



Day One

March 1st, 2013

Kathy Merlock Jackson gave the keynote speech at the 16th Annual KU Film and Media Studies Graduate Symposium in Lawrence, Kansas, on February 15.

The title of her talk was "The Media Made Me What I Am: The Influence of Mass Media on Children, Adolescents, and the Adults They Become".

Faculty at KU were quick to recall two of their illustrious alumni, Sally Shedd and Stu Minnis!



Paul Rasor was named to International Advisory Board for the [Centre for Religion, Conflict and the Public Domain](#), University of Gronigen, The Netherlands.

Alison Marganski's entry on "Families and Crime" was published in the Wiley-Blackwell *Encyclopedia of Theoretical Criminology*, J. Mitchell Miller, editor.

Ehsan Salek attended a 2-day workshop on "Strategic Planning for the Business Unit" sponsored by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools & Programs (ACBSP) in Kansas City, Missouri, February 6-8, 2013.

Sara Sewell, in collaboration with a group of international scholars, received a grant from the Fritz Thyssen Stiftung in support of their book project on the history of everyday life (*Alltagsgeschichte*), entitled *Contours of the Everyday* (Berghahn Books).



Lee Jordan-Anders' presentation, "Learning to Listen by Looking" featured images of artworks from the collection of the [Virginia Museum of Fine Arts](#) paired with music that she selected and recorded for this occasion. Lee gave the presentation to the Tidewater Chapter of the American Mensa Society on Saturday, January 26 and to the Virginia Wesleyan community on Thursday, February 21.



Devin Cowhey, Student Activities Coordinator, has been named a Campus Coordinator for [Circle of Sisterhood International](#). She coordinates activity on 7 campuses, including VWC, which has raised nearly three thousand dollars to support the education of women and girls locally, nationally and internationally.



Cathal Woods gave a presentation entitled *Rationality & Irrationality: The Role of Psychology in Critical Thinking Courses* at the American Philosophical Association's central division meeting in New Orleans, February 21-23.

From Previous Months ...

Wayne Pollock is chair of the American Therapeutic Recreation Association's Ethics Committee and presented "Enhancing Our Profession Through Dynamic Ethical Practice", at the Association's Annual Conference, October 14, 2012 in Phoenix, AZ. He also presented a paper on the work he and his students were doing with Equi-kids: "Giddy-up: Assessment of Attitudinal and Behavioral Changes for individuals in a Therapeutic Riding Program", at the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology Annual Conference in Milwaukee, WI, October 5, 2012.

Publications and presentations by *Alison Marganski*: The Minneapolis Domestic Violence Experiment, in Finley, L. (eds.). The Encyclopedia of Domestic Abuse. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio; Risk Factors for Family Violence, in Finley, L. (eds.). The Encyclopedia of Domestic Abuse. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio; three presentations at the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology's Annual Conference in Milwaukee, WI, October 4-6: "Attitudes of Polish and American Students on the Criminal Punishment of Virtual Relationship Violence", "A Whole New World: Contemporary Dating, Violence & Victim-Oriented Services", and "Shelter Services for Victims of Intimate Partner Violence & Client Success". She also presented "Socially Interactive Technology & Contemporary Dating: A Cross-Cultural Analysis of Intimacy, Hurt & Intervention" at the American Society of Criminology's Annual Conference in Chicago, IL, November 7-9.

Adjunct instructor *Tanya Arney* was at the American Society of Bioethics and Humanities Conference, Washington DC in October 2012 and took part in a R.A.C.E Affinity Group Presentation on "Drug Addiction, Pregnancy, and Social Injustice".

Ehsan Salek, with VWC student Alexis Brown, presented Diversity and Workplace Conflict: Challenges and Solutions, 18th International Business Research Conference, Las Vegas, NV, Oct. 28-30, 2012.

Presentations by *Paul Rasor*: "Do We Need A New Story?" keynote address delivered at the annual Fall Conference of the Liberal Religious Educators Association (LREDA), October 19, 2012, Williamsburg, VA; "Liberal Idealism and the Quest for Justice," public lecture presented at the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Wichita, KS, October 27, 2012; "Unitarian Universalist Theology and Our Identity as a Religious People Informing Social Action," presentation at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Topeka, KS, October 26, 2012; "Social Justice and Unitarian Universalist Identity: What's Our Story," workshop for members of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Wichita, KS, October 27, 2012; "Who We Could Be," sermon delivered at the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Wichita, KS, October 28, 2012

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