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Graduate School News Highlights



From Dr. Barbara Schaffner, Associate Provost for Graduate Studies

Take Time to Appreciate the Work You Do

We are fast approaching the end of the COVID-19 pandemic in our country, and we could not be more pleased or thankful. Now is a time for reflection of our recent past, one that forced us all to face and acknowledge the horror of the disease and the effects on all our communities.

History from the 1918 “Spanish flu” pandemic, which wiped out entire U.S. communities, allows us to review the response from some of the nurses that served during those horrific times. As recorded in *The Spanish Influenza Pandemic of 1918-1919: New Perspectives*, a student nurse named Mabel Chilson decided to join the ranks “of helpers” but wondered “were we helpless or could we fight?” Chilson recounted her experiences as challenging, but also as positive, “emphasizing the opportunity it held for meaningful ministrations.” [Continue reading >>](#)

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Graduate Orientation

August 19, 2021 – The Point



**Graduate Fall
Guest Lecture Series
October 2021**

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Education Teachers Making a Difference: A Social Justice Curriculum

We welcomed a recent Master of Arts in Education (MAE) graduate as the keynote speaker at our spring Graduate Student Conference. Sara Barkley, a fifth-grade teacher in the Hilliard School District, was chosen because of her work in researching and developing a social justice curriculum for young students. Her curriculum will be applied immediately in her classroom, helping her students understand and talk about the racial protests across the United States. The curriculum is the result of her MAE capstone project, “A Curriculum Creation for Revolutionary Change: Using Diverse Mentor Text to Teach Literary Elements through a Social Justice Lens.”

Barkley’s project and curriculum demonstrates the value of our capstone projects, which allow MAE students to choose research that is personal and relevant to each individual student/practicing teacher. [Continue reading >>](#)

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