



Spotlights

Dear colleagues,

Jacksonville University announced a groundbreaking new partnership with Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM), the nation's largest medical college and osteopathic academic health system, to establish LECOM at Jacksonville University.

LECOM at Jacksonville University will be the first, four-year medical school in the region—and one of only three osteopathic medical schools in the State of Florida and will be positioned adjacent to the Nelson Occupational Therapy teaching facility, the Dolphin Pointe skilled nursing facility, the School of Orthodontics clinic, and the Health Sciences Complex.

This partnership creates preferential pathways for a select number of Jacksonville University graduates. According to U.S. News and World Report, LECOM offers the lowest tuition among private medical schools in the country.

We are excited for the positive impact this partnership

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Phin'tastic Accomplishments

Dr. LaTonya Summers, Assistant Professor of Clinical Mental Health Counseling, was awarded a Mayo Clinic Community Contributions Program in Florida grant. The grant will fund the proposed Center for Men's Mental Wellness, a clinical training lab for JU's CMHC students. In collaboration with Family Support Services of North Florida, this project will: (a) increase access to mental health services for marginalized men who live within 32209 by providing free to low-cost and high-quality counseling; (b) decrease barriers associated with men's mental health care such as technology, transportation, and affordability; and (c) destigmatize mental health care among vulnerable residents, particularly (ages 18+). Men will benefit from these services regardless of race, ethnicity, culture, religion, health condition, physical ability, language, economic status, or sexual orientation.

Dr. Nathan Richardson, Professor of Law, presented the annual Allen L. Poucher Lecture at the University of Florida in October. The question addressed was the implications of *West Virginia v. EPA* on the administrative state.

Dr. Amy Fullerton, Assistant Professor of Communication, presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association. Her presentation was titled "The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Mental Health of College Students." She was awarded the Best Paper Award for her presentation.

In August, Associate Professor of Communications Dr. J. Keith Saliba was interviewed for Binghamton University's Center for the Study of the 1960s, an oral history project with prominent figures, politicians, and authors that deals with various political, historical, and cultural phenomena from that decade. Saliba and interviewer Stephen M. Kier delved into various aspects of the Vietnam War, including Saliba's 2020 book, "Death in the Highlands: The Siege of Special Forces Camp Plei Me"

Dr. Jill D'Aquila, Professor of Accounting, and Dr. Cathryn Meegan, Assistant Professor of Finance & Accounting, along with coauthor Marie Gioiosa at Iona College, presented at the American Accounting Association Southeast Regional Conference in May 2022. Their paper titled "Evaluating a Class Project in Light of CPA Evolution Model – An Action Research Project" won the award for Best Paper for the Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Section.

Dr. Selen Savas Hall, Assistant Professor of International Business & Marketing, Dr. George Gresham, and Dr. Justin Hall, Assistant Professor of Marketing, presented their paper "Bottom of the Pyramid (Bop) Younger Consumer Perspective of Service Industries: A Qualitative Exploration of Nigeria" at the Academy of Marketing Science World Marketing Congress in 2019 and recently the paper was accepted for publication by the Journal of African Business

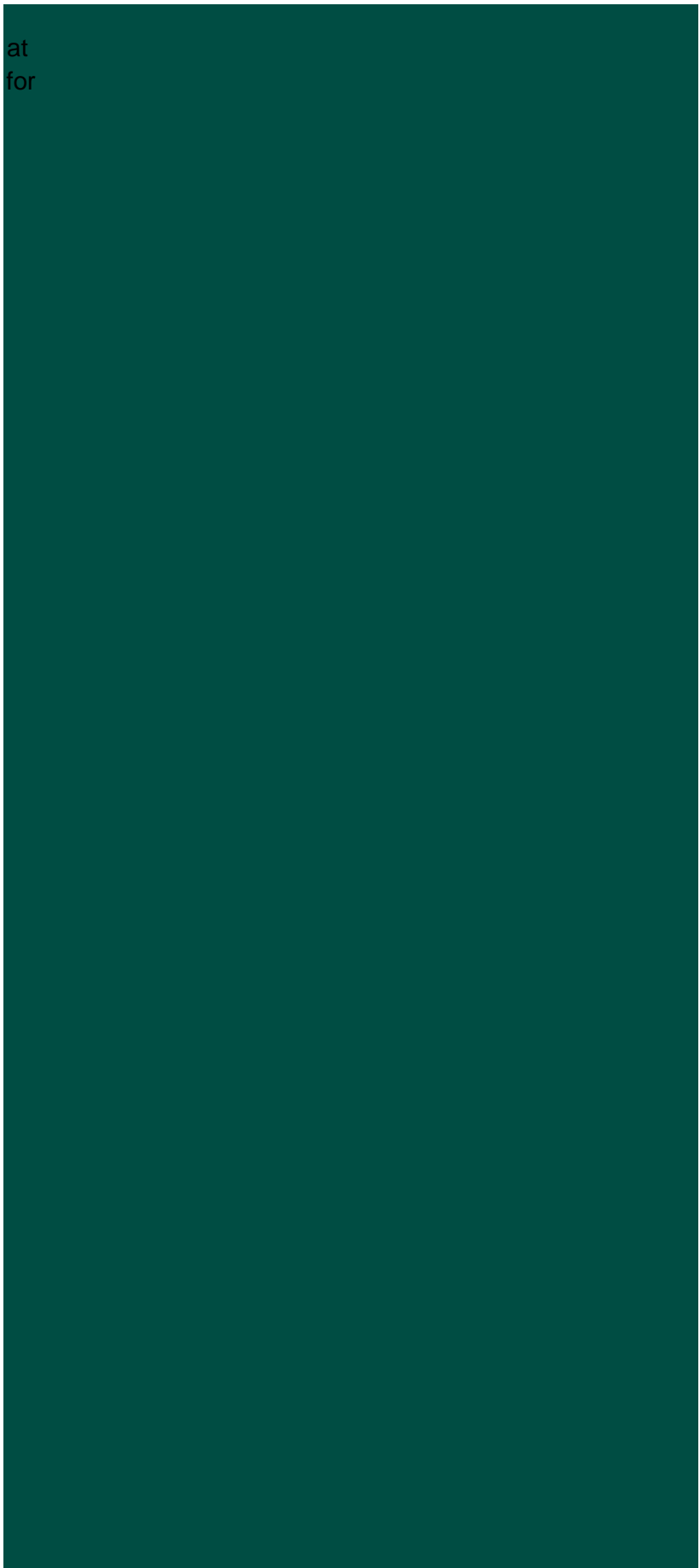
Congratulations to Professor of Biology & Chemistry, Dr. Anthony Ouellette for his radio podcast segment "What You Need to Know About Vibrio Vulnificus, Which Can Cause a Flesh Eating Infection" featured on WBUR Here & Now.

Dr. Bryan Franks, Associate Professor of Biology & Marine Science was elected to the Board of Directors of the Southeast Coastal Ocean Observing Regional Association (SECOORA) as a representative of JU and the MSRI

Dr. Sandra Brown, Assistant Professor in the Doctor of Education



Professor Leach was also selected for an artist residency at The Skopelos Foundation for the Art in Skopelos, Greece for June 2023. Professor Leach will spend the six-month residency working in the ceramic.



College of Law Dean Nick Allard joined a panel of Florida Judges at a Jacksonville Bar Association Continuing L Education program on Professionalism and Legal Ethic November 17 and led a ~~work~~ sponsored by Princeton University titled "Help Wanted: Lawyers for the Future".

Dr. Tam Caudill, Assistant Professor of French, served as an academic consultant for Line & Language, a multimedia art project funded by the First Site Collector's Group Colchester, United Kingdom.

The Center for Gender + Sexuality, directed by Dr. Sarah Parker, Associate Professor of English, hosted two special events this past fall with the Public Policy Institute directed by Rick Mullaney Esq. "Understanding Dobbs's Reversal of

Dr. Kara Conway, Associate Professor of Biology, led a group of JU students teaching ~~at~~ the nonprofit organization, Expanding Your Horizons this past November. It is sponsored and organized by Johnson and Johnson and allows collaboration with many science-minded women in the greater JAX area. The JU "DNA" group led one of three workshops teaching students how to isolate DNA from a banana and led them through creating DNA double helix bracelets.

