

ALPHA PHI CHAPTER OF CHI SIGMA IOTA



Letter from the Board

Hello everyone!

We hope you have had experiences of growth, learning, encouragement, as well as rest this fall so far. And we are glad you are here! Whether you are a returning or new student to our program, CSI member or not, we are looking forward to sharing with you through the events and opportunities to come this year! Our wish is to provide all of you with enriching and empowering experiences as we together and individually grow clinically, academically, personally, and professionally. This year we are committed to continue creating events for us to socialize and network with each other in addition to events that will contribute to our "counselor toolbox."

CSI members and future candidates for membership, we look forward to together discovering and exploring the opportunities being a member of our chapter and international honor society entails. This, in order to make good use of them as they open avenues for us to grow professionally as counselors. As the board of our chapter, we wish to hear your interests, questions, and concerns—please feel free to reach out to us about them!

We wish you a good rest of the semester and hope to see you at our Fall BBQ and NAMI Walks later this semester!

In this issue

- 1~ Letter from the Board
- 2~ Upcoming Events
- 3~ Previous Presentations & Awards
- 4~ Previous & Upcoming Presentations
- 5-7~ Welcome New Students
- 8~ Meet the Board

Upcoming Events



Past Event Photos

After Hours Event, Post New Student Orientation



New Student Orientation, BINGO



NAMIWalks New Orleans

Saturday, November 5, 2022

10:00 to 12:00 at Louis Armstrong Park
701 N. Rampart St. New Orleans, LA 70116

NAMIWalks Your Way New Orleans 2022 is a community walking event to raise awareness of mental health conditions hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Support our team by signing up, making a donation, or sharing this cause with friends by going to our team page:

<https://www.namiwalks.org/team/LoyolaCounselingDepartment>

CSI Fall BBQ

Saturday, November 12, 2022

12:00 to 3:00 at The Fly
6500 Magazine St. New Orleans, LA

Join CSI at The Fly for Brisket, Pulled Pork, 3 Smoked Mac & Cheese, Smothered Green Beans, Potato Salad, Slider Buns, and BBQ Sauce. We invite you to bring vegetarian and vegan options pot-luck style. The BBQ is open to all students, including current grad students and those who are interested in learning more about the MHC Graduate Program!

Jung Society New Orleans- Public Lectures

The following events are being held via Zoom and are \$10 to attend. Contact jungneworleans@gmail.com for registration info.

Phantom Narratives: Working with the Unseen that Exists in Plain Sight- November 1 @7:30pm

The Calumet Ceremony as 'Psychic Syncretism'-
December 6 @7:30pm

Previous Presentations and Awards



Past Event Photos

Dr. Christine Ebrahim and Dr. Tommy Fonseca (LCA President) at the 2022 LCA Conference



Welcome to Loyola Dr. Mary Hermann, visiting professor for 2022-2023 academic year!



Faculty presentations from LCA conference 2022

Dr. Mary Hermann, Visiting Professor was the Keynote Speaker in the 2022 LCA conference Opening Session: Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling
Dr. Hermann, also presented a Legal and Ethical Issues in Counseling, Part 2 and a Part 3 at the conference.

Dr. Christine Ebrahim and Dr. Joseph Pistorius (adjunct) presented together on 3 topics:

1. Preparing for LPC Supervision: Navigating Goals, Expectations, and Common Issues
2. Exploring Intentional Supervision: Ensuring Ethical Competencies of Clinical Supervision When Working with Post-graduates
3. Panel Discussion on Navigating the Supervision Process

They also hosted a "Supervisor Meet and Greet" that gave graduate students and recent graduates looking for potential LPC Supervisors an opportunity to meet and mingle with current LPC Supervisors from across the state.

Alumni presentations at LCA conference 2022

Dr. Kellie Camelford co-presented: Want to Submit Your Research? Guidelines for the LCA Journal

Dr. Stephanie Eberts co-presented: Trauma in Schools: How School Counselors Can Facilitate Healing

Keri Satterfield co-led: Transcending Competence: Crafting a Diversity, Equality and Inclusion (DEI) Statement to Promote Cultural Forward Care. Keri also presented Good Student-A Short Film Screening and Dialogue

Catherine Schully co-led Beyond LGBT: An Understanding of Other Identities in the Queer Community. Catherine also presented Why Are You Doing That: The What, When, Why, and How of Theoretical Orientation

Awards

Dr. Ebrahim received the Louisiana Counseling Association's (LCA) Humane and Caring Person Award, which was given at the LCA conference.

Dr. Ebrahim also received the Louisiana Mental Health Counselors Association's (LMHCA) Community Service award, which was given at the LCA conference.

Previous and Upcoming Presentations



Past Event Photos

New Student Orientation, BINGO



Previous Presentations

Semonne Pierre presented Narrative Therapy: Using Storytelling as a Tool for Healing at the Bayou Mental Health Awareness Conference on October 7, 2022.

Upcoming conference presentations

Austin Davenport (3rd year student) will be presenting Child-Centered Play Therapy for Transgender & Gender Non-Conforming Clients at the Play Therapy conference in St. Louis in October.

Semonne Pierre (Admissions Coordinator and Alumna) will be presenting Narrative Therapy: Using Storytelling as a Tool for Healing for TPN on November 2, 2022.

What have you been up to? Share it with CSI to include in the next Newsletter by emailing Haley Thomas at hnthomas@my.loyno.edu



Welcome, New Students!



My name is Melissa Berner and I'm a first year in the counseling program. I just graduated in the spring with a B.S. in Psychological Sciences from Loyola University New Orleans, so I am excited to jump back into school! I can't wait to learn so much from this program.



Tamara Ellison (she/her) is a graduate of the illustrious Dillard University, having received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. She has an intimate understanding of adversity's direct effects on the mental stability of marginalized communities. Tamara is currently pursuing a Master's in Clinical Mental Health Counseling at Loyola University. She also diligently works in the Counseling Department as a graduate assistant. Tamara's clinical interests include reducing mental health stigmas, adolescent trauma, and the intergenerational effects of systematic racism. In her free time, Tamara loves to visit different restaurants and spend time with her dog Bella.



Hi! My name is Cal Weith and I'm an incoming student. I moved to New Orleans last year for a promotion within my job with City Year and am very happy I am staying here to pursue my masters in counseling! I like sports, food, and hanging out with my girlfriend.



Welcome, New Students!



My name is Lauren Mills and I'm excited to be working toward a second professional career as a certified counselor with the 2022 cohort. I moved to New Orleans just over a year ago with my husband and three kids (all teens/tweens). We're enjoying getting to know this amazing city we now call home! I was a naval officer for the better part of a decade in my first career before I took a break in my professional life to raise our young kids, and I'm thrilled to now be back in the classroom and a part of the counseling program at Loyola. I love to travel, cook, run, cycle, swim, and walk our rescue dogs, Diesel and Roux.



Jessica Davis (she/her) is a first-year student in Loyola's Clinical Mental Health Counseling program working under Dr. Dewell. She received a BS in Psychology from Tulane's School of Science & Engineering in 2020. During undergrad she worked as a research assistant in the Learning & Brain Development lab on campus; examining selective attention and early memory interactions. Jessica views therapy as an opportunity to engage in positive change for one's own personal growth. Her current research interests include investigating integrative approaches to treating individuals struggling with repressed trauma, mood disorders, crisis management, and identity exploration. Receiving help is the most important thing anyone can do for themselves, but unfortunately the many stigmas surrounding mental healthcare keeps many from crossing that threshold. Apart from her studies, she enjoys watching home renovation shows, painting in her free time, and catching up on quality time with family and friends.



Hi, my name is Ruby Cramer! My pronouns are she/her. I am a first year graduate student and a GA for the Counseling Department. I completed a B.A. in Psychology at Southeastern Louisiana University, and I am now ecstatic to be a part of Loyola's Counseling Program. I am excited to continue learning about this field with my cohort and develop my own approach to counseling. A fun fact about me is that in my free time I like to watch movies with my partner, read, crochet, play D&D, and practice playing the flute.



Welcome, New Students!

My name is Nicole Sanders and I am so very excited to be starting this journey. In my early life I was a professional circus artist who has been shot out of a cannon nearly 600 times! It was a blast...I have a wonderful husband who is very supportive and I spend as much time as possible with my little daughter Sena who is my "why". I love, and consume a lot of, coffee and being outside is where I recharge.



Hi! My name is Adrian Illes (she/her) and I'm a student in the Graduate Counseling Program at Loyola. I was born and raised in South Louisiana with my three younger siblings, but I moved away for my Undergraduate Degree. So, I'm excited to be back home and invest my continued education and experience into our NOLA community. I'm passionate about art, music and growing as an individual as well as a Mental Health clinician. Looking forward to seeing y'all around campus, Wolfpack

Emmy Simkiss is originally from Wayne, PA. She attended Tulane University where she studied political economy and art history. After graduating 2016, she worked for an educational non-profit and a data center company. After 6 years of living on the east coast, Emmy is thrilled to be back in New Orleans studying mental health counseling!

Not pictured/No bio: Jonathan Curtis, Abby Dickenson, Naomi Kopinsky, Ashley Quarterman, Alison Roy, Marissa Tenorio, Alexandra Arendall, Emilie Blecker, Mikaela Goode, Jon' Janice Stokes, Neha Ahmed, Maria Clark, Kanupriya Das, Timothy Dickinson, Kaitlyn Manning, Amalia Scott, Hanna Smith, and Camila Sobral.



Meet the CSI Board 2022-2023



Pao Villegas - President



Megan Burns- President Elect



Kaitlyn Craft- Secretary



Tess Myers- SGA Liason

Emily Heiser- Treasurer-Not Pictured

Haley Thomas- Parlimentarian Historian



Annie Karam- Member at Large

Dr. Christine Ebrahim- Advisor

