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ACCOLADES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Kate Hojnacki Named Finalist in Teaching Fellowship

Kate Hojnacki was recently named a finalist in the [KSTF](#) teaching fellowship. Over the past weekend, she participated in the final interviews for selection that took place in Philadelphia. Fellowship decisions will be released in the near future, but this honor alone is a great achievement.

Congratulations Kate!



Martha Escobar's Work Funded by the NSF

Martha Escobar, associate professor of psychology, recently had her work once again funded by [National Science Foundation](#). Martha's Co-PI at OU is Mark Olson from the Department of Teacher Development and Educational Studies. The title of the

funded grant is, *Building Unique Inventions to Launch Discoveries, Engagement and Reasoning in STEM*, under NSF's ITEST program (2017-20). The award totals \$1.2 million and will support a summer STEM academy in the Alabama Black Belt; inviting talented high school students to explore STEM problems with the goal of increasing the likelihood of pursuing STEM careers after graduation.

Congratulations to Martha!

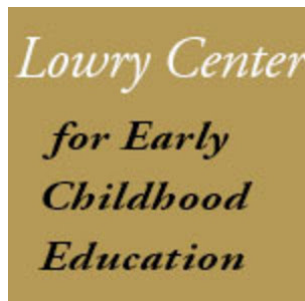


IN THE NEWS

Lowry Hosts Kindergarten Readiness Workshop

On Thursday, March 9, Lowry hosted a kindergarten readiness workshop. Megan Lucy Yax, a kindergarten teacher, conducted a discussion that focused on helping children feel confident as they begin their kindergarten year.

Many of children's early childhood experiences, both at home and at school, help them prepare for the faster-paced kindergarten schedule. Following a routine, developing self-help skills, following directions, engaging in reading and writing activities, and learning to interact with peers are important experiences for young children. In the early childhood field, the conversation balances between getting children ready for school and making sure schools are ready for children.



UPCOMING EVENTS

"Night School" Film Screening - March 24, 2017

Andrew Cohn's most recent film, "Night School", will be screened in the Human Health Building, room 1050 on Friday, March 24 at 5 p.m.

View the [flyer](#) or contact [Eileen Johnson](#) for more information.

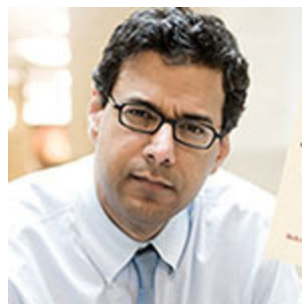


"Being Mortal" Documentary Screening - March 25, 2017

Saturday, March 25, from 9:30-11:30 a.m., the PBS Frontline documentary "[Being Mortal](#)" will be screened in the Oakland Center (Gold Room) along with a panel discussion.

The documentary details the complex nature of end-of-life conversations medical doctors have with their patients.

This event is free and open to the public. View the [article](#) for additional information.



CELEBRATIONS



If you do not wish to have your birthday included, contact James Silvestri at jmsilves@oakland.edu

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