

Welcome to The School of Education

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Professor Jacqui Chetty teaches programming for the Department of Applied Information Systems

Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations to Melissa Luna (TEDU '15) on her new job teaching 1st grade at the Uptown Complex in Atlantic City and also to Jessica Keen (TEDU '15) on her new job teaching middle school science and math classes at the Vineland Public Charter School.

Congratulations to **Dr. Lois Spitzer (MAED),** who will be copresenting at the <u>ESL</u> <u>Summit on April 21</u> with Dr. JoAnne Negrin, ESL and World Languages supervisor at Vineland Schools, about their collaborations with teachers' professional development.



Dr. Lois Spitzer

Congratulations to Jeanne DelColle (SOE) on having been selected to serve as a member of the National Education Association's Early Career Educator Design Team in Washington, D.C. this spring.

Congratulations to **Michael Hinman**, Director of Stockton University's Alternate Route to Teaching program, on his gubernatorial appointment to the <u>State</u> <u>Program Approval</u> <u>Council</u>. The Council advises the New Jersey Commissioner of Education on matters pertaining to educator preparation quality.

Looking for a Million?

Don't miss Professor Jacqui Chetty from the University of Johannesburg speaking about the global status of computer science education, March 9, 2016, from 6-7:30pm, at Stockton University Campus Center Meeting Room 5. Refreshments will be available.

With nearly one million job openings in the USA for individuals with computer science skills, what are we doing to help our citizens acquire those skills? Are you aware of where we stand globally in training our youth with these problem solving skills that lead into computer coding and other STEM areas?

From Lego Mindstorm robots to storytelling with Scratch programming, find out how we can use interdisciplinary approaches within our schools to teach coding skills.

Learn about career opportunities for students who graduate with computer programming skills. All are invited as part of an open meeting of CSTASNJ (Computer Science Teachers Association of Southern NJ).

For more information about events like these, email <u>Dr. Amy Ackerman</u>.



The Department has updated its web site to organize information by target audience. The section for <u>Educators</u> contains in-service and preservice educator information. In preparation for the NJDOE-selected edTPA, Stockton University has begun to pilot this student teaching performance assessment. The edTPA was developed by SCALE at Stanford and is delivered online by Pearson. By Fall 2017, all student teachers seeking licensure must pass the edTPA, which includes student work samples, lesson plans, and video recording of candidate teaching. Contact <u>Dr. Norma</u> <u>Boakes</u> for more information about the pilot.

NJDOE Update: edTPA and Clinical Hours

In addition, Stockton has begun to plan for the additional time that student teachers will be spending in schools. By the 2018-19 academic year, all teacher preparation students must complete 50 hours of clinical experience (observation, small group instruction, classroom assistance) before beginning 175 hours of clinical practice (Intro and Intermediate Student Teaching) that must be completed before the full time semester of Student Teaching.

The Department has posted a <u>matrix that</u> <u>summarizes the chang-</u> <u>es to obtaining licensure</u> <u>eligibility</u> on its web site.

Mark Your Calendars

If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant: if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.

~Anne Bradstreet

3/5 Sub Term A ends

3/12-20 Spring Break; no classes (for 2 Saturdays)

3/25 Good Friday; normal campus operations

3/29 Preceptorial Advising Day; no classes

4/6 Preceptorial Advising Day; no classes

4/8 Deadline to withdraw (W)

4/16-4/29 IDEA online/paper 4/23-4/29 IDEA Sub Term B 5/2 Reading Day 5/9 Full and Sub Term B end

5/11 Grades due by 8:00am for graduating students

5/12 Commencement for graduate students

5/15 Commencement for

undergraduate students

5/16 Summer Sessions I, II and IV begin

5/20 Grades due



Spotlight on Alumna Stephanie Hoffman



Stephanie Hoffman (TEDU '15) with daughter Brylee, Dean Keenan and DKG President of Xi Chapter, Janel Shafer.

Stockton University's first-ever graduate of its VeTeach program is Stephanie Hoffman, who is now the full-time welding instructor at Salem County Vocational Technical Schools.

After a successful career with the US Army Intelligence unit, Stephanie returned to New Jersey to follow her lifelong dream of becoming an educator. She chose Stockton for its first-rate veteran-friendly programs, and achieved very high honors as a LIBA-TEDU student.

While completing her degree, Stephanie was invited to assist at the Ocean County Vocational Technical Schools, where she had earned her own welding certification as a high school student. Shortly after graduating, Stephanie also earned her CTE certification, applied for, and landed the job at Salem. Her <u>story is also</u> <u>featured</u> in last month's issue of the New Jersey Council of County Vocational Technical Schools newsletter.

SRI & ETTC

Seats are still available on March 16 for <u>Social Stud-</u> <u>ies Strong</u>, a full-day workshop with Rebecca Garafolo and Michelle Wendt, including complimentary lunch. Register for seats via email to Darice.Pico@stockton.edu

Biology teachers will also enjoy a free workshop on Extending the High School Biology Laboratory on March 11, 2016.

Can't get enough Chrome?

Join us for a full day <u>Chromebook Forum</u> on March 21, 2016.

SRI&ETTC in partnership with The Ceceilyn Miller Institute for Leadership and Diversity in America presents the annual antibullying conference, <u>Safe</u> and <u>Supportive Schools for</u> <u>All Our Students</u> on the campus of Stockton University on May, 25 & 26,

It's not too early to plan for summer. Start with Google

Educator Certification Boot Camp with Rich Kiker on June 2-3, 2016.

English and Social Studies teachers already making plans for summer should check out Stockton's second annual <u>"Why the Humanities Matter"</u> institute slated for July 11-14, 2016.

Group Policy MVP Jeremy Moskowitz will offer a <u>Group Policy Master Class</u> August 8-10, 2016 that includes a copy of his book.



The SRI & ETTC facility located on 10 W. Jim Leeds Road in Galloway

Resources & Opportunities for Current Students and Recent Alumni

Stockton Foundation Scholarships are open to qualified students through <u>March 29, 2016</u> for qualified undergraduate and graduate students.

PDK International Scholarships are open for high school and undergraduate prospective educators through <u>April 1, 2016</u>. AAUW seeks <u>volunteers</u> and teachers for its second annual Summer STEM Teck Trek Camp at Stockton, July 17-23, 2016.

Stockton students who seek funds to conduct research or travel may work with faculty to apply for <u>Research Experience</u> or <u>Student Travel</u> grants. The Black Horse Pike School district is hosting a diversity Job Recruitment Fair for Southern New Jersey. Over 30 school districts will be in attendance. Register online.

<u>AC Link</u> has openings for teachers in Atlantic County. <u>STA</u> has openings for teachers in the south.



Resources & Opportunities for Teachers and Principals

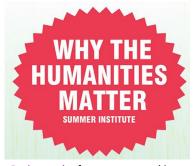
CSTA Southern New Jersey chapter of the <u>Comput-</u> <u>er Science Teachers Asso-</u> <u>ciation</u> meets at Stockton's Campus Center MR 5 March 9, 2016 at 6:00pm.

The Voya Foundation invites applications for its parent involvement program grants up to \$75,000, due <u>March 29, 2016</u>. The Joint Science and Technology Institute (JSTI) is an all-expense paid residential STEM program for teachers and students to participate in STEM activities and research projects.

Aviation Day is free for girls ages 8-15, April 2, 2016.

The **NEA Foundation** invites educators to <u>apply for</u> up to \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups, due June 1, 2016.

The **Walmart Foundation** invites community grant applications up to \$2,500 to educators who <u>apply online</u> between now and December 31, 2016.



<u>Register today</u> for your space at this summer institute for teachers, at Stockton, July 11-14, 2016.

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Our School of Education prepares new K-12 teachers for CAEP-TEAC-accredited initial certification and endorsements. We emphasize more and better field experiences than New Jersey requires, including an initial experience in Atlantic City, and optional year-long and co-teaching models.

We also offer a CAEP-TEAC-accredited <u>graduate program</u> for master teachers, supervisors, special education professionals, reading specialists, and principals; a doctoral program in organizational leadership; and a masters program for <u>instructional technologists</u>. Many courses lead to additional state certifications and endorsements, and all can be customized to meet your needs, both at our Stockton locations in Galloway, Atlantic City, Hammonton, Manahawkin or Woodbine, and within your school district. Special group and on-site tuition pricing plans are available as well.

Our Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center (SRI & ETTC) develops and delivers continuing professional development to K-12 teachers. Our Centers for Community Schools and Financial Literacy enhance our commitment to excellence in community engagement.

The Stockton School of Education CONNECTS.

From the Dean's Desk

Dear Friends of our School,

From setting our clocks to "spring ahead" on March 13 to the official start of the season on March 20, spring is just around the corner now. The university's spring semester is reaching its halfway point, and of course, spring testing season will launch soon afterward, from PARCC in April to AP and university final exams getting underway in May.

Spring is also the time that we at the Stockton School of Education begin planning for our summer enrichment and professional development activities. We have a rich array of programming, ranging from youth camps to advanced doctoral level programming, and everything in between. Take a single summer course for graduate or undergraduate credit, on campus or online; sign up for a noncredit workshop or a weeklong institute; volunteer to participate in a youth camp, or just enjoy our beautiful campus. Make your summer plans now!

Whether you can make it to our university's spring Gala to benefit scholarships or not, please also mark your calendars for <u>April 16</u> to consider making a gift that will benefit a future educator. We are also beginning to plan a School of Education informal gathering for all of our faculty, staff, alumni, and community partners. Keep watching this space for news

Finally, as always, we <u>thank</u> <u>every donor to the School of</u> <u>Education</u>. No gift is too small; you can give online: <u>www.stockton.edu/give</u> making it *that easy*. Just pull down the Scholarships choice to Education!

As always, please drop us a line and let us share your good news: please email <u>keenanc@stockton.edu</u> with your feedback. Please make a <u>gift</u> to the School of Education for scholarships or program funds. We THANK YOU for your generosity!





Best wishes, SCHOOL OF EDUCATION Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan