Member Spotlight - Dr. Phil Gardner

CEIA wishes to congratulate Dr. Phil Gardner, Director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute (CERI) at Michigan State University, for a recent publication award. His chapter “Flourishing in the Face of Constant Disruption: Cultivating the T-Professional or Adaptive Innovator Through WIL”, published in International Perspectives on Education and Society, Volume 32 has been selected by the editorial team as an Outstanding Author Contribution in the 2018 Emerald Literati Awards.

Read the chapter abstract and have the opportunity to download the full text. Dr. Gardner’s essay makes the “case for the adaptive innovator or T-shaped professional as the individual best suited to adapting to disruptions and constant change. Emphasis is placed on the importance of internships and co-ops as the strongest learning strategy institutions can use if they adjust their program practices for longer, continuous learning periods, and higher outcome expectations.”

Dr. Gardner’s essay is part of the important collection Volume 32 - Work-Integrated Learning in the 21st Century: Global Perspectives on the Future. Several CEIA members contributed to this piece, including Tracy Bowen and Maureen T.B. Drysdale. View the table of contents for more information.

Get Ready for Amazing!
Annual Conference in Chicago, March 31 – April 2, 2019
Make plans to attend “Experiential Learning on the Rise”, the 56th Annual CEIA Conference in Chicago, Illinois. Join your CEIA colleagues for best practices, research sharing, leadership development, networking activities, and more! Visit the conference website for all the details on this amazing program.

- **Register Today:** Please make note of the early-bird registration deadline of January 31, 2019. The early-bird rate, for CEIA members, is $485. [Click here to register.](#)
- **Program Agenda:** Our program committee had an excellent response to the Call for Proposals. There were over 90 submissions! The committee will be notifying selected presenters by December 14th. Our dynamic agenda will include keynote and plenary speakers, in-depth workshops, interactive breakout sessions, roundtable discussions, PechaKucha presentations, and speed sessions. Conference programming begins on Sunday, March 31 and runs through Tuesday evening, April 2. For more info, visit [program agenda](#).
- **The Westin Chicago River North:** Our conference hotel is right downtown on the Riverwalk with breathtaking views of the Chicago skyline. Guests are just steps away from the Windy City’s most beloved landmarks – from Michigan Avenue to “The Bean” at Millennium Park. The CEIA room rate is $199/night, plus tax (currently at 17.4%). We recommend that you make your room reservations early.
- **Things to Do:** Conference attendees can enjoy Chicago’s 26 miles of lakefront, incredible architecture, world-class cultural institutions, great shopping, restaurants, and nightlife. Your 2019 CEIA Local Arrangements Committee looks forward to hosting you. They are coordinating planned activities to help you explore this amazing city and meet with some of Chicago’s top employers.
- **Become a Sponsor:** Please consider supporting the conference as an exhibitor, sponsor, or advertiser in the program book. [Sponsorship opportunities](#) are available to give your organization greater visibility at the national conference.

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**CEIA’s Experience Magazine**
The fall issue of Experience Magazine is available on CEIA’s website! Please see below for a message from the editor—Michael J. Sharp, Ed.D., Assistant Professor, Experiential Learning and Career Education, University of Cincinnati.

Colleagues, we hope that you enjoy the new issue of Experience Magazine: Practice and Theory. As you will read in the Letter from the Editor, we are in the midst of transitioning platforms — moving from a PDF-only version to a web-based publication. The issue is open-access, meaning anyone can open the issue, read it, and download for print and sharing any articles that you choose. You can now digest the whole magazine from your mobile device as well.

Another change that we are excited about is providing advertising space and sponsorship opportunities. If you or anyone from your respective colleges, universities, or organizations would be interested in exploring the opportunity to highlight and promote your programs, please contact David Caffo.

This publication is powered by you, and we want to be sure that we are providing the best product possible. Therefore, we would very much like to get your honest feedback about this new approach. After you have reviewed the issue, please take a few minutes to complete this short (5 minutes), anonymous survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ExpMag_Next

Issue Four is already underway, but we are still seeking abstracts proposals. Please consider submitting an abstract and encourage your colleagues and networks to do the same. We are looking for articles from scholars, practitioners, employers, students, teachers, staff members, and diverse educational partners. It is very easy to get started. Just visit this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Experience_Magazine_2019

Would you like to join the Experience Magazine team? This would be a great way to build your professional portfolio and connect with some very cool people along the way. If you are interested, visit this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Experience_Team_2018-2019

Many, many thanks to the wonderful publication team, including our Associate Editors (Kathy Jordan, Paula Harper, John Hausmann, and Jennifer Sharp), our Research Director (Cheryl Cates), our Creative Director (Lisa Barlow), and our many Article Reviewers. Thank you to the web-design team for helping us through this transition, and thank you for CEIA for supporting our work.

Most importantly, a very special thank you to our writers. Your work is important, and we are honored that you choose to share it here.

Sincerely,

The Experience Magazine Team

Our Blog – ACT’s Study Released

Last year, CEIA members participated in a research study conducted by John H. Pryor for ACT’s Center for Equity and Learning. The report findings are discussed in John’s blog entry:

- Work and Learn Programs Demonstrate Long-Lasting Effects, by John H. Pryor

CEIA’s blog helps to encourage a member-driven learning community. Other recent posts to the blog include:

- A 6:00am Student Meeting?! What’s Wrong With You?!, by Zach Osborne
- CEIA’s GIVE Campaign, by David Caffo
We invite all members to contribute to the blog. Suggested length for an entry is 500 to 1,000 words. Please email your text and title to dkoeltzow@bradley.edu.

New Membership Tiers Available

After requests for more bundled membership choices, CEIA is pleased to offer 5 tiers for your memberships. The Individual Membership and Organizational Membership for up to 3 people will remain the same, however we have added new options for Organizational Memberships for 4-6 people, 7-9 people, and 10 plus.

The 2019 CEIA membership invoices were emailed in late October and early November. If you are interested in the 10 plus Organizational Membership, please contact the CEIA office for a custom, group invoice. All membership questions can be sent to CEIA’s Executive Director Peggy Harrier at info@ceiainc.org or 513-793-2342.