



SUCCESSFUL DISSERTATION DEFENSE

Sharon Cureton	The Role of Exchange Ideology in Coworker Social Support and Work Engagement
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SUCCESSFUL PROPOSAL DEFENSES

Jim Black	Online Communities of Practice in the Computer Environment: Factors that Influence Participation
Gary Burrus	Strategic Human Resources in Casino Operations: Revealing the Perceptions of Casino Operators and Human Resource Leaders
Tammy Means	A Study Identifying Information Technology Development Strategies for Nursing Professional Development Specialists Practicing in Healthcare Settings
Katie Wallace	Student Perceptions of the Value of Mentoring of First Robotic Teams on the Development of Workforce Skills

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Holly Burkett, HCDPHD Alumni, presented "Developing Evidence-Based Outcomes: There's a Gap for That!", National Grant Professionals Association (GPA) Conference, Baltimore, MD, November, 2013. Dr. Burkett also published a case study, "Moving from Outputs to Outcomes in the Public Health Sector" in the November-December issue of the **Journal of Grant Professionals**. In January 2014, she presented "Building a Sustainable ROI Process during Changing Times" in an ASTD webcast.

Ken Ferguson, current HCDPHD student

- o Presentations:

- o "Are External Systemic Factors to Blame for Limiting Commercial Potential of University Research", International Conference of Interdisciplinary Studies, Barcelona, Spain (conference proceeding also), May 2013.
- o "A Revised Perspective of the 'Valley of Death' in University Technology Transfer", University Industry Interactive Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 2013.
- o "The Changing Environment for Basic University Research", Distinguished Scientist Series, College of Medicine, University of South Alabama, November 2013, November 2013.
- o "Universities and Technology-based Economic Development", Keynote Speaker, Gulf Coast Technology Annual Meeting, Mobile, AL, June 2013, June 2013.
- o "The Role of University Research", Keynote Speaker, Alabama Law Society, Annual Meeting of Managing Partners, Mobile, AL, January 2014.

- o Publication:

- o "A Perspective on the Commercialization of University Intellectual Property: An argument for Technology Transfer as an Interdisciplinary Matter", **The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies**, October 2013.

John Hubbard, current HCDPHD student, facilitated "Shifting Sands: Addressing Change in Economic and Workforce Development", a roundtable discussion, International Development Council Leadership Conference, Irvine, CA, January 2014.

Janea McDonald, current HCDPHD student, presented "Employee Engagement and Its Antecedents in a Public University in

Mississippi", Academy of Human Resource Development conference, Houston, TX, February 2014.
Robert Thompson,



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