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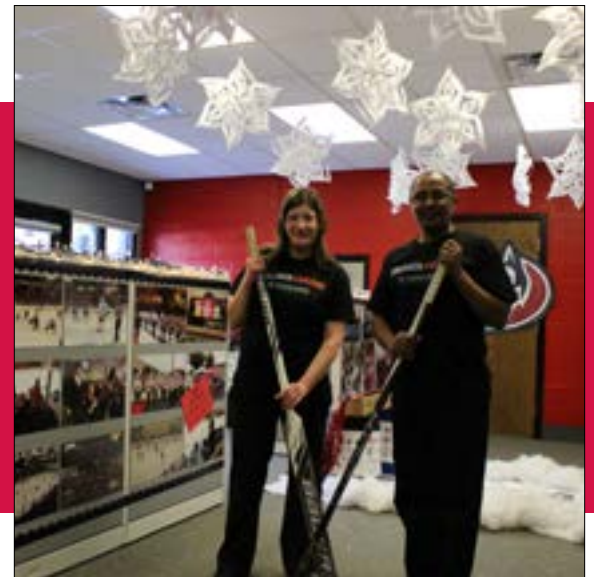
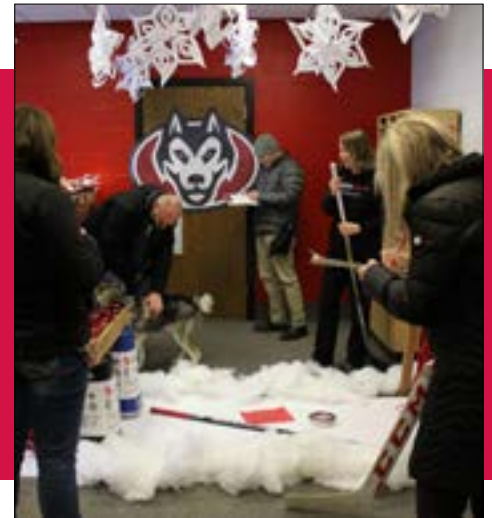
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## Office Decorating Contest

The Center for Doctoral Studies participated in and placed third in the office decorating contest for the Husky Sprit Challenge this year. The judges were very impressed with the hockey rinks, hockey arena, snowflakes, husky pride and a real life husky during the judgement.



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# Faculty Updates

## Dr. Steven McCullar

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Online for Fall 2018

The Higher Education Administration Masters and Doctoral Programs will be going online starting with the 2018 cohorts. For a few years now, the faculty have been discussing the possible move to online education, looking at both the strengths and weaknesses of these types of programs.

Throughout 2017, the faculty has been specifically looking at the masters program, exploring ways to continuously improve the program while also strategizing ways to hit new markets for potential students. For years, many people have expressed interest in the doctoral program, but the weekend model did not fit their work and personal schedules. Additionally, at the beginning of the academic year, the university leadership approached the faculty about the opportunities to expand the outreach of the program to our international partners.

A decision was made to move both the masters and doctoral programs online for Fall 2018. The response institutionally and across the state has been very positive. With the help of alumni and current students, Dr. McCullar traveled across the state recruiting for the program. Applications for both programs have increased dramatically, so much so, that Cohort 12 is full with 23 students admitted with some applicants admitted for the Fall 2019 Cohort 13. The masters and certificate program have 15 students at this time with a few slots still open for potential applicants. The new students for the program will be from all over the state of Minnesota and at least one student connecting with us from China.

Steven McCullar traveled to Southwest Minnesota State University, Winnona State University and Rochester Community Technical College for recruiting for Higher Education Masters and Doctoral Programs.

Additionally, this spring, he presented at the NASPA National Conference in “Reflection on Student Affairs Crisis Response Using Crisis Experience for an Evolving Profession” as a leader of roundtable discussion and “Working with Adjuncts in a Higher Education Program”. He was nominated for the Miller Scholars Award.

He is going to start an alumni mentor group for new masters and doctoral students. If you are interested, please email him at [slmccullar@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:slmccullar@stcloudstate.edu)

If you know of people interested in the program for the future, please have them contact Dr. McCullar.

### Higher Education Administration

For more information about the program please visit our HIED website at

[www.stcloudstate.edu/elhe/programs/hied.aspx](http://www.stcloudstate.edu/elhe/programs/hied.aspx)

# Italy Education Abroad

## Professor Christine M. Imbra

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### 1. Italy Reunion:

The 2017 Italy education abroad group had a reunion in St. Cloud November 10-12, 2017, just six months after returning to the U.S. The group included Amber Fryklund, Jessica Gehrke, Lauren Kelba, Laura Manuel, Soheyl Misaghi, and Erika Perry (Joi Sampson was not able to join us). We attended the Bemidji State University (BSU) – St. Cloud State University (SCSU) Women’s Ice Hockey game at SCSU on Friday evening – we all gathered in the President’s Suite at the Herb Brooks National Hockey Arena, had fantastic food, and received visits from the Dean of the School of Education, Jennifer Mueller, and the Athletic Director, Heather Weems. BSU, whose Associate Coach is our own Amber Fryklund (Ed.D. Cohort 10), won the game. Once the game was over we all went to Soheyl’s home for dinner. The following day we had breakfast at the Heritage House Bed & Breakfast, then went to the second hockey game, where BSU won again. Afterward, we had dinner at Dr. McCullar’s house. The group ended the BEST WEEKEND EVER with breakfast at the Green Mill (see photos).



### 2. Italian Delegation:

A small delegation from our partner institution, the University of Macerata (UNIMC), in Macerata, Italy, visited SCSU from January 31 – February 4, 2018. The delegation included Paola Nicolini, Giacomo Fiorani, and Serena Mariani. The delegation attended the SCSU Winter Institute, where Professore Fiorani and Professoressa Mariani presented a session titled, “Resource Efficiency Within Cities: The Opportunities of Local Food Supply and Urban Agriculture.” The group also attended a Welcome Breakfast with SCSU administrators, and a variety of meetings and activities.

## Italy Education Abroad continued



### 3. 2018 Italy Education Abroad Participants:

This May 12th – 27th seven students will be participating in the 2018 Italy Education Abroad course, “International Higher Education: Discovering Universities in the European Context.” The group includes seven doctoral students: Stacy Bakker, Aspen Easterling, Anne Fischhaber, Rachel Humphrey, Melissa Ryan, Elizabeth Twiton, and Jessica Wendland, the Trip Director is Prof. Christine Imbra.

### 4. Italian Cultural Center (ICC) Scholarship:

Aspen Easterling, a doctoral student is the recipient of the 2018 Italian Cultural Center (ICC) Scholarship. The \$1,000.00 award is given to a student who is participating in the Italy Education Abroad course. Aspen is an Advising Coordinator and Certification Officer at Bemidji State University. She will be required to blog while in Italy, and present to the ICC membership once she returns, at the ICC Annual Open House in September. Be sure to follow Aspen’s blog at <https://aspeneinitaly.wordpress.com/>

For more information about Italy education abroad please contact Prof. Imbra, [cmimbra@stcloudstate.edu](mailto:cmimbra@stcloudstate.edu).



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Group – St. Cloud State University Higher Education Administration Program – this is a closed group, please request to join the group.



Our LinkedIn page is updated from SCSU Center for Doctoral Studies to SCSU Educational Leadership Higher Education in order to now include the master’s and post-master’s licensure degrees for Higher Education Administration program and the Educational Administration and Leadership program.

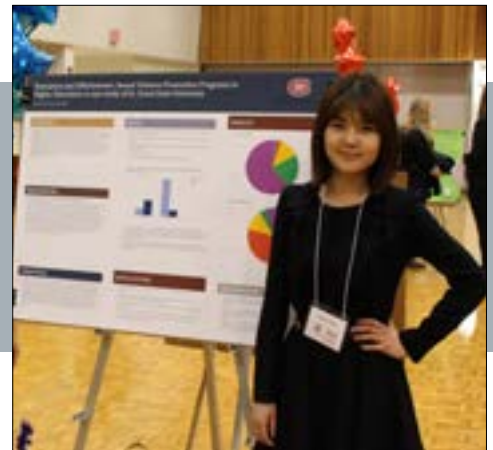
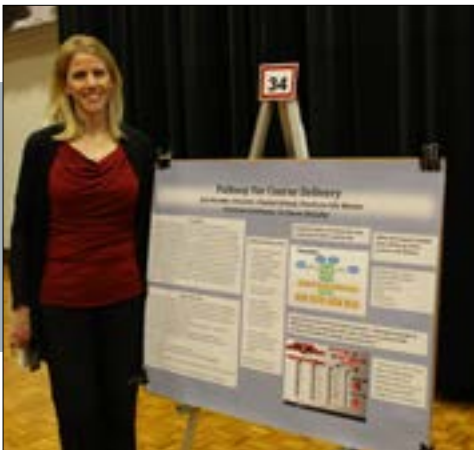


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# 2018 Huskies Showcase

Six HIED M.S. students presented their practicum and research posters at the annual St. Cloud State University Huskies Showcase on Wednesday, April 11, 2018. This event was held in the Atwood Memorial Center Ballroom.

Lisa A. Sailor  
Alicia Chapman  
Col'Lette Gauvin  
Laura Manuel  
Julie Nienaber  
Sohee Yook



# Student/Alumni Updates

## Natalie Sitter

New Position: Special Event Production Coordinator for the 2018 USA Special Olympic Games.

## Kasey Linde

Article: An article written by her and Nicholas Linde was accepted by the Journal of Education Advancement & Marketing. It will appear in the spring 2018 issue and titled “Cost Effective Student Programs: Two Case Studies”.

## Cherie Pettitt

New Position: Administrative position at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions as the Director of the Health Promotion and Wellness Track of the Doctor of Health Science program.

## Jessica Wendland

Update: She’s been serving this year on the Presidential Search Committee as 1 of 2 faculty representatives at Ridgewater College and also a full-time faculty member in Marketing & Sales Management in Cohort 11 of the HIED program.

## Laura Manuel

Award: She was recognized as a recipient at the 30th Annual Excellence in Leadership Awards.

## Melissa Ryan

Scholarship: She was selected to receive the Education Abroad Presentation Scholarship.

## Upcoming Events

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- AIR: Association for Institutional Research, May 29- June 1, 2018 in Orlando, FL <http://forum.airweb.org/2017/pages/home>
- Twins Game: August 15, 2018
- AAUP: 2076 AAUP Conference June 14-17, 2018 in Arlington, Virginia <https://www.aaup.org/event/2017-annual-conference>
- AERA: 2019 American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, April 5-9, 2019 in Toronto, Canada <http://www.aera.net/Events-Meetings/Annual-Meeting>
- The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, October 2-5, 2018, Pittsburg, PA <http://www.aashe.org/conference/>

# 2018 Spring Leadership Institute

On April 13th, 2018 the Higher Education Administration Program held the Spring Leadership Institute at St. Cloud State University. During the conference twenty individuals presented on a variety of higher education related leadership topics. Mary Geller gave the keynote address. The proceeds of the conference will go directly towards scholarships for Higher Education Administration Education Abroad trip to Italy. Over 100 people participated in the Spring Leadership Institute this year.





# 2018 Spring Leadership Institute

## Prof. Imbra's Innovative Leadership Award

The Spring Leadership Institute at St. Cloud State University will be recognizing the 2nd recipient of the Christine M. Imbra Innovative Leadership Award. This award recognizes dedicated professionals who demonstrate leadership and innovation in the field of higher education. The award honors the work of Christine M. Imbra, professor emerita of Higher Education Administration at St. Cloud State University.

## Award Winner

Dr. Derrick Lindstrom, Dean of Liberal Arts and Transfer at Minneapolis Community & Technical College. He has worked with different higher education institutions for 17 years, immersing himself in the field of academia as a professor, a department coordinator, and now as a dean. He oversees almost 189 faculty members, representing 29 disciplines and 16 academic awards. Dr. Lindstrom is also the supervisor of Library Operations. In the administration area, he provides strategic leadership and direction to the E-learning and Campus Academic Technology Team. Dr. Lindstrom also leads many projects including the Advising and Academic Communities, curriculum and catalog navigator. He serves as the Representative on the Communication Studies State Wide Transfer Pathway Team. Finally, Dr. Lindstrom serves as a Peer Corp Member & Site Visit Team Member, and Assurance Review Team for Higher Learning Commission.



## Italy Education Abroad Scholarship Recipients

- Stacy Bakker
- Aspen Easterling
- Anne Fischhaber
- Rachel Humphrey
- Melissa Ryan
- Elizabeth Twiton
- Jessica Wendland



# HIED Year End Event

On April 27th, 2018 the Higher Education Administration program held its year end event to celebrate the 2017-2018 academic year. Graduates, students, and practicum site mentors were recognized for their accomplishments.



# Ed. D. Graduates



## Dissertation Titles

- Kristy Modrow (Summer 2017)  
Experiences in Bangladeshi Undergraduate International Students' Studying in the United States
- Saby Labor (Summer 2017)  
Support and Resilience of Student Affairs LGBTQ Mid-Level Administrators of Color
- Deb DeMinck (Summer 2017)  
Female Student Affairs Professionals and Work-Life Balance
- Paula U'Ren (Fall 2017)  
Athletic Identity, Identity Foreclosure, Career Maturity of a NCAA Division II Female Student-Athlete
- Brenda Frie (Fall 2017)  
Healthcare Student Collegiate Honors Decision-Making: A Grounded Theory
- Marcellus Davis (Fall 2017)  
Black Student Campus Activism