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Spring 2010

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2010 O'Leary Lecture

More Details coming soon!
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Gregoire Named Dean of Ohio State's College of Social Work

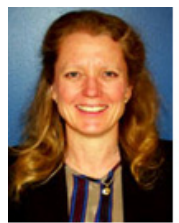


Thomas K. Gregoire
Dean, College of Social Work

Thomas K. Gregoire has been named dean of The Ohio State University College of Social Work. Subject to approval by the trustees, his appointment will be retroactively effective on May 1, 2010.

Gregoire has served as interim dean of the college since Sept. 1, 2009. He joined Ohio State's faculty in 1996 and, prior to serving as interim dean, served as associate dean and director of the Master of Social Work Program for six years. He has taught all levels of undergraduate and graduate courses, and the College of Social Work has honored him three times with the Outstanding Graduate Teacher Award. [Read more](#)

22nd National Symposium on Doctoral Research in Social Work Attracts Researchers from Around the Country



Keynote speaker,
Dr. Paula Nurius,
University of Washington
School of Social Work

The College of Social Work was pleased to host its 22nd National Symposium on Doctoral Research in Social Work on Saturday, May 1, in Stillman Hall. Dr. Paula Nurius, professor at the University of Washington School of Social Work, delivered the keynote address on "Stress and Adversity: Linking Context, Meaning, and Cumulative Experience with Adverse Outcomes." During morning and afternoon sessions, 14 recent PhD recipients from around the country presented their research on topics ranging from homelessness, Alzheimer's, schizophrenia, HIV/AIDS, child maltreatment, and organizational culture.

In conjunction with the symposium, the Doctoral Student Organization and the College of Social Work were excited to host the first Student Poster Presentation. Students from all degree levels in the college were invited to submit abstracts for presentation and competition, and symposium presenters were invited to serve as judges for the posters. [Read more](#)

College Well Represented at Social Work Congress in D.C.



Ohio State social work students participated in the 2010 Student Social Work Congress on April 22-23, held virtually and originating out of Washington, D.C. Dr. Keith Anderson's class, Social Work 695.14 Integrative Seminar: Aging, was selected to take part in conjunction with the Social Work Congress, bringing to the table 400 social work students in classrooms across the United States.

Dr. Bill Meezan, professor at Ohio State's College of Social Work, was also invited to be a delegate to the 2010 Social Work Congress. This invitation-only meeting brought together 400 leaders in the social work profession and was supported by 12 social work organizations. Meezan currently serves as chairman of the Publications Committee of the National Association of Social Workers and treasurer of the board of the Society for Social Work and Research. [Read more](#)

Social Work Students Making a Difference

Many social work students are living out their professional values of service and social justice in a variety of ways—from researching relevant topics in the field and coordinating fundraisers to participating in a nationwide count of the homeless and helping seniors live out their life-long dreams. But don't take our word for it. Read about how the college's undergraduates, MSW, and PhD students are changing The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and the world! [Read more](#)

Hunger Doesn't Take a Spring Break

The College of Social Work recently partnered with a local church and recreation center in Columbus to provide student volunteers and lunches for East Side kids who otherwise might not have a mid-day meal during spring break. Social work student volunteers helped serve nearly 50 kids as well as set up and tear down for the event. To read the Columbus Dispatch story, [click here](#).



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Did you know that...

The Gerontological Society of America's January 2010 newsletter noted that the most widely distributed story to come out of the meeting focused on a presentation by Social Work PhD student **Linda Ginzer** of **The Ohio State University**?