# 20th Annual Fall for Education Conference UW-La Crosse Institute for Professional Studies in Education

November 4-5, 2017

### "Mental Health and Trauma in PK-12"



Welcome to the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse!

Student Union–UW La Crosse Campus 521 East Avenue North, La Crosse WI

Free Registration is Required to attend at : uwlax.edu/pse

### Welcome!

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Hello, Everyone!

Welcome to the 20th Annual Fall for Education Conference! This year our conference theme is "Mental Health and Trauma in PK-12." This two-day event will provide you with an array of presentations directly relevant to your practice. I hope you all have a wonderful conference experience!

Best,

Dr. Pat Markos, Director, Professional Studies in Education



Never stop learning, growing, teaching!

### Saturday, November 4, 2017

7:00—8:00am Registration Bluffs, 2nd floor
7:00—8:00am Breakfast (for those who reserved meals) Bluffs, 2nd floor
8:00—8:30am Introductions—Pat Markos, Ph.D., Director of Professional
Studies in Education

8:30—10:00 am Opening Keynote: Dr. Jeffrey Kottler, California State University

10:00—10:15 am Break—Refreshments

#### 10:20 am—11:50-am Breakouts

♦ Laura Kestemberg—Take a Breath, Take a Break: A Useful Meditation Toolkit for Educators and Students

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- Cheryl Bartky—Dancing with Trauma, Helping Students Move Ahead Traumatic events impact students' bodies and brains—thus their capacity to learn. This highly experiential workshop presents a dynamic and creative paradigm for educators like you to understand and help your students suffering from trauma. By exploring core dance principles you will experience tangible tools to more enjoyably and effectively help your students (and yourself!) move ahead cognitively and emotionally.
- ♦ Alison DuBois— When Caring Hurts: Identifying Signs of Burnout and Compassion Fatigue in Education
- → Jeffrey Kottler → What Leads to Lasting Change
- 11:50—12:35pm Lunch—Processing Time

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### 12:45—2:15pm Breakouts

**Third Floor** 

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| La Crosse B3 Learning | <b>Community</b> | Presentations |
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### Sunday, November 5, 2017

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8:00—9:30am Opening Keynote: Ryan Montgomery The Bluffs, 2nd Floor

**Embrace Your Awesomeness** 

9:30—9:45am Break—Refreshments

9:45—10:55am Breakout Sessions Third Floor

- Lacie Ketelhut, Gundersen Lutheran—ACES Intro & Highlights of Trauma Informed Care Bridget Todd—Supporting Youth through a System of Care Utilizing best practices in the field of juvenile justice combined with cross system collaborations, La Crosse County created a System of Care response as an alternative to juvenile arrests in their community. This presentation will review the process utilized to analyze local data and trends; the impact of meaningful collaborations within the community; and provide an overview of the Coulee Region System of Care, a unique partnership between La Crosse County Human Services and the La Crosse School District designed to ensure youth remain in school and ready to learn through an integrated system of supports.
- ♦ Barbara Blackdeer-McKenzie—Mending Broken Hearts, one approach to community healing from intergenerational trauma

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- ♦ Greg Lovell Mindfulness for Educators Participants will gain an understanding of what mindfulness is, experience several different mindfulness practices, and explore how to apply mindfulness in schools.
- Nancy Lockett Supporting Students in Evidencing Mental "Toughness": The Evolution from Portfolios to Blogs

Addresses the necessity for students to understand the four psychological needs fo the human spirit and how to plan and accomplish them in their own lives for a more physically and mentally healthy lifetime. Will share the direct actions that students can practice to meet these psychological needs and show examples of how teachers have asked their students to collect, reflect, select and present evidence of their progress in addressing their psychological "toughness".

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12:15—1:00pm Lunch

1:05— 2:15pm Breakout Session

- **♦** Addictions
- **♦ Heather Quakenboss/Diane Diazgranados—Behavior Health Project**
- **♦ Ann Yehle—Trauma Informed Yoga**
- **Will Vanroosenbeek—LBGTQ Community Mental Health Issues**
- **♦ Tracy Stinson—Justice Circles**
- **♦ Tomah B1 Learning Community—Intergenerational Trauma**

2:15 —2:30pm Break—Refreshments

2:30—4:00 pm Closing Keynote: Kristin Soures—Fostering Resilient Learners:

Strategies for creating a trauma sensitive classroom

3:55—4:15 Send off—Prize Drawing

### Master of Education - Professional Development (ME-PD)

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