March 14, 2014

Meet Your Fellow Students:

**Featured Student:** Melissa Yakubik

*Year in School:* Junior  
*Hometown:* Akron, Ohio  
*Track in the Program:* Long Term Care

Why Melissa chose BSHSA: I have always known I wanted a career in the health care industry. When I was trying to figure out what my major was going to be and where I would go to college, I found Xavier’s BSHSA program. I chose BSHSA because this program is educating me to become a leader in the health care industry, while instilling the philosophy of “Men and Women for Others” in the curriculum.

**Interesting Tidbit:** This summer, I will be a marketing intern at Mercy Neighborhood Ministries which recently acquired a Home Care Aide Training (HCAT) program that trains local women to be home health aides. After graduating from the HCAT program, these women provide home care to inner city seniors. The HCAT provides these women with an education and opportunity for meaningful employment while providing much needed care to seniors that allows them to stay in their homes.

Meet New Departmental Faculty:

**Welcome New Faculty Member:** Ms. Eileen Alexander

We welcome a new addition to our departmental faculty, Ms. Eileen Alexander, whom many of you already know. She will also be involved with academic advising in the fall 2014, and those of you affected will be notified via email prior to the spring 2015 semester. Here is a short bio to introduce Ms. Alexander to those of you who may not have yet met her.

Eileen Steinle Alexander, doctoral candidate, UC College of Medicine Department of Environmental Health, will join the XU HSA faculty for the 2014 academic year. Recently awarded the Frank C. Woodside III, M.D., Dinsmore & Shohl Fellowship through the Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center’s Division of Biostatistics and Epidemiology, her research promotes health for families at risk for diseases caused by a combination of genes, environmental exposures and “epigenetic” chemical changes to the basic DNA code.

A Cincinnati native, she attended the Summit Country Day School and St. James, White Oak. Her earliest career ambition was to teach. She obtained her BSN from the University of Cincinnati’s College of Nursing and Health and MS Biology with Dr. Jodi Shann in ecotoxicology. Alexander is on the medical team of the Flying Pig Marathon, volunteers with Kindervelt #35, the Association for Women in Science, and Professional Development at UC.
Events:

**HSA Mentor Mixer: Make some connections!**
Haven’t caught up with your mentor recently? Interested in becoming part of the HSA Student Connections Mentor Program? Come to the HSA Mentor Mixer! It’s a great way to connect with your MHSA mentor and other graduate students! Take some time out of your evening to chat about the program, ask questions, and mingle with your classmates!

**When:** Wednesday, March 19, 2014 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
**Location:** Deco Diner (Basement Cafeteria of the Alumni Building)
**Snacks and refreshments will be served**
Any questions, contact Kelley Finucane at finucanek@xavier.edu or Kaitlyn Smith at smithk53@xavier.edu.

**Health Services Club: Making Talbert House a Little Brighter!**
HSC will be painting 6 bedrooms and a living room for the Talbert House at their Youth Behavioral Health Site, so they will need all of the help they can get!

**When:** Saturday, March 29 at 10:30 a.m.
Talbert House is a community-wide nonprofit network of services focusing on prevention, assessment, treatment and reintegration. Services are provided at multiple sites throughout Greater Cincinnati for children, adults and families. The Talbert House mission has two basic purposes: to improve social behavior and enhance personal recovery and growth.

*Many students are needed to volunteer for this event since there is a significant amount of painting to do!*
For more information contact Stephanie Young at youngs5@xavier.edu.

**Course Offering from Criminal Justice Program**

Attached is a flyer about the CJUS 335 Inside-Out Prison course. This course fulfills both the Diversity Curriculum Requirement and Social Science Requirement. Students must go on-line to apply/submit their application. They will then be contacted to set up an interview. This course enrolls 10-12 Xavier students/semester. The remaining 10-12 students are inmates (they too are screened) from the correctional institution. The correctional institution is located approximately 40 minutes north of Xavier in Lebanon, Ohio. Students generally carpool.

For questions or more information, please contact Dr. Jonson (Jonsonc@xavier.edu or 513-745-1069) or Christine Shimrock (christineshimrock@gmail.com) or Peg Hubbard (Hubbard@xavier.edu or 513-745-3518).
Summer Internship Housing Opportunity

Each summer, Xavier University is “home” to 400+ students with summer internships in the greater Cincinnati area. If you’re an intern looking for a great place to stay, consider this:

- Xavier offers housing options at various price points:
  - The VIP experience @ $185-$225/week
  - The Business Class @ $165/week
  - The Suite Deal @ $165-$205/week

- Intern housing is available May 11th to August 9th in fully furnished, air conditioned, modern apartments that include free Wi-Fi, cable television and parking.

- You’ll have the opportunity to meet and network with hundreds of other interns from schools around the country, working in dozens of industries

- As a Xavier student, you will have access to the Library and Summer Faculty Resources

For contact information about on-campus housing, see the attached flyer.

Academic Advising for Spring 2014

As some of you are aware, the Health Services Administration major continues to grow at a fast rate. Due to the growth in the number of Health Services Administration students, we have reallocated academic advising assignments for our departmental faculty. The transition to new advisors, Dr. Eddie Hooker and Dr. Gregory Lubiani, will take effect immediately for this spring 2014 semester. Those of you affected by this change were emailed notifications in late February. Please be assured that advisors in the department are communicating about transitions, and we are committed to making sure that you have a positive and seamless transition.

Sign-ups for advising appointments are currently taking place. If you have not done so, please go to the office of Ms. Judy Janzen in Schott Hall room 404 and the sign-up sheets are on her desk.

Tips for your advising appointment:

- To prepare ahead of time, write down any questions you may have so you don’t forget to ask them.
- Review the courses offered in the fall 2014 and compare those with your Course Checklist from past advising in fall 2013, so you will have be able to have a proposed course schedule on hand.
- Print out your DegreeWorks record on the portal under the Student Services tab. This information will tell you what you have/have not completed for your required course load to graduate on time.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact Ms. Janzen at janzen@xavier.edu for further assistance.