

Career Advisor Scholarship News



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News and Views

Welcome to Career Advisor Scholarship News (CASN). According to my unofficial records, the value of our endowed scholarship funds in September was \$947,184. We awarded \$26,597 in 12 scholarships this year. In the past 30 years, we have awarded \$386,989 to 145 different students. We now have over 268 contributors making more than 826 gifts to our funds.

I hope this issue of *CAS News* reminds you how much your continuing support of this program means to the students and staff in FSU career services.

My work with this newsletter is ending with this issue. Please continue to support this program in the days ahead. Thank you!

2025 Fellows

The selection committee named 12 students as recipients for new awards. Here are their brief profiles. This is an impressive group and outstanding examples of the more than 20 graduate students pursuing coursework and practical training in counseling this year in the FSU Career Center.



Jalil McPherson is the 9th Lenz Fellow and a career advisor in the Career Center. He has a 2024 BS in general studies psychology from FAMU and is a new MS/EdS student in career counseling at FSU. One of his goals is to help children from disadvantaged backgrounds.





Jake Bucher is a 3rd-year doctoral student in the combined program and working as a career advisor. He has BS and MS degrees in psychology and school psychology from FSU.



Sarah Shelby is the 27th *Bobkin Fellow* and has a BS in psychology and an MS/EdS in clinical mental health counseling, both from FSU. She is a career advisor and pursuing a doctoral degree in our combined program.



Jillian Schiller has a BS in psychology from FSU, is a 3rd-year career advisor and is pursuing a PhD in counseling and school psychology at FSU.



Trisha McKenzie is the newest *Driver Fellow.* She has an FSU BS in social science and is a certified teacher in Florida and former guidance counselor. She is now full-time in the MS/EdS career counseling program at FSU.

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The 2025 Rand Fellows are:



Danny Chiarodit is a 4th year doctoral student in counseling/school psychology at FSU. He is a career advisor with a BA from the University of Pennsylvania and CA native.



Danielle Smallwood is the 26th *Career Advisor Alumni Fellow. Danielle* has a BS in child development from FSU and is a second-year student in the MS/EdS career counseling program. She is a career advisor in the FSU Career Center.



Carlin Weinberg has BA and MS degrees from Augusta University and is a doctoral student in the FSU combined program. Her goal is to become a licensed counseling psychologist working in an academic setting.



The newest *Reardon Fellows* are:

Qiong Li is a doctoral student in the combined program after earning MS/EdS degrees in career counseling from FSU and her BS degree from Shenzhen University in China.



Asia Henry *is* a 4th year doctoral student in the combined doctoral program. She has a BS in psychology from FSU and a license in practical nursing.



Alfiya Mustafinahas a BS in chemical technology of organic substances in Kazakhstan and is now in the FSU MS/EdS career counseling program. She has four years of experience in career services for higher education students in Kazakhstan.



Sabrina Quiroga is the 12th *Sampson Fellow.* She has a BS in psychology and an MS in school psychology, both from FSU, and is in our combined doctoral program. She was a career advisor 2022-2024.



Past Fellows

Here are professional updates on some of our past fellows. I believe their titles and affiliations validate the goals of this scholarship program.

Devan (Coughlin) Lane (Bobkin 2008, Reardon 2009) is now director of administration and operations in the FSU Career Center.

Maria Zareen (Reardon 2022, Peterson 2023) is now a career advisor at Pamplin Career Services, Virginia Tech.

Dr. Ivey (Burbrink) Walker (Rand 2017, Lenz 2018, Peterson 2019, Reardon 2021, Bobkin 2022) is a psychologist at Columbus Psychological Associates in GA.

Kaitlyn Ganner (Lenz 2023) is career coach, USF Center for Career & Professional Development.

Dr. Diane (Bobbi) Villarreal (Reardon 2021, Lenz 2022, Bobkin 2023, Sampson 2024), is an active-duty USAF supervised psychologist in Georgia.

Dr. Michael Morgan, Jr., (Sampson 2021) is a psychologist and owner of Georgia Assessment and Therapy Enterprises, Griffin, GA.

Brian Montalvo (Rand 2005) is assistant vice president, Florida Atlantic University Career Center, Boca Raton.

Dr. Caitlyn Brown (Reardon 2017-2018, Peterson 2019, Sampson 2022) is a licensed psychologist at FSU Counseling and Psychological Services.

Sarah Schaefer (Rand 2013) is associate director of career education and advising, School of Education, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Erin (Harvey) Bennett (Rand 2011) is instructional specialist/senior assistant director of career advising, counseling, and instruction, FSU Career Center.

Liz Pawley (Peterson 2013, Rand 2014) is assistant professor and computer engineering co-op advisor in the College of Cooperative Education & Professional Studies, University of Cincinnati.

Amy Kozlarek (Rand 2019, Lenz 2020) is career counselor and instructor in the College of Business, Colorado State University.

Arianna (Ari) Emanuel-Wright (Bobkin 2019, Alumni 2020) is associate director of graduate career advising and education, William & Mary-Raymond A. Mason School of Business, VA.

Dr. Christine (Edralin) Coleman (Reardon 2014, Driver 2016, Bobkin 2017, Sampson 2018) is an owner and psychologist at NC Self-Care Counseling, Durham, NC.

Megan (Konen) Crowe (Reardon 2017-2018) is assistant director, career advising, counseling & instruction, FSU Career Center.

Dr. Vanessa Freeman (Reardon 2013, Peterson 2015, Sampson, 2017) is director of student wellness initiatives at Lafayette College, Easton, PA.

Conquaya James (Rand 2002) is the owner of Careers by Design in Macon, GA.

Caitlin Sweeney (Rand 2014, Peterson 2015) is a career counselor in the Portland State University career center.

Dr. Mary Buzzetta (Alumni 2012, Bobkin 2013, Driver 2014, Reardon 2015, Sampson 2015) is a licensed psychologist and owner of Buzzetta Psychological Services, PLLC, in San Antonio.

Dr. Carley Peace (Peterson 2021 is a staff psychologist at the University of North Carolina Wilmington Counseling Center.

Dr. Brittany (Melvin) Joslyn (Peterson 2010, Alumni 2011, Sampson 2014) is a consulting psychologist and executive coach with Joslyn + Co., Louisiana.

Dr. Laura Wright (Peterson 1997) is training director, Counseling & Psychological Services, FGCU, Fort Meyers.

Dr. Rosemyrtle (Jean) Louis (Rand 2013, Reardon 2014) is a college and career counselor at Wellington High School, Palm Beach, FL.

Dr. Mary-Catherine (McClain) Riner (Bobkin 2011, Peterson 2012) is a psychologist with Riner Counseling, Greenville, SC.

Emily Fiore (Alumni 2013) is academic program specialist and instructor in the FSU Center for Exploratory Students.

Shawn Utecht (Rand 2007, 2008) is manager, employer relations, College of Business, Colorado State University.

Dr. Liz (Ruff) McHugh (Alumni 2004, 2007; Rand 2005, 2008) is a psychologist and mentor at CHE Senior Psychological Services in NYC.

Jill Lumsden (Rand 1998, 1999) is federal division director at Zeiders Enterprises and oversees the spouse/education/career/opportunities program.

Mark Colvenbach (Rand 2001) is the career services executive director at the University of Tampa.

Yas (Djadali) Hardaway (Rand 2000) is executive director of career services and adjunct professor of psychology, Graduate School of Education and Psychology, Pepperdine University.

Rachel Coleman (Rand 2007) is director, career development & education, Duke University.

Dr. Emily Bullock-Yowell (Peterson 2002-2003, Rand 2004) is professor of psychology, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.

Adrian Fuller, Jr. (Rand 2011) is a school principal at Seminole County Public Schools, Sanford, FL.

Dr. Darrin Carr (Peterson 2000, Rand 2001) is clinical assistant professor of psychology and mental health counseling at Indiana University, Columbus.

Dr. Casey Dozier (Alumni 2008, Rand 2009) is program director for career advising, counseling, and instruction, in the FSU Career Center, co-director of the Center for Career Research, and an associate teaching professor in EPLS.

Dr. Julia (Panke) Makela (Rand 2000, Peterson 2001) is senior director for the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Career Services, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

Fund Updates

All 8 funds seek to recognize and support students who have made a commitment to the career counseling area, have outstanding academic records and work histories, and have the potential to provide leadership in the broad area of career development and human resources.

Bobkin Fund (No. F01952)

Established in 1995 by Sandy and Randy Barker of Richmond, VA, and named for Sandy's mother, Alyce B. Bobkin, has \$41,501 from 13 contributors.

Career Advisor Alumni Scholarship Fund (No. F01953)

Established in 2001 and has \$77,861 with gifts from 57 contributors.

Peterson Fund (No. F01955)

Established in 1995 by Mike and Jean Shahnasarian of Tampa and named for Gary Peterson, Mike's major professor, has \$162,615 with gifts from 23-contributors.

Rand Fund (No. F01959)

Established in 1996 by the late Dr. Herb Rand in honor of his wife, Josie, a longtime music educator and FSU graduate is fully endowed at \$235,377.

Reardon Fund (No. F02129)

Launched in late 2007 with a major gift from Mike and Jean Shahnasarian, with further support from 85+ other contributors, has \$174,878.

Driver Fund (No. F07595)

Established in 2013 in memory of Joel Ross Driver by his family and friends. Joel was a career counseling alumnus and an assistant director in the FSU Career Center; the fund has \$85,584 from 90+ contributors.

Lenz Fund (No. F08132)

Initiated in May 2015 and endowed in December by an anonymous donor and five other friends of Dr. Lenz, has \$79,313 with gifts from 46+ contributors.

Sampson Doctoral Research Fellowship (No. F07693)

Established by Jim and Sandy Sampson in 2012 and now included in the career advisor scholarship program, has \$56,234 with gifts from 22+ contributors.



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