## ARCA'S CONFERENCE ALBUM!



ACA CONFERENCE & EXPO

"THE FUTURE OF

COUNSELING"

APRIL 26-29, 2018



GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

#### ARCA'S BOOTH IN THE EXPO CENTER!

Thanks to all the volunteers who manned our booth at this conference!



Pictured here is Steve Zanskas, Chair, Council on Public Relations and Awareness

#### PRECONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS



# ARCA'S 2018 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD

On Friday, April 27, 2018 the ARCA Annual Membership Meeting was held at the Omni Hotel at the CNN Center.



#### **ARCA PRESENTATIONS AT ACA CONFERENCE**

#### FRIDAY

HEAD INJURY AND
REHABILITATION:
THE NEW NORMAL
Antonio Reyes and
Michelle Bradham-Cousar

Individuals with traumatic brain injury (TBI) may represent especially difficult cases for counselors due to their unique challenges. Counselors play an essential role in supporting improved outcomes for individuals with a TBI, however, many newly trained professionals enter the field without all the needed knowledge to effectively serve individuals with TBI. poster session outlines important strategies for helping individuals with TBI to be successful in the context of school, work and post-injury adaptation.

#### **SUNDAY**

#### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCLUDING CORE STANDARDS IN CACREP PROGRAMS Cecilia Guyton, Patrick Powell

CACREP is the accrediting body for counselor training programs, both at the master's and at the doctoral levels. Until recently, counselor educators have simply needed a copy of the Standards to develop their courses and ensure that their program was in alignment with the Standards. However, with the recent notification that CACREP was merging with CORE, the accrediting body for rehabilitation counseling. counselor educators are unsure how to include CORE standards in their programs. The focus of the session is to provide an overview of the issue and make recommendations for including CORE standards in master'sdoctoral-level education and supervision programs.

#### **SATURDAY**

DISABILITY, RACE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT: ADVOCACY FOR PEOPLE
MISPERCEIVED AND MISTREATED BY POLICE
Yolanda V. Edwards, Michelle Bradham-Cousar,
Aisha Rousseau, and Henry McCarthy



This session will include a call to action highlighting: (1) best practices for the engagement of law enforcement with communities of color and people with disabilities and (2) the role professional counselors can play in practices of law enforcement. This session will center ineffective police behaviors marginalized within two communities: people of color and people with disabilities. Attendees will be encouraged to share experiences and concerns of people of color and people with disabilities.

Yolanda Edwards at the podium

#### STUDENT PRESENTATION

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Alexis Duggan and Jasmine Bryant, Florida International University

Ms. Duggan and Ms. Bryant from Florida International University presented the results of their ARCA Student Research Award-winning Assistive Technology Project. Visit this link for more information on this project: <a href="http://casenews.fiu.edu/index.php/2018/06/27/rehabilitation-counseling-students-win-big-at-the-aca-arca/">http://casenews.fiu.edu/index.php/2018/06/27/rehabilitation-counseling-students-win-big-at-the-aca-arca/</a>



#### STUDENT ACTIVITIES MEETING ON SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018



Prior to the ARCA evening reception, a "Student Activities" meeting was held.

To the left we have Dr. Henry McCarthy (standing) as he and Yolanda Edwards (to his right) speak with the students.

Shown here on the right is
Dr. Michael Hartley (tan long
sleeve shirt) speaking with
students to obtain their input
on ARCA and its future





#### ARCA'S SATURDAY EVENING RECEPTION

Pictured below are some of the students who attended this year's conference dancing the evening away



# Let the party begin!

Showing off their dance moves, from
left to right, Sonia Peterson
(Public Policy, Professional
Preparation and Standards Chair),
Michelle Bradham-Cousar
(President 2017-2018), and
Cecilia Guyton
(Treasurer 2018-2019)



Once again, Cecilia Guyton, showing her dance moves

#### **ARCA's Saturday Evening Reception**



Everyone enjoyed the opportunity to see old friends and colleagues and to make new contacts from around the country

Pictured here are two of ARCA's Past Presidents enjoying a private conversation

Shown here on the left is **Dr. David Staten** who
served from 2014-2015 with **Henry McCarthy**, who
served from 2016-2017 on
the right.



#### **ARCA Awards!**

#### 2018 President's Awards



ARCA President, Michelle Bradham-Cousar presented the ARCA Presidential Award to

Dr. Mary Huber for her service as Chair of the Council on Research and Knowledge these past three years.



Shown here at this year's ACA
Conference in Atlanta, President
Michelle Bradham-Cousar presented
Henry McCarthy, Past President for
2016-2017, with the President's
Award for his service to ARCA.

### ARCA AWARDS (CONTINUED)



Michelle Bradham-Cousar awarded **Doug Strohmer** (pictured here on the right)
with the President's Award in recognition of
his work as RCB Editor (for 17 years) and
overall Years of Service to ARCA.

Shown here on the left is Henry McCarthy who received the award on behalf of Doug Strohmer.



Shown here on the right is President-Elect Dr. Noel Ysasi accepting



the **Graduate Student of the Year Award** on
behalf of **Rigel Pinon**.
See our Summer 2018
newsletter about Rigel
and this award!





Shown here together at this year's ACA Conference in Atlanta, ARCA's Presidents from the past, the present and the future.

From left to right, Henry McCarthy,
Past President for 2017-2018; Noel
Ysasi, President-Elect for 2017-2018
and President for 2018-2019; Michael
Hartley, 2018-2019 President-Elect,
and Michelle Bradham-Cousar,
President for 2017-2018.