

LUKENDA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS BULLETIN

LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY - SPRING EDITION 2021

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

As part of the ongoing commitment to the safety and well-being of the University community, LSSU implemented the Four Pillars of Laker Safety in Fall 2020 which emphasized the wearing of face masks, social distancing, stepped-up cleaning and personal and social responsibility with most courses being taught on-line. LSSU resumed face-to-face instruction for the Spring 2021 semester. Below is a table outlining the cumulative Covid-19 data for Spring semester 2021.

Total LSSU Population*	Cumulative Cases**	LSSU % Positive	Employees	Off Campus Students*	On Campus Students	Cumulative Isolation	Cumulative Quarantine
2,199	107	4.87%	10	49	48	107	251

*This count represents students and employees at the LSSU campus in Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

**Includes positives from testing on the LSSU campus in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, as well as external tests.

***This count is dependent on self-reporting and local health department reporting cases and direct contacts to the university.

Isolation is defined as an individual who has contracted COVID-19.

Quarantine is defined as potential exposure as determined by contact tracing.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF CANNABIS BUSINESS JOINS LSB FACULTY



LSB welcomed Prof. Koral Fritz as Assistant Professor of Cannabis Business. Prior to joining the Lake State faculty in the Fall of 2020, Koral worked as a business litigation attorney downstate in Holland and Grand Rapids. In that role, she worked with many businesses, including cannabis and CBD clients facing licensing and compliance issues. She attended the University of Michigan for her undergraduate studies, and moved out east to attend Vermont Law School (VLS) to focus on food and environmental law. She graduated from VLS with her Juris Doctor and a Masters degree in Food and Agriculture Law and Policy. She started studying about our food system at a young age and has always found FDA-related laws and compliance fascinating. Welcome Koral!

PROFESSOR RECEIVES TENURE AND PROMOTION

Prof. Marta Diaz was recently awarded tenure and a well-deserved promotion to Associate Professor. Prof. Diaz has been an exceptional addition to the Lukenda School of Business since she joined the faculty in 2014. Marta instructs courses in management and accounting. Congratulations Prof. Diaz!!



ESCANABA REGIONAL CENTER ACCOUNTING PROFESSOR RETIRING

Prof. Susan Beckon has announced that she will be retiring effective August 2021. Beckon is an Associate Professor at the Lake Superior State University Regional Center on the campus of Bay College, where she has been employed since 1996. In addition to teaching for LSSU, Sue is an adjunct accounting instructor at Bay College where she teaches the Intermediate Accounting I and II classes. Beckon has been employed at Bay College for over 15 years. In May, Bay College honored Sue as the recipient of the Outstanding Educator Award. To receive consideration for the award, faculty were nominated by a colleague, student or someone from the community. The primary focus of this award is to acknowledge faculty's commitment to education and excellence in service to others. Congratulations Prof. Beckon!



LAKE STATE LEGEND RETIRING

It's Official!! Effective July 1, 2021, Dr. Madan Saluja is retiring.

Congratulations Madan and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement. Thank you for your dedicated service to LSSU/LSB for 50+ years.



DELTA MU DELTA INDUCTEES

Lake Superior State University's Lukenda School of Business welcomed two students into the international business honor society, Delta Mu Delta, which has more than 200 chapters worldwide, with 150,000-plus members. Inductees must have a minimum GPA of 3.25 and be in the top 20% of their class. The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), from which LSSU's business program earns accreditation, also recognizes the honor society. Due to the coronavirus, an official induction ceremony was not held this spring. New members include Whitney Drenth (Ellsworth, MI) and Bethany Dubs (Sault Ste. Marie, MI). Whitney is a junior accounting major and currently has a 3.964 gpa . Bethany is also a junior majoring in Finance and Economics with a gpa of 3.835.



Whitney Drenth



Bethany Dubs

AMY IGNATOWSKI MEMORAL SCHOLASHIP AWARDED

LSB junior business administration major and U.S. Coast Guard reservist Madelyn Swanson has received the 2020-21 Amy Ignatowski Memorial Award from LSSU. The \$500 award is bestowed annually to an LSSU student who is an active Coast Guard member or reservist or the dependent of one stationed at the Sault Ste. Marie, MI sector. The recipient is chosen on the recommendation of a selection committee that includes Coast Guard Sector Sault Ste. Marie command, a member of the Ignatowski family, and a representative from the LSSU Foundation Office. Madelyn is the daughter of LSSU alumni Tom '97 and Stacey Swanson '95.



OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD WINNERS

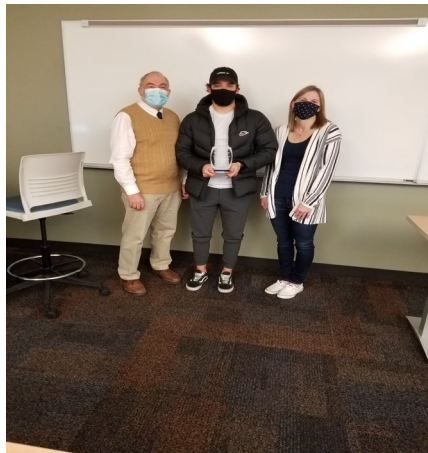
Chamber Achiever

Graduating Lake Superior State University student Morgan Edmonds of Oxford, Michigan, received the Sault Area Chamber of Commerce Achievement Award for 2021. The Chamber award is presented each year to an outstanding senior and is one of the highest honors an LSSU business student can receive. Morgan graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor Degree in International Business and Minors in Accounting-Finance and Economics-Finance. Morgan is also a member of Delta Mu Delta, the international business honor society, with a gpa of 3.755. Morgan has accepted a full-time position as financial analyst at American Axle & Manufacturing (AAM) in Three Rivers, MI. Morgan is pictured with Prof. Jerry Root and Dr. Kimberly Muller.



Outstanding Business Grad

Graduating senior, Alexandro Ambrosio of Burnaby, British Columbia, was the recipient of the Lukenda School of Business Outstanding Baccalaureate Student Award. Alex graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance and Economics and is a member of Delta Mu Delta, the international business honor society, with a gpa of 3.837. Alex was also a member of the LSSU Laker Hockey team for 3 1/2 years and after graduation, plans on furthering his education by pursuing an MBA or other type of business degree. Alex is pictured with Prof. Jerry Root and Prof. Mindy McCready.



Outstanding Regional Center Graduate

Lake Superior State University student Samantha Henderson, from Escanaba, MI, received the LSSU Lukenda School of Business Outstanding Regional Center Graduate Award. The annual honor is given to a graduating senior who attends one of LSSU's regional centers. Samantha graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and a Minor in Accounting-Finance through LSSU's Escanaba/Iron Mountain Regional Center at Bay de Noc Community College and has a 4.00 gpa. Samantha will continue working as a deputy accounting clerk for the 94th District Court of Delta County, a job she has held for the last few months. Samantha is pictured with LSSU Regional Center Professor Susan Beckon and Director Heidi Rife.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!!

Class of 2021

Congratulations to all our graduates on your well-deserved success. We wish we could have shared in your excitement in person, but you will always be in our hearts and minds. The Lukenda School of Business graduated 62 students with the following degrees: 12-Accounting, 3-Business Administration-Entrepreneurship, 5 – Business Administration – International Business, 14-Business Administration, 11-Business Administration-Management, 6-Business Administration-Marketing, 6-Culinary Arts Chef, 2-Finance and Economics and 3-Small Business Administration.

