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UNO Graduate Counseling Department

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Important Dates

Summer Session 1	May 13 - June 21
Summer Session 2	May 28 - June 28
Summer CPCE	June 21
Summer Session 3	July 1 - August 9
NCE Application Deadline	July 8
Fall Semester Begins	August 26

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We reached our 110th "Like" on Facebook! Now let's reach even more! The 130th person to "like" us on Facebook under the name "UNO Graduate Department of Counseling" and the 20th person to follow us on Twitter under "@unocounseling" will win a special prize!

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A Message from the Chair:

Summer session is underway and we are excited to work together so you become the best professional counselor possible. Although the pace is quick, we remind you the goal is to learn as much as possible rather than merely completing the requirement during the hurried summer. Also, remember to care for yourself and plan adequate study time to prepare for your classes.

Congratulations to the 31 Counseling students who completed their degrees this Spring! I especially appreciated their involvement in the actual commencement ceremony, as all but 5 attended! We are proud of the work you've completed and excited to see where your careers lead. I would like to give a special and public **thank you** to Michael Robbins, who has provided exceptional contributions to the Department as a Graduate Assistant these past two years. As with all of our Alumni, we hope you stay in contact and stop by to visit often.

We are pleased that 37 newly admitted students will be joining us in the classroom this Summer and Fall. Please join the faculty in helping to welcome those new faces. As always, the quality of individuals applying to the program is very high so we are excited to work with each of you in the classroom, clinic and community sites.

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Your feedback is requested. The Counseling Department has an anonymous online suggestion box at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KGPLQ78>

Paul Barnes
Ph.D., NCSC, LMHP, NCC
Chair/Associate Professor



Congratulations to former Chi Sigma Iota president, Candi Babutzke, for receiving the College of Education Counseling Graduate Student Award for Excellence. Candi was given this award at the New Student Orientation by department Chair Dr. Barnes

(pictured left) on April

26, 2013. Candi graduated from the Counseling Department in May 2013. On behalf of the Graduate Department of Counseling, thank you for all of your hard work in expanding and leading CSI and for your amazing contributions to the program! We are proud of you and wish you all the best in your future endeavors as a counselor!

NCE/CPCE Reminder:

Summer CPCE: Another date for the CPCE has been set for June 21st, 2013 in Roskens Hall, Room 107L. Please sign up with Barb in RH 101 by May 21st for this CPCE date!

Fall NCE: Applications for the October 19th NCE are located in the GA office (RH 107B). Please fill them out and return them to the GA's by July 8th at 12:00 PM. **Do NOT** send the application in separately!

Fall CPCE & Written Comps: Registration deadline for the Fall CPCE (September 6th) and Written Comps (September 20th) is Wednesday, August 2, 2013.

Speakers and Conferences

Being Trauma-Informed: What Professional in Juvenile Court Need to Know

Through the Eyes of the Child Initiative is hosting a lecture in Omaha on June 3, 2013 that will examine the various impacts of trauma on the court process. It will begin with a look at trauma throughout the life span, from birth to parenthood. It will include the manifestations of trauma, as well as the appropriate evidence-based treatment for these different developing stages. It will also look at how trauma effects the court process, including how to work with witnesses such as therapists to explain the effects of trauma on child well-being. Registration and more information can be found at www.throughtheeyes.org.

Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children

Project Harmony is providing "Stewards of Children" abuse prevention training for adults in the Omaha/Council Bluffs Metro area on July 11 from 9am-12pm. Stewards of Children is the only evidence-based child sexual abuse prevention training proven effective in educating adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. Hear from adult survivors of child sexual abuse and learn how to reduce the risk to children by following 7 Steps to prevention. To register, go to <http://www.nebraskacacs.com/TrainingAndEvents.aspx?s=0>, then use the calendar to find the date of the course and the directions. The cost is \$10 and provides 3 CEU's.

Child Abuse & Neglect 101: Reporting and Responding to Child Abuse & Neglect

The Nebraska Alliance of Child Advocacy Center presents this training at Project Harmony on June 20 from 9 am-12 pm. The purpose of this course is to present the collaborative approach to child abuse and neglect investigations. Participants will be introduced to: child welfare terminology, how child abuse and neglect is investigated and assessed in Nebraska, and the roles/responsibilities of child protective services, law enforcement, and child advocacy centers in protecting children. Four CEUs will be awarded to participants. To register, please visit <http://www.nebraskacacs.com/TrainingAndEvents.aspx?s=0>.

Volunteer, Internship and Employment Opportunities

Boys Town National Research Hospital has current openings for interns working with the adolescent population in a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility. If interested, please contact Kimberly Sublet-Miller at (402) 498-6524.

Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, IA, has current openings for interns working with adults and adolescents in a psychiatric ward. If interested, please contact either Kelly DeRoos at (712) 328-5940.

Catholic Charities Phoenix House has opportunities available for students in the Omaha/Council Bluffs area. This program is open to any students, but would be useful to students interested in human services, teaching, or counseling. This program allows students to experience a human service program and receive training relating to working in the field. Students will get hands on experience with clients. Another opportunity for students interested in building their public speaking and teaching skills is working with the Training and Prevention Coordinator to facilitate prevention programs in the Council Bluffs schools. Students would receive training on the curriculum, choose a schedule that works around their classes, be debriefed at weekly intervals and always paired up with another student in the classroom. The Phoenix House, a domestic violence shelter and sexual abuse program, is located in Council Bluffs, IA. If interested please contact Rachel at RMabrey@dmdiocese.org or 712-256-2059 ext. 1002.

AtEase clinic in Bellevue, NE, is in immediate need of licensed therapists with training and certification in EMDR and DBT. Experience with treating military families with PTSD is ideal. If interested please contact Scott Anderson at sander-son@andersonpartners.com. Visit the website: www.AtEaseUSA.org.

Charles Drew Health Center and Homeless Clinic has a job opening for a Behavioral Health Therapist. They are currently looking for CACREP program graduates who have acquired their LMHP licensure from Nebraska. If interested, please contact Pat Christopher at 402.345.9860 for more information.

Nebraska Workforce Development has several job opportunities available to work with children and families. Apply at www.wrk4neb.org

The Nebraska Licensee Assistance Program (NE LAP) provides alcohol and drug assistance services to health service professionals in Nebraska. For more information visit www.lapne.org.

Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska is looking for volunteers to sign up for a 7-week commitment. The Girl Scouts Outreach provides hands-on experience working with a diverse, at-risk population of girls in locations such as middle schools, elementary schools, community centers, and youth detention centers. If interested contact Sheena Kennedy at 402-779-8237 or skennedy@girlscoutsnebraska.org.

Career Exploration and Outreach (CEO) at UNO assists students in exploring career opportunities or to enhance career development. Employment opportunities, job fairs, on-campus interviews, job shadow opportunities are available. <http://unoceo.unomaha.edu> or call (402)554-3672.

Scholarship Opportunity for K-12 Counseling Students:

The Enhancing Excellence in Teaching Program (EETP) provides money for tuition in the form of forgivable loans to Nebraska teachers enrolled in graduate degree programs in teaching, counseling or special education. Awards are in the amount of \$175 per credit hour.

UNO College of Education graduate students have until **Friday, May 3, 2013** to submit a completed application. A completed application packet includes: Application, Program Plan of Study, and EETP Checklist.

Courses which begin after July 1, 2013 and prior to June 30, 2014 may be included in the application. In an attempt to serve as many College of Education graduate students as possible, a maximum of up to 12 hours will be considered for each applicant. Priority will be given to individuals who are not receiving district tuition reimbursement for their graduate program.

Find Out More about This Opportunity

Please go to <http://www.education.ne.gov/EducatorPrep/SecondPages/EETP.html> for complete eligibility criteria, program information, contact information and necessary application forms.

Scholarship Information:

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA has 2 exceptional scholarships for highly qualified counselor education doctoral students. Both provide significant financial support as well as competitive graduate assistantships:

\$4,000.00 (for one year) Maybee

\$12,000.00 (for two years) Dave and Kay Olson

UNO GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS! Check the UNO website for more information!

\$2,000.00 Dissertation Scholarship

\$1,000.00 UNO Graduate Thesis Award

\$500.00 Helen Hanson Outstanding Student Award

Please refer to the UNO website: <http://www.unomaha.edu/graduate/scholarships.php> for scholarship information or contact Graduate Studies at 554-2341.

The Office of Research and Creative Activity (ORCA) and the Office of Graduate Studies (OGS) announces the availability of funding for the Graduate Research and Creative Activity (GRACA) awards. GRACA grants support faculty-mentored UNO graduate student research and creative activity. Grants of up to \$5,000 per student may be used to support student travel for data/information collection, project-related supplies and operational expenses, data collection and analysis, and/or a summer stipend.

- Eligibility is restricted to UNO graduate students who pay tuition and fees through UNO. Students must be enrolled during both spring and fall 2013 semesters (with no plans to graduate before December 2013). Students are required to identify a UNO faculty mentor who must approve the submission of the GRACA proposal. The faculty mentor must be a member of the graduate faculty.
- **Deadline: January 24, 2013 (11:59 P.M. CST)**
- To find out more information and apply, please see the GRACA website (<http://www.unomaha.edu/orca/graca.php>).



Additional Student Reminders

Community/Agency graduate students will need to complete BOTH the CPCE exam (multiple choice questions) AND a written comprehensive exam (essay questions in core areas). Please consult with your advisors, especially during the semester you anticipate graduating.

Students NEED to complete an application for practicum as early as you know your anticipated graduation date as spots are limited. In addition, you must apply AT LEAST one semester before you begin the practicum. **It is recommended that you apply several semesters before you begin the practicum.** Applications can be picked up in Roskens Hall 101. The application date determines priority of acceptance.

To students with concentrations in Clinical Mental Health counseling: As you apply for the Beginning Practicum COUN #8220 please remember the need to sequence this course with COUN #8250 and #8260 in a continuous fashion. As you begin this clinical sequence, you must take one course succeeding the next in each of the subsequent semesters. If you drop out during the 3 course sequence, we cannot guarantee your placement in future sections. Please remember this is a continuous 3 course/3 semester sequence.

The UNO Writing Center is open in Arts and Sciences Hall room 150. Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Visit: www.unomaha.edu/writingcenter.

Clinical Mental Health Counseling Students: If you are seeking an internship, there is an updated list of potential internship sites in the Graduate Assistant's office. Please note that there are many internship opportunities available in the community. The list includes a few ideas to help you get started in your search for the most appropriate learning opportunity that supports your interests. It is your responsibility to market yourself and your abilities. If you would like assistance or advice on how to market yourself to potential sites, please contact your advisor.

Chi Sigma Iota:

If you would like to join Chi Sigma Iota here are the steps to follow once you have completed nine (9) semester hours with a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Complete the online application process at csi-net.org.

In the left hand column click on Membership under Chapters and Members.

Put in our local chapter name: **Upsilon NU Omicron.**

Submit the form online.

DO NOT PAY BY CREDIT CARD! Instead write a check to chapter Upsilon Nu Omicron for \$60.00 and turn the check into Dr. Carter in Roskens Hall Room 101E. Once he receives your check he will submit the money to the Central Office and confirm that you meet the criteria for membership. When he receives your certificate and pin, he will notify you by phone and set up a time for initiation.



CHI SIGMA IOTA
Counseling Academic and
Professional Honor Society
International

A Message from Dr. Carter:

Dear Counseling Students:

We encourage you to join Chi Sigma Iota, just follow the steps located above. There is also information about Chi Sigma Iota located in the counseling office Roskens Hall 101. If you have any questions, feel free to contact myself at (402) 554-3559 or email me at dcarter@unomaha.edu. Let me know if there is anything I can help you with to make your journey in the counseling program an enjoyable and productive one.

David J. Carter
Ph.D., LIMHP, CPC
CSI Faculty Advisor/Professor

Upcoming CSI Events:

Upcoming meetings & events TBA



Counseling Students,

I'd like to welcome everyone who has just joined our counseling program. It is an exciting chapter in your lives and we from Chi Sigma would like to take the time to congratulate you and offer any assistance if you have questions. I would also like to take this opportunity to extend a congratulations to our new Chi Sigma officers Vince, Liz, and Daniel. It'll be an exciting year and I look forward to having you serve with me. I encourage all of you to invest in being apart of our counseling honor program. Within this program you're able to form life-long relationships with future colleagues and meet some great friends. This is a new beginning for a lot of you and for those of you who have been here, I encourage you to become active in our society. I extend my best wishes and welcome all new counseling students, Chi-Sigma members, and future members a wonderful semester and safe summer. Feel free to talk to me or another officer if you want to join or have any questions regarding the program, we want you all to succeed!

-Caitlin Cool, President

Fall 2013 CSI Officers

Caitlin Cool, President

Vince Marasco, President Elect

Daniel Tipton, Treasurer

Liz Capadano, Secretary



Counseling Clinic

Available Counseling: Our practicum students are available for individual student counseling at no charge. You can contact them at 554-4882 and leave a voice mail message.

The **UNO Counseling Center** in the Eppley Administration Building offers counseling free to current UNO Students. Contact them at 554-2409 for more information.

We need your HELP to expand the client base for the community counseling clinic. If you can help in distributing cards and brochures, please stop at the desk and Barb can give you this literature for local community distribution.

Students! Please let the staff know ASAP if video equipment is not working.

Clinic Hours: Monday through Thursday, 1:00PM to 8:00PM and Saturday, 9:00AM to NOON.

Counseling Clinic

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Ryan Bieck
Liz Capadano
Wendy Everson
Angela Mitchell
Brittany Stovie

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Victoria Brinigar
Brittany Gunther
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Group Experience Information

All Counseling students must participate in a 20 hour group experience, as a client, prior to enrolling in COUN 8270 and COUN 8370. Students must also complete the 20 hour pre-group consent form which is available online <http://coe.unomaha.edu/couns/> under the Forms and Documents tab or from the counseling office, Roskens Hall 101. This form authorizes your group facilitator to consult with UNO Graduate Faculty regarding participation should it be necessary and advises your facilitator of the purpose of the experience. See Irene Harper, (402) 554-3648, for further information.

A 20 hour group experience is facilitated by the clinic coordinator several times each academic year. Contact Dr. Barnes, (402) 554-2306, or Andrea Joyce, (402) 554-4882, to sign-up. The cost is \$110. If signed up for participation, please make the check out to the UNO Counseling Clinic.

You also have the option to seek a 20 hour group experience in the community, which must be facilitated by a Licensed Mental Health Practitioner. Prior to doing an outside group experience contact Irene Harper, (402) 554-3648 to assure it meets requirements.

Fall 20-hour Group Dates:

Dates of the Summer/Fall group experience include May 4-June 22 and August 3-September 21, on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the clinic group room.



Attention Clinical Mental Health Graduates:

A full-time job opportunity has recently opened for a Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist in the Omaha/Metro Area. The person chosen for the position will help VR clients achieve employment outcomes through the provision of agreed-upon services. Examples of work include: Administering and interpreting results of interest, aptitude and other vocational assessments, analyzing and synthesizing client medical, demographic and employment information, analyzing client strengths and barriers, and recording results and recommendations from completed vocational assessments. Experience interacting with persons with significant disabilities is preferred. For more information or to apply, please visit <http://statejobs.nebraska.gov/> and enter the information for VR Rehabilitation Specialist, Position #01351150.