EDLRM’s Adult & Community Education (ACE) REPORT
FALL 2013

The following summarizes some of the activities of the EDLRM’s faculty, current students and alumni have been involved. Please note that many of the items were accomplished through cooperative endeavors across departments, colleges, and community agencies. We hope the information provides you an update as to what our ACE family has been doing this Summer 2013 to Fall 2013. A couple of the items commenced in the Spring and have recently come to closure and are reflected in this report. Hope that the report is informative. If you have items to contribute in the future please forward to Dr. Bryan at bryan@fau.edu or Dr. Wang at cwang10@fau.edu.

Report submitted by Dr. Valerie C. Bryan, Professor & Charles Stewart Mott Eminent Scholar

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BOOKS


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CHAPTERS


CHAPTER SELECTED FOR IGI RECOGNITION.


**BOOK CHAPTERS UNDER REVIEW**

Russo, M.R., & Bryan, V.B., & Penney, G. ( ). The learning curve in emergency preparedness: Are we getting better?


Wang, V.C., Russo, M.R., & Bryan, V.C. ( ). All roads lead to curriculum inclusive of social justice and democracy.

**JOURNAL ARTICLES**


**INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS: REFEREED**


**FORMAL RESEARCH STUDIES**

Bryan, V. C., Russo, M.R., & Dennett, S. (2012). *Final Report: Early Warning Technology For People With Profound Hearing Loss.* Research report for Institution of Fire Engineers: Vision 20/20 Division of Homeland Security Grant. Grant award was for $8000 to FAU out of $160,000 (grant was written to service varied community agencies- Palm Beach County Fire Service, Area Agency on Aging, Delray Deaf Service Center, Delray Medical Sleep Lab). *Research Grant Reported in Earlier Report—New Events have unfolded:* Through the cooperative endeavors with the Palm Beach County Fire Rescue, the Delray Deaf Services Center, the Area Agency on Aging, the Delray Medical Sleep Lab, and the FAU ACE Program, 670 smoke alarms (Gentex strobes, Lifetones and 10 year long life battery-operated smoke alarms) were installed in the homes in Palm Beach County for senior adults and 57 specialized alarm systems were installed in the home of profoundly deaf individuals. **Dr. Gerri Penney**, ACE doctoral student, secured the grant, served as Principal Investigator, and was responsible for the installation of the alarms.


**SERVICE ON STATE ORGANIZATION**


**HONORS OR AWARDS**

- Wade Berstler, current ACE doctoral student, was selected to receive Ernest O. Melby Fellowship Endowment in the amount of $8,000.00 to be awarded later this year.
- Dr. Valerie C. Bryan was selected as a “woman of outstanding leadership” by The International Women’s Leadership Association (TheIWLA at http://theiwla.com/)
- Dr. Valerie Bryan received the “Unsung Hero an Award” at the Northern Campus Achievement Awards 2013, April 22, 2013.
- Ms. Edwiyggh Franck, current ACE doctoral student, was selected to receive a $500 award for the Traica Vangeloff Thomas Endowed Scholarship from College of Education Scholarship for the 2013-2014 to be awarded later in the year.

**ACE DOCTORAL STUDENTS or ALUMS/ ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Dr. Krista Allison an Adjunct Instructor at Southwest Baptist University.
- Bernice Bain, current ACE doctoral student, was hired as Assistant Dean of Online Business Programs, University: Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH
- Dot Bass, ACE Masters Graduate from Delray Beach Police Cohort, is Employment Development Manager at City of Delray Beach.
- Dr. Merideth Dee was recently promoted to Associate Director, Academic Support, Freshman Advising at FAU.
• **Susan Dennett**, current doctoral student, was hired as **Northwood University Florida Academic Dean**. See http://www.northwood.edu/media/pressroom/newsarchives/article/2013/northwood-university-florida-appoints-susan-dennett-as-academic-dean-.aspx and http://www.northwood.edu/news/2013/09/florida-dean-leads-educational-forum.aspx

• **Dr. Richard Durr** serves as the coordinator for **Palm Beach Atlantic University’s Wellington Education Center**.

• **Karen Fay**, current ACE Doctoral student, has recently authored a grant proposal to the Celia L. and Victor H. Farris Foundation for a grant entitled **STEAM, Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math Education for an After-School Program**. Proposal has been funded for $185,000, November 2013.

• **Karen Fay**, current ACE doctoral student, has authored and had awarded $1,154,720 in grant proposals since September 2013.
  - **Karen** has recently authored a grant proposal to the Celia L. and Victor H. Farris Foundation called **Job Smart to Job Start, an After School Employability Development Program for High School Students**. Proposal was awarded for $200,000.
  - **Karen’s** proposal to the Florida Department of Education was funded for $695,520 in September 2013. Proposal is called **Florida’s 21st Century Community Learning Centers 2013-2014** [Project Number 938-24444A-4PCC7].
  - **Karen’s** proposal to the Florida Department of Education was awarded for $259,200 in September, 2013, for **Florida’s 21st Century Community Learning Centers 2013-2014** [Project Number 938-24444A-4PCC9].

• **Dr. Abigail Oliver Hiller** is eBanking and Multimedia Training Developer and Specialist for **FIS Global**, leading global provider of technology and services to the financial services industry, serving more than 14,000 clients in over 100 countries.

• **Dr. Terry Liddell** is the **State Senior Systems Technical Specialist with ICF International**, provides technical assistance to states. Dr. Liddell serves the states in Region X (Alaska,
Idaho, Oregon & Washington) and is housed in Seattle, WA. She oversees the Child Care State Systems Specialist Network, A Service of the Office of Child Care.

- **Dr. Malika Starr**, Chief Program Officer at **Partners in School Innovation** (an education management industry), San Francisco Bay Area.

- **Tony Strianese**, ACE Masters graduate of Delray Police cohort, is now **Chief at Delray Beach Police Department**.

- **Ms. Elizabeth Gray Swann** assisted **Whole Child Indian River** securing a $1000 grant to support the program’s mission of nurturing and developing thriving children by connecting families to a network of community resources. Elizabeth serves as a member of the Junior League of Indian River.

- **Dr. Lin Ellington**, Associate Professor of Business at Palm Beach Atlantic University co-authored a new workbook with Dr. John Pisapia, Professor in EDLRM at FAU:

  ![Image of workbook](image1)

  Dr. Lin is also author of a series of anti-bullying children’s books that features “Wetlee and Friend”. Finlee is the latest in the series of books.

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**EDLRM ADULT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION DISSERTATION PROPOSALS RESEARCH ONGOING**

**Sodano, K., Early Environmental Adult Education: An Oral History of Citizen Researchers’ Learning in The Appalachian Land Ownership Study, 1979-1981. FINAL DEFENSE, SEPTEMBER 2013. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Norman; Dr. Bogotch, & Dr. Liddell**
Curatolo, C., The Public Official Leadership Experience: A Case Study Of Leadership Collier And Its Impact On Motivating And Empowering Select Citizens. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Bebko, Dr. Watlington, Dr. Wang. FINAL DEFENSE, OCTOBER 2013.

Andre, S., Reliability and Validation Study of the Online Instinctual Variant Questionnaire. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Morris, Dr. Wang. DATA COLLECTION

Dennett, S., A Study to Compare the Critical Thinking Skills Between Chinese And American Graduate College Students. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Morris, Dr. Wang. DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS. FINAL DEFENSE, December.

Miles, J., The Impact of Student’s Choice of Time of Day for Class Activity and Their Sleep Habits on Academic Performance in Multidisciplinary Distance Education Courses at a Southeastern U.S. State College. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Morris & Dr. Wang. DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS

McDonald, N., In-Country: Identification of transformational learning and leadership in human rights observers. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Bogotch, Dr. Russo, and Dr. Wang. DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS

Swann, E., Medical physicians’ perspective of their patients’ health literacy levels. Committee members: Dr. Bryan, Chair, Dr. Wang, Dr. Morris. DATA COLLECTION

Coltea, N., Social Impact of Immigrant Entrepreneurs on the State Of Florida. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Watlington, Dr. Wang. DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS

Kamin, F., Women with metastatic breast cancer and their perceptions of their journeys. Chair: Dr. Bryan. Committee: Dr. Maslin-Ostrowski and Dr. Duffy. PROPOSAL PREPARATION.

Gordon, F., Bilateral prophylactic mastectomy: Role of adult learning, self-efficacy, and treatment satisfaction. Chair: Dr. Bryan. Committee: Dr. Morris and Dr. Villares. PROPOSAL PREPARATION.

McLaughlin Jones, I., Transformational experiences of African-American women: Their critical reflections as former migrants. Committee: Dr. Bryan, Chair; Dr. Watlington, Dr. Wang. PROPOSAL DEFENSE. DATA COLLECTION.

FALL 2013 COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS

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The following ACE students successfully passed the EDLRM Doctoral Comprehensive Exams:

- Kristin Brittain,
- Gisela Diaz,
- Oren Hertz, and
- Laura Snellgrove.