
Center for **ARTS IN MEDICINE**

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA / COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Annual Report, 2013-14

1. Mission and Areas of Focus

The University of Florida Center for the Arts in Medicine is committed to advancing research, education and practice in the arts in healthcare, locally and globally. The Center undertakes work in three primary areas of focus: education and training, research, and outreach.

2. Activities and Accomplishments

Teaching and Training

- Undergraduate programs
 - Arts in Healthcare Certificate- completed by two students
 - Dance in Healthcare Certificate – completed by four students
 - Study Abroad: *The Arts for Health, Peace and Community Engagement in Northern Ireland*
- Graduate programs
 - MA approved
 - *Graduate Certificate in Arts in Medicine* completed by six students
- Training programs
 - Hosted the *Dance for PD* training program with the Mark Morris Dance Group, June 2014
 - Ran a successful *Arts in Healthcare Summer Intensive* program with 39 students
 - Ran a successful *Using the Arts for Resiliency in Rural Communities* training in partnership with UF IFAS and Franklin’s Promise
 - Launched the Professional Development Residency Program and ran two successful residencies
- Service Learning
 - Ran a successful service-learning program in Franklin County, FL, including a team of 14 students, faculty and professional artists
- Internship program - the Center supported ten interns in 2013-14
- Other educational activities
 - Jill Sonke ran a training programs in Kampala, Uganda in partnership with Makerere University

Research

- *Dance for Life: Assessing the Effects of Dance on Motor and Non–Motor Function in Parkinson’s Disease* (data collection ongoing)
- *The Gift of Art and its Effect on the Medical-Surgical Work Environment* (complete and in publication)
- *Arts in Public Health in Uganda* (3 studies funded, data collection complete, analysis in process)

- *Theatre for Health Literacy* study in Franklin County (data analysis in process)
- *Music in Emergency and Trauma Care* (phase one complete, phase two funded)
- University Scholars - Center faculty mentored three undergraduate USP students

Outreach

- *Dance for Life* – 3x/weekly dance classes for people with Parkinson’s Disease
- *Sing for Life* – weekly singing classes for people with Parkinson’s disease
- *Arts in Healthcare for Rural Communities* – expanded partnerships to include UF IFAS
- Alachua Regional Juvenile Detention Center – ongoing weekly programming
- Alz Place – ongoing weekly programming facilitated by CAM undergrad certificate students
- The ARC - ongoing weekly programming facilitated by CAM undergrad certificate students
- Alachua Academy – implemented residency program

3. Future Goals

- Reach enrollment capacity of 30 students/year in the MA in Arts in Medicine
- Establish an assistantship program for second year MA students
- Explore Graduate Certificate in Arts in Public Health markets and reach 25 in enrollments
- Complete *Dance for Life* study
- Complete *Arts in Public Health in Uganda* studies
- Successfully establish a telehealth art therapy program in partnership with the VA

4. Advisory Board

We added three new members to the Advisory Board, which meets annually to review Center activities and strategic priorities. We undertook a strategic planning process with guidance and participation by Advisory Board representatives. Current board members are: Tina Mullen, Dr. Leo Villalon, Dr. Charles Levy, Dr. Don McGlothlin, Dr. Sarah McKune, Dr. Ronald Shorr, Dr. Irene Estores.