Dear DLSI Faculty,

What an honor for me to be asked to Chair DLSI, pending Board approval, by Dr. Sothmann. I hope to represent you, your priorities, and your contributions to the Board, to the Provost, and to administrative leaders across MUSC Health. For nearly all my life, I have enjoyed the advantages of feeling I “belong” to an academic

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Bates’ Visual Guide Now Available

The library is pleased to announce the availability of Bates’ Visual Guide to Physical Examination. You may wish to incorporate these videos into your clinical education programs. The Visual Guide delivers 18 head-to-toe and systems-based physical examination techniques - over 8 hours of content. By clicking on the subject of interest you will be able to see the available videos in each section. One can view all the videos in the section or individual ones of interest. In addition, there are 10 OSCE clinical skills videos covering such topics as chest pain, abdominal pain, sore throat and cough.

One can link to Bates’s Visual Guide from the Library’s Homepage: Databases and the A-Z list of databases. There are also links in the various subject guides.

I hope you find this educational and diagnostic tool helpful.

Bob Poyer
Assistant Director for Public Services and Education

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Dr. DaNine J. Fleming
Assistant Professor, DLSI; Director, Training and Intercultural Education

Dr. Ragan DuBose-Morris
Assistant Professor, DLSI; Director, Office for Telehealth Education, South Carolina AHEC
Change in Leadership Continued...

department. Even as a child, I had a joint appointment to my mother’s Department of English at a technical college and my father’s Department of History and Political Science at a small 4-year liberal arts college. I hope that you’ll feel that the Department of Library Science and Informatics has some of the traits you might seek in a home.

As you all well know, though, we are a distributed group. Our faculty members participate in widespread locales, missions, and disciplines. Our unity, to the degree we are able to forge and nurture it, comes from this diversity, this inclusion in every phase of our university’s work. I will do my best to contribute to your missions and aspirations—to the degree you think best—by being an advocate for you individually and for the missions of your various entities. The collegial relationships we have all exhibited for as long as I have been here also provide us a basis to support and advocate for one another around campus.

The integral work completed on behalf of the MUSC Enterprise by the DLSI faculty is undeniable and the institution owes an enormous debt to Dr. Thomas Basler, our founder and immediate-past chair. In 1993, Dr. Basler helped to create an entity that would support and grow faculty from within the MUSC libraries while helping to provide faculty of diverse backgrounds with an academic home. Today, 34 faculty members work together to help bring Dr. Basler’s vision to life and provide critical expertise in research, education, administration and clinical decision making to advance MUSC’s mission.

Prior to arriving in Charleston, Dr. Basler already had an interesting and successful career. For nearly 20 years, he had been Director of Libraries and Professor at the Medical College of Georgia, with appointments before that in the New York Academy of Medicine Library, the American Museum of Natural History, and at what is now the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences in at the University of Miami. Recognized nationally, Dr. Basler gave the prestigious Janet Doe Lectureship in 2008, is a Fellow of the Medical Library Association, and a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals.

Not only is Dr. Basler is to be commended for his national service and scholarship to further library science, we should celebrate his work at the heart of MUSC’s mission. He is passing the chair role over, leaving an impressive list of accomplishments, accolades and awards to which our faculty will continue adding. Not only that, we are fortunate that he remains at MUSC and will continue to contribute as a librarian and advisor to us all.

My career has been strengthened by Dr. Basler’s advocacy of me and of my unit with various decision makers, across the campus community and up and down our hierarchies. I wish I could pay him back but
instead must settle for paying it forward...to each of you in the ways you think best.

I have a few immediate priorities for which I request assistance.

1. I’d like our elected DLSI Senators to consider a name change for our department. Please send your thoughts about the wisdom of a change...and ideas for names if you think change is a good idea. Everyone’s input will be solicited multiple times prior to seeking official action.

2. I would like to meet with each of you, at your place instead of mine, individually--briefly or at length, depending on your preference--to discuss your interests and goals as faculty members. I’ll be getting in touch to set that up.

3. I’d like you to put me on whatever mailing or email list you think might be important for me to understand better your daily work and its context. Do not worry about filling my inbox. I’m well beyond worrying over that.

4. Finally, please complete the following statement in as many ways as you wish and forward the resulting statements to me: “I wish that DLSI…”

   I’ll show you my sentences first:

   I wish that DLSI faculty were more widely known by colleagues on campus for the remarkable breadth of our educational, research, clinical, and service contributions. I wish that DLSI didn’t require a couple paragraphs of explanation to a Board of Trustees member who wonders what we do. I wish that DLSI units and faculty members turned our collegiality into a common view of shared purpose.

I hope that you feel that you can ask my help at any time to make this place we share—and your particular place—better for your professional future and for MUSC’s success.

Sincerely,

Tom G. Smith, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair-Designate, DLSI
Associate Director, Center for Academic Excellence/Writing Center
Elizabeth Crabtree, MPH, PhD(c) and Emily Brennan, MLIS, of DLSI, along with Amanda Davis, MPH, RD and Andrea Coyle, MSN, MHA, RN, CMSRN, have co-authored an article in the journal *Worldviews of Evidence-Based Nursing*. This article describes the Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) Nurse Scholars course taught by the Value Institute (formerly known as the Center for Evidence-Based Practice). The authors share the best evidence-based strategies and innovative ideas on how to facilitate the learning of EBP principles and processes by clinicians as well as nursing and interprofessional students.


On Saturday, January 30th, Lisa Kerr conducted a writing workshop for cervical cancer survivors who attended a four-day “Cervivor School” in Charleston. Cervivor is a non-profit organization committed to improving advocacy, education, and awareness. Faculty from Hollings and Cervical Cancer-Free South Carolina also attended and presented. According to Dr. Jennifer Young Pierce, Dr. Lisa Kerr’s session received the best evaluations of any session at the conference!

Under the direction of Dr. Shannon Richards-Slaughter, CAE/WC sponsored the fourth, three-day dissertation retreat for 12 students writing in several healthcare disciplines. These dissertators responses to the retreat were extremely positive with all indicating they would recommend the retreat to others.

Thanks to all faculty from DLSI who participated in Interprofessional Day. The day was a huge success thanks in large part to the faculty who supported the effort through serving as facilitators, “family members” for the second year students’ breakout sessions, and/or on the curriculum committee. There are also a number of faculty from DLSI serving as facilitators for the required interprofessional course this spring. The Office of Interprofessional Initiatives sends a heart-felt thanks to everyone who has given of their time, talents, and expertise to these two programs.

Share your DLSI Faculty Wins….email Dr. DaNine Fleming at flemid@musc.edu.
Holmes New Associate Library Director

The Medical University of South Carolina’s Department of Library Science & Informatics is pleased to welcome Heather Holmes to its faculty. Heather became the Associate Director for the Libraries in February 2016. In this position, Heather is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Library, including supervision of a diverse staff of librarians, technologists, and support staff in areas including reference, education, evidence-based practice, resources/collections, and learning commons.

Heather joins us from Summa Health System’s Akron City and St. Thomas Hospitals in Akron, OH where she was a Clinical Informationist. She received her Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1998. She has presented at several international meetings including MLA and the Alliance for Continuing Medical Education (ACME) and was invited to the International Congress on Medical Librarianship (ICML) in Brisbane, Australia, in 2009.

Holmes is a 2010 recipient of the National Library of Medicine’s biomedical informatics fellowship held in Woods Hole, MA, as well as one of Library Journal’s Movers & Shakers for 2011. She is also a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) and the 2014 recipient of the Medical Library Association’s Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship.
Faculty role with the MUSC Library: Informationist & Assistant Professor

Other department or position information: Coordinator for the Teen Health Leadership Program - College of Nursing

How long I have been with MUSC: I’ve been an MUSC faculty member for almost 8 years

Ways that I help to support the MUSC enterprise: I serve as a liaison to the following colleges: BSN and ABSN program in the College of Nursing; and Occupational Therapy, and Health Administration programs in the College of Health Professions. I also work with third year medical students on a general medicine rotation, teach the Interprofessional class IP 710, apply for grants, and keep up with technology.

Favorite thing to be doing outside MUSC: My favorite things to do outside of MUSC are roller skating/roller derby, being with friends, and playing with my two boston terriers.

Best book recently read: Patti Smith “Just Kids"

How you can contact me: Candace Moorer, M.L.I.S., Research and Education Services, MUSC Library, 843-792-5167, moorerc@musc.edu
Faculty role with the MUSC Library: I'm the Assistant Library Director for Resource Management Services. In this capacity, I negotiate licenses for all the library’s electronic resources, manage subscriptions, allocate funds, oversee the library’s online catalogs, and assure that everything works together seamlessly. I also supervise interlibrary loans.

Other department or position information: I supervise 4 terrific staff members with nearly 100 years combined service. They’re remarkable in that they’ve adapted to a library environment that they would scarcely recognize from the one where they began their careers. They make me look like I know what I’m doing.

How long I have been with MUSC: Almost 9 years

Ways that I help to support the MUSC enterprise: The library spends nearly $3M per year to provide resources that support patient care, research, and education. Our team works hard to make sure these are discoverable, reliable, and fully integrated with each other.

Favorite thing to be doing outside MUSC: I’m usually chasing three boys (9, 6, and 4 years old) around the Lowcountry.

Best book recently read: The Big Short by Michael Lewis

How you can contact me: wattsg@musc.edu, 843-792-8309, or stop by the RMS Office on the 3rd floor of the Library (it gets lonely down here)
Faculty Recognition

It has been quite an adventurous past few months for Dr. DaNine J. Fleming, DLSI assistant professor and director of training and intercultural education in the inaugural University Chief Diversity Office.

In November she was selected as one of the 2015 10 To Watch by the Summerville Journal Scene. Nominated by community members and selected by a panel of peers, the Top 10 are people who are making a difference, changing lives for the better and who is someone that everyone should watch because of their commitment to others. She joins an elite group of diverse community leaders and was selected for her advocacy for youth. http://shop.journalscene.com/summerville-sc/special-section/10-to-watch/11-04-2015/page-1

Fleming was also selected February 2015 by the Lowcountry Black Historical Society for her lifetime community contributions to Dorchester County, Summerville and the surrounding areas. She is one of the founders of the Taking Back OUR Village organization. Taking Back OUR Village is a nonprofit organization made up of volunteers dedicated to improving the overall wellbeing of the community. It promotes activities that will empower citizens, strengthen families and encourage young people to become productive members of society. It promotes community partnerships, uniting efforts allowing groups to work more efficiently and effectively to create positive changes in the world. It takes a village is an “effort to bring about the good we want to see in our community.” The mission of the organization is to build community partnerships to reduce youth violence. The vision is to bring peace between all communities so we all can live, work and play in harmony. http://www.journalscene.com/article/20160225/SJ01/160229789/

Fleming was selected as one of five MUSC women chosen in honor of Women’s History Month 2016. The national theme for 2016 is “Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government.” The MUSC theme is “Our History is Our Strength.” This year the MUSC committee chose to focus on how, through the Imagine MUSC 2020 strategic plan campaign, a more perfect environment on campus is being formed through diversity and inclusion efforts, by putting patients first, building health communities, advancing scientific discoveries and fostering innovative learning. Committee members tied each of the five goals of

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the strategic plan to women on campus who are doing remarkable work in those areas, and as a result, five women were chosen this year. Other honorees include: Melissa Kubu, Volunteer and Guest Services manager, MUSC Children’s Hospital (Patient First); Cristina Lopez, Ph.D., assistant professor, College of Nursing (Healthy Communities); Samar Hammad, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology (Scientific Discoveries); and Lillianne H. Wright, Ph.D., Division of Cardiology (Innovative Learning). Her article was the first featured in the March 4, 2016 Catalyst and there will be a reception in the latter part of March to honor the honorees.


Please join us in congratulating Dr. Fleming for her accomplishments.

2015 Congressional Tri-Caucus Health Equity and Accountability Act Summit a Success

By: Latecia M. Abraham, DHA

The Medical University of South Carolina’s (MUSC) Public Information and Community Outreach (PICO) Program supported the 2015 Congressional Tri-Caucus Health Equity and Accountability Act Summit on November 12-14, 2015, at the Medical University of South Carolina and Royal Baptist Church. The Honorable Dr. Robin Kelly (Chair) and The Honorable James E. Clyburn along with the CBC Health Braintrust and National Minority Quality Forum sponsored and hosted the event. Since 2003, the Congressional Tri-Caucus, comprised of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC), Congressional Hispanic Caucus, and the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, has
introduced the Health Equity and Accountability Act (HEAA) as a strategic plan to eliminate health disparities and to improve health conditions in communities of color across the country. The HEAA bill has been relied on nationally as a central strategy to spotlight health inequity and as a blueprint to reduce ethnic and racial disparities and to improve national health outcomes.

On Thursday evening, November 12, 2015, the Tri-Caucus conducted the HEAA Town Hall in MUSC’s Drug Discovery Auditorium. MUSC’s Mr. Anton Gunn served as moderator of the Town Hall, and Congressman James E. Clyburn, Charleston, South Carolina’s Mayor Joseph P. Riley, and MUSC’s Dr. Mark Sothmann provided Opening Remarks. Next, Congresswoman Robin Kelly, Congressman James E. Clyburn, and Congresswoman Barbara Lee convened with the Town Hall discussion, which addressed health inequity, social determinants of health, and included a Question-and-Answer segment for attendees to voice their concerns in this critical conversation.

On Friday, November 13, 2015, the HEAA Summit commenced with the Plenary Speaker, Gilead Life Sciences’ Mr. A.J. Jones and followed with four panels: Advancing the March Toward Health Equity – HEAA Legislation; A Winning Offense: Battling Diseases; The Color of Medicine: Perspectives on Health, Healthcare, and the Diversity Pipeline; and Food for Thought: Closing the Nutrition Gap. Panelists were comprised of the following (partial listing): The American Psychological Association’s Dr. Judith Glassgold, Columbia Urban League’s Ms. Juanita Dean Bates, Allen Temple Health and Social Services’ Sis. Gloria Cromwell; Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum’s Ms. Amina Abbas, Pfizer’s Dr. Krupa Sivamurthy, MUSC’s Dr. Willette Burnham, AMGEN’s Ms. Deanna Darlington, National Minority Quality Forum’s Dr. Gary Puckrein; NextLevel Health Partners’ Dr. Cheryl Whitaker, MUSC’s and the American Academy of Pediatrics’ Dr. Janice Dixon Key, Congresswoman Michelle Lujan Grisham, National Council of La Raza’s Mr. Steven Lopez, and Georgetown University Hospital’s Dr. LaTasha Seliby. MUSC’s President Dr. David Cole also provided Remarks.

On Saturday, November 14, 2015, the HEAA Community Health Fair/Clinic was held at Royal Baptist Church in North Charleston, SC. Community residents came to receive health care services from health professionals, learn more about their health status, participate in Zumba exercise, and receive free fruits and vegetables from the Farmer’s Market, donated courtesy of
Freeman’s Fresh Farms Produce.
Congresswoman Kelly also participated in Zumba and distributed fresh fruits and vegetables to community residents during the Community Health Clinic. Community residents who attended the Community Health Clinic were also given a “My Health Passport” to keep a record of health results pertaining to blood pressure, body mass index, vision, oral health, blood glucose, spirometry/asthma, HIV, mental health/depression, and influenza (flu). Eight hundred (800) attendees in total supported the Town Hall, Summit, and Community Health Fair/Clinic.

This event would not have been possible without the support of Dr. David Rivers; Mr. Brandon Garrett; Mr. Brandon Webb; Ms. Kayce Ataiyero; Mr. Matthew McMurray; Dr. Sabra Slaughter; Dr. Latecia Abraham; Ms. Garcia Williams; Ms. Monique Hill; Ms. Terry Seabrook, Esquire; Dr. Paula Orr; Rev. Isaac J. Holt, Jr.; Ms. Joyce Larkin; Ms. Charmaine Palmer-Roberts; Ms. Melissa Lindler; Ms. Amanda Loveday; and volunteers.

In addition to supporting the HEAA Summit, PICO is collaborating with the National Environmental Justice Conference to host next year’s Ninth Annual National Conference on Health Disparities and The National Environmental Justice Conference and Training Program: A National Dialogue for Building Healthy Communities. The conference is scheduled to take place on March 9-12, 2016, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC. This conference will focus on policies and programs to reduce health disparities. For additional information, please visit www.nationalhealthdisparities.com.

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.
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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](mailto: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.

*Pictured back left: Tom Smith (Past-President), Thomas Finnegan  
Pictured front left: Ragan DuBose-Morris, Shannon Jones, Ayaba Logan, Emily Brennan, Latecia Abraham*