



## SOE Research and Creative Showcase: October 2017

### Kim's Book Honored

*Curative Violence: Rehabilitating Disability, Gender, and Sexuality in Modern Korea*, a book by **Eunjung Kim** (Cultural Foundations of Education, dual faculty in Arts & Sciences), was named the 2017 Alison Piepmeier Award Winner by the National Women's Studies Association. The award honors "groundbreaking monographs that make significant contributions to feminist disability studies scholarship." Described as "brilliant and necessary," Kim's book will be recognized at NWSA's annual conference in November.

### Heffernan Garners NIH Grant

**Kevin Heffernan** (Exercise Science) is the principal investigator for "Racial Differences in Arterial Stiffness and Cognitive Function," an R03 award of \$150,000 over two years from the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). **Tiago Barreira** (ES) will also serve the project as a statistician. As ES chair **Tom Brutsaert** explains, NIH is "top of the heap" funding that comes with "considerable prestige" for researchers in the health sciences.

### SOE Faculty Honored for Scholarship, Service, and Leadership

The following individuals received recognition for special achievements, including:

- **Luis Columna** (ES): 2017 Trailblazer Award, in "recognition of exemplary leadership, selfless acts and dedication to the Latino community of Syracuse University and local community."
- **Elisa Dekaney** (Teaching & Leadership/dual faculty in Visual and Performing Arts): 2017 Community Visionary Award from La Casita Cultural Center for her work as co-director of Samba Laranja, the Syracuse University Brazilian Ensemble.
- **Marcelle Haddix** (Reading & Language Arts): 2017 Judith Greenberg Seinfeld Scholar Award, intended to recognize "those who have made an outstanding contribution to the beauty of the world, who have added to human values and to ending human abuse anywhere in the world."

### Stone Wins Dissertation Award

*Where No Place is Home: Understanding Rural Students in Higher Education* by **Ashley Stone** (Higher Education) was selected as the 2017 Dissertation of the Year by the Research and Assessment Committee of the Southern Association for College Student Affairs (SACSA). Stone will present her work at the SACSA conference in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

### 2017 SOE Internal Research Grants Awarded

Six projects received \$17,756 in funding through the SOE Internal Research Grants program for faculty:

- SU Fit Families: Texas Edition, **Luis Columna** (ES)
- Clinical Simulation Physiology Data Analysis, **Benjamin Dotger** (T&L), **Kevin Heffernan** (ES), & **Tiago Barreira** (ES)
- How First Generation College Students Make Meaning of Their Graduate Short-term Study Abroad Experiences, **Cathy Engstrom** & **Dawn Johnson** (both HE)
- Developing Research-Supported Protocols for Simulating Secondary Students' Engagement in Generality Construction, **Duane Graysay** (T&L, dual faculty in Arts & Sciences)
- Cardiorespiratory Fitness and Premature Vascular Aging in US Military Veterans: A Pilot Study, **Kevin Heffernan** (ES)
- Resistance Exercise Effects on Cannabis Use, **Gwendolyn Thomas** (ES)

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### Robertson Co-Authors New Volume

The University of Chicago Press recently released *The Case for Contention: Teaching Controversial Issues in American Schools*, co-authored by Jonathan Zimmerman and **Emily Robertson** (CFE), faculty emerita and a former interim dean of the School of Education. Grounded in history and philosophy, the book argues for the central role of the educational system in improving civic debate and overcoming political impasses.

### SOE Supports Faculty Development with Events and Initiatives

Since the semester began, SOE faculty have had opportunities to participate in the following:

- September 8: A half-day media workshop that culminated in a reception to welcome SU's new vice president for research, **John Liu**.
- September 15: The launch of the SOE Faculty Writing Check-in, a closed Facebook group where members are posting weekly about their progress toward scholarly goals and encouraging each other's work throughout the fall semester.
- September 22: The annual day-long writing retreat for untenured faculty members at the Inn Complete, which was followed by a happy hour for participants in SOE's mentoring program for first- and second-year faculty.

Mark your calendar for SOE's All-Faculty Writing Retreat, scheduled for Thursday, January 11, at the Inn Complete!

If you or another faculty colleague have reached a research- or creative-related milestone, please email **Kelly Chandler-Olcott**, Associate Dean of Research, at [kpchandl@syr.edu](mailto:kpchandl@syr.edu) and submit at <http://blogs.soe.syr.edu/news-submission> for highlighting in future issues.