



## Counseling & Development Group Recent Events:

Welcome back! The C & D Student Group hopes everyone had a wonderful vacation and is enjoying the first couple weeks of the new semester. Winter break saw members of the department scattered near and far throughout the country and the globe.

Arlene Velez-Galan traveled to Puerto Rico to visit loved ones. Susan Kim met her family in Arizona for a fun filled vacation including a trip to the Grand Canyon and some Christmas Day slot machine playing in Las Vegas. Many people who stayed closer to Purdue were able to enjoy the unusually warm weather. Others enjoyed getting to know their local fire department more intimately. Noelle Dilly and her family were looking forward to a traditional English roast and Yorkshire pudding when their holiday cheer was interrupted by screams of "Fire!" coming from the kitchen. Apparently, some of the overabundant butter used in the pudding caught fire in the oven and resulted in a small blaze. The fire department was summoned and the fire extinguished with no damage. Most impressively, the pudding was saved. Noelle reported that it was okay, although she is not sure if she will ever eat it in the future since her mother declared that she would never again be making Yorkshire pudding!

Megan Smith

## C & D Meeting Schedule

Room 4180 from 11:30AM - 12:30PM

Tuesday, Feb 13

Tuesday, March 20

Tuesday, April 17

## Spring Semester Dues

Based on the feedback from the C&D Needs Assessment and the discussion at our December meeting, it appears that the majority of our members are open to paying semester dues. Therefore, we have decided to initiate dues for C&D Student Group membership.

The cost will be \$5 per person each semester and can be paid in cash: (a) at the monthly meetings, or (b) by placing an envelope in Treasurer Megan Hardebeck's mailbox in BRNG 5108. Dues will be used to fund social activities throughout the semester. Suggested possible activities include; going to a movie, or renting a room for a private gathering.

Participating in C&D by paying dues is a great way to show your support for our group. It is also a way to demonstrate to the department that we are committed to the continued improvement of the educational and social environments of our respective programs.

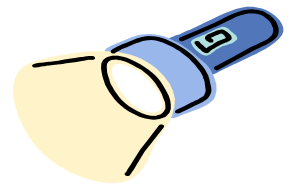
## C & D Gift Fund

Calling all alumni, faculty, and staff! This year, the C&D Gift Fund presented \$300 to the C&D Student Group to help fund "The Book Club," and to provide pizza at the monthly meetings for participating students. In short, this fund is vital to the continued success of our group. Any contribution you could make to this fund, no matter how large or small, would be much appreciated. We can't do it without you! If you would like to donate to the C&D Gift Fund, please send cash or a check (payable to Roslynn Bol) to:

Roslynn Bol  
Purdue University  
Department of Educational Studies  
Beering Hall, Room 5173  
West Lafayette, IN 47907

# Student Spotlight

By Joshua Munz



## Kate Gullatta, 2nd year - College Student Affairs Program



Meet Kate Gullatta, a 2nd year student in the College Student Affairs Program. She is also the Graduate Administrative Professional in the Student Activities and Organizations Office, where she works with Purdue's undergraduate leadership development programs. During the summer, Kate worked in the Office of Student Access, Transition, and Success Programs, where she worked with first-year programs, including Boiler Gold Rush.

Kate's future plans include beginning a professional career in leadership development and/or campus activities at a college or university. She is a huge advocate of the small college experience, so she would love to return to a small institution. The CSA program is a perfect fit for Kate, because she loved her undergraduate experience at the College of Wooster in Ohio. As a first-generation college student, she had no idea what to expect at college, but the people there provided guidance and helped shape her into the person she is today.

Her passion is to provide that support and environment to other college students! If you are looking for Kate, you may find her at her favorite guilt-free spot in West Lafayette, Smoothie King, because she says they have the best smoothies ever. Even with the smoothies, she misses her family and friends in Ohio. Kate is a chocoholic and if she were a piece of fruit it would be anything if it was covered in chocolate!

You may not know that Kate was born in Tucson, AZ, she is obsessed with McDonald's coffee, and she loves animals. The coffee is great for grad students because it's cheap and packed with caffeine. Due to her love of dogs and other animals, her dream job would be working as an animal trainer in the movie industry. Her favorite movie is Office Space. In 10 years she would like to be a Dean of Students at a small college, but Kate's first answer would be, "I never plan too far in advance! I never know what turns my life will take!"

## Devon Ehardt, 1st year - School Counseling Program



Meet Devon Ehardt, a 1<sup>st</sup> year student in the School Counseling Program. She worked for a year after receiving her bachelor's degree in psychology and decided she needed more schooling to work in a field that involved psychology and counseling. The friends she has met in undergraduate and in graduate school are Devon's favorite part of West Lafayette.

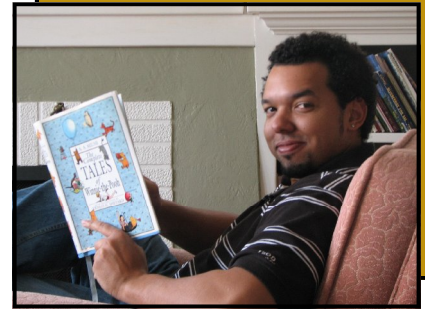
She was born in London, UK and lived in Abu Dhabi, UAE, but she considers New Jersey to be home. She lived most of her life there and her family is the aspect of home that she misses the most because she is extremely close to them. Devon also misses the quick trip into NYC whenever the mood strikes her. If she was a piece of fruit, she would be a Lingonberry, because of her Swedish descent.

You may not know, but Devon used to work for the RCA music group in NYC and is a huge NY Yankees fan. She has also climbed the Sydney Harbour Bridge with her mom, and she loves shopping at the stores "Anthropologie" and "H&M". Devon is a dual citizen (UK and USA), and she is also the proud aunt to 2 adorable nephews, courtesy of her oldest sister. Her favorite movie is An Affair To Remember with Deborah Kerr and Carey Grant. She is a connoisseur of the classics and is also a hopeless romantic.

In ten years, Devon hopes to be married with children, but she would also like to be working within a school system for an American Community School overseas, or working towards a PhD. She is leaving her options open. Her favorite actor is her middle sister, who is an actor as well as one of her best friends. She admits that she may be a little biased. If she could meet anyone, living or dead, she would want to meet her Mom's Mother and her Dad's Father. They passed away well before Devon was born, but she has heard so many stories about their zest for life and how good-natured and genuine they were. She would also be interested in seeing with her own eyes how they helped shape her parents into the people they are today.

## Eboka Mullins, 3rd year - Counseling Psychology Program

Meet Eboka Mullins, a 3<sup>rd</sup> year doctoral student in the Counseling Psychology Program. He is currently completing a practicum at the Indiana Neuroscience Institute in St. Vincent Hospital at Indianapolis. His next two years include completing a research project this semester, passing prelims next fall while he also applies for internships, and then finishing his dissertation by the end of next year. His undergraduate degree was in Communications, and he chose this program because he did not want to go to school for 5 to 7 extra years to become a psychologist. Eboka hated the jobs he had during his junior year, so he made the decision to pursue a career that he was passionate about. He liked communications, but enjoyed psychology more. He received a minor in psychology, which allowed him to get into the master's program at the University of Saint Francis. During his master's program, a professor showed him a pamphlet from Dr. Pistole. His professor thought Purdue would be a good fit for Eboka, and he feels lucky to have been accepted to Purdue. Since then, Eboka says he has been living the dream.



Eboka's favorite thing about West Lafayette is the co-rec, where he often works out and plays basketball. He does not appreciate the random offensive odors that blow through West Lafayette, and the thing he misses most about his hometown is his family. He is from South Whitley, which is a small town outside of Fort Wayne, IN. If he were a piece of fruit, he would be a tomato because of the thinking a tomato provokes. Is it a fruit or is it a vegetable? Then if it's a fruit why do people still call it a vegetable? Eboka feels that tomatoes break the boundaries on how you conceptualize a fruit. Also, he feels that he is versatile like the tomato. It can be sliced, diced, souped, sauced, fried green, and dried, etc.

You may not know that Eboka was diagnosed with juvenile diabetes at age 23, and he likes to draw, write poetry, and play video games. Someone he knows also actually got him addicted to watching "America's Next Top Model." If that isn't enough, he can also juggle. His favorite movie is The Lord of the Rings, and like a true fan, all three movies are one. In ten years he would like to be working as a psychologist somewhere he both enjoys going to work and living. Denzel Washington is his favorite actor because he always delivers great performances in good movies. If Eboka could meet anyone, living or dead, it would be his mother. She died when he was 10, and he would like to be able to have a conversation with her now that he is an adult.

## Book Club

"The Book Club" is off and running! It looks like we are going to have a great turnout. In a recent national poll 3 out of 4 people said they would prefer to be involved in the C&D Book Club over the lesser-known book club of TV host Oprah Winfrey. We will be reading Mary Pipher's *The Middle of Everywhere: Helping Refugees Enter the American Community*. Dr. Pipher is a clinical psychologist, a popular world-wide speaker, and author of the best-selling book *Reviving Ophelia*. Over the course of the semester, we will meet for a couple evenings at a local coffeehouse to discuss the book and socialize.

Currently, we have 20 members throughout each of our three programs.

College Student Affairs: Mary Helen Nesbitt

Counseling Psychology: Noëlle Dilly, Silvia Donatelli, Chia-Chi Hu, Ji-yeon Lee, Nate Miles, Jonathan Mosko, Eboka Mullins, Catherine Pilotte, Matt Primeau, Yun-Jeong Shin, Cathy Streifel, Eric VandeVoorde, Arlene Velez-Galan, Joanna Wagner, Mike Wilkins

School Counseling: Devon Ehardt, Nikki Fulk, Joshua Munz, Megan Smith

If you would like to join "The Book Club," you still have time. Email Eric at [evandevo@purdue.edu](mailto:evandevo@purdue.edu) and you can become the newest member of the fastest growing literature society in America.

## Candy Drive

Good news for all you chocolate lovers and sugar addicts! Beginning this semester we will be selling candy to raise money for the C&D Student Group. Candy stations will be set up in BRNG 5108 (near Bonnie's desk) and in BRNG 5173 (Roslynn's office) in order to meet all your sweet tooth needs. The suggested donation will be \$1, and payment of said dollar will be based on the honor system. Instead of feeding the vending machine, feed your student organization!

In addition, "candy messengers" will have treats (e.g. Snickers, 3 Musketeers, Butterfinger, Skittles, Reese's) available in many of your classes throughout the week...how convenient. If you are interested in volunteering to be a candy messenger, contact Eric at [evandevo@purdue.edu](mailto:evandevo@purdue.edu) for more information. Also contact Eric if you have any specific candy that you would like to see become available from the C&D group. This is a mutually beneficial situation for everyone: you get candy, we raise money. What could be better? Thank you in advance for your support of this economic endeavor.

## C & D Officers

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## C & D Birthdays

Counseling Psych:  
Sharon McNeany - January 12  
Imani Price - January 12  
Matt Primeau - January 21  
Ji-Jeon Lee - January 30  
Lisa Neuenschwander - February 26  
Marion Chapman - February 28  
Jodie Edwards - March 1  
Stephanie Morris - March 15  
Paul Fredriksen - March 20  
Nettie Summer - March 21  
Jenelle Fitch - March 22  
Joanna Wagner - March 30  
Yu-Ying Lin - April 2  
Eric Vandevoorde - April 2  
Yushuan Chang - April 29

School Counseling:  
Beth Pohl - January 12  
Joshua Munz - February 20  
Susan Kim - April 15  
Megan Hardebeck - April 27

College Student Personnel:  
Paul Birkhimer - March 4  
David Stuebing - March 12  
Colleen Drazen - March 29

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