Welcome to the incoming doctoral cohort of 2012!

Kristy Anderson, Andrea Larson, Lanique Howard, Vanessa Rios Salas, and June Paul (see more inside)

Congratulations

Welcome Drs. Marah Curtis and Joe Glass, new faculty in the SSW. Goodbye to Professor Sandy Magana, who has moved to a new faculty position at UIC.

Congratulations to Lynn Gau who gave birth to baby Isabella, Michelle Turner who gave birth to Zola, Tora Frank who gave birth to Leora, and congrats also to Lonnie Berger, whose wife gave birth to Lillia. Girl power!

Welcome to Dr. Chang-Je Park who is a visiting scholar with us this year from Kyungpook University in South Korea.

Congratulations to our doctoral student award winners Hilary Shager, Sarah Font, Lynette Studer, and Melinda Kavanaugh (see inside).

Welcome home to Laura, Emily, Sarah, and Bucky, who had big adventures in Columbia this summer (below).

Save the Date!

Terrace Time
Friday, Oct. 5
Catch up with other social work doctoral students at the terrace at 4:00! Partners, friends, and family are welcome.

Barn Dance
Saturday, Dec. 1
We will meet at Folklore Village for an old-time potluck and barn dance — partners, friends, and kids are welcome!
Winter 2012 Cultural Event: SW Doctoral Students Went Curling!

The happy winners! Social work ladies rock (or “stone”)! The unhappy losers (in truth, Yeongmin appears to have some natural aptitude at this sport.)
Congratulations to four award winners: Hilary Shager, Sarah Font, Lynette Studer, and Melinda Kavanaugh

Hilary Shager (above) is the second annual awardee of the Irving Piliavin Award, provided to a doctoral student who is committed to studying "real life problems" through the use of advanced statistical techniques and research methodology.

Sarah Font (above) won the 2012 UW-Madison SSW Doctoral Student Research Paper Award for her paper titled: "Burnout in child welfare: Examining its relationship with job characteristics and workplace opportunities for achievement, autonomy, and peer affiliation."

Lynette Studer was chosen as first recipient of the UW-Madison School of Social Work Sheldon D Rose Award. This award will be given annually in memory of Emeritus Professor Sheldon Rose, to a SSW doctoral student who is interested in developing his/her career in group work and research-based direct practice. Of the more than 25 doctoral students that Dr. Rose mentored, most focused on the development of empirically supported interventions. The purpose of this award, funded by Dr. Rose's family and ex-students, is to provide support for a doctoral level student who reflects the interests that Dr. Rose pursued throughout his career.

Melinda Kavanaugh was selected to be an L&S Teaching Fellow. She was chosen because of the excellent teaching she has performed for the school as both a TA and instructor. In August, as part of her duties as an L&S Teaching Fellow, Melinda helped train the next cohort of TAs in L&S. Melinda was also chosen last spring as a "Future Faculty Partner" of the University of Wisconsin-Madison Teaching Academy. Both of these awards are very competitive teaching awards. Congratulations Melinda!
Five new doctoral students are welcomed to the doctoral program at the annual doctoral picnic!

**Kristy Anderson** earned her MSW from Washington University in 2012, and her BA in Psychology from Truman State University in 2009, with a minor in Criminal Justice. Kristy is interested in people with disabilities and their families, and aims to understand the phenomenon of pathological grief among individuals with developmental disabilities and identify preventative measures that can promote a healthier residential transition after the loss of a parent or caregiver. Marsha Mailick is Kristy’s advisor, and Tora Frank is her peer mentor.

**Lanikque Howard** earned her BA in American Studies from the University of California-Berkeley in 2011. Her interests include urban social welfare, culturally sensitive and competent health workers, healthcare disparities in disadvantaged communities, family dynamics in low-income households, and teenage and single parenthood. Lanikque is in the joint program, earning her MSW along with her PhD. Maria Cancian is her advisor and Leah Gjertson is her peer mentor.

**Andrea Larson** earned her MSW from the University of Illinois-Chicago in 2012, with a certificate in evidenced-based mental health practice with children and adolescents. She received her BA in Psychology and Art from UW-Madison in 2005. Her interests center on child and adolescent mental health, specifically regarding economic disparity and its effects on access to care, adequacy of treatment and clinical outcomes. Tally Moses is her advisor and Emily Warren is her peer mentor.

**June Paul** earned her MSW from UW-Madison in 1996 and her BS in marketing and advertising from Northern Illinois University in 1991. June has been a practicing social worker before deciding to come back to get her PhD, including working as a school social worker, Director of School Nutrition Programs for the Department of Public Instruction, and numerous positions in the child welfare system. Her interests include child maltreatment prevention, child welfare policies/systems, and policies and outcomes for youth in out of home care. Her advisor is Lonnie Berger and her peer mentor is Katie Maguire Jack.

**Vanessa Rios Salas** earned her MA in Applied Economics from UW-Madison in 2012, and she received her BA in Economics from Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru in 2003. After being exposed to social work, Vanessa decided that this is a better match for her interests and career. She is interested in social and poverty policy, child development and well being, and program evaluation. Dan Meyer is her advisor, and Laura Cuesta Rueda is her peer mentor.
Welcome Picnic
August 2012
Congratulations to our graduates: Hyunjin, Jeong Hee, Hilary, Eva, and Mi Youn!

Dr. Hyunjin Noh is an Assistant Professor at University of Alabama, Dr. Jeong Hee Ryu is an Assistant Professor at California State University-Northridge, Dr. Hilary Shager is a Research Analyst at the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families, Dr. Eva Williams is Chief Clinical Officer at the Milwaukee County Department of Family Care, and Dr. Mi Youn Yang is an Assistant Professor at Louisiana State University.
Stay tuned …

We are hiring for two new clinical faculty and one tenure track assistant professor. Watch for news about finalist visits and job talks this winter!

Don’t forget that all doctoral students and doctoral faculty have access to the SSW Doctoral Program Learn@UW site, which has lots of useful information – student directory, Program Guidelines, examples of grant proposals and dissertation proposals, tips on writing abstracts and papers, and more!

Do you want a desk in the doctoral office for when you’re at the SW building? Let Steph know.

Watch for news of a SSW holiday party and practice talks for those presenting at the 2013 SSWR conference.