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Preparing our students to “thrive in a diverse global environment” is a goal of the university’s strategic plan. It is both an ambitious and essential goal if our students are to succeed. Historians rightfully note that globalization is not a completely new phenomenon; global connectivity has been around for centuries. What makes today’s global environment different from that of our parents or grandparents is the multiplicity of global connections. A leading scholar on globalization, Joel Krieger, defined it as, “the increasing scale, extent, variety and speed of cross border social, economic, security, political and cultural interactions.” I think this captures the challenging environment our students will have to confront. There isn’t an aspect of our lives that doesn’t have a global dimension, from the food we eat and the media we consume, to our personal financial well-being. To succeed professionally and be the educated citizens our founding fathers understood were needed in a successful democracy, our students will have to thrive in a global environment. They will need to be culturally competent, able to adapt to many tasks as opposed to be trained in one area, and capable of understanding the linkages between the global social, economic, and political arenas.

The College of Social & Behavioral Sciences is well positioned to help our students navigate this globalized environment because this is our area of expertise. We provide our students both the contextual knowledge and the social science analytical skills needed to understand and help solve real world problems.

It is very hard for a CSBS student to graduate without being exposed to international issues. CSBS offers over 100 courses with an international focus, an International Affairs minor and an interdisciplinary Global Studies major, and is also home to the Center for International Peace & Security Studies. Nearly a third of our faculty have research agendas that are internationally focused and in the last decade our faculty have won five Fulbright awards to teach and/or research abroad. This year our departments have hosted scholars from Russia, Chile and Turkey. We also take our mission to share our experiences with educators around the state seriously. The History Department oversees the Model United Nations in Iowa, bringing hundreds of high school students and their teachers from throughout the state to campus every spring. Through the Geographic Alliance of Iowa, funded by the National Geographic Society, social studies teachers in the state are offered the opportunity to travel abroad with a faculty member in the Geography Department.

Many of our faculty offer study abroad courses. These are rigorous courses taught by faculty who bring their expertise in the country to the course. In recent years courses have been offered in Spain, Italy, Greece, Poland, Northern Ireland, and Nicaragua. Through the generous support of our alumni to the CSBS Dean’s Fund for Excellence, we provide our students with scholarship support to help them cover the costs of what might otherwise be an impossible endeavor.

Meeting with our alumni, I have found that many are involved with international issues, either directly because they work on them in government or business, or indirectly because they travel abroad and read about them as part of their life-long learning. The college takes great pride in alumni accomplishments. If you would like to share these experiences with our students, send me an email or stop by my office if you’re in Cedar Falls.

From the desk of the Dean

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After a two-year renovation, Sabin Hall finally re-opened in January of this year.

Students, faculty, and staff were welcomed back by state-of-the-art classrooms and computer labs, streamlined offices, entirely new mechanical systems, and a rejuvenated building that bears little resemblance to the old. There are still shades of the former building, however, as the project restored and reused many of the unique original features, including the terrazzo floors, marble fixtures, woodwork, chalkboards, and interior doors.

The most striking feature is the interior light well, which honors Sabin's original central courtyard area that allowed natural lighting into the building. The resulting atrium also includes a new light lounge, which introduces spectrum-enhanced lighting to help individuals who experience Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) during the winter months.

The guiding principal for the design, construction, and use of the new building has been sustainability, and the ultimate goal of the project is to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification by the U.S. Green Building Council. This four-tiered rating system establishes standards for environmentally sustainable water usage, energy consumption, design innovation, and building materials, with a focus on easily renewable materials and reuse of existing materials.

Specific benchmarks of the project have included:
• an irrigation system that uses no potable water
• reducing water use by 30%
• reducing lighting use by 15%
• reusing 40% of interior components
• diverting 50% of construction waste from the landfill, either by reuse or recycling
• reusing 30% of the furniture and furnishings from the old building
• reusing 5% of other original materials
• 20% of building materials that were manufactured regionally

If the project is successful in meeting the efficiency standards, Sabin Hall will be the first LEED-certified building at UNI—just another way in which CSBS seeks to be a leader on campus.
In 1979, the Iowa Legislature enacted the Art in State Buildings program. The goal of the legislation was to ensure that fine arts be included in state construction projects by allocating one-half of one percent of the cost of the construction project to be used for art.

The Sabin Hall renovation committee decided early in the project that the art should reflect the building’s practical heritage. The resulting artwork is the floor design in the new atrium, which was formerly a dark interior space used for storage.

The artwork for the floor, *Coursing Through Life*, was designed by Lynn Basa (right), an artist known for her numerous public, corporate, and residential art commissions. Basa is also a painter, author, and an instructor of public art professional practices at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago whose works have been installed across North America, including the Indianapolis International Airport and the Absolut Vodka headquarters in New York.

In the spirit of the renovation’s focus on sustainability, the terrazzo artwork contains pieces of recycled and post-consumer glass and mirror—nearly a ton of it. The aggregate, which was mixed on-site and poured into the design’s flowing shapes by Wisconsin Terrazzo and Tile, also includes another 4,500 pounds of mother of pearl, white marble, and other crushed glasses to give it its unique dazzle in the daylight that floods the building from the overhead skylight.

The dramatic work of art now serves as the backdrop for over 1,000 square feet of reclaimed public space. The area has quickly become a favorite of students who can now remain in the building between classes or study in an enlightening venue, opportunities that the old building didn’t allow.

The artist’s statement conveys how the pattern and color represent the melding of ideas and communities:

“College changes people. New friends and ideas shape old ways of thinking. You’re not exactly the same person who entered school by the time you leave. ‘Coursing Through Life’ is about this transformation. It slices through the rigid rectangularity of the old building like a force of Nature. Like the best original thinking, there is no pattern of conformation.”

For more information on UNI’s public art, visit www.uni.edu/artarch/.
CSBS DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI DAY

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences hosted its 2nd Annual Distinguished Alumni Day on April 22. The purpose of the day is to keep alumni engaged with the college and to provide CSBS students the opportunity to interact with graduates who have earned success in the social and behavioral sciences. The event included receptions with alumni, CSBS leadership, and President Allen and Provost Gibson; a panel discussion open to students and faculty; and an opportunity for the alumni to visit classes and give guest lectures to students.

This year’s theme was “Law and a Democratic Society” and included alumni who have been successful in the field of law and justice. The 2011 Distinguished Alumni are:

John Benton (Political Science ‘81)—Partner at California Strategies & Advocacy LLC; Sacramento, Calif.
Peter Fagen (Political Science ‘83)—Founding Partner of Fagen Friedman and Fulford LLP; San Marcos, Calif.
Randy Hefner (History ‘75)—District Court Judge for Iowa 5th District; Adel, Iowa
Angel Robinson (Political Science ‘02)—Consumer Advocate for the Iowa Insurance Division; Des Moines, Iowa
George Stigler (History ‘72)—District Court Judge, District 1B; Waterloo, Iowa

Above left: Peter Fagen (left) speaks with Provost Gibson at the alumni reception. Above right: Political Science professor Dhirendra Vajpeyi (left) with John Benton.

Above: John Benton and Peter Fagen speak to professor Chris Larimer’s class on public budgeting.
Right: The 2011 Distinguished Alumni Panel was moderated by Dean Mauceri in the Great Reading Room of Seerley Hall.
CSBS ADVISORY BOARD
CSBS continues to strengthen the college and its programs by establishing a new Advisory Board. The goal of the board is to make CSBS a premier college at UNI, enhancing the quality of education for its students and promoting leadership, innovation, and service to the campus, community, state, and nation. Board members will be entrusted with offering advice on programs and initiatives; advocating for CSBS within the community, state, and nation; increasing the visibility of CSBS; and facilitating the acquisition of resources needed for the development of programs, student scholarships, and faculty research and teaching, as CSBS positions itself to be a leader in the social and behavioral sciences.

Inaugural members of the CSBS Advisory Board are:

Jerry Glazier
’77 Psychology
Chair of the CSBS Board of Advisors—EMBARQ Corp. (retired); Kansas City, Missouri.

Sue Caley
’81 History
Communications, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage; Des Moines, Iowa

Maria Cameron
’86 Political Science
Brazil Desk Officer, U.S. Department of Commerce; Washington, D.C.

Ellen Habel
’90 Public Administration
Assistant City Administrator; Coralville, Iowa

Jerry Kramer
’63 History
Teacher (retired); Waterloo, Iowa

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’70 Political Science
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’94 Political Science, ’02 Public Policy
Director of Network Engagement, Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield; Des Moines, Iowa

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’92 Political Science, ’94 Public Policy
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David Van Sickel
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The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences has established a new school, one of only three on campus. CSBS’s Department of Design, Textiles, Gerontology and Family Studies and the Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling programs that were formerly in the College of Education now constitute the School of Applied Human Sciences (SAHS).

This innovative new unit was formed from the common focus of these programs and their foundation in the social sciences. Part of the School’s intent is to become an important center of interdisciplinary studies serving the entire campus, by establishing a core of academic programs focused on applied human sciences, stimulating synergy among faculty members that transcends traditional disciplinary boundaries, and inspiring more collaborative research. It is anticipated that faculty members throughout campus may choose to hold an affiliated appointment with the School, even if their academic department is not formally a unit within the School of Applied Human Sciences. However, the mission of the school will be consistent with the mission of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, part of which is to increase understanding of people in individual, social, cultural and historical contexts.

The reorganization was celebrated in September with faculty, staff, and friends of the collaboration welcomed by Provost Gibson, Dean Mauceri, and Howard Barnes, director of SAHS. Provost Gibson praised the School as being an innovative model for the future of progress at UNI, and the college is committed to its role in that success.

Above: Howard Barnes, Director of the School of Applied Human Sciences; Gloria Gibson, UNI Provost; and Philip Mauceri, CSBS Dean, at the celebration for the new SAHS.
Below: Faculty of the School of Applied Human Sciences, which now includes the areas of Interior Design, Textiles and Apparel, Gerontology, Family Studies, Mental Health Counseling, and School Counseling.
Military Science joins CSBS

UNI’s Department of Military Science is the newest member of the college. Conversations revealed that there are significant areas of synergy between the department, formerly a standalone program, and a number of programs and faculty in CSBS, many of whom have already been engaged with Military Science. The majority of students in ROTC are also to be found in CSBS majors. Moreover, social scientists more than anyone should be aware of the need for civilians to understand military issues, without which civilian control of the military and therefore democratic governance are impossible.

The Department of Military Science offers a minor in military science and administers the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) program. The program’s introductory classes focus on the foundations of leadership, including personal and team goal setting, problem solving, ethics, and values, which are available to all UNI students interested in improving their leadership abilities. For those who wish to try for a commission in the Army, Army Reserve, or Army National Guard, an additional four semesters of courses expand their education to include the tactics used by the Army, the current operating environment, and how to work with people of other cultures.

The UNI Panther Battalion is lead by Lt. Colonel John C. Roadcap. Roadcap holds a B.A. in criminal justice administration and an M.S. in human resources administration. He has been deployed to Kuwait, Albania, and Iraq and has earned several awards for his service, including the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Armed Forces Service Medal, and the NATO Medal.

This spring, four cadets were commissioned and will report to their assigned duty stations as Second Lieutenants in the United States Army. The cohort’s students are Carl Beck (Criminology & Sociology) from St. Charles, Missouri; and David Bohnstengel (Criminology) from Waterloo; and Benjamin Ditri (economics) and Drew Hingtgen (nursing), both from Cedar Rapids.

9/11 Commemoration planning

The events and aftermath of 9/11 have had a profound impact on the US and the world. CSBS is well positioned to participate in university-wide commemorations of the upcoming 10th anniversary of 9/11. The disciplines found in the college have been at the forefront in putting this historical period in context, and the addition of the Department of Military Science helps underscore that connection.

If you have ideas or suggestions about speakers, films, panels, or other events having to do with the impact of 9/11 on the U.S. or the world, please contact the dean’s office.
Center for Violence Prevention opens

The newest CSBS center is formally open for business. The UNI Center for Violence Prevention (CVP) is a new Regents-wide initiative focused on campus violence prevention and response. The mission of the CVP is to increase the capacity of universities, K-12 schools, victim service agencies, law enforcement, and the criminal justice system to systematically implement the best practices in violence prevention, victim service, and evaluation strategies. Toward that goal, the CVP will function as a statewide training center to offer services, training, and programming for community and campus victim-services providers, community and campus police, and educators.

CVP is directed by Annette Lynch, a professor in the School of Applied Human Sciences, who is also the flagship project director for a campus violence prevention grant funded by the Department of Justice and serving all three state-supported universities in Iowa. Lynch has over a decade of leadership experience directing violence prevention programs. Previous projects have focused on creating safer campuses and schools in Iowa, and her work has resulted in the system-wide revision of sexual misconduct policies, with model policies implemented in 2008 at UNI, Iowa State, and University of Iowa.

Joining Lynch in the center is Alan Heisterkamp, Ed.D. Heisterkamp directs the CVP’s Mentors in Violence Prevention Institute (MVP), overseeing implementation of MVP on all three state-supported universities in Iowa and leading the effort to infuse MVP into the teacher education and education leadership curricula at UNI. His previous work has focused on systemic approaches to address violence and bullying awareness and prevention, including bullying and gender violence prevention, student leadership and bystander education, engaging men and boys in violence prevention, and teen dating violence awareness and prevention.

The opening ceremony for the center included remarks from President Ben Allen; Executive Vice President and Provost Gloria Gibson; U.S. Senator Charles E. Grassley; Binnie LeHew, bureau chief of disability and violence prevention at the Iowa Department of Public Health; and John Flannery, vice president of external and government affairs with Verizon. Contributors to the CVP, including Verizon Communications, the Department of Justice (DOJ), the Waitt Institute for Violence Prevention, and the Iowa Department of Public Health, were also recognized at the opening ceremony for their support of violence prevention work.

For more information, visit the center’s web site at www.uni.edu/cvp.

Above left: Senator Charles Grassley addresses the gathering at the opening ceremony, including (from right) Provost Gibson, President Allen, John Flannery of Verizon, Binnie LeHew of the Iowa Department of Public Health, and Alan Heisterkamp. Above right: Professor Annette Lynch is recognized for her efforts as director of the new Center for Violence Prevention.
Fellowship established in Political Science

A new opportunity for CSBS faculty in the Department of Political Science is now available.

Steve (History BA '67, Political Science MA '74) and Linda Segebarth of Indianapolis have established the Vajpeyi Political Science Endowment Fund. Named after Dhirendra Vajpeyi, UNI professor of political science since 1969, the fund will support one faculty member each year in the Department of Political Science to pursue his or her scholarly interests and engage students in research.

The Segebarth’s gift was in the form of over 78 acres of land. Located along Crane Creek, a tributary of the Wapsipinicon River near Dunkerton, Iowa, the land was designated as a state Protected Water Area. The land has several wetlands and cover for upland and migratory birds. Due to the land’s conservation value, the UNI Foundation sold it to the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation (INHF) at the end of 2009. The gift is also part of the $150 million “Imagine the Impact” campaign for UNI that focuses on scholarships, faculty, and program support.

“Linda and I are delighted with this opportunity to honor professor Vajpeyi,” said Steve Segebarth. “His passion for scholarship and teaching opened my eyes to the world of comparative politics.”

Psychology study-abroad course is launched

CSBS programs already offer study abroad opportunities in Greece, Italy, Poland, Nicaragua, and Northern Ireland, but the Department of Psychology now has its first international course offering for students.

In May 2010, the first psychology study abroad class traveled to the United Kingdom and Spain with Professor Helen Harton for the course Culture and Social Behavior. The focus of the two-week course was on sites in London, England, and Barcelona and Jaen, Spain, but included additional day trips to Plymouth, Brighton, Canterbury, and Granada.

The objectives of the course were for students to observe social behavior in the U.S., England, and Spain; study the psychology of culture and cross-cultural research methods; and visit several universities in England and Spain in order to interact with other students and hear lectures by European psychologists. Upon their return home, students were also charged with analyzing their collected data and completing a project on their study.

An additional course in Spain is also being offered this summer by Psychology professor Jack Yates and Carole Yates from UNI’s Center for Energy and Environmental Education. The Capstone course Climate Change in Spain will allow students to better understand their own lifestyle, to observe the environmentally respectful Spanish lifestyle and culture, and to learn about successful government policies that promote energy conservation and renewable energy development.

From above: Students in Plymouth, England, and visiting the Sigmund Freud museum in London.
Geography
The Department of Geography’s GeoTREE—GeoInformatics Training, Research, Education, and Extension Center—has helped the local utility company show residents how much energy is lost through poor insulation of building roofs. A series of thermal images was captured in the fall of 2010 by an airplane equipped with a special camera. Overlapping passes over the entire city of Cedar Falls captured over 5,000 thermal photographs, which GeoTREE then helped compile, analyze, and make available online to residents. The interactive map is available via www.cfu.net/flyover/.

Social Work
This year’s Social Work Field Colloquium hosted Nancee Blum, from the Department of Psychiatry at the Carver College of Medicine at the University of Iowa, who spoke on the topic of compulsive hoarding. The colloquium is held annually for the agencies with whom its students are placed for their practicum. The event also allows social workers and mental health professionals to earn continuing education units by addressing timely subjects in the field.

History
For two decades, the department has had a public history program in which students learn the skills required for careers in the preservation and presentation of the past. A requirement of the program is for students to engage in 15 hours of service with museums, historical societies, archives, businesses, or educational institutions in central and eastern Iowa. During the Fall 2010 semester, 48 majors were placed in 23 sites, for a total of 720 volunteer hours. Since the program began in 2006, student community service hours have totaled 3,735.

Psychology
A new Psychoneuroendocrinology Research Lab joins the college facilities available to enhance faculty and student research. The lab can analyze hormone levels from saliva samples, which will allow faculty and graduate students to study whether certain disorders or behaviors are related to hormone levels.

Gerontology
The Rural Aging Conference was held on campus in early April. A collaboration of the Iowa Consortium of Aging Programs and the Gerontology program in the college’s School of Applied Human Sciences, the conference drew over 100 faculty, practitioners, students, and advocates from across the state. This year’s theme, From Research to Practice, included sessions on centenarians, cultural aspects of Alzheimer’s and dementia, consumer fraud, and the current aging-related research of UNI students.

Sociology, Anthropology & Criminology
The department remains home to the Journal of Contemporary Ethnography. JCE is the top journal in ethnography, the study of human behavior in natural settings, and is currently ranked 29th among sociology journals. Co-editors are Kent Sandstrom and Marybeth Stalp, and deputy editor is Carissa Froyum, all from the department. The journal is available online at jce.sagepub.com/.

Political Science
The department hosted several guest speakers throughout the year. Distinguished scholar James L. Gibson (Washington University) delivered the Hoxie Lecture on “The American Mass Public and the U.S. Supreme Court: The Sotomayor and Kagan Nominations” and Fatih Yildiz, Consul General to the Turkish Consulate in Chicago, discussed Turkish-American Relations and Turkish Foreign Policy. In addition, the department sponsored a panel discussion on the Iowa judicial retention elections. After the 2010 midterm elections, several members of the Department participated in an election forum titled “Election 2010: What did it mean?”
**Textiles and Apparel**
The Textiles and Apparel (TAPP) program’s 19th annual student design show, *Mixtape*, was held April 9 in Lang Auditorium. This yearly event consistently draws a packed house and allows students to both showcase their designs on the runway and participate in the planning and execution of a large-scale production.

A $1.4 million gift to program has been given by Lectra as part of its education partner program. The gift includes software and upgrades that will enable student designers to create textile weave, knit, and print patterns and apply the patterns to apparel designs, along with many other creative possibilities. The School of Applied Human Sciences has also been recently equipped with a full-scale computerized fabric printer for the benefit of both its TAPP program and Interior Design.

**Interior Design**
Twenty Interior Design students participated in a week-long study-trip in New York City this summer. Led by professors Gowri Betrabet Gulwadi and Jillissa Moorman, excursions to design firms and well-designed historical and contemporary landmarks enhanced students’ perspectives.

**Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling**
The graduate programs in Mental Health Counseling and School Counseling, part of CSBS’s new School of Applied Human Sciences, have continued their excellence in preparing their graduate students. Since implementing an exit exam called the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Exam (CPCE), the programs have maintained a 100% pass rate with 78% of the students scoring above the national mean score. The exam measures knowledge in eight core content areas of counseling: human growth and development; social and cultural foundations; helping relationships; group work; career and lifestyle development; appraisal; research and program evaluation; and professional orientation and ethics.
Public Policy
The college’s Graduate Program in Public Policy hosted a conference on racial inequality at the community level on April 15. Keynote speakers included Dr. Todd Swanstrom, University of Missouri, who spoke on the impact of inequality on community decisions and community life, and Dr. Gregory Squires, George Washington University, on the subject of housing discrimination, particularly the use of new media to exclude people of color from housing. The event drew a cross-section of students, faculty, and community leaders and was co-sponsored by the Department of Political Science as well as the Waterloo Commission on Human Rights, as part of its celebration of April as National Fair Housing Month.

Iowa Center for Immigrant Leadership and Integration
UNI hosted its first U.S. Citizenship Naturalization Ceremony on March 4. The ceremony was organized by the ICILI under the leadership of Mark Grey, center director and professor of anthropology, and sponsored in part by CSBS. Seventy-one people from 33 nations became US citizens in the Maucker Ballroom, with over 450 people from on and off campus attending. The ceremony involved collaboration with the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Iowa, the U.S. Marshal Service, and the Department of Homeland Security Citizenship and Immigration Services office in Des Moines.

Women’s and Gender Studies
The Women’s & Gender Studies program has received a bequest of $500,000 from Dr. Edra Bogle to create opportunities for students [see back cover for details].

Center for Social and Behavioral Research
The CSBR continues to conduct applied research on such topics as public health, crime and corrections, environment and energy, education, housing, and public opinion and policy. Center director Gene Lutz and Disa Cornish made presentations to the Iowa Legislature in January regarding successful outcomes of the state’s tobacco cessation services found from a three-year evaluation study. Mary Losch, the center’s assistant director, presented to the Iowa Board of Regents in February summarizing the research program of the Iowa Initiative to Reduce Unintended Pregnancies, now in its fourth year.

Iowa Space Grant Consortium
The college is the new home of the Iowa Space Grant Consortium, a collaboration between the state’s Regents institutions, Drake University, and a variety of governmental, industrial, and non-profit affiliates. The consortium seeks to improve Iowa’s future in aerospace science and technology and to stimulate aerospace research, education, and public outreach activities throughout the state. Formerly located at Iowa State, the consortium will now be directed by UNI’s Ramanathan Sugumaran, professor of geography. This center is part of NASA’s Space Grant Consortium, a national network of colleges and universities that works to expand opportunities for Americans to understand and participate in NASA’s aeronautics and space projects. The Space Grant network includes over 850 affiliates including universities, industry, museums, science centers, and state and local agencies.
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That was more than thirty years ago. We developed the criminology major in 1985, and we currently have around 300 majors [the second largest in the college]. Beyond the numbers, let me say that I believe we have an excellent criminology major, an undergraduate major that is as complete as any in surrounding states. UNI has been an excellent experience for me. I have enjoyed my teaching experiences and still retain contact with many of my former students. With the publication of the two manuscripts in production now, I will have written 42 books, more than 30 of which were done at UNI. My books can be separated into first edition texts, revised texts, edited texts (interviews of juvenile and adult offenders), biographies, and monographs. My research agenda at the present time focuses on a violent mind set project, with a team in Illinois; three volumes on resilience; two biographies; and a first edition text. I am particularly excited about our project on the violent mind, because I have worked with violent offenders for the past forty years. Indeed, I am involved in two death penalty cases this summer, in which I will be visiting inmates on death row in Oklahoma and Ohio. Incidentally, I do pro bono work as an expert witness for the defense on these and other death penalty cases.

I am an ordained Presbyterian minister (Princeton graduate, 1961) and have had a small parish where for the past twenty years I have conducted services on Sunday. I simply say that I wear several different hats. One is on Sunday and the other through the week. In my spare time, I enjoy taking care of my roses; getting back into jogging; reading biographies, especially presidential biographies; and relating with my grandchildren.

CSBS Faculty Spotlight: Clemens Bartollas

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Dr. Norris Durham passed away January 26, 2011. He came to UNI in 1979 as the head of what was then the Department Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work. Durham’s career included research on spider monkeys in South America before he moved into the field of dermatoglyphics (the study of fingerprints). Among his last research was the relationship of fingerprints to Alzheimer’s, and he retired in 2002. He loved pheasant hunting, performing in community theater, and recounting stories of his times as a ballroom dance instructor and as an MP.

Susan Allbee passed away February 5, 2011. She was an instructor in Sociology and in Women’s and Gender Studies from 1989 until she retired in 2007. She was a UNI alumna, having earned her B.A. in 1982 and her M.A. in sociology in 1985. She helped build the Women’s Studies program and UNI, was a long-standing participant in its Current Research on Women (CROW) Forum, and wrote chapters for textbooks for national publications. She was a scholar, mentor, and role model for her family, students, and friends.

Dr. Robert Schneider passed away February 13, 2011. He joined the Department of Social Work in 1999. He was a psychoanalytically oriented therapist and also maintained a small private practice. Schneider wrote a statistics text for social workers and published articles on the stresses and supports for long-term caregivers. Bob was known for his musical interests and talents, playing the guitar and banjo. He will be remembered for his sense of humor, his enjoyment of working directly with students, starting a lacrosse team at UNI, and his highly individual takes on the issues of our times.

The research of Kimberly MacLin and Otto MacLin (Psychology) was the focus of a visit by a cable television production crew. The researchers and several of their undergraduate students were filmed for an episode of the Discovery Channel series Curiosity [The Questions of Life]. The episode will center on memory, a subject which features prominently in the MacLins’ research on perception, face recognition, eyewitness identification, and forensic science. The students aided the production by staging a mock crime and acting as eyewitnesses.

Carolyn Hildebrandt (Psychology) and Alan Heisterkamp (Center for Violence Prevention) were interviewed by KCRG Channel 9 News for a half-hour special on bullying to be aired in late May. Psychology students Katelyn Rohlfs, Indrani Thiruselvam, and Ashley Lynch were also interviewed by KCRG about research they are doing with Hildebrandt on cyberbullying in college-age students.

Elaine Eshbaugh (Family Services & Gerontology) has been named to the Adele Whitenack Davis Professorship in Gerontology, just one of two endowed professorships in CSBS. Eshbaugh has published extensively on such topics as depression and loneliness across the lifespan and student interest in the field of gerontology. CSBS began offering a B.A. in gerontology, the only program of its kind in Iowa, in 2002.

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Student News

CSBS Student Research Conference

The 18th Annual College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Student Research Conference was held April 9.

Each year, this conference has provided undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to exchange ideas, present research, and learn more about developments in the social sciences. In addition to providing CSBS students with a venue to share their research, the conference draws talented student and faculty researchers from several areas of study and from institutions across the Midwest.

This year’s keynote speaker was Dr. Christopher Uggen, the Distinguished McKnight Professor and sociology department chair at the University of Minnesota, whose research interests include punishment and reentry, citizenship, substance use, discrimination, and, most recently, health inequalities. Other conference events included poster sessions, oral presentations, student panels on careers and graduate education in the social and behavioral sciences, and an opportunity for students to chat informally with the invited speaker.

Select student presentations from the conference included:

Jon Pedersen and Adam Livengood (Psychology)—You’ve probably never heard of it: Hipster identity in Cedar Falls
Andrew Wille (Geography)—Spatial temporal analysis of crop yield variability at the field level
Lauren Peters (Anthropology)—Artificial cranial deformation and its potential implications for affecting brain function
Addison Wright (Sociology)—Crime in today’s society: Applying Marx’s theory of class and capitalism to explain crime
Katelyn Rohlf, Matthew Nelson, and Melissa Nation (Psychology)—Effects of gay-straight alliances on social support in college students
Susan Meerdink (Geography)—Long-term implications of the “ethanol boom” for American agriculture: Iowa case study
Chelsea Miller (History)—Raising good Soviets: Media depictions of Soviet education and upbringing under Kruschev
Sydney Hibler (Sociology)—The gendered division of labor and sexuality in ‘The Office’: Where’s the joke?

Emily Wesely (Criminology and Psychology) and Sedona Loy (Psychology)—Aggressive music and the roadway: How song lyrics affect your driving. In addition to presenting her research at the CSBS Student Research Conference, Wesely also presented “Patterns of Recorded Alcohol Violations at the UNI Campus” at the Research in the Capitol event held in Des Moines in March. Now in its sixth year, the event allows students to display and present their research to Iowa lawmakers and Board of Regents representatives. This year’s theme was “Research for a Healthy Iowa.”
Student Briefs

Psychology majors Spencer Walrath, from Cedar Rapids, and Ian Goldsmith, from Earlville, were elected to serve as the president and vice president of Northern Iowa Student Government for the 2011-2012 academic year. It is the fourth time in five years that both posts have been held by students with majors in CSBS. Goldsmith is also an SBS Scholar who is one-third of the group responsible for choreographing the “Interlude”, the dance craze that swept campus earlier this year.

Stephanie McEnaney, an Interior Design major from Calmar, won first place in the regional student Sub-Zero and Wolf Kitchen Design Contest. McEnaney’s design was part of a residential project for people with disabilities. The award-winning design was a kitchen for a family with a parent born with dwarfism.

Abubakkar Jalloh, a Public Policy graduate student from Sierra Leone, was selected for an internship with the United Nations for the summer of 2010. He is interested in the complicated refugee issues raised by his native country’s civil war and worked on the issue of how to resettle refugees who were former combatants in such a way as to avoid destabilizing either the host country or their country of origin.

Elizabeth Wiedenheft, a History major from Mason City, was accepted to Harvard Divinity School but has chosen to pursue a doctoral program in history at the University of Connecticut. With a second major in philosophy and world religions, she is also finishing her honors thesis on the subject of early propaganda against female rulers in Medieval chronicles from the 12th and 15th centuries. Liz is an SBS Scholar and has been a student assistant in the Dean’s Office this year.

Interior Design majors Jenna Miller, from Milford, and Leah Devries, from Sioux Center, received honorable mention for their designs in the student category of the Durkan Carpet Design Competition. The carpet manufacturer’s national competition drew nearly 1,000 entries this year.

Rich Jackson, a Counseling graduate student from Cedar Rapids, was recently featured in the Cedar Rapids Gazette for his work as an intervention counselor with a local program called Link. With the goal of keeping youthful offenders out of the juvenile justice system, it works by assigning a counselor to youth within 24 hours of their arrest in order to work with the offender and their family to investigate the issues that caused the offense.

Carl Beck, a Criminology and Sociology double-major from Saint Charles, Missouri, who is also pursuing a minor in Military Science, has been selected to receive the Governor’s Award for being UNI’s outstanding Army ROTC cadet. He was honored by Governor Branstad at a ceremony earlier in April and will be commissioned this spring as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. Beck is among four cadets being commissioned this spring—the first cohort since Military Science joined CSBS—including David Bohnstengel, a Criminology major from Waterloo, and Benjamin Ditri and Drew Hingtgen, both from Cedar Rapids.

Johnanna Ganz, a Women’s & Gender Studies graduate student, is the recipient of the program’s Outstanding Graduate Research Paper award. She presented her paper, “Impossibly Hot Moms: Media and the Construction of the ‘Good’ Mother’s Body,” at the April meeting of the Current Research on Women (CROW) Forum Series. Ganz also had a recent article published in the Hennepin History magazine on the subject of The Violet Study Club of Minneapolis, a twentieth-century women’s club focused on a love of learning.
Chelsea Miller, a senior History and Russian double-major from North English, Iowa. She has been a recipient of the SBS Scholarship, the college’s top merit award; a representative on the CSBS Dean’s Student Advisory Council, comprised of student leaders across the college; and a student who has earned a place on the CSBS Dean’s List each of her semesters at UNI, which requires a GPA of 3.5 or above each semester. Chelsea was also recently selected as UNI’s nominee to the McElroy Trust, which awards prestigious fellowships to high-achieving scholars from schools in northeast Iowa.

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Michael Yoerger, from Merrill, will graduate with a triple major in Psychology, Public Administration, and Political Science this spring. Yoerger has been one of the college’s Alderman scholars who has earned a place on the dean’s list each of his semesters at UNI.

Geography majors Philip Cavin, Jonathon Launspach, Susan Meerdink, and Andrew Wille were recipients of the NASA Space Grant Scholarship for 2010-2011. The scholarship program aims to provide opportunities for students in Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) disciplines and to involve undergraduates in research. The students were also able to present their research at the NASA space grant consortium regional meeting last fall.

Josie Davie, a senior Family Services major from Grundy Center, was the student coordinator of the recent Rural Aging Conference held at UNI.

Adam Haselhuhn, a Political Science and Political Communication major from Des Moines, and Jacob Rudy, a Political Science and Sociology major from Radcliffe, are two of three UNI students who have been awarded this year’s Lux Service Award, which recognizes outstanding service to UNI. They are last year’s president and vice-president of Northern Iowa Student Government, and Rudy is a former SBS Scholar.

Sean Lenihan, a Public Policy graduate student, has been accepted to present a paper at a conference in Ankara, Turkey, in June. The conference is the International Political Science Association’s Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society on the issue of new domestic and international challenges.

Wesley Hunt, a senior Criminology major, has been selected to participate in a summer internship with the Washington Center, which offers opportunities to earn academic credit in Washington, D.C. Hunt’s placement will be with the Tactical Operations Division of the U.S. Marshal Service.

CSBS Student Spotlight: Chelsea Miller

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Greetings from the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences!

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences' alumni play an important role in sustaining the success of our programs. I am very fortunate to get to travel around the state of Iowa, the Midwest, and coast to coast visiting with alumni who are doing amazing things in their careers. The disciplines that our alumni succeed in touch all areas of society from education to law, health care to government, social services to business, and many more. The success of our alumni demonstrates their talent, skill, and work ethic that are built on the strong liberal arts education that they received in CSBS.

I am also amazed at the generosity of our alumni who take the time to come back to campus to meet with students, give their money and resources to assist us, and positively carry the UNI brand forward in their places of work and influence.

Today we are focused on preparing the next group of UNI students to come and join you on the road to achievement. Our continued success as a university and as the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences will not happen in a vacuum. We will continue to rely on our CSBS alumni to share their talents and resources to provide our students what they will need to succeed in a world that relies on critical thinking, communication, and a broad knowledge of culture, people, and institutions.

There are many different ways that you can assist us in cultivating continued success for CSBS. 

Stay in touch with CSBS and the department that you graduated from. We appreciate hearing about your career and where your life’s path has taken you since you left UNI.

Come back to campus and experience what we are doing in the classroom and beyond. We have a beautiful facility in renovated Sabin Hall for you to tour, and we would love to connect you with a student organization, class, or faculty member to talk about your career.

Support CSBS through monetary gifts. We have numerous ways that you can contribute to CSBS. The Dean’s Fund for Excellence provides assistance for study abroad opportunities, internships, and research experiences. You can also give to student scholarship, program funds, or classroom naming opportunities. Every dollar you contribute is important to us and allows us to pursue opportunities for our students to have the best experience possible inside and outside our classrooms.

Thank you for your loyalty to the University of Northern Iowa and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences! I look forward to meeting you some day in your town or city or during a return trip to campus. Please feel free to contact me at (800) 782-952, (319) 273-5468, or john.aronowitz@uni.edu. Go Panthers!

Donor Spotlight: Jerry and JoAnn Kramer

The Department of History is the beneficiary of a generous gift from UNI alumni Jerry and JoAnn Kramer of Waterloo, Iowa.

Jerry (‘63 History B.A.; ’70 History M.A.) and JoAnn (’70 Physical Education M.A.) were both long-time secondary education teachers in the Waterloo school system. Their gift has established the Jerry and JoAnn Kramer Endowed History scholarship and will benefit a junior or senior History student who carries a 3.0 GPA.

Jerry also gives his time to the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences through his participation in the CSBS Advisory Board (see page 5). The Kramers’ gift is part of the $150 million ‘Imagine the Impact’ campaign for the University of Northern Iowa, which focuses on scholarships, faculty, and program support.

For more information, visit www.uni-foundation.org.
On behalf of the students of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, we express our sincere appreciation for all the alumni and friends who have contributed to the Dean’s Fund for Excellence and allowed our students opportunities they otherwise might not have had. We are profoundly grateful for their support.

Below is the **CSBS Loyalty Roster**—those donors who gave $100 and above to the Dean’s Fund during the previous year. The Dean’s Fund Inner Circle recognizes alumni and friends who give $1,000 and above to the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Dean’s Fund. Please consider joining this special group of donors during the upcoming year!
Alumni Spotlight: Randy Hefner

The Honorable Randy Hefner (center) with wife Connie and their son Mark, of St. Paul, Minn. Hefner was recently named one of the 2011 CSBS Distinguished Alumni.

Randy Hefner (‘75 History) was sworn in as a new judge for Iowa’s Fifth Judicial District at a January ceremony at the Dallas County Courthouse in Adel.

After graduating with honors from UNI, Hefner received his J.D. from Drake University Law School in 1978. Following law school, he joined the firm Shaff, Farwell & Sennett in Clinton, Iowa, where he practiced until moving to Adel in 1979. Hefner takes the bench having had a nearly 30-year legal career in private practice there and will continue to practice in the Hefner & Bergkamp law firm.

Randy’s wife, Connie, is also a UNI grad, who received her degree in elementary education in 1975. She retired in 2010 after a long career in education. The Hefners support scholarships in both the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and the College of Education. The CSBS award is available each year to a student majoring in history, political science, geography, or anthropology. This year’s CSBS recipient is Ross Curnow, a freshman from Urbandale majoring in History.

CSBS Alumni Updates

Mike Payson (Social Sciences/History ’68) taught for a short time after graduating but was soon drafted into the Army. After serving in Viet Nam, he returned to UNI to do graduate work. He will retire fully in 2011 after 40 years in the retail jewelry industry. He says, “I have very fond memories of my years in Cedar Falls and SCI and UNI, and count them as some of the best of my life.” Together, he and wife Sharon have five daughters and twelve grandchildren.

Krista (Ficel) Castellanos (Social Work ’95) obtained her Master of Science in Education in 2005 and is a Kindergarten and reading teacher working for an inner city school district in California. She is also a certified teacher in CLAD (Cross-Cultural Language & Academic Development), instructing Spanish-speaking students. She is married with three daughters and in her spare time is a Girl Scout leader and is active in the PTA.

Terrence Ou (Public Policy ’96) returned to Beijing in 2008. He established the Chinese branch of Zunch Communications, a search engine optimization, Web site design, and email marketing firm, and now serves as president of that branch. He is also expanding his own business, which focuses on Chinese travel tours.

Katie (Buelow) Kopp (Psychology ’03) received her Ph.D. from Biola University in 2008 and has been a licensed clinical psychologist since January 2009. She is on active duty in the United States Army and currently works as the brigade psychologist for the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division in Fort Carson, Colorado. She deployed to Operation Enduring Freedom in June 2009 and finished her deployment to Eastern Afghanistan in June 2010. She lives with her husband (Kevin Kopp, ’03) in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Rustin D. Meyer (Psychology ’03) earned his Ph.D. in Industrial/Organizational Psychology from Purdue University and became an assistant professor at Georgia Tech in 2009. He is married to UNI alumna Hollie (McLaren) Meyer.

Ryan Tapscott (Psychology ’03) has completed his Ph.D. at Iowa State. He has also co-authored an article for the North American Journal of Psychology: “Face recognition in context: A case study of tips on a call-in crime TV show” with professors Kim MacLin and Otto MacLin (Psychology).

Beth Cox (Public Policy ’04) has joined People for Quality Care, a new Cedar Valley-based organization that advocates throughout the country for seniors and people with disabilities, particularly about health policy changes, freedom of choice in healthcare, and remaining independent in their own homes.

Jesse Wozniak (Sociology ’04) is a sociology doctoral student at the University of Minnesota. He is currently in Suleimaniyah, Iraq, conducting field research on the development and implementation of the new Iraqi Police Force for his dissertation.

Anesa Kajtazovic (Public Administration ’07) was elected in November to the Iowa House of Representatives for House District 21. Born in Bosnia, she and her family arrived in Waterloo in 1997. Kajtazovic was a CSBS Alderman Scholar who double-majored in Public Administration and Business, degrees which she completed in only three years.

Mary Jo Halder (Political Science ‘10) is attending the London School of Economics and Political Science working toward a Master of Science in Comparative Politics: Democracy.

Please complete and submit the form on the next page if you would like to be included in next year’s CSBS Statements. As this is an annual publication, information in the Alumni Updates may have been submitted up to a year ago. Try as we might to be accurate, we apologize if any information is incorrect or outdated.
Dr. Edra Bogle of Denton, Texas, has made a nearly half-million-dollar gift to UNI to create the Agathon Fellowship Endowment for graduate assistantships for lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender students and others supportive of LGBT issues. The fellowship will be administered by the Women and Gender studies (WGS) program, which is affiliated with the College of Social and Behavioral Science and the College of Humanities and Fine Arts.

The gift is part of UNI's “Imagine the Impact” campaign which supports scholarships, faculty, and programs.

Dr. Bogle is an alumna, having attended Iowa State's Teacher's College and receiving her B.A. in 1956. She earned an M.S. degree at Columbia University and a Ph.D. at the University of Southern California, and she was a faculty member in the Department of English at the University of North Texas, where she taught for 34 years.

Dr. Bogle’s work as a professor and LGBT activist is supplemented by her abundance of activity in local and state politics in Texas. Phyllis Baker, WGS director, said, “It seems so very fitting that her hard work will be carried forward in perpetuity in her generous gift to UNI's LGBT students and to LGBT issues on campus.”