Katie Barkley graduated with a Bachelor's degree in psychology from St. Xavier University in Chicago. She worked for a non-profit youth agency for a short time and decided to further her education to better serve them. She is currently in the Children, Youth, and Family track with a school endorsement. She is doing her practicum with Williamson County Education Services and providing counseling services to kids in a school setting. One of the best things about a school setting is having access to all kids and potentially having a positive impact on a student that is unable to receive other services in the community. She would love to see a shift in the school system to a more trauma-informed model. All would benefit if more educators and other school personnel had a trauma mentality; specifically, to move the focus from “What is wrong with them?” to “What happened to them and how can we help?” She believes this would make a massive change in the lives of students personally and academically. She very much, want to be a part of that change.
Whitney Berman is from the northwest suburbs of Chicago, Buffalo Grove, Illinois. She received her bachelor of science degree in social work with two minors in criminal justice and psychology graduating Cum Laude in May 2016. During her last semester of her undergraduate career she acted as a Youth Development Specialist at the Boy's and Girl's Club of Carbondale.

She is currently pursuing her masters degree in social work in the advance standing program in the child, youth and family track. She is continuing her field placement at the Boy's and Girl's Club of Carbondale as a counselor in-residence for the duration of the year. She works with members ranging from ages 6-18 on topics of bullying, suicidal ideation and depression, sexual victimization, PTSD and bereavement to name a few. Her personal interest for the future is to obtain her PH.d in social work and earn her LCSW working with at-risk adolescents.
Madeline Bicknell

Madeline Bicknell is in her second year of the Masters of Social Work program at SIU. She obtained her Bachelors degree in Psychology at Eastern Illinois University in May of 2015 and was involved in Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Psychology Honor Society, Psi Chi.

During the first year of school at SIU, she interned at Carruthers Elementary School. She is currently interning in the behavioral medicine department at the Marion Veterans Affairs Medical Center and at Egyptian Mental Health Department.

Madeline is excited about the knowledge she will gain from the fellowship. Upon graduation, she plans on becoming a Licensed Clinical Social Worker.
Savannah Bullock graduated from Southern Illinois University with her Bachelors in Social Work in May of 2016. She is from the small town of Sesser, Illinois. She is in the MSW Advanced Standing Program with an emphasis in Children, Youth and Family Services. She is doing her internship with Children’s Home and Aid for the Adoption Preservation Program. In the future, she hopes to continue working with children as a social worker in different agencies with a greater knowledge of trauma through the Trauma-Based Fellowship training.
Stephanie Bunch

Stephanie Bunch is from Springfield IL, she graduated from Southern Illinois University Carbondale with her Bachelor of Social Work degree and Minor in Psychology December 2015. During her undergraduate years she was involved in a few community service projects that dealt with helping children. Her undergraduate internship was at Herrin Elementary School and this is where her motivation to help children came from. Currently Stephanie is enrolled in the MSW Advanced Standing Program at SIU. She is expected to graduate May 2017 with her Master's degree. Stephanie is currently doing her internship at CenterStone, counseling children in the school system and also in their home environment. After completion of the Trauma Fellowship and SIU's Master's program, her goal is to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker helping children and at-risk adolescents.
Alana Campbell is a trained Student Affairs professional who identifies as a first generation, minority and international student. She received both her Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work (BSW) and her Master of Science in Education (M.S.Ed) from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale (SIUC). Alana anticipates that she will earn a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree with a Mental Health concentration in May 2017. Alana hopes to combine both her MSW and M.S.Ed degrees to work with all students of diverse backgrounds. Alana believes that regardless of the specific roles, social workers have the opportunity to support students’ academic and personal growth during the critical college phase of their lives. Additionally, social workers have the benefit of collaborating with a network of people from other professions and disciplines. The range of responsibilities in which social workers operate can also provide the opportunity for involvement in program planning, development and evaluation. This is why Alana plans to combine her degree knowledge to support and further assist in the navigation of the student’s everyday life.

Alana’s previous roles included being an Academic Advisor Intern and Graduate Teaching Assistant for the College of Education and Human Services at SIUC. During her time in this role, Alana assumed the responsibility for educating students on the steps necessary to complete certificate and degree program requirements through degree planning. She also assisted with several aspects of retention for the College of Education and Human Services. Her retention efforts include academic counseling, class performance checks, regular progress follow-up, and assisting in assessing, planning and the implementation of student long-range academic goals. As an Academic Advisor Intern, Alana also review confidential academic transcripts and
evaluations; recommended appropriate coursework to meet the student’s academic goals, and assisted with the registration of students in required program courses. In addition to her experiences as both an Academic Advisor Intern and Graduate Teaching Assistant, Alana was able to cross train with SIUC’s University Housing and Residence Life department and their Graduate and Family Services unit. By serving in this capacity, she gained experience with the management of all administrative functions associated with both undergraduate and graduate housing.

Alana currently continues in her role as a Teaching Assistant for the College of Education and Human Services while also serving as an Intern for The Counselor in Residence (CIR) program (a collaboration between Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and University Housing at SIUC). Within her role as a teaching assistant, Alana educates undergraduate future teachers on understanding and incorporating diversity in K-12 settings. Alana’s mission is to empower students to increase their self-esteem, communication, problem solving and self-advocacy skills in order to meet life's challenges. It is her goal to enhance the educational experience of all her clientele, by promoting lifelong learning and development in the areas of social emotional intelligence and interpersonal relationships.

As an Intern for the CIR program Alana provides students, within the residence halls, support and access to mental health services that will assist with improving retention, matriculation, and the completion of a degree. Alana provides a comprehensive array of mental health services to assess, prevent, treat, and resolve mental health issues for students in the SIUC community. More specifically, she promotes the personal well-being and academic success of students by providing comprehensive individual and group mental health services, psycho-educational prevention, and outreach programming. Alana does this by fostering a community as a nurturing environment through support, advocacy, and education/training while enhancing the academic quality of life by supporting the emotional, relational, and intellectual development of the students at SIUC.
Donald Chamberlain’s academic career began at John A. Logan College in 2008. He transferred to SIU in 2010 and in 2012 received his B.S. in Speech Communication Specializing in Interpersonal Communication. He then enrolled in the M.S.W. program at Jackson State University in Jackson, MS. In 2015 Donald returned to SIU to enroll in the MSW program. Since beginning his academic career he has worked and volunteered with children, adolescents, and families in the health and mental health field. He has interned with Mississippi Families for Kids, and SIU Counseling & Psychological Services. He received a significant level of clinical counseling experience there.

He belongs to various professional organizations including Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Golden Key International Honour Society, Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society. Donald plans to work within the Mental health field as a clinician. He plans to obtain a private practice after receiving his L.C.S.W. He desires to work within African American communities as a trauma informed clinician to help tear down barriers of stigma and increase education of mental health illnesses.
Taylor Daugherty

Taylor Daugherty is originally from Western Kentucky and currently an advanced standing student in the school of Social Work at SIU-C. She obtained her Bachelors of Social Work in 2012 at Murray State University. While earning her Bachelors, Taylor worked with the Long-Term Care Ombudsman of Western Kentucky and continued to volunteer with the Ombudsman for two years. She also worked in Case Management for two years before deciding to pursue a Masters degree. Taylor started Graduate School in the Behavior Analysis and Therapy program but decided to transfer to the Social Work program and would finish BAT at a later time. In her free time, she spends time with her two shihtzus and painting acrylic landscapes. As a fellow in the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship, Taylor would like to enhance her knowledge of how trauma and behavior correlate. She would like to use the skills learned in the fellowship to earn a position working with and advocating for people who have experienced trauma.
Bailey Debus

Bailey Debus received her Bachelor's degree in 2010 from Eastern Illinois University. She then work for the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to aid high-risk and/or minority student to understand the college-going process through mentoring and community outreach. Bailey is originally from the Chicago-land area and moved to southern Illinois in 2014. In the future Bailey wants to work with children in the school setting and be able to utilize the Trauma Based Behavioral Fellowship to better aid students that she sees that have experienced trauma in their lives.
Patrice Hilliard

Patrice Hilliard is an advance standing social work student in the child, youth, and family track. Patrice is from the west suburbs of Chicago, she graduated from southern Illinois university with her bachelors in social work and minor in sociology in December of 2015. During her last semester of undergrad Patrice interned at the Carbondale Police station with the victim advocacy services. Patrice is currently interning at Brehm preparatory school where she provides social, emotional and psychological support for students with learning differences. Patrice is set to graduate in May of 2017 with her masters in social work and wants to continue to get her LCSW while going into her field as a clinical social worker.
Corinne Kleiboeker

Corinne Kleiboeker is from the small town of Shattuc, IL, near Centralia. Corinne received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology in 2013 from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Corinne is currently in her second year in the Masters of Social Work program, emphasizing in health and mental health, and will graduate May 2017. She has had a passion for mental health and helping others for many years. Her past experience in the field includes a position at Hoyleton Children's Home in Hoyleton and an internship at Community Resource Center in Centralia. Corinne's current internship is at Perry County Counseling Center. Corinne is excited about the opportunity to be a part of the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship and plans on using the knowledge she gains in her future as a social worker.
Rhonda Kosmicki

Rhonda graduated in 2014 with her Bachelors of Science in psychology from Southern Illinois University- Carbondale. She is in her last year of the Master’s in Social Work program with a focus in health and mental health. She is interning at Caritas Family Solutions where she is enjoying learning about counseling and being part of counseling sessions.

Rhonda is from Waukegan Il, and moved to the St. Louis suburb of Florissant at the age of nine. Since graduating from high school she has lived in Denver, Omaha, and Atlanta. She now lives in Carbondale with her husband and her youngest daughter. Her greatest joy is her six children, their significant others, and her three beautiful grandchildren.

Rhonda is interested in counseling and administrative work. She sees a real need for more mental health providers for children in Southern Illinois and hopes to help fill that need.
Lovella Lassy,

Lovella Lassy is currently a graduate student for the Social Work program, Health/Mental Health track at SIU Carbondale. She is also a member of Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society. She graduated in 2014 from Murray State University in Kentucky with her Master in Science – Human Development and Leadership. She was an adjunct instructor for Shawnee Community College under the Adult Literacy and Adult GED program providing high school curriculums for their Alternative High School students for over 4 years.

Her current placement is at Family Counseling Center in Vienna, which serves the 7 surrounding counties in the Southern part of Illinois. Her previous experiences with children through the education system made her realize a higher, if not desperate, need for people to reach out and help those who need them the most. Her goal is to make a difference in the lives of children/young adolescence through counseling and other forms of therapy. Upon graduation, she hopes to use her MSW degree and knowledge acquired through Trauma Based Behavioral Fellowship to work with the vulnerable population of Southern Illinois and Western part of Kentucky.
Shelina Meneese

Shelina Meneese, a Southern Illinois native, obtained her Bachelor’s degree in Social Work with a minor in Psychology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale in 2014. She is a non-traditional student in the advanced standing Master of Social Work program with a concentration of Health/Mental Health. Shelina is interning at Egyptian Health, where she will be gaining knowledge and experience about working with children who have experienced trauma. She has always had an interest in working with children. She found her passion for social work with children when she was working as a unit leader for a local summer camp in Southern Illinois as an undergraduate student. Shelina also has experience working with adults in crisis, and with the developmentally disabled. She has an interest in working with children who have experienced trauma upon completion of her MSW degree.
Tiana Morris

Tiana Morris graduated from Southern Illinois University in December 2015 with a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. During her undergraduate studies, she interned at Easter Seals West KY, where she assisted with case management for individuals with disabilities.

Currently she is attending Graduate school at Southern Illinois University to receive her Master's degree in Social Work with a concentration of Health/Mental Health. She is completing her internship at Massac County Mental Health in Metropolis, IL. There she is gaining knowledge and experience in group counseling with substance abuse, individual counseling with children, adolescents, and transitional youth, and crisis. Upon completion of her degree, she plans to work with children in a clinical or hospital setting.
Tanner Mosier

Tanner Mosier is a advanced standing graduate student in the School of Social Work at SIU with a concentration in child and family studies. In 2015 Tanner graduated Magna cum Laude receiving his Bachelors Degree in social work at SIU. He is currently completing his field practicum at Egyptian Mental Health Services in Eldorado, Illinois working as a Mental Health Provider.

Tanner has always been a local to the southern Illinois area and is seeking to continue providing quality mental health services to the region upon completion of his Master's Degree and Trauma Fellowship. Having grown up in Harrisburg, Illinois he knows how important it is that people have well informed social service providers that can be easily accessible with advanced treatment techniques. Tanner is currently interested in assisting adolescents and transitioning youth within his community that struggle with trauma related issues, and those within corrections facilities in order to help assist with reintegration back into communities. He feels that upon completion of the Trauma Fellowship that it will help put him of the ahead of the game when trying to accomplish his aspirations.
Amanda Neibel is from Carmi, IL. She received her Bachelors in Psychology from Union University in 2011. She is a second year social work graduate student with a concentration in health/mental health.

Amanda is currently interning at the Baptist Children’s Home & Family Services in Carmi, IL. Her future goal is to apply what she has learned through the Trauma Fellowship in serving victims of human-trafficking.
Kimberly Palermo

Kimberly Palermo is currently pursuing a master’s in social work at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. She was selected as the Celia M. Howard Fellow at the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute and will be conducting research on the facets of human trafficking. Within the institute, she also served as the Graduate Social Work Intern. During her time she assessed and evaluated with individuals, groups and organizations to advocate for policies that advance social well-being.

In 2014, Kimberly earned her bachelor’s degree in psychology from SIU Carbondale. While pursuing her undergraduate degree she provided services to survivors of abused women and children throughout the southern Illinois region while volunteering at the Women’s Center.
Brittany Pettiford is currently in the two year track for the social work program with a focus in mental health. While attending Bolingbrook High School she discovered her interest in social services and decided to get her Bachelors in Psychology and a minor in Criminal Justice here at SIUC.

Ms Pettiford aspired to work with various underrepresented groups within the community. She is also passionate about addressing mental health awareness in the African American community, prevention of sexual abuse, and empowering women and children. After graduating she hopes are to be a counselor within a medical setting and to receive her LCSW. To further her education, Ms. Pettiford would like to get her doctorate degree in Forensic Psychology.

Through counseling and understanding the trauma narrative Ms. Pettiford would like to promote validation for the client and also provide an intervention oriented for their experience.
Brandie Reagan is originally from the small town of Farmington, Missouri. She graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Social Work from Southeast Missouri State University in May of 2016. She is in the advanced standing Master of Social Work program with a concentration in Health/Mental Health. She completed her undergraduate practicum in a substance abuse treatment center where she discovered her passion for working with co-occurring disorders and traumatic grief experiences. Brandie is currently interning at Union County Counseling Services in the Adult Outpatient Program and also working in the residential cottage. She hopes to become a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and work within the substance abuse and mental health fields.
Chloe Smith-Ferguson

Chloe Smith-Ferguson is originally from Centralia, IL. She received her Bachelor's of Science degree from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville in Psychology with a minor in Chemistry. Chloe is currently pursuing her Master's in the Social work program at SIU, with an emphasis in health and mental health.

Chloe plans on attaining her clinical licensure in social work and working with individuals of all ages from all different backgrounds. Chloe's current interests are the veteran population, the occurrence of suicidal attempts and/or ideations and how trauma, or the perception of trauma, affects minorities.

Chloe is an intern at the Veteran's Affair Medical Center in Marion. She hopes to later pursue a doctorate in public policy. Chloe has a zest for life and hopes to advocate and make a positive impact on everyone she encounters.
Raven Snowden

Raven Snowden is in the Advanced Standing Master of Social Work Program. Her concentration is Children, Youth and Families. In 2013, Raven graduated from Southern Illinois University Carbondale with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. Upon graduating she found her passion working with behavioral at risk children as a Mental Health Specialist. As a psychology and social work major she realized the importance of the mind and how a simple thought can alter and influence an individual’s life. Raven is currently interning as a child counselor at Neurorestorative, and will graduate with her MSW in May of 2017.

After completing the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship she would like to further her education by pursuing a law degree. Raven is a warrior for social change and justice. She is looking forward to the fellowship training to enhance her ability to listen and interact with victims and criminals of all ages. With the knowledge she has obtain she will put forth all efforts to encourage her clients to make the right choices for them as an individual living in an imperfect world.
Emilie St.Peter graduated from Southern Illinois University in 2015 with a bachelor of science in Social Work with a minor in psychology. She was accepted into the MSW advanced standing program. She is currently interning at Counseling and Psychological Services in the Counselor in Residence program.

Emilie is originally from Freeport, Illinois and currently resides in Herrin, Illinois with her two children Keagan, 13 and Alaina, 11.
Sandra Talley is a Southern Illinois native. Sandra graduated from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale with a Bachelor’s Degree in Accounting and a Bachelor’s Degree in Management. At the end of a twenty-five year career in the business world, she aspired to change to a more meaningful career in Social Work. Sandra is currently completing her practicum at Caritas Family Solutions in Carterville. She is working on obtaining a CADC certification along with her MSW, and will be adding to her practicum experience in this area in the Spring. Sandra has three grown children, and she is anticipating the arrival of her eleventh grandchild in November. Sandra plans to be an LCSW and practice with youths in transition, and has an interest in many other populations. Sandra has volunteered at Big Muddy Correctional Center in their Substance Abuse Unit, multiple food pantries, and Habitat for Humanity.
Zachary Veinotte

Zach is originally from Grayslake, IL and has been working as a Youth Counselor and Crisis Worker for the Family Counseling Center for 2 years. He has passion for working with the transitional youth population and children in crisis. More specifically he has a special interest in working with clients who are experiencing suicidal ideation and performing self-harmful behaviors. Ultimately, he would love to work in a psychiatric hospital.
Caralyn Williams is from the small community of Sandoval, IL. In the Spring of 2010, she received a dual bachelor’s degree in Psychology and Political Science from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. After graduating with her bachelor’s degree, she worked at a residential facility serving transitional youth for three years which inspired her to pursue her Master’s degree. Caralyn is in her final year of the Master of Social Work program with a concentration in school social work. Her interests include clinical and school social work, as well as behavioral analysis.

Caralyn is currently interning with Kaskaskia Special Education District, working in schools in Clinton, Marion, and Washington counties. Through the Trauma Focused Behavioral Health Fellowship, she hopes to acquire a better understanding of trauma’s effect on the brain and gain the skills necessary to provide effective mental health services to trauma exposed children and families in southern Illinois.
Marla Williams received her Bachelors of Science in Social Work from Murray State University in May of 1986. Marla has worked with children and adolescents for her entire career. She worked as a Prevention Specialist for the Arlington Girl’s Club of Arlington, TX in the late eighties. Marla also worked as an Adolescent Substance Abuse Therapist for Franklin-Williamson Human Services (now Centerstone) from 1990 to 1996. For the past 14 years Marla has worked for the Anna School District as a Substitute Teacher, an Instructional Assistant and as an RTI Specialist. She is currently in the Advanced Standing Master of Social Work Program with an emphasis in health/mental health.

Marla is a fellow within the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship at SIU-C. She feels that the experience in the trauma fellowship will give her the skills and knowledge that she will need to help her in the treatment of at risk children and families that have experienced abuse, neglect and/or violence. She is looking forward to the experience and knowledge she will gain through the Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellowship that she can use in her future social work practice.

Her social work internship is with Union County Counseling in Anna, IL. Marla’s goal is to work with children and adolescents in a community mental health setting.
Mercedes Yates-Jones

Mercedes Yates-Jones is from Dolton, IL and graduated from Thornridge High School in 2010. Mercedes received her Bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Southern Illinois University of Carbondale in 2015. She is currently finishing her Master’s degree in Social Work with an emphasis in Health/Mental Health. Mercedes has a special interest in working with juvenile delinquents to assist with behavioral issues.

Mercedes has successfully completed her 1st year internship at the Boys and Girls club of Carbondale and is currently completing her graduate internship at the department of Veteran affairs. She is also a part time intern with Child & Adolescent Services Egyptian Public & Mental Health Department.

Mercedes plans to graduate with her Masters of Social Work in May of 2017 and also be a certified Trauma Based Behavioral Health Fellow. She anticipates to use the knowledge and skills gained from the Fellowship to assist and guide her real world application in the social work profession throughout her future career.