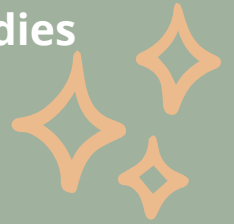
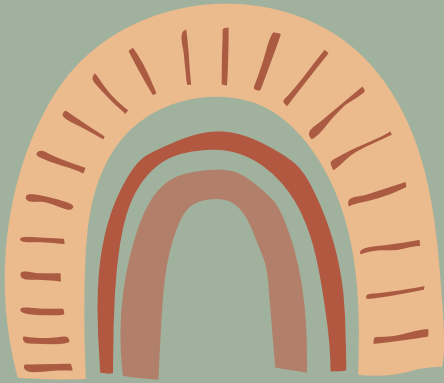


The School of Communication Studies

Kudos & Celebrations!

August 2022



LET'S GIVE KUDOS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMEBRS OF OUR CMST COMMUNITY!

- Dr. Randy Auxier was super busy this month! He did the following:
 - Presented “The History and Roots of North American Personalism” for the Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla in Puebla, Mexico
 - Spoke at the International Conference on Artificial Intelligence Humanities in South Korea, where he presented a review of the book *Kant & AI*.
 - Sat on the planning committee for “Feeling, Form, Mind: A Conference on the Thought of Susanne K. Langer” in Frankfurt, Germany. At the conference, he chaired a session on Whitehead and Friends, and presented a keynote, “The Virtues in the Virtual: Langer’s Projections and the Digital World.”
 - He also delivered that same keynote for the International Conference on Robot Ethics and Standards in Seoul, South Korea
 - Chaired and provided commentary for three panels at the 1st World Conference on Personalism in Mexico City, Mexico. He also gave a keynote address, “The Real ‘Fourth Political Theory’.”
- Dr. Todd Graham appeared on the St. Louis CBS affiliate evening news to give analysis of the recent primaries in Missouri, check it out:
<https://www.kmov.com/video/2022/08/04/debate-professor-analyzes-primary-results/>
- O.J. Duncan, as Sister Faggatha Hardness, gave the opening blessing at the LGBTQ+ welcome event on August 30th. At that same event, Carli Álvarez was a featured speaker. You can catch a highlight of her speech here, which was edited by our own T Brown: https://www.instagram.com/reel/CiEplrJMuvR/?utm_source=ig_web_button_share_sheet
- Dr. Nilanjana Bardhan has also been accomplishing a lot!
 - She is currently guest co-editing a special issue of the *Journal of Public Relations Education*. The topic of the issue is DEI, leadership and mentorship in the PR classroom.
 - She is also guest co-editing a special issue of the *Journal of Public Relations Research*. The topic is DEI and Public Relations: Theoretical Directions
- Dr. Jonathan Gray participated as Sister Mothra Stewart of the SOIL Sisters in the Carbondale Parks District's Picnic in the Park: Pride Edition at Evergreen Park on Sunday, August 28.
- We had a fantastic UG Kickoff to welcome back our undergrad majors and minors, to welcome our new students, and to let them know that we appreciate them.

IMPORTANT DATES!

- Sept. 22 - 24
 - 8pm
 - "Left on Read" in the Kleinau Theatre
- Saturday, Sept. 24
 - 11am - 2pm
 - Saluki Family Weekend
 - CoLA tailgate. Bruch & mimosas included!
- Friday, Sept. 30
 - 7pm
 - Ballroom Extravaganza
 - Student Center Ballroom D
- Saturday, Oct. 1
 - 1pm - 5pm
 - LGBTQ Fest
 - Veteran's Plaza
- Oct. 6 - 7
 - CMST Study Days
- Friday, Oct. 13
 - 8pm
 - Sister Unity Performance in the Kleinau Theatre





LET'S CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR CMST COMMUNITY!

- Congrats to Dianah McGreehan and Carli Álvarez, who were nominated for the SIU Above and Beyond Student Award. Sandy Pensoneau-Conway was nominated for the Woman of Inspiration Award. These awards were part of the inaugural SIU Women's Resource Center's Women in Action awards
- Congrats to Dr. Nilanjana Bardhan, who's book is now out in print: *The Role of Leadership in Building Inclusive Diversity in Public Relations*. You can purchase a copy here: <https://www.routledge.com/The-Role-of-Leadership-in-Building-Inclusive-Diversity-in-Public-Relations/Bardhan-Gower/p/book/9780367769642>
- Congrats to Monika Fudala, whose thesis project has officially been granted IRB approval
- Congrats to Jonathan Gray, who was awarded a grant of \$963 through the CoLA Pedagogy Exploration Incentive Fund to enhance CMST 221 Advanced Public Speaking to include speaking for online and social media venues.

**FINALLY, LET'S CONGRATULATE THE NEW SCO OFFICERS, AND
LET'S WELCOME JANINE ARMSTRONG AS PRESIDENT!**

- President: Janine Armstrong
- Vice President: Zoë Freedkin
- Secretary: Julie Hartung
- Treasurer: Bolton Morales
- Librarian: Mario Sanders
- Event Coordinator: India Hagen-Gates & Frankie Kimmel
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- Undergraduate Council: Sean Maulding
- Personnel Committee: Carli Álvarez
- Planning and Development: T Brown
- GPSC Representative: Julie Hartung (M.A.) & Alicia Utecht (Ph.D.)
- GAU Representative: Herty Tinadu
- CoLA Council: Frankie Kimmel



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