Thank you for your interest in the SAHE Graduate Program at Colorado State University (CSU)! We would like to keep you up-to-date on the SAHE program by sending you our monthly eNewsletters. Be on the lookout for future issues, which will include more on cohorts, selection, placement, practica and more!

STUDENT PROFILE: Emma Hart, Class of 2014

Hi! My name is Emma Hart. I am a first year in the SAHE program here at CSU and I work as an Assistant Residence Director in Corbett Hall. I am originally from just outside of London, England but I graduated in May from Park University, a small, private school in Kansas City, MO, where I spent several years as a student-athlete. Before arriving in Fort Collins in July I was concerned about adjusting to being at a large, state institution, but SAHE, residence life, and the whole campus community are so incredibly welcoming that I felt instantly at home here. My assistantship affords me so many opportunities to work with students in different capacities, such as being a conduct officer and supervising a staff of 11 RAs. I’ve loved being able to apply the theory that I’m learning in the classroom to my work with students. Some days it feels like there’s a light bulb going off, and I can’t express how incredibly rewarding it is. SAHE doesn’t just end at your assistantship or in the classroom. There are loads of opportunities to get involved with both first and second year cohorts through the groups and organizations. I’m a member of the Journal Board, which is giving me the really unique opportunity to help edit and publish the Journal of Student Affairs. Next year I’m hoping to go abroad for a practicum experience to really help expand my practical competencies outside of residence life. Fort Collins truly is a phenomenal place to live, and I am continually learning that it’s always a great day to be a Ram!

FACULTY PROFILE: Kyle Oldham

I am from Cincinnati, Ohio where my family still resides. I pursued an undergraduate degree in Speech Communications with a minor in Chemistry from Baldwin-Wallace College (now Univeristy). My Master’s Degree is from the SAHE program at Colorado State University and I completed my EdD in Social Justice Education from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. I currently work as an Assistant Director of Residence Life for Student Leadership. In the SAHE Program I currently advise SAHE students and co-teach the portfolio course. In my free time, I enjoy conversations about social constructions within the state of our society, social justice implications within comic books, watching movies and playing card games.
SAHE Practica!

Over the course of the two year program, SAHE students are required to complete 2 practica, which are 60-hour experiences selected to broaden practical knowledge and expose students to other areas of interest beyond their assistantships. Students choose to do a practicum at various points in the year, whether during a semester or over the summer. Though some students choose to complete a practicum here at CSU, others travel across the country - and even abroad - to gain experiences that will help them in their practice.

Jenna Swartz, Class of 2013—Franklin College, Switzerland

I travelled to Lugano, Switzerland this past summer to observe at Franklin College within their Department of Student Life. While at Franklin, I worked on various different projects with a SAHE alum, Kyle Carpenter such as assessment on first year leadership programs, creating a syllabus for a service learning trip in Poland, and working on the residence life RA summer training. This experience was a once and a lifetime opportunity and I am grateful that not only did I get to experience a university internationally, I also was able to travel around Europe and immerse myself in different cultures.

Jose Pena, Class of 2013—Nova Southeastern University, Florida

This summer I worked with summer camp conferences and worked with the marketing department to develop a new recruitment plan and advertisement brochure to attract more summer camps for the upcoming years. I also helped co-supervise a staff of 24 students who worked over summer as RA’s. Being in Miami offered me a good perspective of what student affairs is like there. I enjoyed seeing how different a private institution is compared to a public student affairs department.

Long Wu, Class of 2013—Rio Hondo Community College, Whittier CA

What’s up everyone? My name is Long Wu, a second-year SAHE student. This summer, I had the opportunity to live and work in sunny southern California. I completed a summer at Rio Hondo Community College located in Whittier, CA. I had the honor of working with the student government and helped them developed constitutional by-laws that were to be voted in the upcoming year. It was a privileged to be surrounded by so many first generation college students and their motivation to succeed reaffirmed my mission in higher education. The experience was filled with driving in the infamous LA traffic, learning, and building relationships with amazing students and tireless professionals. The Pacific Ocean and weather were not too shabby either. Quoting a good member from Rio Hondo, "take good care."

Melissa Williams, Class of 2013—Hilo, Hawaii and Costa Rica

This summer I was given the chance to work for 3 weeks at the University of Hawaii at Hilo in the residence life department working with a scholarship bridge program. I also went to Costa Rica for three weeks as a Trip Director for a community service teen tour, where I supervised two staff and was ultimately responsible for the care of 21 14-15 year olds as we explored the country and did community service along the way. Both were great experiences that heightened my ability to think globally and culturally. I was able to learn about myself as were my students may be coming from and was able to see far beyond the classroom in these experiences. My travels gave me both sides of the socio-economic spectrum from working with scholarship students to highly privileged teens I was able to see the similarities and differences in these areas for students first hand in a drastic contrast. I will always look back happy on the summer of 2012 it was an amazing journey!
International Student Affairs in Higher Education (iSAHE) is an organization that provides resources for students in the Student Affairs and Higher Education Master’s program who are passionate about international education. iSAHE supports students interested in working with diverse student populations, traveling abroad to learn about international education, or looking to benefit from professional development opportunities in the area of international education. Past iSAHE international excursions have included trips to Vancouver and Toronto to visit several higher education institutions. In collaboration with the SAHE Program, iSAHE has the ability to allocate travel grants to students pursuing international internships and practica in locations such as Switzerland, England, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago, China, and with Semester at Sea.

**Opportunities for Involvement include**

* Dialoguing current global happenings in education
* Sharing articles and literature regarding the advancement of student affairs and services worldwide
* Joining and engaging in local activities which promote the internationalization of our community and university

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**SAHE Photos**

August at a Rockies Game 13’ & 14’ Cohorts

SAHE 13’ at Graduation in May 2012

12’ & 13’ at the Rocky Mountain Showdown!

**Come join the fun!**

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