

**Monthly Update Report**  
**College of Education**  
 April-May, 2019  
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**Grant Activity, April-May**

Unit	# of Proposals	Total Budget	Credit Share
College of Education - Primary			
Pullman	2	\$19,372	\$19,372
Tri-Cities	0		
Vancouver	0		
Other Colleges - Primary			
COE Pullman	3	\$3,893,697	\$450,273
COE Tri-Cities	0		
COE Vancouver	0		
Total		\$3,913,067	\$469,645

**Development Update**

- The COE fund raising goal for FY19 is \$3,600,000
- Total year-to-date commitments = \$3,596,839
- Alumni participation rate to date is 10.6% compared to 10.7% this time last year

**In the News**

**Carolina Silva**, May graduate of the doctoral program in Cultural Studies & Social Thought in Education (CSSTE), was selected to serve as an American Educational Research Association Congressional Fellow for 2019-20. This prestigious national award offers a unique opportunity to expand perspectives on education policy making and the legislative process and will allow Carolina to contribute as a Congressional staff member. The fellowship runs September, 2019 through August, 2020 and comes with a \$70,000 stipend.

**Shameem Rakha**, Clinical Assistant Professor in Educational Leadership, was awarded the 2019 Distinguished Woman of the Year award by WSU Vancouver. Shameem works to provide equitable opportunities for everyone both on campus and in the community. She advocates and supports marginalized, underrepresented and diverse individuals with true passion.

<https://news.wsu.edu/2019/04/03/wsu-vancouver-announces-2019-distinguished-woman-awards/>

**Shameem Rakha** was the first recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Advancing Equity at WSU-Vancouver in April. The new award, introduced this year, honors a faculty or staff member for helping to infuse equity-mindedness throughout the campus and/or helping to build and maintain a safe, welcoming campus environment. <https://admin.vancouver.wsu.edu/office-chancellor/chancellors-award-advancing-equity>

**Roxanne Moore**, doctoral student in the CSSTE program, has received a \$15,000 P.E.O International Scholar Award. It is the first time that the Pullman chapter has nominated a student for this prestigious international award. Because of Roxanne's selection, the local chapter will be recognized at the P.E.O State Convention and designated as a Scholar Award Laureate Chapter.

**Courtney Benjamin**, doctoral student in CSSTE, received the Dissertation Year Fellowship with \$20,000 stipend from the WSU Graduate School.

**Joy Egbert**, Professor, Department of Teaching and Learning, received a Fulbright Specialist Award from the U.S. Department of State and spent three weeks in the Republic of North Macedonia at Saints Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje. While there, she shared her research on teaching and English, facilitated workshops, and served as a plenary speaker at the university's international English studies conference.

<https://education.wsu.edu/newsroom/inthenews/egbertfulbright/>

Doctoral students **Rachel Wong** (Educational Psychology) and **Intissar Yahia** (Language, Literacy, & Technology) took top spots, first and second respectively, in the annual GPSA Research Expo in May in the Arts and Education Sciences division.

<https://education.wsu.edu/2019/05/06/gpsaresearchexpo2019/>

**Katie Reilly**, Educational Psychology doctoral student, was awarded a 2019 GPSA Excellence Award for exemplifying excellence as a graduate assistant. She was honored at the GPSA award ceremony in April.

**Molly Kelton**, Assistant Professor of math and science education, along with Erica Offerdahl from the School of Molecular Biosciences, was awarded a \$359,000 grant from NSF entitled "REU Site: The RISE Program - Research in Interdisciplinary STEM Education". Dr. Kelton will serve as Co-PI while Dr. Offerdahl will serve as PI.

College of Education excellence awards were presented at the May all-college meeting. Recipients were: **Kristin Courtney**, faculty excellence in teaching; **Katherine Rodella**, faculty excellence in diversity; **Yuliya Ardasheva**, faculty excellence in research; **Judy Schultz**, faculty excellence in service. Staff excellence awards went to **Kelly McGovern** and **Lindsay Lightner**, and **Christine Sodorff** received a meritorious service award.

<https://education.wsu.edu/college/facultystaffawards/>

**Katherine Rodella** has been named the first recipient of the George Brain and Gay Selby Faculty Award in Educational Leadership for her work in researching the experiences of educational leaders of color in Washington.

<https://education.wsu.edu/research/projects/teachersandleadersofcolor/>