As part of the Department of Library Science and Informatics’ continued commitment to serving the MUSC enterprise, three new faculty members have been appointed.

On July 1, 2015 the MUSC Library welcomed Diana ‘Ana’ Reeves as its new Research and Education Informationist/Librarian (PT). Ana brings a strong foundation of education and experience to her new role, with a background that includes teaching, program planning, community engagement, and website design. She joined us from Maine’s Casco Public Library where she served as Co-Director. Prior to that, she held positions at Mercy Hospital System of Maine, the Crooked River Adult and Community Education Center, and the Songo Locks Elementary School.
As Research and Education Informationist, Ana will develop and provide instruction, research, and outreach support for MUSC students, faculty, staff, clinicians, and researchers. Among other responsibilities, she will develop educational content that integrates library collections and services into health sciences courses and curriculum. She will participate in the full range of research and instruction services including providing in-depth and on-demand research consultations, teaching course-integrated instruction, and open workshops. Ms. Reeves holds a Master of Library and Information Science from San José State University in California and a Bachelor of Arts in Learning, Culture, and Self-expression from Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA.

On August 10, 2015, the Center for Academic Excellence/Writing Center welcomed a new faculty member, Michael Madson, Ph.D. candidate in Rhetoric and Scientific and Technical Communication. He is expected to receive his Doctorate degree in 2016 from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

Mr. Madson holds a Master’s of Second Language Teaching from Utah State University. Additionally, he has helped develop a course for Harvard Extension School: The Dream at 50: Human Rights and Economic Justice, a particularly important topic for Charleston. Also, he has published and presented on teaching technical writing and digitization. He is most proficient in educational technology and speaks several languages. He will certainly be an asset to the CAE/WC.
On October 12, 2015, Jennifer Bailey joined the MUSC Office of Interprofessional Initiatives as an Instructor. She is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Educational Foundations and Inquiry and a graduate certificate in Public Health at the University of South Carolina. Her research interests include community-based participatory research, social determinants of health, interprofessional collaborative practice and education, patient safety and quality, and experiential education. She has over nine years of experience in health professions education serving as director of student affairs, director of clinical education, and director of research.

Jennifer has a Masters in Higher Education Administration with a specialization in Student Development. She has experience developing, facilitating, and evaluating interprofessional and professional development curricula for a variety of health professions students and health care providers. She has served on several committees and community coalitions focused on improving the diversity of health professions students, faculty, and workforce. She is currently a member of the Physician Assistant Education Association’s Council for Inclusion and Diversity and is actively involved with Institute for Healthcare Improvement initiatives.

“We were and are essential – and here for the entire enterprise.”
Dr. David E. Rivers, MUSC’s Associate Professor and Public Information and Community Outreach Director, has assumed the role of Chairman of the National Urban Fellows (NUF) Board. Based out of New York City, NUF’s mission is to develop accomplished and courageous professionals of all ethnic and racial backgrounds, particularly women and people of color, to be leaders and change agents in the public and non-profit sectors with a strong commitment to social justice and equity. Under the leadership of Mr. Miguel A. Garcia, Jr., President and CEO, NUF serves as a premier organization that hones its members’ leadership development. NUF serves as a voice of authority on leadership diversity in our country, and its programs and network of fellows, mentors, alumni, and community partners impact the nation by inspiring excellence and diversity in public service leadership for a changing America. For additional information, please visit the NUF website at www.nuf.org.

Dr. Latecia M. Abraham, MUSC’s Public Information and Community Outreach Instructor, served on the committee for the Ceremony of Unity and Hope Continued…
Commemorating The Mother Emanuel Nine. This initiative was led by Dr. Donna Kern, College of Medicine’s Associate Dean for Curriculum in Clinical Sciences; Dr. Willette Burnham, University’s Chief Diversity Officer; College of Medicine students, and MUSC employees to pay homage to those nine members who lost their lives during the tragic massacre on June 17, 2015, at Mother Emanuel A.M.E. Church in Charleston, South Carolina. The Ceremony of Unity and Hope Commemorating The Mother Emanuel Nine took place on August 17, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. on the Clyburn Lawn. A reception followed in the lobby of the Drug Discovery Building on MUSC’s campus. All MUSC Enterprise-wide employees, students, faculty, staff and community members were asked to participate in this vigil.

Mr. Richard Jablonski, MUSC’s Public Information and Community Outreach Research Associate, along with Dr. David Rivers served as one of the executive producers of the Climate Change: A Global Reality made-for-television dialogue, which featured a diverse panel of climate change experts and CNN Chief Correspondent Mr. John King, who served as the moderator. The program was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and MUSC, and it was televised on ETV on July 15, 2015, and July 19, 2015. Jablonski has confirmed that South Carolina ETV and Kentucky Educational Television -- two statewide networks -- have aired the program already. Three others have confirmed air dates: Iowa Public Television, Alabama Public Television, and WGBY (Springfield, MA/Western New England. To receive a DVD of this program, please contact Mr. Jablonski at 843-792-5548 or jablonsr@musc.edu.

John King, CNN Chief Correspondent, Moderates Climate Change: A Global Reality for PICO and SC ETV
Faculty role with the MUSC Library: Assistant Professor, Director of Training and Intercultural Education

Other department or position information: Department of Library Science and Informatics and formerly with the Division of Education and Student Life; but since July 1, 2015 in the inaugural Office of the Chief Diversity Officer

Ways that I help to support the MUSC enterprise:

1. I had the privilege of changing what’s possible by coming to MUSC 7 years ago and working to create and shape a new office, the Office of Training and Intercultural Education with the support of a wonderful mentor, Dr. Willette Burnham and through the collaboration of countless colleagues.

2. Infusing the ideals of diversity and inclusion into a modified training series that has been adopted into the formal curriculum of the 6 colleges to work directly with our future health care professionals (how awesome is that???)

3. The purpose of trainings for staff, faculty, administrators, and students is to create an academic healthcare community where every member is respected and valued by leveraging differences in ways that allow people to understand and be understood, and work together productively to change what’s possible.

4. The work that I do directly impacts the intercultural and Interprofessional awareness, dialogue and experiences of the campus community where diversity and inclusion is an integral part of the fabric of the MUSC family. “Diversity and inclusion breeds innovation, and innovation is the key to better healthcare.”

5. Continue to champion the belief that diversity and inclusion is everyone’s business! NO ONE can do this work in isolation! We each MUST work together to change what is possible at MUSC!

Favorite thing to be doing outside MUSC: Spending quality time with my husband Travis, daughter Sydnei, our Yorkie Poo, Coco and our family. I also enjoy working in the community as an ally and advocate for social justice, awareness, positive and sustainable change.

Best book recently read: Blessed Experiences: Genuinely Southern, Proudly Black by James E. Clyburn

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Faculty role with the MUSC Library: I am a Research Informationist in the library’s reference department. In this role, I teach students, residents, staff and faculty about topics such as database searching, evidence-based practice, instructional technology, mobile device apps, copyright, and more. I am the liaison to the College of Medicine, where I serve on the curriculum committee, as well as to the Physical Therapy Program. As a member of the Center for Evidence-Based Practice, I perform literature reviews for the development of evidence-based hospital guidelines and electronic health record (EHR) order sets, as well as teach classes to interprofessional groups of clinicians.

Other department or position information: I am the co-director (with Dr. Sandra Fowler) of the pediatrics residency evidence-based practice program. In this capacity, I help residents and attending physicians find evidence-based information at the point-of-care during clinical rounds in the Children’s Hospital inpatient ward, and also provide instruction during noon conference.

How long I have been with MUSC: I just celebrated my third anniversary of working at MUSC Library.

Ways that I help to support the MUSC enterprise: I equip students, staff and faculty with the skills and information they need to fulfill their educational, research, and clinical missions at MUSC.

Favorite thing to be doing outside MUSC: I love spending time with my family and friends, and enjoying all that Charleston has to offer – festivals, beaches, delicious restaurants.

Best book recently read: On the Night You Were Born by Nancy Tillman, read by me to my two babies.

How you can contact me: Please let me know how I can help you! Email me (brennane@musc.edu), call me (2-9275), or stop by my office (library 447).
9th Annual National Conference on Health Disparities – March 2016

Under Dr. David Rivers’ leadership, Mr. Richard Jablonski and Dr. Latecia Abraham continue to work toward reducing the burden of health disparities. PICO has taken programs to the community and partnered with local community leaders with the intent of improving the quality of healthcare and impacting lives. Therefore, to learn more about The Ninth Annual National Conference on Health Disparities and The National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program: A National Dialogue for Building Healthy Communities, scheduled to take place on March 9-12, 2016, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC, please visit www.nationalhealthdisparities.com. For additional information about PICO, please visit http://pico.library.musc.edu/.

SC Prostate Cancer Education Project Study Published in Journal of Cancer Education

In 2013 and 2014, the South Carolina AHEC, under the leadership of DLSI Faculty Member, Dr. Ragan DuBose-Morris, partnered with the USC Arnold School of Public Health to host a full-day community-based prostate cancer education conference. The partners’ efforts allowed prominent experts and prostate cancer survivors to share information and personal insights with community members across the state through telehealth education technologies supported by the South Carolina AHEC.

The conference, which included information about prostate health and screening, prostate cancer and clinical research, was Continued...
Cancer Education Continued...

tailored for African American participants because African American men are more likely to develop and die from prostate cancer than other populations. In particular, there was a need to bring this education to South Carolina since our state ranks among the highest in the world for mortality from prostate cancer.

Thirty-two participants were mailed copies of the conference material and surveyed to review and evaluate the educational program. After the information was compiled and refined, this subset of participants and their family members were invited to participate in a community forum to provide additional feedback. Results indicate that participants would encourage others to learn more about prostate cancer as well as talk to their doctors about whether or not to get screened for prostate cancer. The project was recently published in the Journal of Cancer Education.

Click here to find out more about the program and to read the full article.
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**Sharing DLSI Faculty Member Successes**

If you have information that you would like shared with the Faculty Senate, please submit electronically to Dr. DuBose-Morris by the second Monday of each month. This is an excellent opportunity to ensure the entire faculty senate is aware of what we have coming down the pike.