



SAHE eNewsletter, November 2011

## Student Affairs in Higher Education

Thank you for your interest in the SAHE Graduate Program at Colorado State University (CSU)! We would like to keep you up-to-date on the SAHE program by sending you our monthly eNewsletters. Be on the lookout for future issues, which will include more on cohorts, selection, placement, practice and more!



## Application Deadline:

The application deadline for Fall 2011 is **Wednesday, January 4, 2012**. If you are interested in applying to CSU's Student Affairs in Higher Education Program, the application is available online at [www.sahe.colostate.edu](http://www.sahe.colostate.edu). If you have general questions about the SAHE Program, please email:

[SAHE@colostate.edu](mailto:SAHE@colostate.edu)

## ALUMNI PROFILE: Jamie Ellis, Class of 2011

SAHE was a valuable experience providing a time of great growth and development as a student affairs professional. Having attended CSU for both my undergraduate and graduate work, I am proud to call myself CSU alum x2! SAHE faculty are certainly committed to our development as emerging professionals, and with faculty teaching in the program and concurrently working as practitioners in the field, we are able to gain current knowledge of student trends and have real-life examples of theory to practice work. Not only did I learn meaningful lessons from the faculty, but being in a cohort of 19 different individuals allowed for mutual learning, challenge, close friendships, and now a network of colleagues throughout the country. I was also able to gain a variety of practical experiences through my assistantship in Residence Life, SAHE workshops, internships, and even an international experience with SAHE to Vancouver! SAHE will forever be a time of great memories and life lessons. Go Rams!



## FACULTY PROFILE: Mari Strombom, Associate Director of Residence Life

I came to CSU in 1987 to get my degree in College Student Personnel Administration (CSPA, now SAHE) after having completed my undergraduate degree in Psychology and Interpersonal Communication at the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point. I completed my CSPA degree in 1989 and after 1 year of working at Bucknell University in Pennsylvania I returned to CSU as the Program Advisor for Campus Activities. After having spent most of the past 24 years in Fort Collins, I now call this my home, but I am still a proud Wisconsin Cheesehead at heart! My current job at CSU is as the Associate Executive Director of Housing & Dining Services. During my career I have also worked as an Area Coordinator, an Associate Director of Residence Life, as Director of Campus Activities, and I also left higher education for a while and worked in Human Relations at Hewlett Packard for 3 years. Outside of work my focus is on spending time with my partner Brett and our two little boys, Max (who is 8 and will be in third grade) and Kirk (who is 6 and going into first grade). I have taught SAHE workshops in the past (College Union Administration, Working with Student Groups) and now I am co-teaching the Organizational Behavior in Student Affairs course with Lorie Smith.



# In the spotlight...

## Congratulations

### NASPA IV-W Award Winners

#### Wil Galarza

(CSU '12)

Winner of Rising Star Undergraduate Student Award!



#### Blanche

#### Hughes

(SAHE '84, '95)

Winner of Outstanding Dean Award!



#### Beau Johnson

(SAHE Faculty)

Winner of Outstanding New Professional Award!



#### Zach Mercurio

(SAHE '09)

Winner of Rising Star New Professional Award!



#### Tony Pang

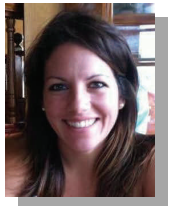
(SAHE '12)

Winner of Rising Star Graduate Student Award!



### Alexis Hendrix, Class of 2012

Hello from the SAHE program in Fort Collins, Colorado! My name is Alexis Hendrix and I am second year graduate student in SAHE. I am a proud graduate of James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA (go dukes!), where I studied Technical and Scientific Communication. A job opportunity in the marketing field initially lured me to Fort Collins in 2006, but its Colorado's temperate climate, and the amazing, talented students at CSU that have kept me here for the past five and a half years. As the Graduate Assistant for Student Organizations in the Student Leadership, Involvement, and Community Engagement (SLiCE) office at CSU, I have the opportunity to advise over 400 student organizations, chair the University Travel Grant, and serve as a resource for students interested in involvement on campus through a student organization or leadership opportunity. My experience in the SAHE program has introduced me to a newfound passion for holistic teaching and learning programs, as well as research surrounding initiatives that bridge academic and student affairs. This summer, I was able to participate in a project that created a successful partnership between academic and student affairs at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.. I was selected to complete an internship in the Center for New Designs in Learning and Scholarship (CNDLS), where I worked directly with the Engelhard Project, a project that uses a curriculum infusion pedagogical approach to connect academic course content to health and wellness topics through readings, presentations, and discussions led by student affairs health professionals. It was truly an invaluable experience. This year, I am working alongside another SAHE student, Stefanie Lucas, to coordinate and execute a three-credit seminar course and field experience to Doha, Qatar called *Global Perspectives on Student Services and Student Affairs in Higher Education*. From designing the course syllabus, to communicating with institutions in Doha, to co-facilitating the course between University of Maryland and CSU, this has been one of the most professionally challenging and rewarding projects of my entire career in student affairs, and I am very much looking forward to the culminating trip to Qatar in January.



### David Hibbler, Class of 2012

Greetings from the beautiful state of Colorado. My name is David Hibbler, Jr and I am a second year in the SAHE program. I graduated in May of 2010 from Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana with a degree business marketing. At Butler I was heavily involved in Student Government, freshman orientation, Black student Union, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and admissions. My assistantship is in the Office of Residence life as the GUIDE (Gaining Understanding through Involvement, Diversity and Education) Education Coordinator. GUIDE is responsible for enhancing residence hall communities by providing resources, education, training and programming in the areas of involvement, diversity and education for all staff and first year students. As a second year in the program I have been afforded with several opportunities that have enhanced my knowledge and professional competencies such as my practicum in the College of Engineering, independent study in Hong Kong and currently with my practicum in Detox Tent management and Student Conduct. I have also have enjoyed the extra-curricular activities CSU and Colorado have to offer. In SAHE, I am a member of the Students of Color Network. I volunteer in the Black/African American Cultural Center and was awarded the Dawn R. Pearson Graduate Student Award for my commitment to the African American campus community. This fall I also co-created the Black Graduate and Professional Association at CSU. I have also learned to snowboard and enjoy snowshoeing. Throughout my time in SAHE I have always felt a sense of community. Though some of us have different views or methods I have always felt supported by my fellow cohort members and faculty members. As my time here in SAHE is drawing to a near I know this program has prepared me to be a competent, caring and capable student affairs professional.



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SAHE 2012 Cohort



SAHE 2013 Cohort

# Application Information!

## APPLY ONLINE!

The SAHE Application is now an online process. You can submit your Statement of Purpose, Resume, SAHE Application, and Letters of Recommendation online. To apply, visit our website at:

<http://sahe.colostate.edu/apply.aspx>

*Please read the General Information section prior to applying online. First you must complete the online application to Graduate School. They will send you a CSU ID # via email. You will log into RAMweb to obtain your EID. Once you have your CSU and EID numbers, you will be able to submit your application materials to the SAHE program using the IApply Online link, on our website (address listed above). If you already have a CSU ID # (present or past student), you must still submit the online application to Graduate School first. Letters of recommendation can be uploaded by your recommender; instructions will be sent to them on how to properly upload letters.*

**Please call Kathy Lucas at 970-491-1963 with any questions.**



**Applications Due:  
January 4, 2012!!**

## Assistantship Opportunities:

Graduate assistantships provide students with the opportunity to combine theory and practice while offering financial assistance that includes remission of tuition and a stipend. At 25-30 hours per week, these assistantships allow students to focus on academic coursework and take advantage of other professional opportunities. Assistantships are offered for a 9-10 month period during the academic year (August-May). Some positions require summer employment, which will be compensated through a separate contract and remuneration. Please see the individual position descriptions for more detailed information. Compensation for assistantships includes tuition remission (for both in-state and out-of-state students) and a monthly stipend. To view a list of current SAHE Assistantships, please view our website:

<http://sahe.colostate.edu/assistantship-decriptions.aspx>

## Transcripts:

Request one official transcript from each college or university attended to be sent to the department to which you are applying (Colorado State University transcripts are not required). Official transcripts will need to be mailed and cannot be submitted electronically (only item that cannot be submitted electronically). Please send to:

**Colorado State University  
Attention: Kathy Lucas  
School of Education, Room 209  
Fort Collins CO 80523-1588**

## Student Affairs in Higher Education Certificate:

Student Affairs in Higher Education is offering a new online certificate program. Build your skills and knowledge to design programs that help college students realize their learning and development potential through on-campus experiences with this four-course, online [Student Affairs in Higher Education Certificate](#).

## Student Affairs in Higher Education Online Master's:

The online Master's program will begin accepting application for fall 2012. The application should be available December 1<sup>st</sup> with an application due date of March 1, 2012.

