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***'Caring for myself is not self-indulgence, it is self-preservation, and that is an act of political warfare.' ~ Audre Lorde***

The uptick in activity on campus is evidence that we are moving on to life around us that is more familiar in the same way that the cooler weather and burst of fall color keeps us mindful of the cyclical nature of our world and our existence. Yet there is still recognition that many differences exist in the midst of what is familiar and that recognition may create dissonance. October has been named mental health awareness month and provides a timely reminder that it is more important now than ever to breathe, to be mindful and to care for ourselves and others. I encourage you to explore the many resources available through [Be Well GV initiative found here](#) and on the [Work and Life Benefits page](#). I also encourage each of us to express a gesture of kindness to a colleague this month. Research shows that even the smallest gesture of kindness can have a large impact. Templates for a virtual Laker kindness card can be found on the [Be Well link](#).



Sherri L.

## Recognitions

### In Recognition of Service

Celebrating Lihua Huang for her service as a member of the Commission on Accreditation (COA) for the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). This year (2021-2022) marks her second year of her first term. CSWE is appreciative of her continued time and expertise in conducting Commissioner visits to social work programs in candidacy on behalf of the COA.



## Books are on Display!

We would like to recognize our faculty authored or co-authored books and textbooks by displaying them in the glass cabinets in the Dean's suite hallway! Come check them out!

If you have one you would like to showcase, please drop it by our office.



## Education Departments Host Conference

Thanks to the Literacy, Educational Foundations, and Technology and Teaching and Learning Departments for sponsoring the conference, entitled "Teaching for Equity: Inclusion, Accessibility and Belonging," held Monday, October 3. The daylong event helped our students understand and prepare for the complexities of diversity, inclusion and equity in the classroom they'll be leading.

Keynote speaker Brandy Lovelady Mitchell (Ed.S. '11), the deputy superintendent of preschool-12 learning and leadership for Grand Rapids Public Schools, and who also served as the founding director of the Kent Intermediate School District's Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and director of DEI for the Michigan Education Association.

During her presentation, Mitchell engaged and challenged students to understand the demographic and socioeconomic dynamics they will be facing when they lead a classroom.

[Read full GVNext article by Brian Vernellis.](#)



## Grant Recipients

### LEFT Faculty Receive \$2.7 Million Grant

Congratulations to Drs. Rui Niu-Cooper (PI and Director), and Mary Bair (Co-PI), on being awarded the U.S. Department of Education's Professional Development grant of \$2.7 million. The five-year grant seeks to improve classroom instruction for English Learners by implementing the newly designed Social and Emotional Learning embedded Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol.

Implementation sites include Battle Creek Public School District, Grand Rapids Public School District, Kentwood Public School District, and schools under GVSU Charter School Office. The project is a major contribution of CECI to alleviate the critical ESL-endorsed teacher shortage in Michigan, and has the potential to make a significant contribution to ESL (English as A Second Language) teacher education in the U.S. and beyond.

Please keep our office apprised of any grants you receive. We want to make sure you are recognized for these achievements.



## Publications/Presentations

### Congratulations on Your Publications!

**Jaclyn Cwick**, associate professor of criminology, criminal justice, and legal studies, on her recently published article, "[Neighborhood Social Ties and Informal Social Control: When do Neighbors Call the Police or Directly Intervene?](#)" published in *Criminology, Criminal Justice, Law and Society*.

**Cathy Meyer-Looze and Greg Warsen** co-authored an article, "[Resetting, Repurposing, and Reimagining a State Organization: A Case Study](#)," published in the *International Journal of Education Leadership*. Meyer-Looze also gave a presentation on this article at the International Council of Professors of Educational Leadership Annual Conference.

**Jamie Langlois**, assistant professor of social work, recently published, "[Interactional Supervision: A Teaching Guide for the 4th Edition](#)," published by NASW Press, a department of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), is a leading scholarly press in the social sciences and serves social workers throughout the United States and abroad.

If you have an article or book published, please let us know so we can share in the newsletter and on our social sites.

## Community Engagement

### How faculty and staff are engaging in the community.

**Groundswell** is hosting a unique professional development series occurring throughout the 2022-2023 academic year: Communicating About Climate Change in Our Classrooms & Communities. This series is designed to help teachers-and their students-communicate effectively about the climate crisis and features specific strategies and tools to help people navigate climate conversations in classrooms and communities. It also provides support for the planning and fielding of climate actions at a scale that feels right for each attendee. Whether it's practicing a single strategy, or using a specific tool in the classroom, or fielding a more complex place-based project in the community, it's all good! [Webinar RSVP & Info](#)

### CECI Volunteer Superstars!

Thanks to those that volunteered their time at Kids Food Basket on Friday, September 30! You guys rock!

*Pictured left to right in first photo: Mai Mah, Mary Bair, Lynnea Santoyo, Veda Hodges, Jen Vanderground, and David Bair. Second photo: Leanne Kang and her daughter, Lulu.*





## Governance

### **CECI Governance Committees**

All agendas and minutes are now posted on our [websites](#).

### **COLLEGE**

#### **College Advisory and Communication Committee - Jamie Langlois, Chair**

The newly formed College Advisory and Communication Committee (CACC) has met a couple of times. We are working diligently to organize our inaugural CECI Fall Service Event and operationalize our charges. Our primary mission is to act as liaisons to build a more collaborative, inclusive, and connected CECI community. We are working to improve communication across units and with the dean's office. You can help by letting your representative have time during your unit meetings and sharing practices that have gotten dropped or confusing through the merger. You can reach out to Jamie Langlois if you have a suggestion [langloia@gvsu.edu](mailto:langloia@gvsu.edu). Or you can always attend a meeting. We typically meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. Our next meeting is October 12th at 10 a.m. in DeVos 303C.

### **UNIVERSITY**

#### **Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee - Kelly Margot, T&L Representative**

We completed the walk throughs of every classroom on all three campuses in August. We checked each classroom to make sure it was ready for classes to begin (technology, facilities, number of tables/chairs/desks, etc.). Employees from technology, facilities, and the registrar's office attend these walkthroughs and anything that we notice is added to a list to be fixed

immediately.

We have been working on addressing power/charging needs around all campuses. Thank you to those that filled out the survey sent in 2021 and 2022. This data was used to make university recommendations and begin addressing these needs. You can find information on this effort here: <https://www.gvsu.edu/provost/charge-it-availability-of-power-in-academic-spaces-277.htm>. Please notice at the top of the webpage that students who qualify for Pell grants can get financial help purchasing laptops and internet services.

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## **And the Kids Food Basket Winner Is?!**

THANKS to everyone for participating in the Kids Food Basket (KFB) Sack Supper decorating drive. As a college, we decorated and donated a total of 3,590 bags! Way to go, CECI!

In order to account for the fact that some of the Units have a total of only five faculty and staff, and other have as many as 26, the KFB committee calculated a “bags per person (bpp)” total for each unit. Thus, they divided the total number of bags collected for that Unit by the number of faculty and staff housed in that unit (excluding adjuncts).

**And the winner is.... CECI Undergraduate Advising Center, with a 78.4 “bags per person” ratio – congratulations, UAC!!**

We’d also like to recognize our 2nd and 3rd place winners, OCA and LEFT respectively. Well done!

Final totals are as follows:

T&L: 757 (26 faculty/staff) = 29.1 bpp  
SSW: 718 (22 faculty/staff) = 32.6 bpp  
LEFT: 585 (17 faculty/staff) = 34.4 bpp (3rd place)  
SCLD: 453 (22 faculty/staff) = 20.5 bpp  
CECI UAC: 392 (5 faculty/staff) = 78.4 bpp (1st place)  
OCA: 351 (10 faculty/staff) = 35.1 bpp (2nd place)  
SCCJLS: 229 (16 faculty/staff) = 14.3 bpp  
Dean's Office: 65 (8 faculty/staff) = 8.12 bpp  
CEP: 40 = (5 faculty/staff) = 8 bpp  
ELC: 0

**Thank you to the KFB committee (Jackie Doyon-Martin, Erica Hamilton, Lisa Rene' Norris, and Heather Walker) for organizing this fun competition again this year!**

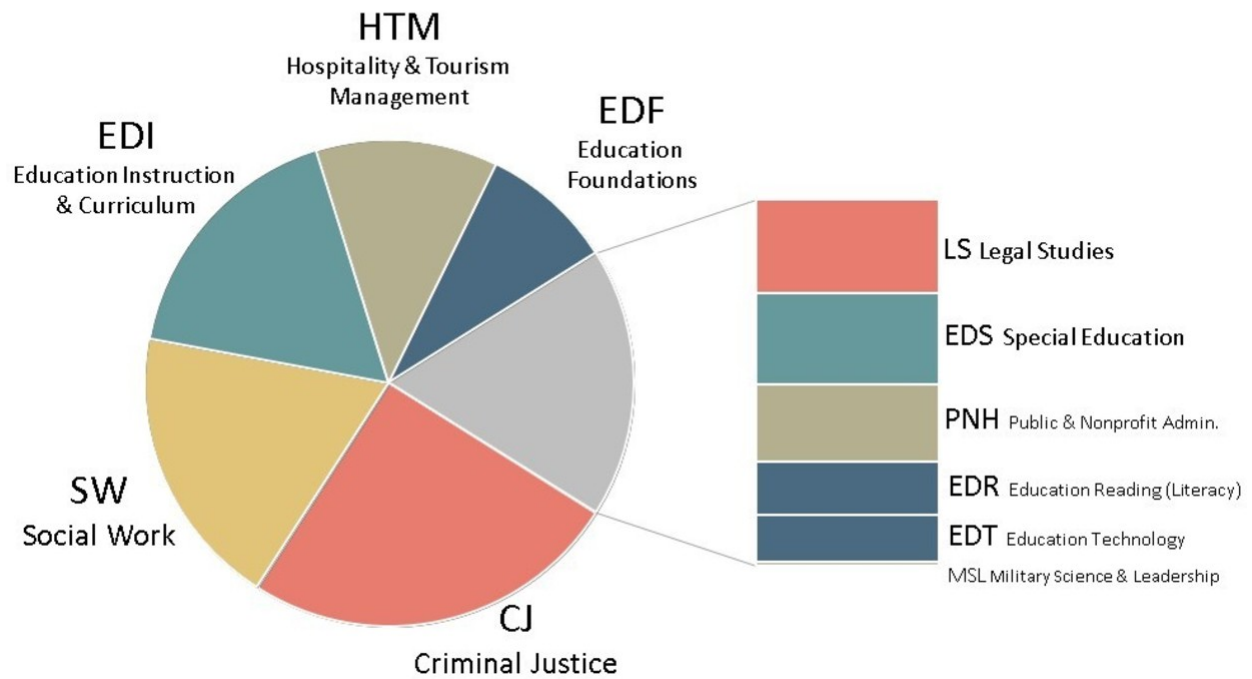
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## **CECI Enrollment from the Fall 2022 Census**

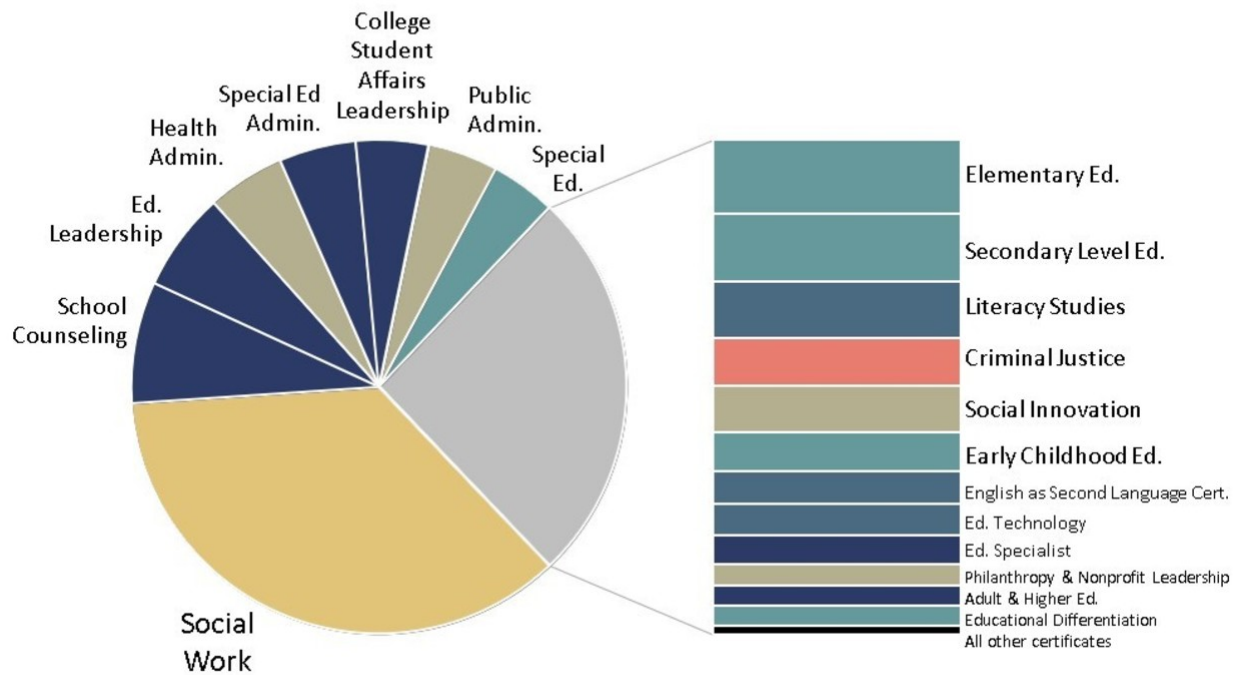
Associate Dean Hoffman created some informational enrollment charts regarding our students.



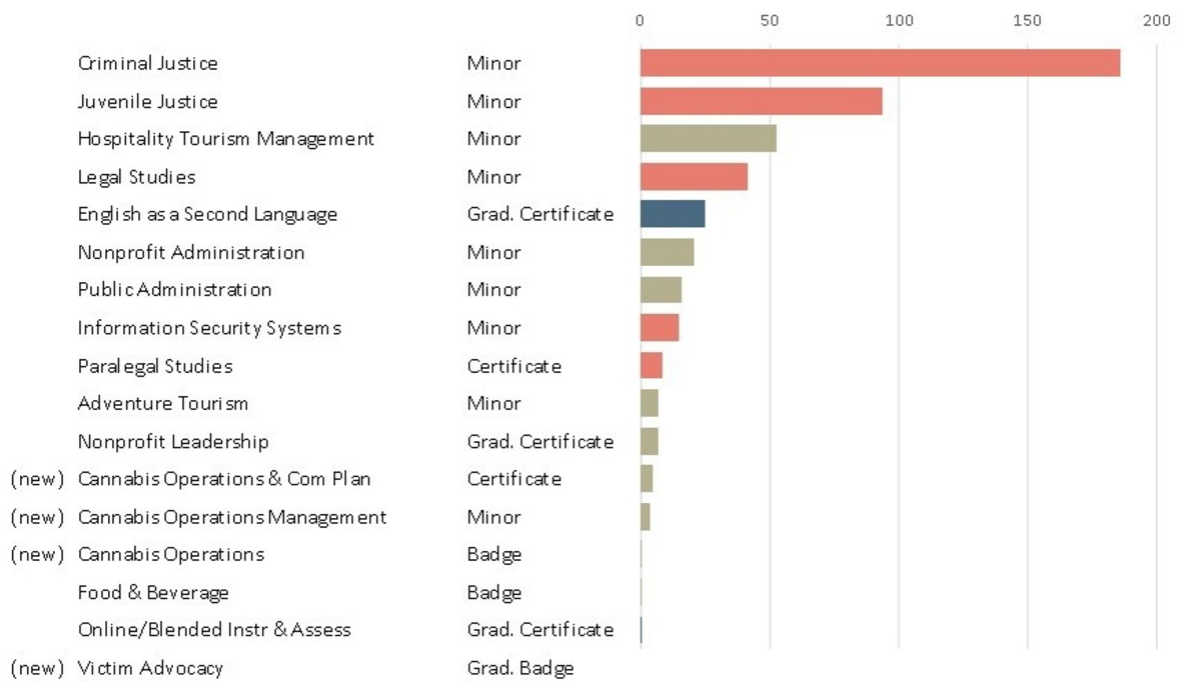
## Undergraduate Registration (credit hours) by Course Prefix



## Graduate Student Registration (credit hours) by Program



## Minors and Microcredential Student Headcount



## Downtown Lost and Found

The Downtown Lost and Found is now located at the Student Services window in DeVos Center instead of the Eberhard Center.



**October 4** — [Undergraduate Research Fair](#)

**October 7** — [CECI Clean-Up Event](#)

**October 7 & 15** — [Laker Experience Days](#)

**October 11** — [Session 1 of Communicating About Climate Change in Our Classrooms & Communities](#)

**October 23-25** — **Fall Break**

**October 25** — [Big Byte: Hypothesis](#)

**Presenter: Vince St. Germain and Faculty Friend**

**November 2** — [Academic Majors Fair](#)

**November 9** — [Teach-In](#)

**November 23-25** — **Thanksgiving Recess**

**November 29** — [Big Byte: Ultra Pioneer Experiences](#)

**Presenters: CECI Faculty in the Ultra Pioneer Program**

**December 10** — **Classes End and Commencement**

**December 22 - January 3** — **Winter Break**

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## Questions?





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