The Weight of the Nation: Confronting America’s Obesity Epidemic Discussion Series

Themed around the HBO series “The Weight of the Nation,” this discussion series features case studies and interviews with leading experts, families, and individuals struggling with obesity.

The first part, “Consequences” examines the scope of obesity as an epidemic, and outlines the subsequent health challenges. The second part, “Choices” talks about the meal choices available to individuals, and how those choices affect us.

Shown on four dates throughout the Fall Semester, this series will examine the political, social, economic, and health concerns related to the obesity epidemic in the United States. At the end of each session we will have an open forum discussion with experts in the field. Join us this Fall to further discuss how the choices we make in our diets can affect our lifestyles.

Phenomenal Women’s Conference (PWC) Pre-Conference Workshop Series

In preparation for the 15th Annual Phenomenal Women’s Conference scheduled for March 20, 2015, The Siegel Institute is proud to announce The Phenomenal Women’s Conference Pre-Conference Workshops.

These workshops featuring seasoned women entrepreneurs will teach us how to “Climb the Ladder of Success,” “Be Bold,” and how to get our “Positivity in Motion.”

The Fall Pre-Conference Workshops are scheduled for 9/15, 10/7, and 11/6 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the KSU Center, Room 176.

For more information concerning the Pre-Conference Workshops, their costs and registration, please view www.kennesaw.edu/siegelinstitute or contact Joann T ro dah l at jtrodahl@kennesaw.edu or 470-578-2204. We hope to see you there!
The Siegel Institute Welcomes Two New Superheroes

This Fall promises to be an exciting semester at the Siegel Institute with the recruitment of two new employees, Caitlan Shaw and Crystal Money.

Caitlan is new to the Siegel Institute from Georgia Tech. She received her Bachelor’s degree from Clemson University in 2010. She is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, and enjoys serving her community. Some of her hobbies include watching football, bowling, and playing basketball. Caitlan’s fun fact: “I am the shortest person in my family at 5’11!”

Crystal Money recently graduated with her Master’s in American Studies and the Institute’s Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Ethics from KSU. She was a GRA/GTA with the Siegel Institute from 2012 until she graduated, and is now the part-time projects manager at the Siegel Institute. Her research interests include societal values in the non-profit sector, and ethics in education.

We warmly welcome both ladies to the Siegel Institute and KSU family, and look forward to a wonderful year!

In the Spotlight

Felly Chiteng Kot, a former student in our Certificate program, has gotten a job working as an Institutional Research Analyst at Nazarbayev University, in Kazakhstan for the next three years.

He will also be spending about two months in the D R of Congo each year teaching at the University of Lubumbashi (as a visiting faculty) and implementing the leadership training workshop that he developed during two directed study courses with Dr. Johnston last year.

In addition, Gail Carlson left us in August to retire and be closer to her family. We miss her, and appreciate all the hard work she put in while with us.

We also appreciate Joann Trodahl for all her great work at the Institute, and wish her the best in her upcoming retirement.

We wish you all the very best!

The Siegel Institute Also Welcomes Two New GRAs and a Fellow!

The Siegel Institute welcomes two new GRAs this Fall Semester: Ogechukwu “Oge” Agim and Kaytie Markfort.

Oge Agim is a graduate student from Nigeria, graduating this Fall from the MPA program, and is also taking Graduate Certificate classes at the Siegel Institute.

She has been involved with several campus organizations such as the Nigerian Students Association, the Public Administration Students Association, and Golden Key Honor Society and currently volunteers with Amnesty International as a Student Activist Coordinator.

Kaytie Markfort is a second-year MSW student studying Social Work with a concentration on children and families.

She currently is interning with Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta in the Stephanie V. Blank Center for Safe and Healthy Children. She would like to continue to work with children who have been abused and have experienced trauma and is looking to continue her education as a forensic social worker.

Zolzaya “Zola” Batkhuyag is a State Department Fellow from Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, visiting through a program implemented by the International Research & Exchanges Board (IREX).

Zola has been an activist of human rights and gender equality since 2008. She is a general coordinator of the Young Women for Change NGO and has led many projects and advocacy works to raise public awareness and community building.

We welcome you ladies to the Siegel Institute, and wish you the best in all endeavors!
Siegel Institute Courses (Spring 2015)

Below is the course schedule for the Institute’s Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Ethics.

- ILEC 8810 - Foundations of Leadership
- ILEC 8900 - Special Topics in Leadership and Ethics
- ILEC 8910 - Technology and Ethics
- ILEC 8940 - Directed Study in Leadership and Ethics

The widely celebrated course, ILEC 8900: “The Leadership and Ethics of Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse” will return in Spring 2015!

Phenomenal Women’s Conference 2015

Since 2000, The Siegel Institute has been celebrating women through their annual Phenomenal Women’s Conference, where women of all backgrounds come together to exchange ideas about leadership, motivation and how to become who we want to be in the world. Calling all Phenomenal Women to join us as we explore the power of one!

Nominations for the Phenomenal Woman award are still being accepted. The Siegel Institute invites you to nominate an outstanding woman for our Annual Phenomenal Woman Award which will be presented at our 2015 PWC. An Awards Committee will review the nominations and make the selection. The awardee will be notified no later than January 15, 2015.

Please visit our website via this link to nominate your choice of a Phenomenal Woman. http://www.kennesaw.edu/siegelinstitute/pwcawardballot.shtml

Dr. Linda Johnston Attends the 16th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum

This year, the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum holds its 16th International Conference on Ethics Across the Curriculum from October 2-4 in Scottsdale, Arizona.

The conference is titled Engaging the Future Responsibly, and will be covering topics from Science and Technology, Social and Institutional Issues, to Methods of Engagement.

The Society publishes Teaching Ethics, and papers for conferences may be sent to the editors for their consideration for publication.
The Siegel Institute Ethics Scholarship was established to help support a student interested in performing research in leadership or ethics at the Siegel Institute. Please be sure to designate the Siegel Institute as the recipient of your donation. Your gift to the Siegel Institute will help a deserving graduate student.

Students can apply now for the scholarship using the online application.

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Zola presenting at the 2014 Building Understanding (BUDS) Speaker Series on Ethics and Leadership.

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