To read the CCOE Commencement Special Edition News, visit the CCOE website (www.calstatela.edu/ccoe) or Click Here.
It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of Dr. Joan Sabrina Mims-Cox, a professor and dear friend to the students, faculty, and staff at the Charter College of Education (CCOE) and to educators throughout the region and the world.

Dr. Mims-Cox was a Professor of Education in the Division of Curriculum and Instruction, where she coordinated the Master's Degree in Education Program with an Option in Bilingual Multicultural/Education.

Additionally, over the course of her career, she served as Director of the Los Angeles Accelerated Schools Center, Coordinator of the Bilingual Program, and Coordinator of the Curriculum and Instruction in the Urban Classroom Program.

Dr. Mims-Cox primary areas of research included multilingual/multicultural education, language development, bi-literacy, new models of teacher education in a global community, and school transformation. To read more about her life and work, visit www.calstatela.edu/ccoe. Information on her memorial service will be forthcoming.

Dr. Mims-Cox will be greatly missed by all who knew and worked with her.

The CCOE is collecting remembrances about this wonderful educator, co-worker, and friend. Visit Dr. Mims-Cox’s office (KH A3035) to leave messages on post-its. You may also visit the Dean’s office (KH D2069) or the Curriculum & Instruction office (KH C2097) to leave messages on cards. If you wish to submit your remembrance via email, please direct them to dawn.Jefferson@calstatela.edu
Fond Remembrance

Dr. Sabrina Mims-Cox & Dr. Olaiya Aina
at Commencement 2017
On Saturday, April 7, 2018 a celebration of life for Professor Olaiya Emmanuel Aina was held at Draper Mortuary Chapel. There was an outpouring of love and support for his family and friends by the more than 25 students and alumnae of the M.A. in Elementary Education Program, along with a dozen CCOE faculty and staff who were in attendance. Dr. Ambika Raj provided a touching reflection, on behalf of the College, that celebrated Dr. Aina’s wit and wisdom.

This was followed by some of the students sharing their memories. Students who graduated in May, organized themselves to wear specially embroidered stoles on their commencement robes with their favorite saying by Dr. Aina, “The sky is no longer the limit, it’s just the beginning.”

“He is gone, the lion of a man. He was not a sapling, or a bush, to be torn out of the earth, but a tree—a tree to brave the hurricane; a spreading tree, under which the hearts of his family could rest in peace.”

--Yoruban Wail
On May 21, 2018, the Charter College of Education feted its graduates. The hall was filled to capacity as graduates, family, friends, and faculty celebrated accomplishments and milestones. Dr. Ana Ponce, CEO of the Camino Nuevo Charter Academy, inspired CCOE graduates to take the knowledge they’ve learned and use it to challenge the system as they fight for social change.

Dr. Cheryl Ney, Dean of the Charter College of Education, described Ponce as, “A talented and skilled academic leader as demonstrated by the recognition for academic excellence that the Camino Nuevo Charter Academy schools have earned.” To read the full article on Ponce and the graduation ceremony, visit: http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/ppa/publicat/pride-jubilation-mark-beginning-commencement-2018
Dr. Ana Ponce, shown here prior to this year’s commencement address on May 21, 2018, is no stranger to the CCOE and our faculty. Dr. Ponce worked with Professor Emeriti, Dr. Nancy Hunt, Dr. Simeon Slovacek, Dr. Gay Yuen, and the late Dr. Sabrina Mims-Cox when they served as Accelerated School coaches working with teachers at The Accelerated School (or TAS). Dr. Ponce, who was one of the teachers in the 99th Street School that served as the first school site in the program, worked for 8 years with the Los Angeles Accelerated Schools Center. She went on to establish the Camino Nuevo Charter Academy and become an acknowledged leader of the California Charter Schools movement. Recently, Forbes Magazine named Dr. Ponce as one of the top seven most powerful educators in the world.
The Annual University Graduate Student and Faculty Mentor Recognition Reception was held on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. The reception recognized the accomplishments of current graduate students and also recognized faculty mentors who provide valuable guidance to graduate students. Dr. Lois Weinberg received recognition as the CCOE Outstanding Faculty Mentor for 2018.

Dr. Weinberg has an MA and Ph.D. in the Philosophy of Education, as well as a BA in Spanish, all from UCLA. She joined the faculty in Special Education as an Associate Professor in 2002 after serving in a variety of roles at UCLA, Cal State Northridge, USC, and University of Illinois-Champaign Urbana. She also served for 17 years as an Education Specialist for Mental Health Advocacy Services, Inc., a private nonprofit law office that represents poor and low-income individuals with disabilities. Her research focuses on educational outcomes of children in the foster care system across the State, barriers that hinder educational progress for foster youth, and how to improve the educational prospects for this population of children.

For over 10 years, Dr. Weinberg has served as the coordinator of the joint Ph.D. program in Special Education between UCLA and Cal State LA. She has mentored over 20 doctoral candidates and served on numerous dissertation committees. She works to prepare these candidates for the faculty role through a University Teaching Practicum that she coordinates, and the guidance and mentoring she provides them. In addition, Dr. Weinberg has received over 3 million in funding from the US Department of Education to support doctoral candidates in the last decade as part of her efforts to garner resources for our doctoral students.

Dr. Weinberg also models for students the scholarly role they will play as future faculty, having published over fifty books, articles, and monographs and given numerous presentations across the country on her research. Her passion and commitment has led most recently to developing a regional partnership with agencies serving justice involved youth that was selected to participate in the U.S. Department of Education’s technical assistance (TA) initiative, which is focused on building the capacity of communities to provide justice-involved young adults with diversion programs that include career and technical education, special education, and workforce development.
Upcoming Events

Black Panther/Afrofuturism Now What?

Description:
Join Cal State LA's Institute for Interactive Arts, Research & Technology (IA) free inaugural community event.

Special onsite virtual reality exhibit brought to you by LAST CALL GAMES/PORTAL ZONE VR!

Speaker series covering:
The future of STEM Education
-Afrofuturism
-Multicultural Storytelling
-Tech Innovation

Date: Thu, June 21, 2018
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Location: California State University, Los Angeles

All are welcome. Schools and clubs are welcome with the appropriate staff or lead.

There is $6 paid parking on campus and public transportation.

Scanned QR Code For More Info:  

Get both your B.A. and Teaching Credential
Take classes as part of a cohort of diverse peers

Join our Integrated Teacher Education Program

Learn more about the Urban Learning Major

Featuring CCOE guest panelist Dr. Wilson

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The Los Angeles Writing Project at Cal State LA presents its 17th year of

**SUMMER camp**

- **MORNING CAMPS**, 9am-12:30pm, $375
  - Young Writers' Camp
  - Secondary Writing Institute
  - Family Writing Workshop

- **AFTERNOON CAMPS**, 1pm-4pm, $350
  - STEAM Camp (Science)
  - Theater Camp
  - Math Camp
  - Reading Camp, $125

- **EXTENDED LEARNING MAKERS’ CAMP**, $15/hr.
  - 7:30am-9am & 4pm-6pm

The Los Angeles Writing Project is a non-profit organization affiliated with the National Writing Project. Located at Cal State LA, we are in our 17th year of offering an arts-integrated, quality enrichment program. All of our instructors are experienced classroom teachers, dedicated to creating safe and rich learning environments.

**June 25th - July 12th, Mon. - Thur.*

*Camp is in session Fri., 7/6 to make up for 4th of July holiday.

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**SATELLITES & EDUCATION CONFERENCE XXXI**

Concurrent Annual Meeting of M.Y. S.P.A.C.E. Research Team

**Earth Speaks - We Listen!**

**July 20-21, 2018**

California State University, Los Angeles

Registration Information: [http://SatEd.org](http://SatEd.org)

Join teachers, students, and scientists as they participate in workshops and presentations geared to excite students about STEM education and careers through hands-on engagement with space-based technology such as satellites and satellite data.

**Conference Activities Include:**
- Professional Development for Teachers in Integrated STEM Education
- M.Y. S.P.A.C.E. Environmental Research Collaborative Team Meeting for K-12 Students
- Support for Graduate/Undergraduate Research

Produced by the Satellite Educators Association offering online access to the SEA Newsletter and a library of more than 40 satellite-related K-12 lesson plans and comprehensive teaching notes addressing Next Generation Science Standards

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**
[http://SatEd.org](http://SatEd.org)

Conference Coordinator — Dr. Paula Avedon — parvedon@calstatela.edu

Satellites & Education Conference XXXI is Sponsored By:

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Upcoming Events (Continued)

**SPECIAL EDUCATION Group Advisement Session**

**Fall 2018**

*Room subject to change based on availability*

**Monday, July 9, 2018**
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
King Hall D2072

_ALL NEW CREDENTIAL STUDENTS IN THE DIVISION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COUNSELING ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND A GROUP ADVISEMENT MEETING PRIOR TO APPLYING FOR THE PROGRAM._

_SESSIONS WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AS SCHEDULED. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT PARKING MAY BE DIFFICULT SO ALLOW EXTRA TIME._

*MMeetings are offered every semester. Please feel free to call for future dates.*

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**Multiple/Single Subject Group Information Session**

**FALL 2018**

_Friday, July 6_
3 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.
SH 358B

_ALL PROSPECTIVE CREDENTIAL STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND A GROUP INFORMATION SESSION PRIOR TO ENROLLING IN EDCI 4000._

_SESSIONS WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AS SCHEDULED. INDIVIDUALS ARRIVING AFTER THE FIRST FIVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND. YOU MAY BE ASKED TO ATTEND ANOTHER GROUP ADVISEMENT MEETING._

_PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT PARKING MAY BE DIFFICULT SO ALLOW EXTRA TIME._

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Better Together: California Teachers Summit at CSU Los Angeles

DATE AND TIME: Fri, July 27, 2018 7:45 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: CSU Los Angeles 5151 State University Drive Charter College of Education, King Hall Los Angeles, CA 90032

RVSP: https://bit.ly/2iR4LKE

DATE:
AUGUST 4, 2018

TIME:
8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cal State LA Student Union 5154 State University Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90032

Register by July 1 for Early Bird Rate $125
Cal State LA Student Discounted Rate $25
Coffee, Snacks & Lunch Included

— KEYNOTE SPEAKER —

BRIAN KISSEL Foreword by Anne Backner

Honoring Young Voices and Bold Choices

Breakout Sessions, Roundtables and Expert Panels for K-12 Teachers and Administrators PLUS Take & Use Handouts Galore!

REGISTER NOW AT:
WWW.CALSTATELA.EDU/Academic/CCOE/LAWP/CONFERENCE
LAUTR’s Chung Receives Outstanding New Educator Award

In April, LAUTR SPED cohort 7 resident Richard Chung received a national award as Outstanding New Educator Award by the National Association for Alternative Certification. Here, he is seen with his professor, CCOE’s Leila Ricci. To hear Chung’s speech, Click Here:

CCOE Office for Student Services Hosts Another Successful Career Fair

In April, the CCOE held a career fair for future educators. The event, held on the King Hall walkway, featured different school districts and other organizations seeking to hire education professionals. Our CCOE recruiter, Deana Garay, (along with Kapono), met with those interested in continuing their education here at the CCOE.
Didn’t know the CCOE had a YouTube Channel?

Well now you do!

Check out the videos promoting CCOE programs and events at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL5bZY7fMFrg0uloe313ZcQ

To view the promo reel about the Better Together Teachers Summit or the Rehabilitation Services testimonial video, click on the images.
Program News

CCOE Ed.D. Program Faculty and Students Attend Annual American Educational Research Association Meeting

In April, more than 30 faculty and students from the Ed.D. Program in Educational Leadership in the CCOE gathered at the California State University reception, held at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA). CCOE’s faculty and students are shown here, joined by Marquita Grenot-Scheyer (second row, third from the right), CSU Assistant Vice Chancellor, Teacher Education and Public School Programs. She is an outstanding alumnae of the CCOE.

Apply Now for CSU Faculty Innovation and Leadership Award

The CSU Chancellor’s Office is seeking nominations for the first-ever CSU Faculty Innovation and Leadership Award (FILA).

Please visit the link below for the Call for Nominations that provides detailed information about the eligibility, nomination and review process at www.calstate.edu/FILA.

Note: All faculty (tenured/tenure-track and lecturer faculty) from all disciplines are eligible for FILA. Nominations (including self-nomination) from students, faculty and staff must be submitted to the Office of the Chancellor by June 29, 2018, 11:59 p.m. (PST).

Up to 23 awardees will be selected and each awardee will receive a $5,000 cash award and $10,000 will be allocated to academic departments to support awardee activities.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please email us at AcademicSenate@calstatela.edu.
Dr. Maria Oropeza Fujimoto joins the four other early career faculty who will be starting in the college in the Fall of 2018. Dr. Maria Oropeza Fujimoto will join the Division of Applied and Advanced Studies at the CCOE. Her appointment will primarily involve teaching in the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership Program.

Dr. Oropeza Fujimoto completed her Ph.D. at the University of Washington and holds a Master's in Counselor Education: Student Development from the University of Iowa and a B.A. in Social Work from Marquette University. She has fifteen years of experience in Student Affairs in the Higher Education setting in the mid-west. Her recent teaching and work experience in California includes serving as a visiting scholar at UC San Diego, as a lecturer at California State University, Fullerton, and work in Counseling and Student Success at Rio Hondo College. Her research and teaching interests focus on investigating the role of institutional policies and practices that support college access and equity and the role of families and communities in student advocacy and agency. Her dissertation was entitled, “Academically Successful Latino College Graduates: A Mixed –Methods Study.”

In the Ed.D. program, Dr. Oropeza Fujimoto will teach in the higher education track in courses such as leadership for curriculum and assessment, and leadership for student development and academic success in colleges and universities. She will also teach research methods in several programs offered in the CCOE.

Many thanks the recruitment committee, the recruitment committee Chair, and the Division Chair for their efforts!

Please welcome all of our new faculty to the CCOE community: Dr. Robin Dodds - rldodds@uic.edu, Dr. Leigh Ann Tipton-Fisler, Dr. Charles Flores - cflor203@calstatela.edu, and Ms. Christina Restrepo Nazar - crn@msu.edu.
Program News

It’s Who You Know
Getting to know the great individuals who make up our College is an important part of building a greater sense of community. This week we are featuring another flash interview with one of the people you work with.

What is your name and role at CCOE?
My name is Robert Anthony Salerno, but you can call me Bobby, and I am the Administrative Support Assistant II for the Division of Special Education and Counseling within the Charter College of Education at Cal State LA.

Describe what you do!
I act as the face of the Special Education and Counseling Division for not only our undergrad and graduate students, but over 60 faculty members as well. I make sure our students are directed to the correct advisors in order to keep their academics on track. I assist the division in any task needed to help serve our students including but not limited to: Fieldwork, Induction and COMP clearances, placing permits for classes, and assisting the Division Coordinator and Division Chair with many duties as assigned to keep the office running smoothly.

Tell us what you love most about your job and why!
I absolutely love knowing that my work directly relates to the overall experience that our hard working students have with the campus as a whole. I provide excellent customer service and in turn, the students have a great outlook on the division and campus.

Kapono Makes Guest Star Appearance in University Capital Campaign Video

Kapono, the CCOE’s humanoid robot, made a recent guest appearance in the Cal State LA capital campaign video which launched September 2018. Featured as an example of the innovative ways we teach and learn, Kapono was a big hit both in the video and on Instagram (yes, the CCOE has an active Instagram account – visit us at @cccoecalstatela). To see the full video, visit: https://bit.ly/2H7GH6o

To learn more about the capital campaign, go to:
http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/ppa/publicat/cal-state-la-launches-first-comprehensive-fundraising-campaign
Now Available - the CCOE ED talks Podcast -

Featuring a Conversation about School Climate with Dr. Albert Jones & Dr. John Shindler!

To Listen, Visit: https://soundcloud.com/calstatelaccoe
Alumni News

Former Dean’s Office Staffer and CCOE Alumna Receives Teaching Award

Dr. Julia Devin, a graduate of the M.A. in Educational Foundations and Single Subject Teaching Credential programs, as well as a former staff member in the Dean’s Office. She recently received a teaching award from Binghamton University. Devin, is the daughter of CCOE Professor Emeritus, Dr. Diane Haager. Click Here to read the full story.

New Link on CCOE Website Encourages Alumni to Share

Been to the CCOE website lately? In addition to regularly changing stories and videos, you will find a new link for alumni to share their new. To submit Alumni News, Click Here.

CCOE Alumnus Wiebe at Jefferson STEM Presentation

Earlier in the spring, CCOE alum Dr. Chris Wiebe met with David Jefferson, husband of CCOE Communications Specialist, Dawn Jefferson, when David gave a presentation on NASA space missions to students at Bridges Academy. Dr. Wiebe, who received his Ed.D. in Educational Leadership at the CCOE, is Head of High School at Bridges Academy, a school focused on the success of twice exceptional students.

To read more about Dr. Wiebe and his work, Click Here.
News for Students

Be An Educator!

Study in
A Field Full of Opportunity

In a recent report highlighting careers with the lowest unemployment, three of the top ten college majors are in education.

Source: Thinkstock

6. Educational psychology
  > Unemployment: 1.1%
  > Typical salary: $55,492
  > Total labor force: 28,807
  > Total unemployed: 321

Source: Thinkstock

5. Educational administration and supervision
  > Unemployment: 0.6%
  > Typical salary: $65,631
  > Total labor force: 44,211
  > Total unemployed: 285

Source: Thinkstock

10. Teacher education: multiple levels
  > Unemployment: 1.6%
  > Typical salary: $45,330
  > Total labor force: 102,776
  > Total unemployed: 1,647
News for Students (Continued)

Congratulations, You've Graduated
Now What?

K-12 Teaching • Specialty Areas in: Special Education • Reading • Literacy • Dual Language • Instructional Technology
M.A. in Educational Administration • M.A. in Special Education • M.A. in TESOL • M.S. in Counseling

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One of the best ways to get involved with helping others is to start in your own community.

It is with this in mind that we invite you to support the Charter College of Education (CCOE) at Cal State LA.

Contributions in any amount are welcome and all donations are 100%-tax deductible.

Give Online - http://www.calstatela.edu/giving/directingyourgift/charter-college-education

For more information on ways you can make a contribution to the Charter College of Education, please contact Dean Ney at 323-343-4300 and become a part of the CCOE community!
Questions & Suggestions

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