



Research Days

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY



2024 PROGRAM | APRIL 17 - 19

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH | ON-CAMPUS DAY

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRESENTATION SESSIONS

10:00am - 11:15am | GovState Library

Understanding Academic Advising Organizational Culture: Satisfaction, Productivity, and Connection

D2401A | 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Valerie Cronin-Fisher & Bryce Johnsen

The Kids are Not Alright: Teachers' Experiences with Social and Emotional Learning

D2401C | 10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Siobhan Dalrymple

Sly as a FOXX (A Teaching Case)

D2401C | 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Chevonne Alston

WEDNESDAY POSTER SESSION

11:45am - 1:15pm | GovState Library

TOPICS IN COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA (CAS)

The Importance of Visual Communication in Academic Research Poster Designs

Rachel Beckmann (Honors)

TOPICS IN EDUCATION (CEHD)

Building Self-Control in Children

Megan Rodgers

From Classroom to Life: Assessing the Ripple Effect of Life Skills Education on Adult Readiness and Achievement

Inala Bruce-Rose

TOPICS IN HEALTH SCIENCES (CHHS)

Collaborative Learning in Occupational Therapy Graduate School

Dr. Erin Simpson & Dr. Caren Schranz

Using a Core Vocabulary Intervention for Language Delayed Kindergarten Students Using Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC)

Dr. Angela M. Riccelli & Dr. Ravi Nigam

TOPICS IN PSYCHOLOGY (CEHD)

Social Emotional Learning: A Comprehensive Review Towards Universalizing Outcomes

Jessica Beckmann, Kelly Rosenthal, & Dr. Alli Cipra

The Long-Term Developmental Effects of Children Raised in Foster Care

Alyssa Voss

The Effect of Parent Personality on Child Depression

Grace Meeks (Honors)

Mindfulness, Empathy and Ethnocultural Empathy

Zachary Woods, Tennika Talib, Timothy Pedigo PhD, & Matthew Covic MA

Mindfulness: A Regret Resolution

Alex Cruz

Seeking Meaning and Growth: How Spiritual Practices Help Overcome Regret

Omar Macias (Honors)

Actively Open-Minded Thinking, Religious Beliefs, and Epistemically Suspect Beliefs: The Extent of Religiosity

Michaela Schultz

TOPICS IN SPORTS STUDIES (CEHD)

Time in the game: Examining How Duration Effects Assists and Rebounds in the WNBA

Inala Bruce-Rose

Athlete Motivation

Emely Oviedo (Honors)

FACULTY RESEARCH WRITING WORKSHOP

1:30pm - 2:45pm | GovState Library | with Dr. Amy Vujaklija

Meet with your colleagues, share ideas, talk about works in-progress, and enjoy roundtable discussions on topics such as:

- Successfully turning presentations into journal publications
- Finding collaborators and accountability partners
- Forming great collaboration teams
- Drafting publications from your dissertation

AFTERNOON PRESENTATION & PANEL SESSIONS

3:00pm – 4:15pm | Library

THE JOURNEY OF COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT OF MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION STUDENTS

D2401C | 3:00pm – 3:45pm

Dr. Ning Lu, Dr. Forest Kim, & Dr. Kai-Wen Cheng

AUTODOCKING STUDIES OF OXYGENATED FULLERENES AS HIV PROTEASE INHIBITORS IN THE PRESENCE AND IN THE ABSENCE OF WATER

D2401C | 3:45pm – 4:15pm

Michael Kaminiski & Dr. Shailendra Kumar

SPIRITUALITY, MATERIALISM, AND THEIR EFFECTS ON MENTAL WELL-BEING

D2401A | 3:00pm – 3:15pm

Amira Lowery

HOW DO YOU WORKSHOP A POEM?

D2401A | 3:30pm – 4:15pm

Paul Tucker, Shannel Owens, Kahlilah Burnett (Honors), & Kaleigh Swinford

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH | ON-CAMPUS DAY

THURSDAY MORNING PRESENTATION SESSIONS

Coffee & Tea Wakeup Self-Service | 9am – 11am | D2401C (GovState Library)

MORNING PRESENTATION SESSIONS

10am – 11:15am | 3rd Floor Classrooms

“CAMPUS AS CANVAS”: STUDENTS DISCUSS AN ARTS-INFUSED UNIVERSITY

D34000 | 10:00am – 10:45am

Dr. Anna Bernadaska, Dr. Linda Campos Moreira, & Dr. Giesela Grumbach

DEI SMI (STAFF, MENTORING, INTEGRATION) AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

D34000 | 10:45am – 11:15am

Karen Williams-Blackman

LINKS TO PARENT INVOLVEMENT AND HIGHER EDUCATION SUCCESS LITERATURE REVIEW

D34115 | 10:00am – 10:30am

Tiffany Weathers-Fincher

TEACHER RETENTION IN K-6 SCHOOLS- WHAT DO TEACHERS SAY THEY NEED?

D34115 | 10:45am – 11:00am

Amy Wagner

ADAPTIVE CAPACITIES OF NONPROFITS IN CRISIS: INSIGHTS FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

D2401A | 10:00am – 10:40am

Dr. Erica Ceka

BORDERLINE BUDGETS: ANALYZING FISCAL RESPONSES TO THE RUSSIAN-UKRAINIAN WAR IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES

D2401A | 10:40am – 11:15am

Dr. Erica Ceka

FACULTY RESEARCH EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS & LUNCHEON

E-Lounge | 11:30am – 1:00pm | Awards Program at Noon

Sponsored by the GovState Foundation and Provost's Office. All Faculty are invited to attend a luncheon featuring Awards and pizza! Invest in your interests, network with peers, and share your ideas for alumni engagement with Foundation Representatives.

THURSDAY POSTER SESSION

11:45am – 1:15pm | GovState Library

TOPICS IN BIOLOGY (CAS)

CHARACTERISTICS OF EARTHWORMS IN SELECTIVE FOREST TYPES IN MICHIGAN-ILLINOIS REGION

Dr. Xiaoyong Chen

TOPICS IN EDUCATION (CEHD)

EXPLORING THE THREADS: ADJUNCT FACULTY DYNAMICS AT GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

Tyler Hartke

UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL: UNRAVELING THE IMPACT OF STANDARDIZED TESTING ON 3-8TH GRADERS IN ILLINOIS

Khalliah Gardner (Honors)

CHILDREN'S ILLITERACY: WHAT CAUSES IT?

Alyssa Dillinger (Honors)

TOPICS IN GENDER & SEXUALITY (CAS)

HOW DO PARENTS IMPACT THEIR CHILDREN'S ATTITUDES ON GENDER?

Devine Kazlauskas (Honors)

TOPICS IN HEALTH SCIENCES (CHHS)

UNRAVELING THE GENDER DISPARITY: INVESTIGATING THE FACTORS BEHIND WOMEN'S HIGHER ACL INJURY RISK

Kylie Smith (Honors)

MANGOS VS. POISON IVY: A CONNECTION BETWEEN ALLERGENS AND FLAVOR PROFILES

Sana Mahar (Honors)

CREATING A CULTURE OF INCLUSIVITY AND BELONGING FOR BIPOC GRADUATE STUDENTS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Nicole Bing, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Jessica Bonner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Camille O'Quin, Ed.D., CCC-SLP, Elaine Reyna, M.A., CCC-SLP, & Angela Riccelli, Ed.D., CCC-SLP

TOPICS IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (CHHS)

EXPLORING THE ROLE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN THE DELIVERY OF TRAUMA-INFORMED SERVICES TO HOSPITAL-BASED CLIENTS

Frank Czuba DrOT, OTR/L, Kaycee Sain MOT, OTR/L, Bridget Burke OTS, Morgan Carr OTS, & Daria Lending OTS

EXPLORING STUDY STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS ON THE NBCOT EXAM

Erin Simpson DrOT, MOT, OTR/L & Student researchers: Jenny Dolas, Amanda Johnson, Courtnie Tolar

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY STUDENTS' PERCEPTIONS OF MANAGING STRESS ON FIELDWORK THROUGH OCCUPATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

Rebecca Kvasnicka DrOT, MOT, OTR/L & Student researchers: Julyssa Cabrales, Maiya McArthur, & Rolanda Sturdivant

NEW & CURRENT NON-INVASIVE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY INTERVENTIONS IN POST STROKE REHABILITATION

Cynthia Carr, DrOT, MS, OTR/L, Genevieve Marion, OTS, Jaclyn Robbins, OTS, & Gema Solis, OTS

EXPLORING THE NECESSITY FOR A COMMUNITY-BASED DRIVER REHABILITATION PROGRAM WITHIN THE CHICAGO SOUTHLAND AREA: THE PHYSICIAN'S PERSPECTIVE

Luther King, DrOT, OTR/L, & Student researchers: Jessica Jones, Abdul Murrar, & Destiny Pointer

AFTERNOON PRESENTATION SESSIONS

1:30pm – 2:45am | 3rd Floor Classrooms

SURVEYING THE IMPACT OF AN ANIMATED INFOGRAPHIC WITH INTERVIEWS ON THE AWARENESS OF STROKE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

D34011 | 1:30pm – 2:15pm

Jessica Bonner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Nicole Bing, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Maryleen Jones, PT, DHS, Luther King, DrOT, OTR/L, Tonya Roberson, Ph.D., MPH, & Victoria Dean, graduate student, Department of Communication Disorders

THE COLLAPSE OF FTX: HOW MEDIA SENTIMENT, CELEBRITY, AND FOMO LED TO THE RISE AND FALL OF SAM BANKMAN-FRIED AND FTX

D34005 | 1:30pm – 2:00pm

Chevonne Alston

WRITING ENVIRONMENTS AND THIRD PLACES

D34005 | 2:15pm – 2:30pm

Ansam Abdeljaber

EXAMINING FACTORS INFLUENCING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN ILLINOIS: A FOCUS ON EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES

D34115 | 1:30pm – 1:45pm

Felisia Weaver-Gladney

KEYNOTE PANEL PRESENTATION

3:00pm – 4:15pm | Engbretson Hall

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: KATHERINE CARL, FRANK CZUBA, CHRISTOPHER DIGNAM, & MEGAN VANGORDER

Ujvala Rajadhyaksha, Ph.D. | Panel Chair and Discussant

Associate Dean and Full Professor of Management, College of Business

“CREATIVE RESEARCH METHODS AT GOVSTATE: POSSIBILITIES FOR CROSS-POLLINATION AND COLLABORATION”

Research and Scholarship undertakings are important to higher education institutions. They play a vital role in creating future generations of critical thinkers and engaged citizens. In celebration of the collaboration and creativity that makes GovState a higher education institution of continuous learning, this keynote panel presentation showcases some of the diverse techniques of inquiry utilized by GSU faculty in their research and scholarship activities.

In this session we have four presentations by faculty from different colleges at GSU. The Q&A discussion that will follow individual presentations will cover strengths and challenges of each technique and consider its potential for collaborative research on problems requiring cross disciplinary solutions.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Katherine Carl, Ph.D. | Experimental Research Methods



Assistant Professor of Business Analytics and Management Information Systems in Business Analytics in the College of Business, Dr. Carl will present how she has used experimental research related to video games, online learning, and self-efficacy. Experimental research seeks to determine if a specific treatment influences an outcome. This impact is assessed by providing a specific treatment to one group and withholding it from one or more other groups and then determining how each group scored on an outcome.

Frank Czuba, DrOT, OTR/L | Action Research & Photovoice Methods



Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy, College of Health and Human Services, Dr. Czuba will present on the use of Action Research & Photovoice. One of the foremost advantages of action research is the immediacy of its applications and its ability to catalyze improvements in an organization or community. Photovoice is an established method developed initially by health promotion researchers. In this method participants take photographs and then reflect upon and explore the reasons, emotions and experiences that have guided their chosen images.

Christopher A. Dignam, Ed.D. | Portraiture Research Methods



Assistant Professor of Interdisciplinary Leadership, College of Education, Dr. Dignam will present on Portraiture Research Methods. Portraiture is a research technique that brings together art, narratives, case study, phenomenology and ethnography by creating individual vignettes that allow for a focus on stories of success and positivity in times of difficulty.

Megan VanGorder, Ph.D.



Assistant Professor of History and Coordinator of Secondary Social Studies Education, College of Arts and Sciences, Dr. VanGorder will present on Historical & Archival Methods. Archival research is a type of research which involves seeking out and extracting evidence from archival records, where archives refer to materials that are unique, specialized or rare objects, few of which are believed to exist.

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VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS & POSTERS (PRERECORDED)

TOPICS IN ART (CAS)

NEW COMPETITOR FOR ARTIST: AI

Deborah Macias (Honors)

TOPICS IN HEALTH SCIENCES (CHHS)

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS OF COVID-19: A LITERATURE REVIEW OF FORECASTING RESEARCH TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSES

Claudia Serrato (Honors)

INTERPROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE PREPAREDNESS: OPPORTUNITY FOR DIRECT PATIENT CARE EXPERIENCES

Dr. Danielle Osmelak, Dr. Leslie Guca, & Dr. Angela Riccelli

MANAGING DYSPHAGIA DIETS ACROSS HEALTHCARE SETTINGS: A QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS

Dr. Danielle Osmelak, Dr. Naomi Gurevich, & Ms. Marissa Van De Weg

A VOICE FOR ALL: VOICE AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES AS GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE

Jillian Basile (Honors)

TOPICS IN POLITICAL & SOCIAL JUSTICE

2024 ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK

Ricca Louissaint

WE ARE NOT MULES: TOWARD A 21ST CENTURY THEORY OF JUSTICE

Denise Hill

INTERVENTIONS FOR SELF-CARE AS A MENTAL HEALTH PRACTICE IN THE SERVICE INDUSTRY | *Alaina Parsons (Honors)*

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