> University Portfolio Challenge.
- **TCU Supply Chain Management Graduate Programs Rank 14th in U.S.**  
TCU Neeley's graduate program in supply chain management jumped 10 places to No. 14 in the nation in Gartner's 2016 ranking.
- **Marketing Professors Win Top Honors from American Marketing Association and Academy of Marketing Science**  
Sarang Sunder and Zach Hall are honored with prestigious awards from international organizations to promote high standards in marketing.
- **[TCU Neeley Ranks No. 24 in the Nation in Bloomberg Businessweek 2016 Best Undergrad B-Schools](#)**
- *Bloomberg Businessweek* announced its latest and last ranking of undergraduate business schools in the nation, and the TCU Neeley School of Business marks its highest achievement at No. 24.
- **InterWallet from Loyola Marymount Wins TCU's 2016 Richards Barrentine Values and Ventures<sup>SM</sup> Competition**  
InterWallet terminals are a bill payment/money transfer option without expensive banking fees, for lower-income people. The plan won first place and \$25,000 out of undergrad teams from 47 universities.
- **TCU MBAs Take First Prize and \$15,000 at ACG Cup Case Competition**  
TCU's stellar finance MBAs won again this year, for back-to-back wins in the Association for Corporate Growth's Texas-wide competition.
- **TCU PPA Grads Rank First in Texas for CPA Exam Pass Rate**  
TCU Professional Program in Accounting ranks number one among UT, Baylor, SMU, A&M, UTA, UNT, ACU and UTD for students' success rate passing the Uniform CPA Exam for the July-December 2015 testing period.
- **TCU Finance Students Take First Prize in Portfolio Managers Competition**  
The TCU Educational Investment Fund, managed entirely by students, was judged the best in the southwest in a competition sponsored by CFA societies.
- **SCM World Ranks TCU Neeley School 13 in the U.S. and 17 in the World for Supply Chain**  
Supply chain professionals on five continents were asked to name their top universities as a marker of supply chain talent.

**Mission: To develop ethical leaders with a global perspective who help shape the business environment. To develop and disseminate leading edge thought in order to improve the practice of business.**





Mission: Dedicated to enriching the intellectual life of TCU, the John V. Roach Honors College seeks to empower, inspire, and motivate high-achieving students to become leaders in our global society.



- **Honors College welcomes new dean, Dr. Diane M. Snow -**  
Following an extensive national search, Dr. Diane Snow has accepted the position of dean of the John V. Roach Honors College. A graduate of Akron, Diane earned her Ph.D. in neuroscience from Case Western University. Formerly, she was professor of neuroscience at the University of Kentucky, where she held an endowed chair in the Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research Center. In addition, Diane is the interim director of the UK Honors program and director of undergraduate Research at the University.
- **Fogelson Honors Forum 2016: *Binge-Worthy Journalism* featuring Sarah Koenig & Julie Snyder -**  
TCU's John V. Roach Honors College will welcome the Peabody Award winning creators of the "Serial" podcast, Sarah Koenig and Julie Snyder, for the 2016 Fogelson Honors Forum on October 26. Koenig and Snyder's presentation, "Binge-Worthy Journalism," will provide a behind-the-scenes look into how they created the acclaimed podcast, which has been downloaded more than 175 million times, making it the most listened-to podcast in the history of the form.
- **TCU Honors Student Speaks at UN General Assembly -**  
TCU Honors Student, Tu Minh Ngoc, recently spoke at the United Nations General Assembly on the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Tu, class of 2018, entered the Many Languages, One World student essay contest for 2016. The contest is designed "to support multilingualism and to recognize the continued impact of the United Nations' six official languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish." Tu was one of 60 winners out of 3,600 entries and was only one of three students from Vietnam. He was also the only student chosen from a university or college in the state of Texas.
- **Honors Philanthropy Class Students Advocate for Nonprofit at National Conference -**  
TCU graduate and Honors Laureate Maddie Reddick ('16) and Honors senior Blair Guilfoile represented TCU, the John V. Roach Honors College and the nonprofit Educational First Steps at the Philanthropy Lab National conference over the summer. The conference brought together representatives from 13 schools where courses sponsored by The Philanthropy Lab are taught. Representatives from each university advocated for a nonprofit nominated by their respective classes. The goal of the conference was for representatives to learn more about giving and participate in debates that led to granting four \$25,000 grants.

# TCU University Programs

...*Make the Difference*...

Mission: Crossing boundaries between colleges and schools, to offer a broad collection of unique, flexible academic experiences with multi- and inter-disciplinary curricula that advocate global citizenship and ethical leadership.

- **Intensive English**
- **The Center for International Studies: Study Abroad**
- **TCU MLA**
- **Ranch Management**
- **TCU Women & Gender Studies**
- **William L. Adams Center for Writing**



**Ranch Management Program** – prepares professionals to manage a broad range of global resources on an ecologically and economically sound basis while conserving and improving resources. A five-week long field trip provides the students an opportunity to learn resource management from leaders in agriculture production throughout Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. The students also visit ranches for hands-on work with cattle, animal health demonstrations, observing different conservation practices. To include the broader student population Ranch Management Faculty offers a course on global food production that is available to all undergrads.

**Women & Gender Studies** – continues to serve a growing number of student, with more than 100 minors, emphasis, or graduate certificate in fall 2015. 2015 saw the establishment of the Delta Zeta Chapter of Iota, Iota, Iota, a national women's studies honor society. 26 student were inducted into the society in its inaugural semester. From fall 2012 to fall 2015, the WGST program has experienced exponential growth in faculty, students and enrollment: 132% increase in faculty, 200% increase in undergrad students, 415% increase in graduate students, and 75% increase in enrollment in WGST approved courses across the curriculum.

**Intensive English Program** – IEP partnered with the College of Science & Engineering, the Harris College of Nursing & Health Sciences and the University of N. Texas Health Science Center (UNTHSC) to work with the government of Rwanda. To make big, profound and engaging impacts, the IEP exploited its connections with the Rwanda Embassy to the US, its own Rwandan alumni & current students, Global Engagement Institute, World Outside My Shoes, Bridge2Rwanda, the Sister of St. Mary of Namur Western Province, Lewis & Clark College, TCU Discovering Global Citizenship, TCU Women & Gender Studies, TCU Religious & Spiritual Life and TCU Institute of Child Development. The cooperation of these units resulted in meaningful academic experiences that crossed a multitude of disciplines.