Cynthia Gomez

Editorial, Layout & Graphic Design Services

"If you're going to be crazy, you have to get paid for it or else you're going to be locked up."

—Hunter S. Thompson

Set on the north shore of Boston in the late 1990s, the collection of nonfiction stories found in Peter's Sward chronicles the author's experiences assessing and committing those lost in the dark crack between sanity and insanity. Peter's Sward is a unique, reflective, and often humorous exploration of the power, authority, and suffering encountered when experts and the system attempt to control the chaos that occurs when mental illness and ordered society collide.

Written from the perspective of a newly hired expert charged with policing the line between commitment and freedom, Van Brunt invites readers to follow him as he wrestles with the ambiguity of mental illness. Exploring questions of morality and what is involved when helping a human being who is lost, each story takes readers deeper down the rabbit hole of what is considered normal and what is considered mentally ill.

From suicide to schizophrenia, the author guides readers through the often disturbing and complex challenges encountered when assessing risk and determining whether patients need to be involuntarily committed. *Peter's Sword* is a rare glimpse into the emotionally complicated and challenging world of emergency psychiatric assessment.



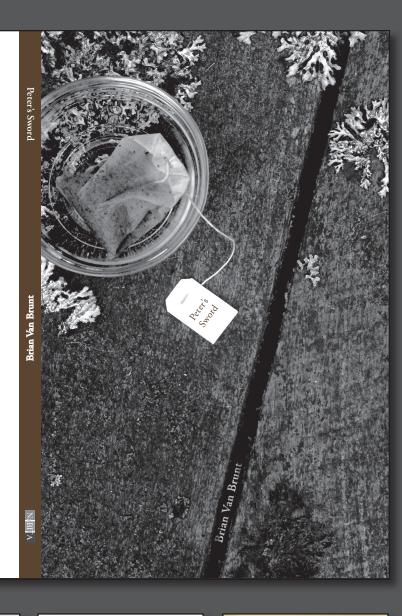
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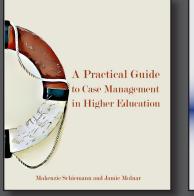
BRIAN VAN BRUNT, Ed.D, LPC Mad scientist. *Adventure Time* junkie. Writer. Prone to wandering. भौतातिकन झकाउ

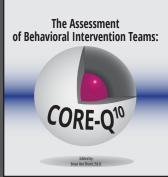


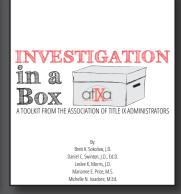
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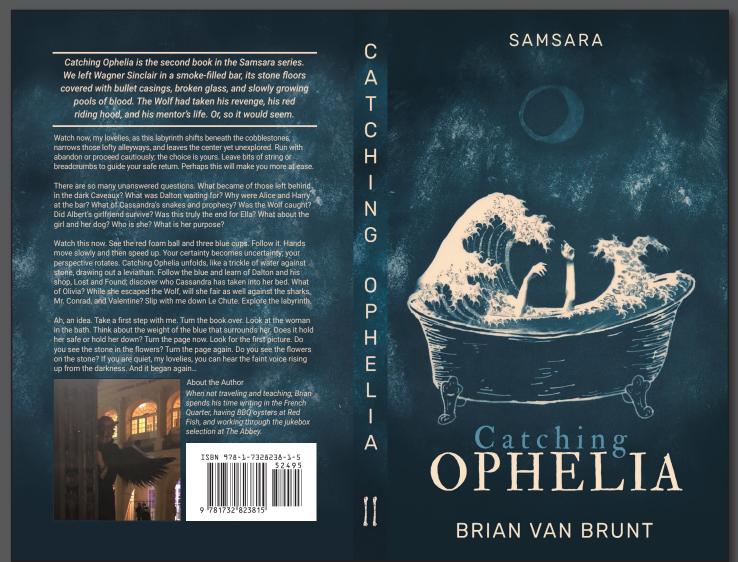


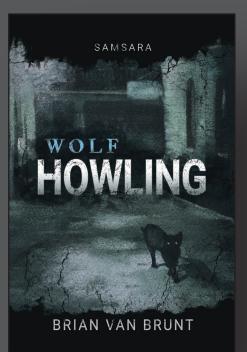




BOOKS

I have brought many books to market, both for publishing houses, businesses, and individuals. Work has included manuscript development, editing, layout and cover design, proofreading, and liaising with the authors/clients, cover artists, and printer. These books were selected for inclusion in this portfolio because I was responsible for every step from editing to printing.





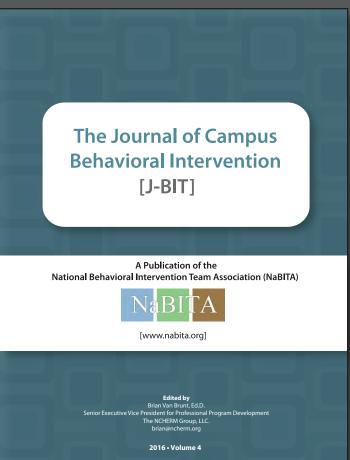


Chapter 1
New Orleans, Spring, Tuesday 4:45^{pm}

he finally found him, sitting on the curb in front of Rouses Market. He had eluded her for a long time. She knew hed a few regular spots and was checking those first, amongst the rabble of the Quatrer. Sinclair was a creature of habit and this fact made her life easier. She strolled by his apartment and saw his cat; she knew from past visits if Faulkner was in the window, Sinclair was not in the apartment. His furry little familiar stuck by his side when he was home.

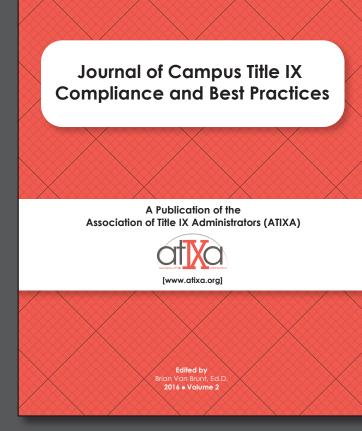
She wore a tank top with a lightweight brown linen chemise and dust colored tights. Her dirty blonde hair was tied back in a mixture of dreadlocks and a tangle of waves. She blended into the city; at a glance, she was just another homeless street kid passing down Decatur in the early summer heat of the Big Easy.

One time, she had found Sinclair inside a bar on Frenchman Street. He was listening to jazz while sipping a gin and tonic with too many limes, as always. She remembered laughing at that; he



I have served as the layout and production editor for peer-reviewed, academic journals, and continue to publish the one to the left through my own irm, CG Communication & Design. Prior to that, I served as managing editor of various national, subscription-based periodicals, delivering legal, compliance, and best-practice news to higher education professionals. Turning dry or complex topics into easily digestible material what I do best.

The journal featured to the right was published once a year (it has since been discontinued). I reviewed all articles, working with authors and peer reviewers to get articles publication-ready. I was also responsible for the interior design and layout, having takenwhat was previously published as a Word document and modernized it to ensure the look of the publication matched the quality of the content.



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Ease into Title IX work: advice for new professionals

& schools ensure gender equity

By Cynthia Gomez, Editor

TT hile it's no secret that Title IX work is often difficult in many ways, being newly thrust into a Title IX position — whether it's as Investigator, Deputy Coordinator, or Coordinator — can be downright terrifying. Individuals who are new to this work may feel unprepared, confused as to what is required of them, or fearful that an honest misstep may get them sued or investigated by the Office for Civil Rights. Plus, new professionals may feel unsupported in their Title IX role, and may not have others at their institutions who understand what they are experiencing.

Jyl Shaffer, the Director of Institutional Equity and Title IX Coordinator at Montana State University, knows those feelings well. She spoke at the recent ATIXA/SCOPE Joint National Conference in Philadelphia about the experience of landing in a new Title IX role, and shared strategies for both new Title IX professionals and those who mentor them. Following are some of her key recommendations:

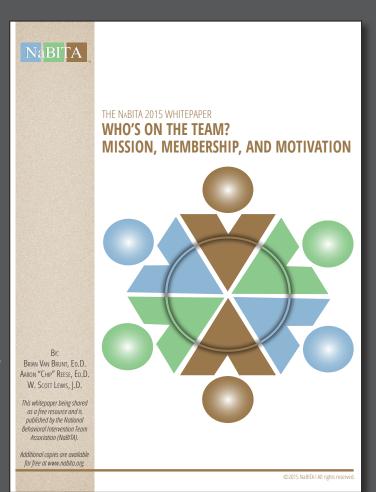
1. Know that OCR complaints and lawsuits come with the territory, and seem scarier than they truly are. It's a matter of when, not if, they will occur, because there is usually one party in any given situation that is unsatisfied with the outcome, Shaffer noted. She's learned to view OCR

inquiries like tax audits - something that's bound to happen at some point that, no matter how meticulous she is, will always uncover issues of concern. "It just becomes part of the job," she said of dealing with lawsuits and OCR investigations.

2. Know your learning style so you can quickly get up to speed. There are many free online tests that help determine how you learn best if you don't already know this, Shaffer noted. For some individuals, going through old case files can be very helpful, particularly in terms of getting accustomed to the kinds of stories and language you'll be hearing. Meanwhile, others — herself included — may prefer to learn by jumping right in and doing the work, even if it takes a bit to get things right. Shadowing a Title IX professional from a nearby institution may be a great solution as well. Shaffer also always recommends ATIXA trainings.

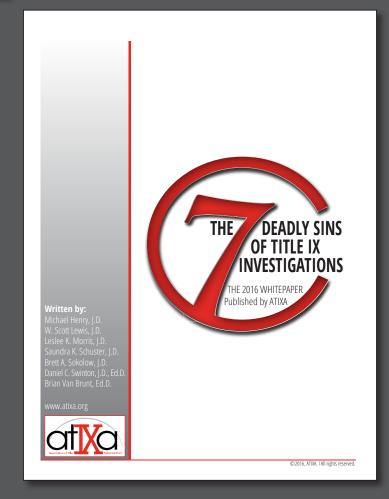
3. Practice the tasks involved in performing your job. To reduce the likelihood of both OCR complaints and legal actions, she recommends practicing your job, with student-advocates playing the role of reporting parties. "We rarely get feedback from people involved in our process, and that's reasonable, so we have to find other ways of learning how we're doing." Plus, those new to Title IX work may be initially Continued on p. 3.

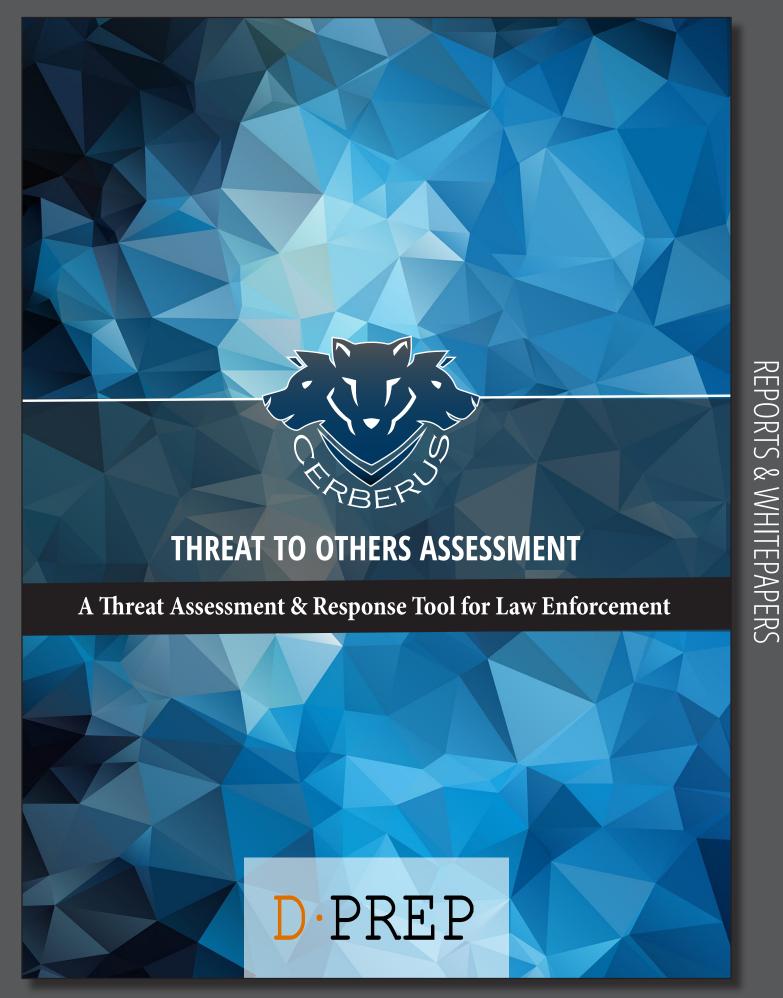
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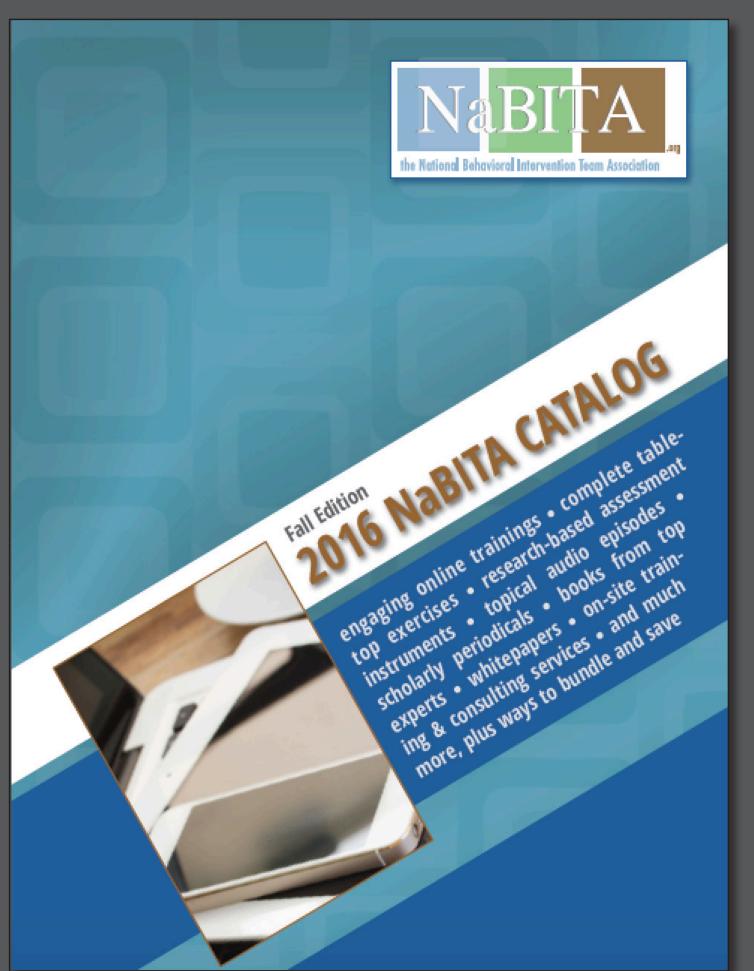


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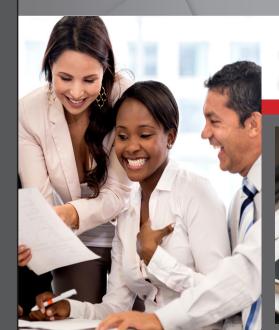
An undergrad degree in print journalism, a master's degree in digital journalism and design, and roughly 20 years of experience performing layout and graphic design work means that whitepapers like those pictured here, as well as reports, resource booklets, and other publications, are in good hands from start to finish.











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We are committed to remaining on the cutting edge of research and to providing insightful and helpful com-mentary and guidance on new developments and challenges affecting campus BITs, with a focus on solutions As the fields of behavioral intervention and violence risk and threat assessment continue to evolve, we hold teadfast to our promise of offering the information our members need to perform their daily work in an e fective and efficient manner. To this end, NaBITA offers guidance to members through its weekly e-newslett which provides the latest news, research, and original tips written by experts in the field. We also foster scho arship through our peer-reviewed periodical, The Journal of Campus Behavioral Intervention (J-BIT).

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Colleges and universities are more frequently recognizing the need for external investigations. They understand the advantages of using independent Investigators to achieve unbiased results that are free from conflicts of interest. The NCHERM Group's 16 Investigators have been carefully selected as the top Investigators in the field, and have been trained by the foremost leaders of the field. Our firm has performed more than 1,000 campus sexual misconduct investigations, and averages six investigations a week, giving our Investigators deep and broad experience in all forms of discrimination allegations.

By design, all of our Investigators are former campus-based Title IX Coordinators and Investigators who are also Attorneys. Many Attorneys in private practice don't have our Investigators' knowledge of campus culture, on-the-ground logistics, student interaction know-how, sensitivity to campus politics, and understanding of the current legal climate. These qualities position our Investigators to deliver the best investigation possible to our clients. Our interviews are thorough, our reports are comprehensive, our analysis is finely honed, and our work product is delivered promptly. We manage high-profile, scandalous, and complex allegations professionally and expertly. Your toughest case is something we take on every day.

CIVIL RIGHTS AND EXTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS

Are you too close to the situation? Might there be a conflict of interest at hand? Are you short-handed internally, or do you need us to pair up with your internal Investigators? Facing a political hot potato, or do you just feel better using external, fully objective, and highly-skilled Investigators? Suspect wrongdoing by your own people or a cover-up? These are our specialties. Our skilled Investigators will visit your campus or school to perform the investigation and write a final report. We can deploy up to 16 trained civil rights Investigators, as needed, and generally work in teams of two. We can also pair up one of our Investigators with one of your internal Investigators, or create several sets of such teams.

TITLE IX AND CIVIL RIGHTS MENTORSHIP SERVICE

The NCHERM Group has developed a professional mentoring service to help take your Investigators to the next level. It is a practical, hands-on collaboration through which an expert TNG Investigator works side-by-side with your campus Investigator(s) to conduct an investigation on your campus. Rather than doing the investigation for you, the TNG Investigator's role is to model techniques, shadow your Investigators, provide feedback, and offer coaching to bring their skills to the next level. A written report of strengths/weaknesses and future training priorities can be provided after the on-site investigation/mentorship. Often, seeing how our expert Investigators perform their function in the field can help to cement key skills that campus Investigators need to acquire, whether it be in questioning, analysis, report writing, or other areas of professional competence. Let us coach your Investigators to success on you next tough case!

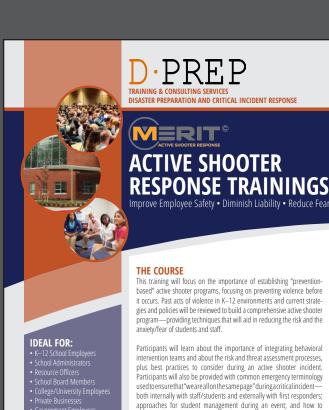
OCR COMPLAINT CLOSURE

Has OCR notified your campus or school that it is opening a complaint for a Title IX or 504 violation? Do you know that you can petition OCR to close its investigation if you can demonstrate that your campus has already resolved the complaint internally? The NCHERM-i Investigators will come in to do a thorough investigation of the allegations, and help to process the complaint through your own internal due process or other resolution proceedings. Once resolved, we document that the process was fully compliant with OCR's Case Resolution requirements, and ask the agency to close the case. OCR is swimming in a sea of complaints these days. Perhaps it would be willing to clear yours off its desks if the matter has already been addressed in compliance with the law.

MARKETING

FORENSIC INVESTIGATION REVIEW

Want to be preventative and make sure mistakes aren't made in your next investigation? Bring NCHERM-i to campus to perform a forensic assessment of the investigation to better inform your team next time. Was your investigation botched internally, and now you need to know what went wrong and what was missed? You need a forensic external investigation. Are your Chancellor, Trustees, the media, or litigants attacking your internal finding? We can subject your initial investigation to the deep, road forensic re-examination you'll need to come clean and move



rommunicate during a critical incident such as an active shooter event.

We will also discuss common legal "roadblocks" to reporting students of concern and sharing information, such as the Family Educational

Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

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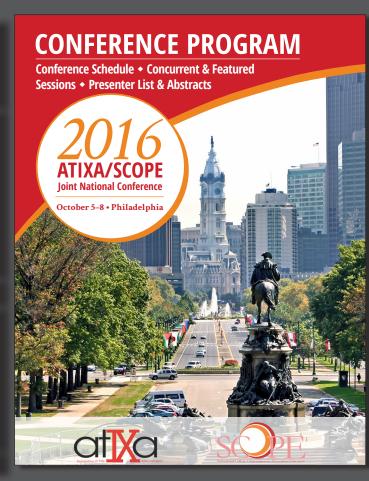
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ocation: Fireside Location: rireside Facilitator: Barbara Gail, The Rhythm Inlet racinitator: Darbara Gail, The Khythm Inlet Intro to Frame Drum Technique, Rhythmic Medi-tation, InnerVision Drum Journey, Healing Drum Temple, and InPowering SongChant & Drumming. TUESDAY

:00-8:00 am Sunrise Toga Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Brandon Hylton Wake up to the essence of you with this gentle, breath-based yoga class. Location: Main House Fuel up for the day ahead with a healthy and detoxifying breakfast, and take some time to journa

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Quartz Crystal Singing Bowl Sound Healing Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Kristin Barber A soothing sound bath for cellular realignment and mental clarity and tranquility: What a great way to prepare to re-enter regular life for those checking out!

MONDAY

Facilitator: Brandon Hylton Wake up to the essence of you with gentle yoga.

Regular Weekend Guests Check Out by 12 pm. & Integration Monday Begins

12:30-2:00 pm Lunch & Check-in Location: Main House

7:00-8:00 am

Sunrise Yoga Location: Yoga Deck

activities to bring you back to center. But self-care isn't just about engaging in the things that fill us. It's also knowing when to be still. Listen to your inner knowing. Attend the workshops that call to you, yet feel free to skip out for hammock time, nature walks, kayaking, or time overlooking the water on an elevated meditation deck. This is your time. Find your bliss.



FRIDAY

nch: Picnic & Introduction Circle Location: Lakeside
A time for to get to each other, set intent for the weekend, and share important information.

101: A Skill for Sisterhood Building Location: Lakeside

Facilitators: Cynthia Gomez & Ki Rheme What does it mean to hold space? How do we hold space effectively for both ourselves and others?

Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Ki Rheme Learn conscious breathing techniques for connect-ing with your mind, body, and spirit on a deeper level.

Facilitator: Noga Deck
Facilitator: Helen Blaaker, MindfulCITY
The benefits of meditation explained and practical
techniques for stilling the mind.

Location: Main House Facilitators: Ki Rheme & Cynthia Gomez This casual chat invites sisters to share strategie

for approaching food as another tool for healing.

Sunset Toga With The Body Code Method Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Ki Rheme A method that combines yoga with information about the body's sacred geometry to release trauma.

of Radical Self-Love The Activism of Kadical Self-Live Location: Fireside Facilitators: Cynthia Gomez & Brandon Hylton Strategies for facing the shadows, celebrating the light, and reaching new states of wholeness.

Cocation: Main House Facilitator: Barbara Gail, The Rhythm Inlet A playful experience, ending with an earth-honor-ing drumming ritual, "A Circle of Elements."

Location: Fireside
Chill out by the fire and make s'mores!

SATURDAY

Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Chandra Meguire, Earth Art from the Heart The breath is your greatest integration tool, loin us for one last breathwork session before saying farewell.

CHECK OUT BY 12 pr

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acilitator: Brandon Hylton Wake up to the essence of you with gentle yoga.

Location: Lakeside Facilitator: Maria R. Malec, Aroma Living by Design A low-impact and medium- to high-intensity option to improve strength, cardio endurance, and balance.

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r & Casual Chat on Mindful Eating

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Poetry & Song by the Fire Location: Fireside Facilitator: Barbara Gail, The Rhythm Inlet Barbara will perform poetry and song while drumming in a ritual performance that speaks to "When the Drummers Were Women: a Spiritual Herstory of Rhythm."

SUNDAY

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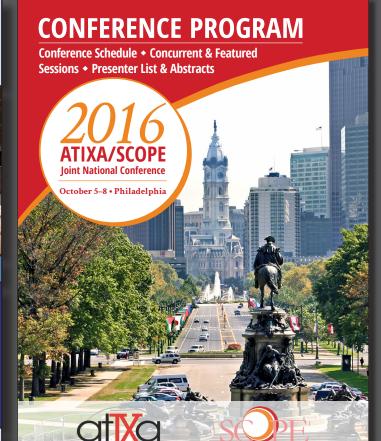
7:00-8:00 am

Vision Board Workshop Location Main House Facilitator Maria R. Malec, Aroma Living by Design A vision board is a collage of images and affirma-tions designed to serve as inspiration and motiva-tion for manifesting the life of your dreams

Location: Yoga Deck Facilitator: Ki Rheme

Learn how to use an ordinary walking staff to stretch and build muscle through effective yet

Location: Lakeside Facilitator: Maria R. Malec, Aroma Living by Design A low-impact and medium- to high-intensity optior to improve strength, cardio endurance, and balance



WHO LOOKS AFTER THOSE KEEPING STUDENTS SAFE?

DEADLY TIMELINE POINTS OUT NEED TO INVEST IN CAMPUS SAFETY

CAMPUS SHOOTINGS, STABBINGS, & HOMICIDES

CRITICAL INCIDENT TIMELINE

Aug. 16, 1996 – *LA Times*:

3 on San Diego State faculty fatally shot

Dec. 14, 2009 – The State Hornet:

Officer involved shooting on campus (Sacramento State University)

Dec. 9 2012 – *LA Times*:

Cal. State San Bernardino police kill student during struggle

June 26, 2014 - The Sur

Cal. State San Bernardino police officers justified in fatal student shooting

Nov. 4, 2016 – *LA Times*:

Body found in shallow grave at Sonoma State University is missing teen

Sept. 11, 2017 – *The Press Democrat*:

Humboldt State University police officer wounded in deadly shootout

lan. 11, 2018 – *The Desert Sun*:

Cal. State San Bernardino classes will resume following shooting investigation forced lockdown

May 13, 2018 – The Press Democrat:

1 dead, 1 arrested in stabbing at Sonoma State University

June 29, 2018 – Daily Bulletin:

Cal. Poly Pomona safety officer stabbed to death suspect killed in officer-involved shooting

Oct. 30, 2018 – *Action News 12:*

Officials Identify Body Found on Chico State's Campus

Oct. 31, 2018 – *LA Times*:

Armed assault at Cal. State Channel Islands sends panic through school, cancels classes

Nov. 2, 2018 — Chico Enterprise-Record:

Police investigate beating death on Chico campus

(Trial Set: www.chicoer.com/2019/01/23/trial-set-for-chico-state-homicide-suspect/amp/)

Aug. 22, 2019 – *KTLA5*:

Co-Worker Arrested in on Campus Killing of Retired Cal. State Fullerton Administrator

Aug. 23, 2019 – *Orange County Register:*

Cal. State Fullerton man charged with murder in fatal stabbing could face death penalty

What do all of these incidents share in common

Just like your hometown police, sworn University Police Officers were fast on the scene, proudly risking their own safety to protect students and staff.

Yet CSU police make up to 30% LESS than police at similar agencies and do NOT get basic raises. This, despite the fact that line of duty officer deaths across the country jumped sharply in 2018, with California rated one of the four most dangerous states.**

How Does This Affect Your Safety?

- ➤ The CSU system is fast losing experienced officers.*
- Recruitment of new campus police officers has become increasingly difficult.

Meaning...

SLOWER emergency response times, officer **FATIGUE** and **FEWER** officers when you need them most.

Keep Our University Police Force Strong So They Can Keep Our Students Safe!



* A recent CSU Board of Trustees budget report confirmed that CSU Police have the highest attrition rate among all categories of university employees.

Statewide University Police Association (SUPA) | Critical Incidents Timeline

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Regional Simulation Model

Restructured with Multiple Editions



What is it

The Regional Simulation Model developed by the South Florida Water Management District is a fully coupled, finite-volume surface water/groundwater modeling tool for simulating the extreme hydrologic complexities of South Florida. The RSM is modular and easily modified, making it adaptable and scientifically defensible. With a graphical user interface and a collection of intuitive tools, the RSM has an easy learning curve.

How does it work?

The model implicitly solves for water stages (heads) and flows under natural conditions, as well as conditions managed using structures, canal networks, and levees. Its two principal components are:

- A Hydrologic Simulation Engine, which simulates natural hydrology, water control features, water conveyance systems, and water storage facilities, solving the governing equations of water flow through both natural hydrologic systems and man-made structures; and
- 2) A Management Simulation Engine, which provides operational and management capabilities to the HSE.

How do you choose an edition?

The RSM has moved from lane-line application to multiple editions, so that water managers can easily choose which edition of the RSM best suits their project needs based on the spatial scale, governing equation, the need for management of operational controls, and the need for portability (e.g., solvers).

RSM Editions						
Edition	Purpose	Solver	Spatial Scale	Governing Equations	MSE	Sample Applications
rsmLegacy	Simulate long term, regional scale planning alternatives for South Florida	Petsc	Tessellated Mesh & Canals, Basin	Diffusive Wave	WMM_ Assessor LP	RSMGL RSMBN NSRSM DWM MDRSM
rsmMesh	Simulate spatial distributed hydrology and regional coordination of canal operations	Petsc	Tessellated Mesh & Canals	Diffusive Wave	WMM	RSMGL
rsmBasins	Simulate linked node configuration of lakes and basins with regional coordination of canal operations	Petsc	Basin	Mass Balance	Assessor LP	RSMBN
tvdlf	Simulate spatial distributed hydrology, including all the momentum terms	IML++	Tessellated Mesh & Canals	Diffusive Wave Kinematic Dynamic	None	Kissimmee LOS
rsmHPM	Simulate hydrologic process models (HPMs)	IML++	Basin	Mass Balance	None	DWM AFSIRS
rsmHydro	Simulate spatial distributed hydrology and local canal operations	Petsc	Tessellated Mesh & Canals	Diffusive Wave	None	NSRSM MDRSM



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++) vs. ability to handle parallel processing (PETSc). While using diffusive wave shallow slope areas of the southern Everglades, kinematic and dynamic wave is teeper slope areas, while mass balance equations provide a higher-level solution modeling. Water management options include Water Management Model-style or linear programming algorithms. Editions with no MSE can be used in natural small farm-scale models, and models that rely on stage-based operations.

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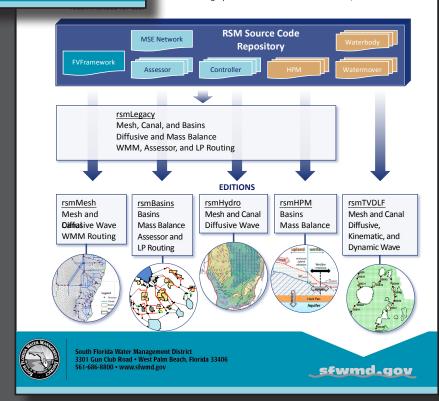
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POSITION STATEMENT

Concealed Carry Legislation Related to Mass Shootings

NaBITA, on behalf of its Advisory Board, states its position in opposition to state legislation forcing colleges and universities to permit the concealed carry of guns on campuses. NaBITA is also opposed to state legislative efforts allowing concealed carry permits to be issued without requiring background checks and training, which make an already bad situation much worse.

In an effort to further a political agenda promoting widespread access to firearms, some gun advocates and state legislators have advanced legislation to permit carrying of concealed weapons on college and university campuses to deter mass shootings, rampage violence, and even sexual violence. This position makes several erroneous assumptions, which are addressed in this position statement.

NaBITA does not believe that widespread access to firearms will make college campuses safer, and is in fact concerned that doing so could have dangerous, if not disastrous consequences, not just on mass shootings, but on the incidence of completed campus suicides.

The first erroneous assumption undergirding the advancement of concealed carry legislation is that those who hold concealed carry permits have basic training in the safety and proper use of firearms by the nature of having obtained a permit (United States Government Accountability Office, 2012)¹. However, this is not necessarily the case, as some states require only an application, background check, and fee. Regardless of training, simple statistics tell us that having more guns on campus raises the likelihood of accidental discharges, brandishing of firearms during arguments, and guns being unsafely stored or stolen from social settings such as residence halls ².

The second erroneous assumption is that the presence of more firearms on campus would cut short an active shooter's attack or facilitate a faster active-shooter response. While some people might believe that people with concealed carry permits can provide a fast response to an active shooter, the reality is that law enforcement first responders would face increased difficulty distinguishing an attacker from other armed individuals attempting to respond, potentially leading to increased casualties. Likewise, the skill level and maneuvering needed to respond effectively during a mass shooting require advanced training that is well beyond what most concealed carry permit holders possess. That is why the University/College Police Section of the International Association of Chiefs of Police adopted a resolution

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This series is called "Portals," and was appropriately created in 2012. Jimenez paints otherworldly landscapes inspired by the Mayan civilization that invite viewers to find the portals within. The Mayans were master builders, timekeepers, mathematicians, and astronomers. They were also the first people of the pre-Columbian Americas to fully

While some theorized that the end of the Mayan long-count calendar in 2012 meant doomsday, many in the spiritual community recognized that 2012 simply represented a portal — a time of collective choicemaking: continue down a path of apathy, greed, and destruction, or rise to the challenge of creating a more sustainable and compassionate future for all. When we heal ourselves, we heal the planet. The time is NOW. Enter the portal. Welcome to The Gaia Revolution.

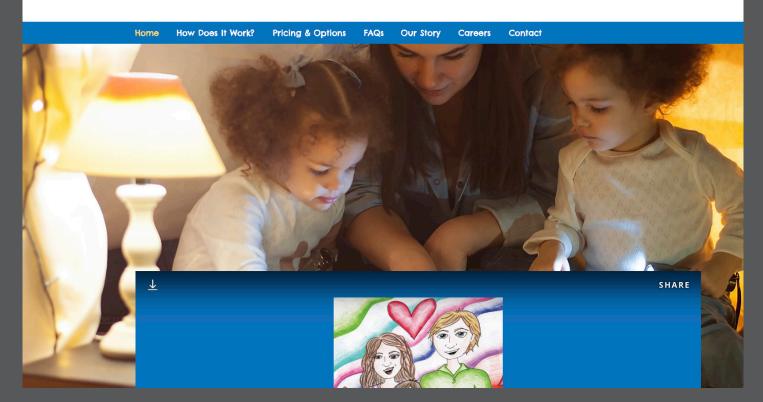


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