Dear CDRC Students,

CDRC has entered its third year, this semester—Lucky #3. I definitely felt the positive energy when the semester began in August despite the challenges with which this part of the state was faced. On Move-in Day I met many new students and their families; students from Maryland to Texas to Louisiana arrived ready to become LSU men and women. One word comes to mind this semester, and that is SUPPORT. This community is enhanced in so many ways by so many resources.

**OLINDE CAREER CENTER**

CDRC has a great co-curricular relationship with the Olinde Career Center. The Assistant Director of the OCC Joan Gallagher and I want the connection with this resource established now in the students’ first year, not at the last hour in their fourth year. We began the semester with a tour of the facility, and OCC visited Broussard Hall for two programs aimed at matching personality types and skills sets with the appropriate job clusters. See page 9.

**CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

Melissa Brocato and Pam Ball of the Center for Academic Success (CAS) have always been supporters of CDRC. CAS is an amazing resource that offers students study strategies, workshops, tutoring, supplemental instruction and online resources. Ellen Dunn from CAS joined our community in preparing for finals. Joining her were CDRC English Instructor Afton Wilky and CDRC Tutor Kris Mecholsky. See page 11.

**RESIDENTIAL COLLEGE COUNSELOR**

CDRC students are privileged to have our own Residential College Counselor, Mrs. Joyce Fields. Mrs. Fields will be leaving us to join OCC next semester, and Ms. Mary Wolcott from UCFY will become our new Res College Counselor (page 10).

As Rector, I have been honored to support the CDRC students in their first year as LSU Tigers, and now the students, staff and faculty are departing for different destinations to celebrate the holidays. Best to all the CDRC Class of 2020.—Sandy Granger, CDRC Rector

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**Spring 2017 Upcoming Dates and Important Information from Your RLC David Morris**

If you are returning to on-campus housing in Spring 2017, you may leave belongings in your room during the break, but be sure to take anything from your room you might need over the break as you will not have access to the building. Please note that LSU is not responsible for the security of you personal property.

Make sure to follow all closing procedures as indicated during your floor meetings and on the closing bulletin boards around the community.

Residence Halls close at 8 p.m. Saturday, December 10, 2016, and reopen to returning students on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.
Brandon Hinton, GRD

Hometown: Wynne, Arkansas
Favorite Holiday Movie:
Merry Christmas, Drake & Josh!

“Hey, Broussard! We made it!! One semester down! It feels like yesterday when we were checking you in and welcoming you to our community! I truly hope you’ve enjoyed the semester thus far and I can’t wait to welcome in the Spring with you! As always, please reach out to me should you have any questions or need anything while here at LSU! Good luck on your finals! Geaux Tigers!”

David Morris, RLC

Hometown: Marietta, OH
Favorite Holiday Movie:
Home Alone

“Thank you all for a great semester! Best of luck on exams! Enjoy the well deserved break and have a safe and happy holidays!
See you all in January!
Geaux Tigers!”
THE PICTURE PERFECT R.A.’S OF CDRC

Khai Muse
Hometown: New Orleans, LA
Favorite Holiday Movie: The Grinch

Laura Hrickova
Hometown: Teplice, Czech Republic
Favorite Holiday Movie: Too many to choose from! :)

Colin Severio
Hometown: Walker, LA
Favorite Holiday Movie: Christmas with the Kranks

Emilie Bowen
Hometown: Waterford, Wisconsin
Favorite Holiday Movie: White Christmas

Maddie Neal
Hometown: Montegut, LA
Favorite Holiday Movie: How the Grinch Stole Christmas
A LOOK INSIDE THE CLASSROOM
FALL SNAPSHOTs!
THE CDRC NEIGHBORHOOD
Faculty Highlight: Kristopher Mecholsky

What are your degrees?
B.A. in physics and English; M.A. in Literature and Language; Ph.D. in English

Where is your hometown?
Gainesville, Florida

What is your favorite movie?
Good question. I think I’d say *Cool Hand Luke*, but that’s an impossible question for me to answer without doing injustice to other parts of my heart and mind.

What is your favorite Christmas / holiday movie?
I don’t mind saying that it’s *It’s a Wonderful Life*. It might seem a cliché, but it’s an underestimated, powerful film.

What is your favorite book / who is your favorite author?
Book? *Tristram Shandy*
Author? Sheesh. That’s tough. I’ll say John Steinbeck today.

What is your favorite piece of technology?
Moving pictures

What is a pet peeve of yours?
Leaf blowers; What a waste of time, energy, noise, and leaves

What are your hobbies?
Music: listening to it, playing it.

What is the most annoying habit of yours?
Misplacing things

Who is your favorite super hero?
I’d have to say the Flash.

What do you want to accomplish before you die?
Immortality

Dr. Kristopher Mecholsky
Tutor
Residential College
CDRC PROGRAMS

JOIN THE TOUR

Tour the Olinde Career Center (OCC)

When: Thursday, September 1, 2016
When: 3:45 at the Union

Meet Blake Winchell at the Olinde Career Center reception area in the Student Union
Form a group to walk over, but please be at the Union for 3:45.

Joan Gallagher
Assistant Director
Olinde Career Center

CDRC FACULTY TUTOR

Dr. Kristopher Mecholsky

Math • Physics • Chemistry • English

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays
5:30-7:00 p.m.

Study Room

(352) 514-4291
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Michelle Robichaux
Graduate Assistant, Career Decision-Making
LSU Olinde Career Center
Division of Student Life & Enrollment

Michelle, a Graduate Assistant of the Olinde Career Center, presented two wonderful programs for CDRC this fall to identify personality types and link them to appropriate careers and job clusters.
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Career Counselor, Career Decision Making
Olinde Career Center

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Welcome to Res College, Ms. Wolcott!

Creating Your Spring Schedule

October 20
- Meet with Joyce Fields, the Res College Counselor.
- Get your spring CDRC curriculum.
- Receive important registration pointers.

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PREPPING FOR FINALS

Three great presenters prep CDRC for finals!

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Residential College

Afton Wilky
CDRC English Instructor

Ellen Dunn
Graduate Assistant
Center for Academic Success

NOBRO Program
Hosted by Ms. Granger
CDRC Rector

Thanks to NOBRO RAs for a wonderfully supportive program!
EYE OF THE TIGER
Faculty and Staff Wish You A Happy New Year!

Brandon Hinton, GRD & David Morris, RLC

Morgan Taylor, Ms. Granger's Student Assistant and Newsletter Editor

Saundra Granger, CDRC Rector and Napoleon

Dr. Robert Rohli, Director of Residential College & Neely Martin-Whitaker, Coordinator-Residential Colleges Programs