# TOURO COLLEGE FACULTY LEARNING STRATEGIES EXCHANGE CONFERENCE

February 12, 2017

TOURO COLLEGE

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



The first annual Touro College Faculty Learning Strategies Exchange Conference is a day-long embodiment of our institution's commitment to interdisciplinary exchange and our faculty's great capacity for collaboration. It is through the varied and impressive teaching methods and academic interests of our faculty that we are best able to showcase the impressive scope of Touro's educational offerings.

Today's faculty sessions address a multitude of pedagogical methods, including the use of comics in the classroom, engaging students with disabilities, innovations in classroom technology, and many more. As well, I'm thrilled that Dean Harry Ballan of Touro Law Center will be delivering today's keynote address, entitled "Formative Assessment in Theory in Practice." Dean Ballan will outline various strategies that many of you can utilize in your own classrooms to positively affect student achievement.

Today, I am proud to invite you to engage with one another to talk about the teaching methodologies that fuel your professional passions and your commitment to education. I hope that today's sessions will induce greater investment in our collective efforts and inspire more collaboration and synergy across the entire university system.

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Dr. Alan Kadish President Touro College & University System

## WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE PROVOST



Thank you for prioritizing time to attend Touro College's First Annual Faculty Learning Strategies Exchange Conference. The commitment of our faculty to excellence in teaching in a student-centered environment is second to none. Touro faculty have been leading the way with flipped classrooms, on-line education, and a variety of student engagement strategies designed to encourage active learning. Achieving excellence in teaching is not easy. It requires those of us in higher education who were not necessarily formally trained as classroom teachers, to study pedagogy, learning styles and effective communication and engagement techniques, and to experiment with new strategies based on the science of learning and the art of teaching to constantly hone our skills.

This conference is a wonderful example of the many ways in which Touro faculty learn from each other by sharing best practices in a collegial and welcoming forum.

Special thank you to Dr. Nadja Graff, Vice President of the Division of Graduate Studies, Dr. Marcella Bullmaster-Day, Interim Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Education, and Dr. Rima Aranha, Research Professor at the Lander Center for Educational Research who provided the leadership for this program along with Conference Planning Committee Members: Dr. Sabra Brock, Interim Dean, Graduate School of Business; Professor Tracy McGaugh Norton, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center; Dr. Elina Lampert-Shepel, Chair, Childhood Education and Special Education, Grades 1 – 6; Director, Teacher Residency Program; Dr. Rivka Molinky, Associate Dean of Students and Innovation, School of Health Sciences; Professor Jack Graves, Director of Digital Legal Education, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center; Professor Gena Bardwell, Interim Director of General Education, School of Career and Applied Studies; and Professor Hal Wicke Jr., School of Career and Applied Studies.

This conference would not be possible without the enthusiasm of some of Touro's finest faculty who volunteered to demonstrate their teaching techniques and lead discussions on strategies and ideas to best enable our students to continue to be challenged in the classroom and encouraged to continue their intellectual curiosity not just throughout their Touro education but as lifelong learners. It is the faculty who make a difference every day in the lives of our students.

I look forward to a day of stimulating conversation, observation, and learning.

Sincerely,

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Patricia E. Salkin Provost, Graduate & Professional Divisions

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#### Sunday, February 12, 2017 | 10:30am - 4:00pm Lander College for Women - The Anna Ruth and Mark Hasten School, 227 W. 60th St., New York

TIME	AGENDA	LOCATION	
10:30am	Registration	LCW Lobby, 1st Floor	
11:00am - 11:35am Introductions and Keynote		LCW Gym, Lower Level	
	Introductions: Provost Patricia Salkin, Graduate and Professional Divisions		
	Keynote: Dean Harry Ballan, Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center		
11:45am - 12:45pm	Block 1 Sessions	Classrooms, 3rd Floor	
12:45pm – 1:30pm	Lunch	LCW Gym, Lower Level	
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Block 2 Sessions	Classrooms, 3rd Floor	
2:40pm - 3:25pm	Block 3 Sessions	Classrooms, 3rd Floor	
3:35pm - 4:00pm	Closing Session	LCW Gym, Lower Level	

#### BLOCK 1 | 11:45pm - 12:45pm

Room 301: Kam Kwong - Advancing Competency-Based Practice Research: An Innovative, Experiential Pedagogical Approach

Room 302: Folusho Otuyelu - Using a Resource Deficit Activity to teach Values and Ethics in Social Work Practice

Room 303: Sankung Susso - Cloze Reading: Assessment and Vocabulary Development

Room 304: Tracy Norton & Jack Graves - Technology-Leveraged Learning for Problem-Solving Classes

Room 305: France Weill - Developing Observational Skills

Room 306: Combined Session

Shulamit Rubin -

- Collaborative Close Reading of Text
- Using the Whiteboard to "Mark-Up" Projected Text

Room 321: Combined Session

- Henry Abramson Celebrating the Death of
  PowerPoint
- Rebecca Cope Utilizing Google Forms to identify Muddiest Points

#### BLOCK 2 | 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Room 301: Joyce Addo-Atuah - Liven Up your Classroom with Team-based Learning

Room 302: Marcella Bullmaster-Day -Let the Learner do the Learning: The Role of Attention and Memory in Learning

#### Room 303: Combined Session

- Shu Jen Chen-Worley Understanding the Concept of Disability
- Ching Ching Lin Equity and Inclusion of Questioning in Classroom Community Inquiry

Room 304: Shakira Kennedy - This is Jeopardy: Where Teaching Innovation meets Learning

Room 305: Tara Casimano & Meira Orentlicher, - Engaging Students in Faculty Research Agenda

Room 306: Schindelheim Franklin - Ok! Cell Phones Away: The Dilemma of 21st Century Classroom Management

Room 321: Timothy Bellavia - Sage Doll Test

#### BLOCK 3 | 2:40pm - 3:25pm

Room 301: Mariluz Henshaw - Clinical Vignettes as a Teaching Tool in Medical Biochemistry

Room 302: Paramita Basu et al. - Interprofessional Education (IPE) Program teaches Importance of Collaborative Care

Room 303: Birgit Wolf -Introduction of Student Learning Classrooms

Room 304: Meredith Miller - The Use of "Clickers" in the Classroom

Room 305: Marlyn Press & Roslyn Haber - Comics in the College Classroom

# 2017 CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

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# KEYNOTE SPEAKER **DEAN HARRY BALLAN** TOURO LAW CENTER



#### TITLE: Formative Assessment in Theory and Practice

**ABSTRACT:** There is an increasing body of evidence to support the view that formative assessment, including unwritten formative assessment that is embedded in classroom practice, may have a greater positive impact on student achievement than any other known practice. This talk focuses on the five key strategies of classroom formative assessment, as identified by Dylan Wiliam and others, and provides concrete examples of their use in the classroom. In broad terms, the five strategies involve sharing learning outcomes, eliciting evidence of learning through classroom discussion, providing productive feedback from the teacher, learning from peers, and self-evaluation. The talk concludes with brief remarks on the evidence base and brain mechanisms that support these practices.

**BIOGRAPHY:** Harry Ballan, currently Dean and Professor of Law at Touro Law Center, attended Yale College and the Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences from which he received BA, MA, MPhil and PhD degrees in the theory and history of music. His work on the structure and mental representation of music eventually led to therapeutic and research collaborations with Oliver Sachs and others on music as a therapeutic intervention for combat soldiers with post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury. His neuroscience training is with Elkhonon Goldberg of NYU and the Luria Institute, and his research interests have focused on neuroscience, law, learning and music. He earned his JD from Columbia Law School, clerked for the Honorable Wilfred Feinberg in the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and worked at the international law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP for 25 years, sixteen as a partner. He has taught, either as an adjunct or full-time professor, for 30 years at numerous institutions in areas as diverse as hedge funds and private equity (law), cognition (brain) and musical structure (music and brain). Harry serves on numerous boards of charities, has been married for almost 30 years and has four children.

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### PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

ID #	LAST NAME/ FIRST NAME	SCHOOL/COLLEGE	TITLE	ABSTRACT
1	Abramson, Henry	Lander College of Arts and Sciences <u>abramson@touro.edu</u>	Celebrating the Death of PowerPoint	PowerPoint, as our students say, is just so twentieth century. This presentation will outline three reasons why Prezi is a vastly superior presentation technology: 1) it uses a canvas metaphor rather than slides, 2) it takes full advantage of the Internet, and 3) it encourages collaborative research and learning.
2	Miller, Meredith	Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center mmiller@tourolaw.edu	The Use of "Clickers" in the Classroom	I propose to demonstrate the use of "clickers" in the classroom. I believe "clickers" are an effective tool to keep students engaged and provide immediate and ongoing feedback.
3	Rubin, Shulamit	Judaic Studies, Lander College for Women <u>Shulamit.rubin@touro.edu</u>	Using the Whiteboard to "Mark-Up" Projected Text	Projecting onto a Whiteboard enables the instructor to highlight, underline, compare and contrast, color-code or mark-up text in other ways. Instructor will project examples of different texts and mark them up together with the "students" (faculty) to demonstrate this technique.
4	Rubin, Shulamit	Judaic Studies, Lander College for Women <u>Shulamit.rubin@touro.edu</u>	Collaborative Close Reading of Text	This technique is a strategy to help students closely read a text with an open and inquisitive mind. I use it to help students formulate questions about the Biblical text, and at the same time prove to them that they are capable of anticipating the very questions (and sometimes the answers!) of the great Bible commentaries. For purposes of this proposal "students" are fellow professors.
5	Henshaw, Mariluz	College of Osteopathic Medicine <u>mariluz.henshaw@touro.edu</u>	Clinical Vignettes as a Teaching Tool in Medical Biochemistry	We would like to demonstrate the use of clinical vignettes as an integrated instructional tool to illustrate how biochemical principles are applied in the diagnosis and management of diseases. An interactive discussion session using a clinical vignette and the five suggested questions as guide will be presented. We would like to demonstrate the use of clinical vignettes as an integrated instructional tool to illustrate how biochemical principles are applied in the diagnosis and management of diseases. An interactive discussion session using a clinical vignette and the five suggested questions as guide will be presented. We would like to demonstrate the use of clinical vignettes as an integrated instructional tool to illustrate how biochemical principles are applied in the diagnosis and management of diseases. An interactive discussion session using a clinical vignette and the five suggested questions as guide will be presented.

6	Lin, Ching Ching	Graduate School of Education <u>ching-ching.lin4@touro.edu</u>	Equity and Inclusion of Questioning in Classroom Community Inquiry	How teachers use convergent and divergent questions have implications for equity and inclusion in the classroom. Using convergent questions alone fosters a monologic undertaking in classroom community inquiry by reinforcing teacher authority at the expense of student voice and participation in decision-making. By inviting students to ask their own questions and build off their peer's questions, teachers incorporate diverse literacy practices and sociocultural considerations into the classroom and allow students to be co-decision-makers. This presentation will share ways of formulating divergent questions in classroom community inquiry.
7	Press, Marlyn Haber, Roslyn	Graduate School of Education <u>Roslyn.Haber@touro.edu</u> <u>marlyn.press2@touro.edu</u>	Comics in the College Classroom	One way of keeping students engaged in class is by incorporating comic strips. Carefully chosen comics help students understand content, visualize material, and recognize the nuances of course vocabulary.
8	Chen-Worley, Shu Jen	Graduate School of Education <u>shu.worley@touro.edu</u>	Understanding the Concept of Disability	The purpose of my demonstration is to help the audience examine their own perceptions of "disability" and understand the concept of "disability" by using a hands-on activity with the approach of inquiry learning. Critical thinking and problem-solving skills are promoted through the process.
9	Wolf, Birgit	Touro College Berlin	Introduction of Student Learning Portfolios	The tool I would introduce is a grading component in form of a student learning portfolio. I would provide a short introduction regarding training of reflection skills in higher education and would run one small exercise for fellow professors. Then I would provide an evaluation of student learning portfolios and their suitability to enhance students' reflection skills in management programs.
10	Cope, Rebecca	College of Pharmacy Rebecca.cope@touro.edu	Utilizing Google Forms to identify Muddiest Points	Google Forms is a web-based program which allows you to create and analyze survey responses. Utilizing this program in the classroom setting allows anonymous submission of responses in a free-text format which the instructor may quickly scan to identify common student misconceptions regarding the material.
11	Basu, Paramita Anthony, Esquire Warwick, Shelly Gardere, Jeffrey	College of Pharmacy paramita.basu@touro.edu esquire.anthony@touro.edu Shelly.warwick@touro.edu	Interprofessional Education (IPE) Program teaches Importance of Collaborative Care	We will be demonstrating a case based active team-learning experience, between participants from different disciplines, who bring different points of view and learn with, from and about each other's areas of expertise, while promoting peertopeer learning. This strategy/technique facilitates a learning exchange between students of two or more disciplines and strengthens their understanding of the subject matter through interdisciplinary/interprofessional collaboration.

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12	Schindelheim, Franklin	Graduate School of Education franklin.schindelheim@touro.edu	<i>Ok! Cell Phones</i> <i>Away</i> : The Dilemma of 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Classroom Management	In this workshop, the presenter offers research based strategies and interventions that have proven effective in dealing with classroom disruptions. Through his own research and the research of others, participants are offered classroom and behavioral management skills that are necessary to create safe and nurturing school environments. Research has shown that positive classroom management strategies foster positive learning outcomes. Dr. Franklin Schindelheim offers strategies and interventions to today's educator. The workshop begins with the causes of disruptions in classrooms. Several factors have contributed to the challenge of maintaining classroom control and focus, most notably technological advances that are contributing to diminishing attention span of students. In this hands-on and interactive workshop, the presenter offers strategies and interventions to today's educators to help them deal with motivating their students.
13	Bullmaster-Day, Marcella	Graduate School of Education marcella.bullmaster-day@touro.edu	Let the Learner do the Learning: The Role of Attention and Memory in Learning	In this interactive one-hour session we will explore the fascinating and fragile role of attention in relation to memory and academic learning, and we'll examine several research-based learning strategies that make academic course material stick.
14	Bellavia, Timothy	Graduate School of Education timothy.bellavia@touro.edu	Sage Doll Test	This is an interactive, project based presentation and case study—a doll -making project that helps students focus on self -perceptions in relation to race, gender, religion, creed, orientations, socio-economic status, etc.
15	Kwong, Kam	Graduate School of Social Work <u>kam.kwong@touro.edu</u>	Advancing Competency- Based Practice Research: An Innovative, Experiential Pedagogical Approach	This interactive session will engage fellow professors and instructors to be familiar with a range of class and field activities including case studies, storytelling, field surveys and interviews, and critical reflection activities, as part of two-semester social work research courses, designed to increase graduate level social work students' competencies of practice research. Specifically, these activities include: (1) formulating a practice-based research topic – a case study; (2) using assessment templates for critical evaluation of published research; (3) single subject research – a tool for evaluation of clinical practice; (4) agency research capacity field assessment; (5) design and implementation of

				a practice-focused class study project; and (6) class activity on presentation and dissemination of research findings.
16	Norton, Tracy Graves, Jack	Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center <u>tnorton@tourolaw.edu</u> <u>jgraves@tourolaw.edu</u>	Technology- Leveraged Learning for Problem-Solving Classes	We will present two techniques to prepare students for problem-solving or concept application classes, which aid students far better than lectures in understanding course concepts. The first technique is the use of short lecture videos student view to prepare for class so that class sessions are used for applying concepts. The second technique is the use of the Socrative app for formative assessment to reinforce concepts in video lectures immediately prior to problem solving in class.
17	Weill, France	School of Health Sciences	Developing Observational Skills	The following exercise is used with students in the Autism class throughout the semester for developing observation skills, categorizing them in increasingly complex categories and developing relevant therapeutic goals. It will be demonstrated in a similar fashion with faculty participants. The students observe video-taped interaction between a child and a parent, at least 3 times during the semester. They categorize the observations, and discuss them in an open forum during class. The categories become more complex as they acquire more theoretical knowledge. The students suggest strengths and weaknesses and potential therapeutic goals.
18	Casimano, Tara Orentlicher, Meira	School of Health Sciences tara.casimano@touro.edu meira.orentlicher@touro.edu	Engaging Students in Faculty Research Agenda	In this session we will demonstrate the strategies used in the occupational therapy department to expose to and engage students in clinical research. Specifically, we will demonstrate the process and the step-by-step program in which faculty members develop their own research agendas, select learning activities, exercises, and research strategies that engage students in clinical research, teach them required research and scholarship skills, and enhance their motivation to conduct and consume research as future practitioners.
19	Susso, Sankung	Graduate School of Education <u>Sankung.Susso@touro.edu</u>	Cloze Reading: Assessment and Vocabulary Development	Cloze reading is an assessment strategy often employed by teachers to identify student vocabulary development. With cloze readings, students are forced to interact with text closely, paying attention to details that may offer clues as to how to complete sentences. In this exercise, I would like to offer an example of how to engage 9 and 10 grade students in an English Language Arts (ELA) class. In my classes, I often offer my candidates specific strategies that they can employ in their classroom practice so as to make their graduate coursework relevant to their teaching practice. This pre-unit assessment is one such example and I would like to share it with my colleagues with the hope of obtaining feedback on how to make the lesson better.

20	Otuyelu, Folusho	Graduate School of Social Work <u>folusho.otuyelu@touro.edu</u>	Using a Resource Deficit Activity to teach Values and Ethics in Social Work Practice	The purpose of this interactive workshop is to provide the audience with an innovative way of utilizing group activities to deliver curriculum content. The audience will be broken into groups of 6-8 members and provided with a list consisting of 10 social work clients in need of housing. There is significant information about each client on the list that makes each "deserving" and "questionable" regarding obtaining the limited housing unit. Each group has to come to a consensus on who is "deserving" of the limited housing units. The groups will be instructed to base their reasoning and decision making process on social work values and ethics. The end purpose of the activity and the workshop is to allow the audience to see how personal values and ethics sometimes unconsciously influence our decision making in social work practice. A second lesson for the audience is the importance of working collaboratively and understanding multiple competing agendas that often arises when there are resource deficits. Finally, the audience will be able to apply this activity when appropriate in their curriculum and courses so students can experience in vivo decision-making process in social work practice, ethics and social justice.
21	Kennedy, Shakira	Graduate School of Social Work <u>shakira.kennedy@touro.edu</u>	This is Jeopardy: Where Teaching Innovation meets Learning	This workshop with demonstrate how the nationally recognized game Jeopardy can be used as a tool for engaging students, closing the culture gap, building self-confidence, enhancing problem solving, and increasing communication and cooperation. Incorporating games as a part of any teaching pedagogy can be effective for student problem solving and demonstrating key concepts. According to Fuscard (2001), games can be used to build student confidence and reduce the gap between quicker and slower learners.
22	Addo-Atuah, Joyce	College of Pharmacy joyce.addo-atuah@touro.edu	Liven Up your Classroom with Team-based Learning	This session will demonstrate a Team-based Learning (TBL) class session, a proven teaching technique which promotes peer-peer engagement, critical thinking and analytical skills, and an overall enjoyable learning experience for students.

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Henry Abramson, Ph.D. serves as Dean at the mighty Avenue J campus of Touro College. He has authored six books on Jewish history and thought, and prides himself on being the only person ever to be published by both Harvard University and Feldheim Publishers. He has held post-doctoral and visiting appointments at Cornell, Harvard, Oxford and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and his mother wrote his Twitter bio. Not really, he made up that last part.

Joyce Addo-Atuah, Ph.D. is currently an Associate Professor of Social/Behavioral/Administrative Sciences at the Touro College of Pharmacy, New York (TCOP). She had her pharmacy training in Ghana and the United Kingdom and a Ph.D. degree in Health Outcomes and Policy Research from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, TN. Her teaching and research areas of interest center on public health and healthcare systems/policies locally and globally, as well as access to and outcomes of healthcare for various population groups. Dr. Addo-Atuah is passionate about teaching; she believes it is her calling and routinely uses active learning techniques to engage her students for better learning outcomes. She has been using team-based learning (TBL) since 2010 in her courses and students have rated it highly for its learning effectiveness. TBL is an instructional strategy originally developed in business education but has now been used in a wide range of disciplines including those in health.

**M. Esquire Anthony**, DO is an osteopathic medical school graduate of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences formerly known as the Oklahoma College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. He completed a rotating internship at Wyckoff Heights Hospital in Brooklyn, N.Y., under the tutelage of the late Sheldon Sirota, DO. After concluding residency at Mt. Sinai's St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital, he gained Pharma industry experience and knowledge in medical & scientific communications, as a Director of Medical Affairs and CME. Currently a faculty member in the Primary Care Department, he assists with the institution's mission of educating and training future physicians to address the challenges of adequate healthcare for minorities and the underserved by teaching courses in: The Introduction to Cultural Competency in Healthcare, The Early Clinical Experience-Introduction to Doctoring I/II, Physical Diagnosis I/II and Medical Simulation.

**Paramita Basu**, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor in the department of Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences at Touro College of Pharmacy. In her current academic position and her past experience as a research scientist in the diagnostic industry, she has acquired extensive college teaching and scientific research experience in the biotechnology industry. As faculty, she has been involved in teaching, coordination and design of graduate level courses in Biomedical Sciences, and as Chair of the Curriculum Committee, with curricular planning, development, and assessment. Her professional interests are focused on student development, ability-based education, enhancing active and collaborative learning, improving student motivation, and betterment of instructional methodologies and curricular models. Her research activities include studying antimicrobial resistance mechanisms, host-pathogen interactions, and stress resistance in prokaryotes. In addition, her 10+ years' experience in research in academia and in the diagnostics industry supports her interest in bioassay design and development.

**Timothy Bellavia**, M.F.A. was born in 1971. He is best known for his education research through his We Are All The Same Inside<sup>®</sup> children's book series and accompanying Sage doll. Sage is also the basis for a series of doll-making workshops first launched at United Nation's International Day for Tolerance (2003) -

this presentation led to a multi-year contract with the City of New York and New York City Department of Education in 2006. His accomplishments include collaborations with Sesame Workshop, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture Fellowship Grant and Lambda Award nomination for Outstanding Memoir in 2009. Timothy is currently an Assistant Professor of the Graduate School of Education at Touro College in New York City. Recently, Timothy was awarded "Outstanding Educator of the Year" at the Harvard Club of New York, and is the recipient of the Smithsonian Affiliate FCCA Space Grant.

**Marcella L. Bullmaster-Day**, Ed.D. is the Interim Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Touro Graduate School of Education. She has worked as a teacher, school principal, researcher, university professor, corporate executive, curriculum and program designer, and professional development consultant in urban educational contexts for over three decades. Dr. Bullmaster-Day holds a doctorate in Curriculum and Teaching from Teachers College, Columbia University.

**Suzannah Callaghan**, LCSW-R is a licensed clinical social worker who provides psychotherapy to students at Touro College of Pharmacy and to clients in a private practice. She offers a mix of cognitive behavioral and relational/psychodynamic psychotherapy in working with clients to address issues of anxiety, depression, poor concentration, issues of work/school – life balance; and supports clients in working through life stressors. After completing a Master's degree in Social Work from Columbia University School of Social Work, Ms. Callaghan completed post-master's trainings in Gestalt Therapy, Developmental Somatic Psychotherapy, Sex Therapy, and EMDR.

**Tara Casimano**, Ph.D., OT/L is an occupational therapist practicing for over 25 years. She holds the title of Associate Director and Assistant Professor in the School of Health Sciences' Occupational Therapy (OT) Department. She has worked at Touro College for the last 18 years. She currently teaches clinical reasoning and the research course series in the entry level Masters OT program. Her research interests include: health and wellness, the development of spirituality in children with learning and emotional challenges, and the application of social media in higher educational settings. Current research focus is exploring ways to use social media to improve learning activities with occupational therapy students, specifically to help bridge the gap between traditional/didactic learning activities and clinical applications.

**Shu Jen Chen-Worley**, Ph.D. has been a teacher, professor, scholar, and researcher in Children with Special Needs for years. Currently, she is teaching education/special education at the Touro College Graduate School of Education. She received her Ph.D. in Applied Behavioral Studies in Special Education from Oklahoma State University and her Master's degree in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) from Arizona State University. She is the author of Educating Inclusively: Assessment and Instructional Strategies. The book reexamines the concepts of assessment and instruction and highlights effective inclusion practice with the "difference" model. She has published articles in Idiom NYTESOL, International Journal of Critical Inquiry in Language Studies, etc. She is also an Editorial Review Board member for CITE and a reviewer for other journals (Elsevier). She has presented many papers in peer-refereed conferences (AERA, NERA, etc.). Last but not least, she is a Pearson edTPA scorer for Special Education K-12.

**Rebecca Cope**, PharmD, BCACP is an Assistant Professor in the Pharmacy Practice Department at Touro College of Pharmacy in New York, NY. She earned her PharmD from Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in 2013. She served as the Chief Pharmacy Resident during her PGY-1 residency training at The Brooklyn Hospital in Brooklyn, NY before going on to complete a PGY-2 residency in global health and underserved care through the University of Pittsburgh/UPMC in Pittsburgh, PA. She accepted her

current position in 2015 and obtained board certification in ambulatory care in 2016. Her practice expertise includes primary care in limited resource settings, and she maintains a clinical practice in the Family Medicine Clinic and HIV Primary Care Center at The Brooklyn Hospital. Her research focus has been on exploring health disparities, Hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS, and the pharmacist's role in the interdisciplinary team.

Jeff Gardere, Ph.D. is one of the most widely sought-after experts in the field of mental health. In addition to having a private practice in Manhattan, he is an Assistant Professor and Course Director of Behavioral Medicine at Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine in New York City. Dr. Jeff Gardere, better known as "America's Psychologist", is also a prolific author of four books, a contributing author of a half-dozen books, and a television and radio commentator.

Jack Graves, J.D. is a faculty member at Touro Law Center, where he teaches Contracts, Business Law, Arbitration, and Digital Lawyering (technology-leveraged legal service delivery). Graves writes on commercial law and arbitration, including his recent book, LEARNING CONTRACTS (West 2014), an innovative first-year teaching text that abandons the traditional law school casebook method in favor of individual lessons containing learning objectives, explanations, examples, and problems in support of a flipped classroom approach. Graves also serves as Director of Digital Legal Education at Touro, leading initiatives to add online offerings of traditional law courses, as well as innovative new courses in "digital lawyering." He has most recently turned his textbook on International Sales Law & Arbitration into an interactive online course for fully asynchronous delivery. Graves brings a multi-dimensional perspective to his work, with a unique blend of experiences in business management, commercial and corporate law practice, and legal education.

**Roslyn A. Haber**, Ed.D. is an Associate Professor in the Graduate School of Education at Touro College. She has been at Touro for the past fourteen years working in the M.S. in Education & Special Education program teaching courses in Assessment, Bilingual Studies, Parenting, and Literacy in addition to supervising Practicum students. Her field experience includes thirty-five years with the NYS Department of Education working on assessment teams and teaching. She has also taught at Fordham and Adelphi Universities. Due to her interest in Literacy and Special Education, she has lectured in Europe and Asia at schools, treatment centers, and hospitals. Currently, she is working on a pairing project with a Literacy course and Pre-Schools of America whereby students are paired with a child and work on developing early literacy skills.

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