ESL’s New Community Connection

The University of Scranton is offering a new master’s degree in teaching English as a second language (ESL). The degree is being offered in response to the escalating need to prepare educators to address the needs associated with the increasing diversity in our community and the concerns voiced about the English language learners in our schools.

The Department of Education, in cooperation with the City of Scranton, is piloting a four-week ESL course for adult members of the community. The classes are scheduled for weekday mornings with the hope of targeting the English learners with school-aged children or those who work later in the day. The graduate students in the ESL program will teach these classes as a requirement for one of their courses. Textbooks are being donated by the office of Scranton Mayor Chris Doherty.

Department of Education Hosts PA-NAME Conference

Scranton’s Department of Education hosted the 8th Annual Pennsylvania National Association for Multicultural Education (PA-NAME) conference March 24-25. The conference theme was “Social Justice and Multiculturalism: The Moral Imperative of Our Times.” The theme blended the urgency of social justice with the emerging practices of multicultural education.

Keynote speaker was the Rev. J-Glenn Murray, S. J., Director of the Office for Pastoral Liturgy for the Diocese of Cleveland. Fr. Murray was the principal drafter of the U.S. Bishops’ document on the Liturgy and the Black Catholic Secretariat’s Plenty Room: The Spirit and Truth of African American Worship.

Rev. J-Glenn Murray, S. J.

In this issue, we want to remember in a special way our friend and benefactor, Guy T. (“Tony”) Valvano, who lost his life in Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Valvano, Class of 1950, was an early and dedicated supporter of the work of the Edward R. Leahy, Jr. Endowment. His deep and active concern for children with disabilities will always serve as model for all who were touched by his generosity. As his family said in his eulogy:

You were a shining delight in our lives. You spread joy, love, kindness and intrigue wherever you traveled. You were fascinating, mysterious, brilliant and a true sage. Those who knew you were the lucky ones. Your life was our great joy. Please watch over our shoulders and keep us walking on God’s path, as you did. Help us in becoming as selfless, thoughtful and compassionate as you were. Please hold our hands as we walk through our lives, and let your way influence us. Until we meet again, a kiss to you in Heaven.

With deep appreciation,
Pat and Ed Leahy
International News

Scrantons Collaboration with Universidad Iberoamericana

Following are excerpts from the November issue of Connections: The full article can be accessed at http://office.accredit4.edu/connections/display.asp?issue=32&article=8.

The nine-year collaboration between the University of Scranton and Universidad Iberoamericana, its sister Jesuit university in Mexico City, is educating future counselors in innovative approaches created to address much-needed mental health services for underserved populations in the U.S. and Mexico.

In 2002, The University of Scranton and Universidad Iberoamericana received a three-year competitive grant from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to support an International Collaboration for Community Development (ICCD). "Our ultimate goal is to decrease the social disparity between Mexico and the United States for the poor who lack access to social services, specifically quality mental health services," said Professor of Counseling and Human Services Thomas M. Collini, Ph.D., who is one of the lead investigators of the initiative that also seeks to establish a collaborative master’s/dual-degree program in community counseling.

"Mexico will greatly benefit from this counseling program that will train community counseling professionals," said Rosalba Bueno-Osawa, Ph.D., director of the Department of Psychology, Universidad Iberoamericana. "It will focus the country's attention on a program that has always been a priority of the Universidad Iberoamericana, which is to work at providing quality services to those social groups, families, and individuals who normally do not have access to good community and mental health services."

The collaborative degree program is being developed according to the national standards of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). All three of the graduate programs offered through the Department of Counseling and Human Services are accredited by CACREP.

Through the joint degree program, Universidad Iberoamericana will seek to become the first accredited counseling program in Mexico. Its graduates would then have the educational criteria met for recognition as nationally certified counselors and licensed practitioners in Mexico and the United States.

Through the USAID grant, 82 faculty members from the two universities have participated in cross training in counselor education and human services. Twenty-six Mexican students have begun the community counseling program at Universidad Iberoamericana, and one Mexican student has completed Scranton’s counseling program. The schools have invested in computers and video conferencing technology, and faculty from both schools have attended numerous conferences and have collaborated in research, presentations, and publications.

According to Dr. Collins, the collaboration between the Jesuit universities has initiated thinking on a global collaborative model, resulting in the progress of improved access to quality culturally sensitive mental health services for Mexico and the United States.

Healing Touch Clinic Receives Book Donation

Healing Touch, a pedantic occupational therapy clinic in the Philippines, received a donation of professional books from the Department of Occupational Therapy. The books were sent by the South Abington Rotary Club.

Interdisciplinary Intersession in Mexico

Twenty students and several faculty and staff from Scranton’s Departments of Education, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Health Administration traveled to Guadalajara, Mexico, for intersession 2006. Raul Rodriguez, M.A., assured by Ms. Bertha Auras (both of Universidad del Valle de Atemajac, or UNIVA) coordinated the trip.

Ten students and two faculty members from the Department of Education spent all of intersession 2006 in Guadalajara. Education faculty Drs. Donna Bauman and Kathleen Montgomery traveled with the group. Students took courses in Exceptional Child, Integrated Methods: Social Studies and Language Arts, or Psycholinguistics and attended classes at UNIVA. They visited Centro Integral de Rehabilitacion Infantil AC (CIIRAC), a private, non-profit center that provides services to children with cerebral palsy. They also engaged in many cultural experiences intended to broaden and enhance their understanding. Many of the cultural experiences were shared with occupational and physical therapy students.

Ten students from the Departments of Occupational and Physical Therapy and Health Administration traveled to Guadalajara where, in partnership with UNIVA, they began a nine-day interdisciplinary clinical service trip. The trip centered on CIIRAC. During their multiple visits to CIIRAC, students observed or participated in various activities including therapeutic exercises, aquatics, and meaningful classroom interventions. The group presented CIIRAC founder Lucina Bravo de Gonzalez with a $500 check from student fundraising efforts.

Drs. John Sanchez and Barbara Wagner from Physical Therapy and Mtr. Lisa Burns from Occupational Therapy accompanied the group. Plans are already underway for a return trip to Guadalajara in 2007.

The Department of Internationalization of UNIVA held a farewell ceremony for the University visitors. The farewell event included a formal expression of gratitude to all who participated, a recap of activities, and distribution of diplomas and gifts.

UNIVA administrators: Lic. Raymundo Calderon Sanchez, Director of Psychology; Mtro. Jose Carlos Perez, Graduate Academic Director; Lic. Cesareo Hernandez, General Director UNIVA-Net; Lic. Javier Monroy Pulido, Director of Planeacion, Mtro. Raul Rodriguez Ramirez, Director of Internationalization

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Leahy Community Health & Family Center’s “From Harvest to Health” Initiative

The University of Scranton’s Leahy Community Health and Family Center, Scranton Area Garden Exchange (SAGE) and the Jane Kopas Women’s Center sponsored a health fair for the area’s Hispanic/Latino community on November 19, 2005. A wide range of community partners participated in or sponsored the event.

The second Feria de Salud was held at the Renaissance Center in Scranton’s south side and, as with the first Feria de Salud held in April 2005, was particularly interested in targeting the city’s growing Hispanic/Latino community. The fair included health care and nutritional information, free health screenings, and hands-on health and nutritional activities for children. Translators were available throughout the day.

The fair featured food samples and recipes of healthy versions of traditional Hispanic and Latino dishes. These recipes were researched and developed by students in Dr. Virginia Corcoran’s nutrition classes. The food was prepared, in part, using organic produce harvested from the University’s community garden.

Student Group Participates in Service-Learning Showcase at National Conference

The collaborative Harvest to Health: Women’s and Families Health Fair was chosen as one of the best service-learning projects in the Atlantic States. The projects were showcased at the National Service-Learning Conference in Philadelphia, March 22-25. Students from The University of Scranton’s nutrition classes, Scranton Area Garden Exchange (SAGE), Jane Kopas Women’s Center and the Leahy Community Health and Family Center presented their poster on the connections among organic gardening practices, healthy eating, wellness practices, women’s and family health, and educational and research opportunities.

PCPS 501 – Interdisciplinary Developmental Assessment in Pediatrics

The Leahy Community Health and Family Center is dedicated to the dual purpose of identifying and meeting the health, education, and wellness needs of underserved individuals in the greater Scranton community while providing a place where faculty guide students in a practical educational experience. The Department of Occupational Therapy is pleased to announce the first interdisciplinary pediatric assessment course to be entirely housed in the Leahy Center. PCPS 501, Interdisciplinary Developmental Assessment in Pediatrics, began in spring 2006 under the direction of Carol Reinson, Ph.D., OTR/L. It is currently required for OT students, but it has provisions to expand in the coming years to include other majors including physical therapy, special education, nursing, counseling and psychology.

As Dr. Reinson points out, educational and healthcare professionals who work with infants and young children and their families are expected to work collaboratively on an interdisciplinary team approach. However, most academic pre-professional education and training programs only emphasize the teaching of discipline-specific theory and practice skill sets. It is very rare that pre-professional students have the opportunity to work collaboratively across disciplines during their educational program. Interdisciplinary teamwork promotes student mastery in their own discipline while facilitating cooperative learning of other team roles and contributions. This experience facilitates a greater understanding of the relatedness of interdisciplinary knowledge. At the same time, it provides a forum in which students and instructors can interact with “real life” families and with their professional colleagues, therefore, bridging the gap between theory and practice domains. This course offers cutting-edge opportunities heretofore not available to students. Also, the course strongly supports the mission of the University to serve the surrounding community and to promote service leadership among the next generation of professionals.

Currently, 29 students are enrolled in the course under the direct supervision of three lab instructors. Two of the lab instructors are local OT practitioners who work in the field of pediatrics: Kathy Ulikowski, M.S., OTR/L and Shannon Beckish, MS, OTR/L. The students begin to practice their skills and learn the art and science of conducting pediatric evaluations by working with typical children and their families. The Leahy Center has an exceptional library of pediatric assessments and modern facilities that include a playroom, conference room, and one-way mirrors for observation purposes. After working with children with typical needs, the students conduct evaluations with families who have children with special needs. There is no cost for this service.

Eight Appointed to Panuska College Faculty

Of the 15 new full-time faculty members at The University of Scranton for the 2005-06 academic year, eight are from the Panuska College of Professional Studies:

- Bonnie Alco, Waverly, lecturer, Education
- Barbara K. Buxton, M.S., R.N., Scranton, assistant professor, Nursing
- Rebecca Spirito Dalgin, Ph.D., Scranton, assistant professor, Counseling and Human Services
- Debra L. Fetherman, Ph.D., Stroudsburg, assistant professor, Exercise Science and Sport
- Marlene J. Morgan, Ed.D., Avoca, assistant professor, Occupational Therapy
- Michele T. Ohlsen, Ed.D., Sugarloaf, assistant professor, Education
- Derry Lynn Stuif, Ed.D., Cynongham, assistant professor, Education
- Kathleen B. Wasserman, Ph.D., Scranton, assistant professor, Education
Counseling and Human Services

Dr. Lori A. Bruch and Dr. William G. Wallick (Health Administration and Human Resources) continue to develop their joint research agenda on disability and employment connections between rehabilitation counselors and human resource professionals. They recently completed a research project funded by the Northeast Office of Vocational Rehabilitation entitled “Employment, Inclusion, and Retention of Individualswith Disabilities: Implications for Continuing Education for Employers and Rehabilitation Professionals in Northeastern Pennsylvania.” This work will be the foundation for a series of continuing education programs. As part of these programs, Dr. Bruch and Wallick made a presentation to the Northeast Pennsylvania Chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management on March 2 entitled “Unwrapped Talent: Recruiting Qualified Job Applicants with Disabilities in Northeastern Pennsylvania.” In addition, at the fall 2005 National Rehabilitation Association Training Conference, Alexandria, Va., a joint presentation was made on “Ethics: Common Ground for Rehabilitation and Human Resource Professionals.” An invited presentation on ethics was also given at the Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Association in Harrisburg on April 6.

Health Administration and Human Resources

Peter C. Olden, Ph.D., professor and director of the graduate Health Administration program, published a “theory and practice” article in the Winter 2006 issue of The Journal of Health Administration Education. The article, “Teaching Organization Theory for Health Care Management: Three Applied Learning Methods,” explains three learning methods he created and uses in his graduate course Health Care Organization and Administration. Students use these methods to apply organization theory in health-care management practice and to use theory in managing health-care organizations. Dr. Olden is currently co-chair of the Organization Theory & Behavior Faculty Forum of the national Association of University Programs in Health Administration.

Dr. Daniel J. West, Jr., was featured in the December 2005 issue of USAirways’ magazine Attache. The article championed the Georgian-American partnership for rehabilitation and special education links that professionals at The University of Scranton and counterparts in the former Soviet Union have forged. Dr. West is an instrumental component in this partnership.

Dr. West also received an adjunct appointment as a research professor with the Center for International Health Services Research and Policy at Washington State University in Spokane. Dr. West will be co-presenting “Implementing International Community-Based Partnerships: Essential Conditions” in Bologna, Italy, focusing on civic engagement and learning communities with Dr. Robert Spinnelli and Mr. Steven Szyladowski.

Dr. West has been invited by the University of South Bohemia in Czech Republic to participate in a symposium on community health and cross-cultural leadership.

Dr. Robert Spinnelli spoke at the Northeast Pennsylvania Library Network Workshop and the Health Professions Organization meeting. His topics included the administrators’ view of the scope of human resources management as it applies to employee recruitment and retention and the Medicare program’s inclusion of the new drug benefit option.

Mr. Steven Szyladowski presented a poster entitled “A New Paradigm in Cancer Care Treatment: Lessons from an Integrative Approach to Health and Healing” at the American Hospital Association’s 4th Annual Health Forum on Integrative Medicine for Healthcare Organizations in San Diego.

Mr. Szyladowski also was lead author and presenter on a paper entitled “Utilizing the New Beginnings Cancer Care Program to Improvise Quality of Life for Patients: An Integrative Medicine Approach” at the 133rd American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia. The paper was presented with Dr. West and community partner Mr. Peter Amato.

Now co-chair of B.S.M.H.A. student Christina Smith presented a paper entitled “Perspectives from Nurse Leaders and Chief Information Officers on Health Information Technology” at the Midwest Business Administration Association 42nd annual conference in Chicago in March.

Mr. Szyladowski presented a roundtable discussion, “Creating a Virtual Learning Environment: A Cross-Cultural Perspective” at the 5th WSEAS International Conference on Distance Learning and Web Engineering, Corfu, Greece.

Nursing

In March, University of Scranton Press released Dr. Mary Muscari’s third parenting book, Let Kids Be Kids: Raising Healthy Children. In the book, Dr. Muscari identifies 13 aspects of childhood and defines them as essential needs, including family, innocence, health, heroes, unstructured play, creativity, a connection with nature, a unique identity, and time to make a joyful noise.

Dr. Muscari demonstrates how the pre- vailing values in our society threaten the experi- ence of childhood, explains ways in which par- ents can give careful attention to protecting and enhancing that experience, and encourages them to recognize its fundamental importance.

Joann Nicoteri, instructor in the Nurse Practitioner program, will present a poster ses- sion at the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners 2006 Conference in Grapevine, Texas, June 20-24. The poster is entitled “Reflections of Family Nurse Practitioner Students’ Experience: Latino Health Fair (Feria de Salud).”

Occupational Therapy

The Department of Occupational Therapy’s Class of 2005 scored a 90% first-time pass rate on the National Certification Exam. The national average was 86.8%.

Physical Therapy

Scranton’s 2005 Master of Physical Ther- apy class achieved a 100% first-time pass rate on the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy Examination. The class had its second in five years that Scranton PT students have achieved this pass rate.

Scranton Education On-Line (SEOL) Grows Exponentially

The University of Scranton’s Education On-Line (SEOL) is marking its first full year of operation with a rate of enrollment growth that exceeds all expectations.

Through advanced Internet technology, students are immersed in a stimulating online learning environment that facilitates communication and collaboration among participants and faculty. This state-of-the-art technology allows students to take all the benefits of on-campus learning without needing to travel to campus. Online students enjoy streaming video lectures where they watch and listen to University of Scranton instructors as they deliver course materials online or on CD. Internet Message Boards allow students to interact with faculty and classmates on key topics, class assignments and more. Students collaborate real-time with faculty and classmates through chat rooms and have direct contact with fac- ulty through virtual office hours and e-mail.

For more information about SEOL, visit the Web at www.uscranton.com.

Forensic Health

Valerie Dever ’05 was offered an intelligence analyst position in the CT division of the FBI. She hopes to eventually transfer to the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crimes (NCVAC). Among her several majors and minors, Valerie noted to Dr. Mary Muscari, Director of the Forensic Health concentration, that “the forensic health concentration inspired me to take up this path. I am currently searching for a master’s pro- gram in forensic psychology.”

Health Administration and Human Resources

Graduate student Gretchen Kukicha received the Frank O’Hara Award. Gretchen is the Manager of Training and Seminar Development at the Small Business Development Cen- ter at The University of Scranton.

The Health Administration student organization traveled to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Hospital for a visit and tour on March 10. An interview session on job opportunities was held for interested students.

Student and Alumni Achievements

Forensic Therapy

Kelly McAndrew, M.S., OTR ’03, published an article entitled “The Role of Yoga in Holistic OT” in Advance for Occupational Therapy Practitioners, March 2005. The article was based on the results from Kelly’s master’s thesis under the mentorship of Dr. Moses Ikia. Kelly is a champion of explor- ing alternative techniques to enhance occupational therapy’s commitment to holistic.

Physical Therapy

Christina (Hasara) Key, M.P.T. ’09, was fea- tured on the cover of the October 2005 Advance for Physical Therapist and PT Assistants. Christina (at left on the cover) is a member of the Spinal Cord Injury Team at Shriners’ Chil- dren’s Hospital of Philadelphia.
Awards in Professional Studies

Chris Williams, LPN, and JoAnn Funaletti, LPN, are this year’s recipients of the Making a Difference Award. This award is granted annually to Licensed Practical Nurses who have enrolled in the LPN to B.S.N. program at Scranton to assist them in their pursuit of a bachelor’s degree in nursing. Margarete Lieb Zalon, Ph.D., RN, APRN, BC, has been appointed to the American Nurses Association (ANA) Board of Directors. ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the nation’s 2.7 million nurses. She is also serving as vice president of the American Credentialing Center (ANCC), the largest and most prestigious nursing credentialing organization in the United States. It certifies health-care providers; accredits educational providers, apprizers and programs; recognizes excellence in nursing (Magnet Recognition Program®) and health services; educates the public and collaborates with organizations to advance understanding of credentialing; and supports credentialing through research, education and consultation. Daniel J. West, Jr., Ph.D., professor and chairman of Scranton’s Department of Health Administration and Human Resources, accepted an invitation to serve on the Scientific Council of the School of Musicology and Tropical Medicine at St. Elizabeth University of Health and Social Sciences in Bratislava, Slovakia. He is also a member of the editorial board of the school’s journal, Journal of the Movement Disorders.

The Department of Counseling and Human Resources awarded the honorary academic rank of Affiliated Research Professor of Rehabilitation Studies to Dr. Ralph Pacinelli. During the course of his nearly 50-year career, Dr. Pacinelli has held a number of positions in clinical practice, administration, education, and research. His prestigious career in both state and federal agencies includes service as Executive-on-Loan to the President’s Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and Regional Commissioner for the Rehabilitation Services Administration, U.S. Department of Education (Region III and IV). He has more than 40 scholarly publications.

Pennsylvania Governor Edward Rendell recently appointed Dr. Mary Muscari, professor of nursing and director of Forensic Health, to the Pennsylvania Sex Offender Assessment Board (SOAB). A division of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, the SOAB is an independent board of psychiatrists, psychologists, and criminal justice experts appointed by the Governor according to statute, to assess all sex offenders convicted under 42 Pa. C.S. § 9791, commonly known as Megan’s Law. Nominated as a criminal justice expert for her work with pedophiles and juvenile sex offenders, Dr. Muscari will assess sex offenders to determine if they are sexually violent predators. She is the first nurse to be appointed to this board.

Dr. Marybeth Grant-Beuttler was awarded the Pediatric Section Dissertation Award by the Pediatric Section of the American Physical Therapy Association at the annual membership meeting in San Diego. Mr. Steven Szydłowski, instructor in the Department of Health Administration and Human Resources, was elected to the Board of the Northeast Area Health Education Advisory Committee and the Board of Wyoming Valley Wellness Trails Partnership.

The Pennsylvania Counseling Association, Pennsylvanlia for 2005. This recognition is given to programs of quality, innovation, and consistent excellence in counselor preparation.

Counseling and Human Services graduate students Michelle Musn and Sylvia Werner at CSH poster presentation

Panuska College Poster Presentations

Counseling and Human Services hosted their annual Professional Issues in Counseling Poster Session Workshop in November 2005 in Brennan Hall. The posters were part of the final projects for students enrolled in the Professional Issues for Counselors courses for the fall semester. Community, school and rehabilitation counseling topics were included.

Occupational Therapy

Lori Larsen, M.S., OT/L’95, presented a research poster entitled “Role Changes and Role Performance Satisfaction Among Individuals with Young Onset Parkinson’s Disease” at the World Parkinson Congress in Washington, D.C., February 22-26. The World Parkinson Congress is an international conference dedicated to providing a worldwide forum for the best scientific discoveries, medical practices and caregiver initiatives related to Parkinson’s disease.

Physical Therapy

The Annual Physical Therapy Student Research Poster Presentation took place in December 2005 in Brennan Hall. Twelve groups of students defended their master’s research project findings on a variety of topics.

Current students, faculty and recent graduates presented the following posters at the American Physical Therapy (APTA) Combined Sections Annual Conference in February in San Diego: • “A Cross-Sectional Study of Balance-Related Measures With Older Adults Who Participate in Tai Chi, Yoga or No Exercise” • “Case Report: A Modified Constraint-Induced Movement Therapy (mCIMT) Program for the Upper Extremity of a Community Dwelling Male with Severe Chronic Hemiplegia” • “The Not Let Cancer Bring You Down: A Review of the Effects of Physical Activity on Patients with a Diagnosis of Cancer” • “Scar-Related Bony Ulcer After Breast Cancer Surgery” • “Ankle Movements During Supine Kicking in Relation to Gastronomics/soleus Length in Infants Born Preterm” • “Normative Values of the Pediatric Multidirectional Reach in Sitting and Standing in Children 3-8 Years Old” • “Exercise and Nutrition School Program for Adolescents Classified At Risk for or Overweight”
Panuska College of Professional Studies’ Board of Visitors Welcomes New Members

Ann Burgess
Ann Burgess, RN, D.N.Sc., is one of the most accomplished nurses in North America. Currently Professor of Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing at Boston College, she is the former van Ameringen Professor of Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

Dr. Burgess co-founded one of the first hospital-based crisis intervention programs for rape victims at Boston City Hospital in 1972. Research at that program introduced the Rape Trauma Syndrome in 1974. This diagnosis has since gained admissions in over 300 appellate court decisions.

Dr. Burgess has long since expanded her research interests to explore the use of children in pornography, heart attack victims and return to work, sexual abuse and patterns of crime scenes; children as witnesses in child sex abuse trials; AIDS, ethics, and sexual assault; sexual abuse and exploitation of children; and infant kidnapping. Most recently, she has been studying patterns of trauma in elderly and handicapped rape victims and testing interventions for reducing post-trauma symptoms in rape victims.

Author of nine textbooks on psychiatric nursing and crisis intervention, Dr. Burgess has also authored ten books on assessment and treatment of child, adolescent, and adult sexual assault victims and serial offenders including rapists, murderers, child molesters, and abductors. This includes the award-winning Crime Classification Manual. She has co-authored over 135 articles and chapters in rape victimology, as well as 6 monographs for the Department of Justice on child sex rings, adolescent rape victimization, adolescent runaways, child molesters and abductors, juvenile prostitution, and infant abductions. She has maintained a private psychotherapy practice in Philadelphia since 1966.

Dr. Burgess was recognized in 1994 for her continuing achievements and contributions by election to the Institute of Medicine, a part of the National Academy of Sciences. In 1996, she chaired the National Research Council’s Task Force on Violence against Women. Her continued commitment to research and investigate matters of sexual and violent crimes keeps her at the forefront of these issues, pushing the limits of mental health’s appreciation for offenders and their victims.

Gary L. Filerman, Ph.D.
Gary Filerman is a professor and chair of the Health Systems Administration Program at Georgetown University. Scholar and active practitioner in public policy, Dr. Filerman brings a world of experience to his professorial duties. Students who work under his guidance revel in the examples he uses from his consulting with the World Bank, International Finance Corporation, and Pew Commission. He knows the current issues in health care in the United States and around the world, and his students learn about them first-hand from a professor who is out and in the world.

In addition to his professorial duties, Dr. Filerman serves as president of the David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowships, works as a senior scientist at the Center for Health Services Research of the Medical Group Management Association, and is currently completing work on two grants from the American Legacy Foundation. He has served as a consultant to foundations, international agencies, education institutions, and governments in 38 countries. He has worked with the World Bank and the International Finance Corporation on private participations in the health sector and on health-sector reform in Romania. He was the founding editor and serves on the board of the Journal of Health Administration Education, and has published more than 60 articles and monographs.

Dr. Filerman’s fields of interest include leadership development for health services, changing the behavior of providers in medical groups, health workforce policy, and global health development. He is currently working to develop a model of collaboration between health foundations.

Dennis J. Kain
Dennis J. Kain, Senior Vice President of Tyler & Company, Chaddi Ford, is a fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives. He has served on the board of the National Research Council’s Regional Policy Board. His continued commitment to research and investigate matters of sexual and violent crimes keeps him at the forefront of these issues, pushing the limits of mental health’s appreciation for offenders and their victims.

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