Southern Miss Professor Gould Named Associate Dean in College of Health

By Van Arnold

Dr. Trent Gould, who has served in a variety of roles during his 10 years at The University of Southern Mississippi, has been named associate dean in the College of Health.

An associate professor in the School of Human Performance and Recreation, Gould has also served as the school’s interim director for the past year while splitting duties as the assistant school director for graduate studies.

“Dr. Gould brings a range of analytical and administrative skills to the myriad tasks of operating and advancing the college,” said Dr. Mike Forster, dean of the College of Health. “We will be considerably stronger and better able to support our departments and schools with him on the dean’s office team.”

Southern Miss Students, Faculty Honored at MRPA Conference in Tupelo

By Hanna Knoules

Students and faculty members from the School of Human Performance and Recreation at The University of Southern Mississippi received multiple honors at the Mississippi Recreation and Park Association’s annual conference held recently in Tupelo, Miss. Twenty-five therapeutic recreation majors and three faculty members attended the conference.

Three seniors majoring in therapeutic recreation received the following honors:

* Jamie (Missy) Arrant was selected to serve as Student Representative to the Board of Directors.

* Lindsay Davis was awarded the Convention Scholarship.

* Karolyne Rehner received the Student Scholarship Award.

Dr. Mary Ann Aquadro was elected to serve as President of the Mississippi Therapeutic Recreation Alliance and Megan Marlowe was elected to serve as President-Elect.

“The Recreation Program at Southern Miss has always pursued leadership roles with our state professional organizations. I believe we are recognized statewide for our quality and our leadership in the area of therapeutic recreation,” said Dr. Rick Green, program director. “The election of Dr. Aquadro and Ms. Marlowe to leadership positions will help us reach our goal of obtaining regional and eventual national recognition for excellence.”

Page Wins Miss University of Southern Mississippi Title

Kimberly Page, a Southern Miss junior from Ellisville, Miss., won the Miss University of Southern Mississippi Pageant Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Saenger Theater in downtown Hattiesburg. The victory earned her a spot in the Miss Mississippi Pageant, which will be held in July in Vicksburg.

Page is a speech pathology major, a member of Delta Gamma sorority and the USM Baptist Student Union, a Luckyday Scholar and a Diamond Darling.

Alumni Spotlight

Stephanie H. Yow, is a Pediatric Clinical Dietitian at Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children, which is a part of The University of Mississippi Medical Center. Her work includes completing nutrition assessments for pediatric patients with various medical conditions, providing nutrition education to patients and their parents, developing home feeding regimens for patients that require alternate means of nutrition, assessing growth and development of children with special health care needs, and promoting a healthy lifestyle. Stephanie also works with The Children’s Center for Communication and Development at Southern Miss. She helps families that have children with special health care needs to improve their nutritional status for optimal growth and development.

Stephanie is currently studying to become a Board Certified Specialist in Pediatric Nutrition. Stephanie is a Registered Dietitian and received her Master of Science in Food and Nutrition Systems in 2010.
Southern Athletic Training Program Welcomes Class of 2015

By Hanna Knowles

The Athletic Training Program in The University of Southern Mississippi’s School of Human Performance and Recreation has admitted its first class of students since 2010. With a new administration and revised curriculum, students will benefit from a new outlook and direction for the program.

“This group of students exceeded the rigorous admissions requirements and started the program in June,” said Dr. Bill Holcomb, program director.

The program’s curriculum consists of evidence-based research and clinical experience, meeting guidelines of the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education. After completing the

Southern Miss Women’s Basketball Team Visits Children’s Center

The University of Southern Mississippi women’s basketball team recently broke away from its busy practice and academic schedules to do a little workout with the toddlers and preschoolers at The Children’s Center for Communication and Development at the University of Southern Mississippi.

On Sept. 25, the Lady Eagles' players, coaches and staff took the children under their wings to dribble, swing, slide, run, ride, build, and even paint, during the third annual Lady Eagles visit to The Children's Center.

The interactive activities in The Children’s Center’s “Outdoor Adaptive Motor, Learning and Exploratory Center,” or to the children, “the playground,” present an opportunity for the Lady Eagles to better get to know the Center, its program and its children.

The Children’s Center and the Lady Eagles have built a partnership that includes, in addition to the annual visit to the Center, the Lady Eagles joining “Team Children’s Center” for the United Way of Southeast Mississippi’s annual Corporate Challenge held at the Payne Center on Southern Miss' campus, and the Lady Eagles featuring The Children's Center and its children and families at a home basketball games.

“This is a relationship built out of mutual respect for what both of our programs are doing for young people on Southern Miss’ campus, whether they be young children with disabilities and university students getting pre-professional training, or young women athletes getting their college educations,” said Sarah Case-Price, director of The Children's Center.

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