



RICHMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY PROVIDES CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION AND RESEARCH THAT ADVANCES GOD'S WORK OF HEALING, RESTORATION, AND TRANSFORMATION IN THE LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS, CHURCHES, AND COMMUNITIES.

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"The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary."



### (Isaiah 50:4)

Every year, the campuses of Richmont Graduate University (Atlanta & Chattanooga) hold hundreds of dreams, visions, callings and aspirations. Students come with the purpose of becoming equipped with a high-quality education in counseling and / or ministry in order to follow the Lord's calling, pursue a second career, live more intentionally, and help others find freedom and fullness in Christ. Richmont is the third oldest integration program in the country and is clearly recognized nationally as a place of academic excellence. The teams that have been assembled to lead Richmont – Board of Trustees, Administrative Council, faculty, staff, Student Government and student body – is more than "man made." I find myself often saying around here – "only God."

Clients of both our counseling centers and alumni many times, walk through our doors with hurts, shattered dreams, addictions, life issues or just trouble hearts that need to be comforted. Thankfully, at Richmont, they find caring, knowledgeable professionals who will walk alongside and help them confront life's issues from a biblical perspective. This past year alone our counseling centers have provided over 20,000 individual counseling sessions! It is incredible to think of the life transformations that have taken place just this year. Only God knows them all and the far reaching impact. We simply feel blessed to tangibly serve the communities where we have campuses.

This paradox of dreams and brokenness is where the Lord's richest blessings fall on Richmont day by day and year by year. In order to provide the best training and services possible, the university maintains some of the highest academic standards as well as full accreditation via the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC); and yet, it is the genuine community forged amongst the student body, professors and administrators that cannot be planned or budgeted, but allows for forthright sharing and genuine affirmation to flow freely across our campuses. Around here, we call it "the Richmont experience."

Thank you for your interest and for taking the time to review this annual "perspective." It is my prayer that you get a glimpse into the heart and mission of Richmont, a feel for who we are and what we do, and that you will be inspired and drawn closer to us. It is my hope that you will find commonality of mission and purpose in our academic programs, research, publications, and students' lives and contributions towards "...advancing Gods work of healing and restoration.....". From launching the School of Ministry this year, growing our evening class offerings, expanding our counseling centers and having team members and alumni involved in mission work around the globe, Richmont is doing well, growing and ever grateful for each of our students, supporters and community and prayer partners. I hope you will consider joining us, as appropriate, on the journey.

With much gratitude and enthusiasm,

Robert G. "Bob" Rodgers President

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# School of Counseling

Atlanta & Chattanooga

### Degree Programs

### Master of Arts in Professional Counseling - 67 credit hours Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy - 77 credit hours

Richmont's Master of Arts in Professional Counseling program is designed to provide training in proven counseling methods along with sound theological principles. This degree fulfills the academic requirements in most states for licensure as a professional counselor (LPC) and certification as a National Certified Counselor (NCC). The program consists of 67 credit hours inclusive of a practicum and clinical internship. The distinguished Richmont faculty helps each student integrate sound Christian theology, counseling, psychology and their personal spirituality to address the whole person.

The Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy (MAMFT) program is designed to provide specialized training for students who desire to work with couples and families, as well as individuals in the context of the family. Over two, three or four years, this degree fulfills the academic requirements in most states for licensure in marriage and family therapy (LMFT); licensure as a professional counselor (LPC), certification as a National Certified Counselor (NCC) through the National Board of Certified Counselors; clinical membership in the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT); and membership in the International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors, a professional society of the American Counseling Association.

With the mounting pressures facing couples and families, the demand for well trained, competent marriage and family therapists is expected to increase. The distinguished Richmont faculty help students gain competence in Christian theology, counseling, and spiritual formation to holistically move hurting individuals and families toward healthy functioning.

#### Sample Master of Arts in Professional Counseling courses

- Introduction to Counseling
- Personal and Spiritual Life of the Counselor
- Interpersonal Skills in Helping Relationships
- Ethical, Legal & Professional Standards in Professional Counseling
- Counseling Systems and Interventions
- Psychopathology: Diagnosis & Treatment of Mental Disorders
- Clinical Appraisal & Diagnostic Evaluation in Counseling
- Family Systems Theory
- · Addictions Counseling: An Integrative Approach to Assessment and Treatment
- Human Growth and Development
- Group Counseling Theory & Practice
- Theodicy and Trauma Counseling
- Vocational Counseling
- Counseling and Spirituality
- Social & Cultural Issues in Counseling

#### Sample Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy courses

- Introduction to Counseling
- Interpersonal Skills in Helping Relationships
- Psychopathology: Diagnosis & Treatment of Mental Disorders
- · Clinical Appraisal & Diagnostic Evaluation in Counseling
- Addictions Counseling: An Integrative Approach to Assessment and Treatment
- Group Counseling Theory & Practice
- Theodicy and Trauma Counseling
- Vocational Counseling
- Counseling and Spirituality
- Ethical, Legal & Professional Standards in Professional Counseling
- Personal and Spiritual Life of the Counselor
- Professional Seminar in Marriage & Family Counseling & Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Human Sexuality: A Therapeutic Integration
- Human Growth and Development
- Counseling Systems and Interventions
- Family Systems Theory
- Healthy Family Functioning
- Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy
- Social & Cultural Issues in Counseling
- Solution-Focused Communication Approaches to Marriage and Family Therapy
- · Contextual, Narrative & Interpersonal Models of Counseling
- Psychodynamic Theories & Counseling

#### Specializations

Additional specializations, while requiring work above and beyond traditional master's coursework, strengthen the student's abilities to work with specific client populations. The following specializations within the School of Counseling are offered:

- Addictions Counseling
- Child and Adolescent Counseling
- Christian Sex Therapy
- Spirituality and Counseling
- Trauma Counseling



# Stephanie Hastings

Professional Counseling Program

MY HEART'S DESIRE IS TO HELP INDIVIDUALS BREAK FREE FROM THE CHAINS AND TRAPS OF BONDAGE THE ENEMY HAS PLACED ON THEM WHILE ENCOURAGING AND EMPOWERING THESE SAME INDIVIDUALS TO NOT ONLY SEEK OUT THEIR TRUE IDENTITY IN CHRIST, BUT TO ALSO WALK IN THAT IDENTITY.

STUDENT FEATURE

Until just over two years ago, I held deep within my being the dreadful secret that I experienced sexual trauma at a very young age. Twenty six years later, I admitted verbally for the first time this sorrowful and unfortunate event. Over the past two years, the Lord has had me on a long and very hard journey of healing and redemption; the ultimate story of turning ashes into beauty. By the Lord's grace, I started seeing a therapist who is not the healer of my life, but one who the Lord has used to help me find healing. I am continually drawn to the professionalism, intellect, and nurture she displays as a life-giver. My therapist graduated from the Psychological Studies Institute which is now Richmont. I have obviously experienced firsthand the impact one individual could possibly have on another. As someone who passionately and naturally wants to help others, I found my "street smarts" could only take me so far. Having stepped out of full time ministry, I sought what the Lord would have for me next. A closed door to a dream I have had for years led me through another door pursuing a counseling degree at Richmont.

Today, I am pursuing Richmont's Professional Counseling (PC) track with a specialization in trauma. I do not necessarily see myself as a traditional or formal therapist in an office setting, but rather see myself more as one who will work at the "street level," in the grind. For years and years I was held in captivity by guilt, shame, embarrassment, and brokenness. Today, I know Lord created His children to walk in freedom, not slavery. There are many self-proclaiming believers who walk around in these same shadows of the enemy's presence. My heart's desire is to help individuals break free from the chains and traps of bondage the enemy has placed on them while encouraging and empowering these same individuals to not only seek out their true identity in Christ but to also walk in that identity. I know even now the Lord is equipping me to one day become involved with those who are considered the last, the lost, and the least of these in order to call beauty out of ashes in the name of Jesus.

# **Justin Friel**

Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy Program, Christian Sex Therapy Specialization

When I became a Christian, I also felt called into vocational ministry, a call that led me to pursue youth ministry, overseas missions, church planting, and college age ministries. This overarching call in my life was based on 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 where Paul discusses becoming a new creation in Christ, and that through Christ God has and is reconciling the world to Himself. The crux of this is that God asks us to partner with him in the restoration of all things. As I was entering into my last year of Bible college, I was pursuing college-age ministry as a stepping stone to church planting.



This led me to look at ministries in Boston and at Penn State, but neither opportunity panned out. I found myself in a season of seeking God for the next step. During this time I had a quote from Fredrick Buechner hanging above my desk, which said, "God calls you to the place where your deep gladness meets the world's deep hunger." After running into unexpected closed doors regarding college ministry, I tried to figure Buechner's concept out and someone suggested that I look into counseling. The more I thought about it and the more conversations I had about it, the more it made sense -- being a counselor was where my gladness and the world's hunger met. The Bible college I attended in Knoxville, TN had a master's level counseling program, but I wanted a different experience from my undergraduate years. Richmont was the only counseling program that integrated faith that would also allow me to live in Knoxville for the first year of my program.

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Once I looked at Richmont's courses and curriculum I knew that it was the place for me. Today, I am on the marriage and family therapy track with a specialization in Christian sex therapy. This track is what really "sold" me on Richmont and I am pursuing it for two reasons. First, sexual brokenness is not only pervasive in our wider culture but also in the Christian subculture. It's an area in tremendous need of healing. Second, I think that the Church has largely lost her voice on sexuality by trying to fight the culture wars and by focusing on the sins related to sexuality rather than presenting a compelling and multi-dimensional Christian sexual ethic that relates to the challenges of our era. I want to help the Church reclaim her voice. My pursuit of the marriage and family track will not only allow me to address the issuess of individuals but also the family as a unit. Marriages and families are often the context in which sexual brokenness occurs.

I am excited to begin using my training after graduating this August by moving to L'Abri outside of London, England. At present, L'Abri is an intentional Christian community for individuals to come wrestle with and process through the big questions and issues related to life, philosophy, faith, and relationships in a safe place (L'Abri is French for "shelter" and was started by Francis Shaffer). After that I will see where the Lord takes me! I would love to work at a college or university counseling center as well as having a small private practice. I am thinking of eventually pursuing a doctoral degree so that I can teach. I am still in the midst of discerning the path forward and trying to press into God's desire for me.

# School of Ministry

Atlanta

### Degree Program

### Master of Arts in Ministry - 48 credit hours

Knowing. Being. Doing.

Those in ministry engage culture and people deeply when they can wisely interpret Scripture, demonstrate how theology addresses the great questions that people have, and are at ease with, and are supported by, their own theological identities. In Richmont's School of Ministry, every student is enabled to discover pathways of authentic growth and development that embrace their unique identities and histories while deepening their walk with God.

By focusing on lifelong learning skills and habits, this two-year degree enables graduates to discover and incorporate basic disciplines into their lives that will foster continued growth in knowing, being and doing. The Master of Arts in Ministry courses address the practical issues of ministry, including self-management, increasing one's leadership capacities and discovering how to facilitate team building, organizational change, vision casting and implementation. Richmont's goal is that every student's passion to become all they are called to be will be nurtured, guided and expanded so that significance and longevity will be added to their evangelistic calling. This year, Richmont was thrilled to launch the School of Ministry with 38 students pursuing a Master of Arts in Ministry degree. Simply put, this degree is intended to deepen, augment, clarify, and enlarge each of the steps that followers of Christ take on a daily basis. We trust that the Lord will use the School of Ministry to prepare students to know the Lord intimately and to freely share about Him with others.

— Dr. Leland Eliason

The mission of the School of Ministry is to advance the gospel of Christ by increasing the capacities of those called into ministry to understand God's Word, to become whole and holy people, and to lead and serve in culturally sensitive ways.

### Sample School of Ministry courses:

### **Bible History and Theology**

- Hermeneutics and Exegesis
- Historical Theology: The Great Questions Addressed by the Christian Faith
- Church History: The Great Traditions of Christian Faith
- Understanding the Bible Through Its Uniting Themes
- The Trinity: God Revealed as Father Son and Holy Spirit: God in the Midst of Thinking, Being and Doing

### **Ministry Skills and Leadership**

- Foundations of Authentic Leadership
- Interpersonal Skills Pastoral Care
- Practical Aspects of the Life of the Minister
- Ministry to Children and Families
- Communication in Leadership

### **Spiritual Formation**

- Dynamics of the Persona and the Kingdom of God
- Living in the Divine Conversation and Character
- Spiritual Formation Retreat Seminar Theological and Self Understanding
- Celebrating the Great Traditions of Christian Faith Through Scripture, Literature, and Praxis
- Living as an Apprentice to Jesus
- Final Integrative Seminar

### **Partner Churches:**

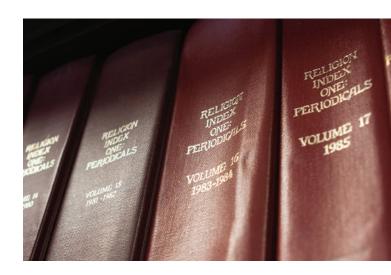
**Mission Chattanooga** Pastor Chris Sorenson

**Mount Paran Church of God** Pastor David Cooper

#### **NorthStar Church** Pastor Mike Linch

**Trinity Anglican Mission** Pastor Kris McDaniel

**Word of Faith Family Cathedral** Bishop Dale Bronner



"Richmont's MA in Ministry was the balance of education and spiritual formation that I was praying for before I began working in ministry. In my first semester, the degree lived up to the promise of the program. I am impressed by the quality of the professors and the great care the faculty has taken for the students. The evident, exciting movement occurring in my life because of this degree will be foundational to my life in Christ, family, and my role in ministry." **Bryan Barton (High School Pastor, North Star Church, Kennesaw, GA)** 

"Every now and then I come to places in life where I feel stuck, scared, or simply ill-equipped to take meaningful steps on the path called narrow. In this program I have been challenged by professors who I realize I want to be like. I have fallen in love with the Word all over again and in weary times, have hope and joy and peace. I have gained a perspective of the Kingdom of God that has made me a better wife, mom, friend and pastor." Jesi Allers (Youth Pastor, Trinity Anglican Mission, Atlanta, GA)

# School of Psychology

Atlanta & Chattanooga

### **Degree Program**

### Master of Science in Christian Psychological Studies - 31 credit hours

Richmont's School of Psychology offers an integrative perspective on the relationship between psychology and faith through graduate education and clinical research.

The Master of Science in Christian Psychological Studies is designed for the following students:

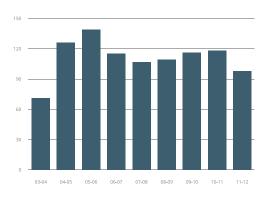
- Those seeking primarily theoretical training in the integration of psychology and theology. These may be students who are interested in research or preparation for a more advanced degree or who have already earned a graduate degree in a related field.
- Professionals who wish to integrate their faith and practice. These individuals may already have training and are counseling in some context but wish to more explicitly integrate Christian faith in their counseling.
- Students who are concurrently receiving training at another institution in a program that leads to a counseling-related credential and who wish to formalize their training in integration.
- Pastors who counsel as part of their ministry and wish to formalize their training in integration.

While the M.S. in Christian Psychological Studies is not designed to lead to licensure or independent practice of counseling, the program does draw on the Master of Arts in Professional Counseling's integrative track. Overall, the degree requires 32 credit hours and can be completed in a minimum of two semesters.

#### Sample School of Psychology Courses

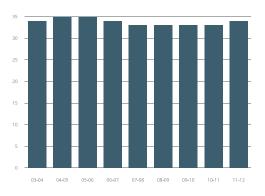
- Methods and Models of Integration in Counseling
- Counseling and Spirituality Integration
- Personal and Spiritual Life of the Counselor
- Hermeneutics and Application
- Christian Traditions with Implications for Counseling
- Integrative Theology for Counselors
- Psychopathology: Diagnosis & Treatment of Mental Disorders
- Psychodynamic Theories & Counseling
- Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy
- Counseling Systems and Interventions
- Structural & Behavioral Marriage & Family Therapy
- Clinical Assessment in Individual, Marital & Family Counseling

# **Student Data**

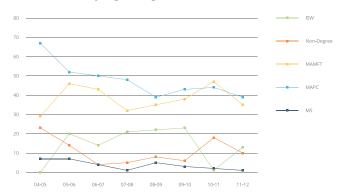


Total New Students, 2003 - 2012

Average Age of Students, 2003 - 2012



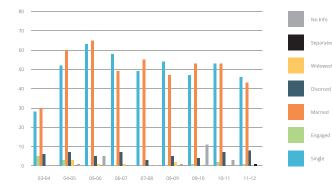
New Students by Degree Program, 2004 - 2012



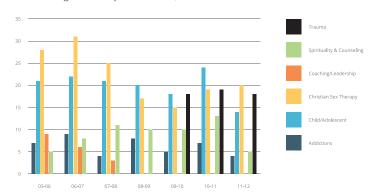
New Student Residency, 2003 - 2012



New Students by Marital Status, 2003 - 2012



Incoming Student Specializations, 2005 -2012



# Conversations Journal

#### conversationsjournal.com

## Highlights

- Conversations celebrated ten years of publishing during 2012. Various promotions and give-aways took place monthly via conversationsjournal.com and through the journal's Facebook group.
- In celebration of Conversations' 10 year anniversary, a disc called "Ten Years of Conversations" was released containing all back issues to date. With an interactive table of contents and access to hundreds of articles, it is one of the most popular items in the journal store.
- Conversations began to partner with several new ministries and spiritual formation training programs that have decided to "gift" their students with a Conversations subscription during or after the completion of their program. Similar to the Founding membership benefits of Richmont's alumni association, these organizations desire a quality resource for their graduates and our publication has caught their attention.
- Conversations added new quality writers and editors to the journal network in 2012. Of special note was a new section editor as well as new and well-respected writers in the spiritual formation arena.

### Partner Organizations

- Richmont Graduate University
- Dallas Willard Center for Spiritual Formation
- Spiritual Formation Forum
- Renovaré\*
- LifeSprings Resources
- NewWay Ministries
- Evangelical Spiritual Directors Association
- The Transforming Center
- Leadership Transformations
- Intervarsity Press
- Ashland Theological Seminary
- Spring Arbor University
- The Institute for Christian Spirituality

- Christian Association for Psychological Studies
- Metamorpha
- Soul Care
- Anam Cara

### **Board Members**

**Stan Bakke** Attorney/Investment Banker

**Karl Bruce** Spiritual Formation Forum

**John E. Eames** Eames Literary Services

**Leland Eliason** RGU School of Ministry **Bob Fryling** Intervarsity Press

**Henry Henegar** Chattanooga Christian Community Foundation

**Patty Martin** Wellspring

**Bob Rodgers** Richmont Graduate University

**Paul L. Walker** Church of God



\*Renovaré is a distinguished partner of the journal.



"As a subscriber of Conversations, I have found this journal inspiring, challenging and helpful and I'd like to use this issue to teach on the different types of Christian spiritual leanings, connections to personality types and denominational strengths and practices as well as introduce students to the journal. This is a new theology class here at Concordia University I have proposed and am teaching (THEO 333 Devotion to Christ) next fall." **Professor Tim Rippstein, Concordia University – Nebraska** 

## Libraries

### Poindexter Library - Chattanooga, TN

Richmont Graduate University proudly hosts the Poindexter library on her Chattanooga, Tennessee campus. Presently, the library remains a thriving resource center for Eastern Tennessee's students, professionals, clergy and general public. The library has approximately 1,700 members throughout the Southeast and the facility is used for various psychological association meetings, the annual Chattanooga Christian Leadership Breakfast, one Community Counseling Center, and 16+ community education classes. Additionally, clergy and laity of all denominations visit the library from across the Southeast due to Richmont's substantial theological collection. Amazingly, in addition to academic and pastoral texts, the library also houses a significant collection of relevant media items and young adult/children's titles for younger audiences.

### Richmont Graduate University Atlanta Campus Library

This year, one of the focuses for the university's Atlanta library was to add new materials in support of the School of Ministry which began in the fall of 2012. While many materials were targets toward the ministry program, a number of them proved to have value for the counseling program as well, especially considering the integrative elements of the counseling program. A concerted effort is still underway to try to identify additional free resources that could support the ministry program (as well as search for more efficient ways to connect library patrons with those resources).

Library staff members also provided various instruction sessions throughout the year, specifically 2 sessions of classroom instruction and 5 orientation sessions. In addition to this, the Atlanta librarians, John Hughes and Alison Mead, taught the Introduction to Graduate Writing course for the second year.





LIBRARY HOLDINGS BY TYPE	JUNE 2011	JUNE 2012
Volumes		
Atlanta	17,171	18,073
Chattanooga	19,521	19,858
Paid Periodicals		
Atlanta	34	34
Chattanooga	27	27
Free Periodicals		
Atlanta	16	16
Chattanooga	2	2
Newspapers		
Atlanta	0	0
Chattanooga	1	1
Films		
Atlanta	0	0
Chattanooga	0	0
Video Titles		
Atlanta	247	371
Chattanooga	5,320	5,520
Audio Titles		
Atlanta	583	584
Chattanooga	26,123	26,289
Graphics		
Atlanta	0	0
Chattanooga	0	0
NetLibrary (eBooks)	25,923	25,923
Collection V (in catalog)	14,126	14,126
Collection I (not in catalog)	9,117	9,117
Collection IX (not in catalog,	2,500	2,500
purchased FY 09)		
Free Internet Resources		
Psychology / Counseling	1,202	1,202
Theology / Religion / Philosophy	722	722

#### TOTAL CIRCULATION AY 2011 - 2012

	Books	A/V	Audio	Fac/Staff	Students	Other
Atlanta Chattanooga Total	2,231 5,616 7,847	52 7,189 7,241	77 2,824 2,901	189 279 468	2,026 1,013 3,039	136 14,337 14,473
Total Circulation (Books, A/V, Audio)	33,154					

# Local Services

### Counseling Centers

Henegar / CBI Counseling Center - Chattanooga, TN Richmont Community Counseling Center - Chattanooga, TN Hope Counseling Centers - Metro Atlanta, GA

In addition to providing a formal education for students pursuing counseling related careers, Richmont sponsors and operates counseling centers in metro Atlanta, GA and Chattanooga, TN.

These counseling centers not only provide students with internships and outplacement opportunities, but they tangibly serve the communities where Richmont has campuses. Joining academic endeavors and active care allows Richmont's students to become involved in the restorative process in a way that is far more meaningful than education alone.

# Henegar / CBI Counseling Center



WE ARE TRULY THE RECIPIENTS OF GOD'S RICH BLESSING. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR THAT AND INTEND NEVER TO TAKE THAT FOR GRANTED. The Henegar / CBI Counseling Center experienced 2012 as a year of growth in numerous ways. Our staff has grown to meet demands as we received 1,830 referrals for counseling services during the year, translating to 14,900 sessions which is a record high. We added Tray McKay earlier in the year, and recently Ed Doreau, Bo Walker, and Yohunnah Woods-Moton to give us a staff of 16 professionals. We also provided training to five interns from Richmont who provided a total of 911 sessions. All of this as our doctoral level therapists also served as clinical faculty, teaching a wide array of classes at Richmont and exposing students to a diversity of differing professors.

For the Henegar / CBI Counseling Center (CBICC), care for our counselees is the core of our mission, and our referral sources have broadened. This is spurred on by a history of providing quality care in the Christian tradition yet in a professional manner. We can provide services to all ages, and across the spectrum of diagnoses in addition to life transition issues and spiritual problems. Several of our staff also provided psychological and educational evaluations. We have intentionally developed a staff that varies in therapeutic approach and Christian tradition so that we have flexibility in meeting the individual needs of clients. Many of our referrals indeed come from recommendations of clients that have already been to CBICC.

Overall, 2012 saw growth in our staff and our range and breadth of services, all while our staff provided numerous hours of public services through consultation and speaking to a wide range of lay and professional groups. We are truly the recipients of God's rich blessing. We are so grateful for that and intend never to take that for granted.

Tim Sisemore, Ph.D. Director

# Richmont Community Counseling Center



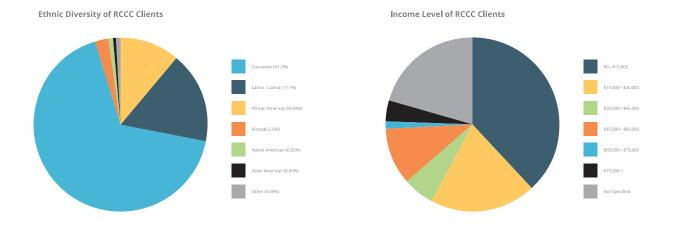
OVER THE COURSE OF THE YEAR, RCCC'S TWO STAFF MEMBERS AND FIVE INTERNS WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE NEARLY 2,000 SESSIONS TO THE UNDERSERVED IN CHATTANOOGA. In 2012 the Richmont Community Counseling Center (RCCC) experienced several exciting changes. In July 2011, Michelle Shelley, Marriage and Family Therapist, transitioned into the role of Director of RCCC after having been on staff as a counselor since 2008. During this time of transition, the RCCC was awarded a grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga (CFGC) for the purpose of hiring a bilingual therapist to serve the growing Latino population in the Chattanooga area. In June 2011, RCCC welcomed Ani Hernandez Johnson to the team in order to extend and uphold our mission of serving the underserved/under-insured in the Chattanooga area by providing quality counseling to the Latino community. We are grateful to CFGC to be able meet the needs of this group of individuals. Through this grant, Mrs. Johnson works with individual Latino clients for various concerns and provides group opportunities within the community to raise awareness of healthy coping skills, healthy family dynamics, and other topics of interest. Mrs. Johnson also enjoys collaborating and providing client services alongside numerous Chattanooga-area agencies including LaPaz, a local non-profit serving the Latino community. Ultimately, the RCCC team feels blessed to be able to work alongside community agencies and individual clients in order to help Chattanooga residents successfully confront life's issues and find hope and healing.

In addition, through another grant awarded through the United Way in June of 2011 via Partnership for Families Children, and Adults, Mrs. Johnson was trained in Parent-Child Interaction Therapy, an evidence-based therapy provided by RCCC. Thanks to this training, Mrs. Johnson has been able help RCCC impact more families by expanding the number of clinicians at RCCC that provide this specialized therapy to children and their caregivers.

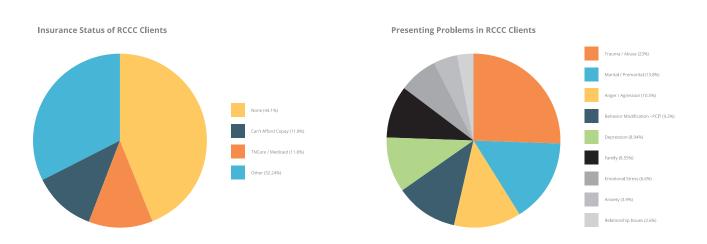
Overall, throughout 2011-2012, nearly a quarter of RCCC clients sought treatment for trauma/abuse issues, followed by marital concerns and child behavior problems. Almost half of the clients seeking treatment had no access to insurance. Over the course of the year, RCCC's two staff members and five interns were able to provide nearly 2,000 sessions to the underserved in Chattanooga. The team continues to feel blessed by the generosity of Richmont Graduate University, CFGC, the United Way, and many individual donors who help us to continue to honor the Lord by providing counseling services to underserved populations in Chattanooga.

Michelle Shelley Director

## RCCC Data



"This year, I will be interning full time at the Richmont Community Counseling Center and part time at Bethany Christian Services. I am really excited to begin this time of my training. I am ready to start putting all that I have learned into the reality of the counseling relationship. I am excited to grown and learn and be used by God in the healing process." **Amy Coxwell, current Richmont Student** 



"Richmont Community Counseling Center has been a tremendous resource for my clients. As a Substance Abuse counselor, I work with newly sober women and their children, most of whom have never been a sober mother prior to coming to treatment. The staff at Richmont has been dedicated to provide quality counseling to both mother and child." **Cindi Moore, Family Way Counselor** 

# Hope Counseling Centers



### **Services Offered**

- Alcohol / Substance Abuse
- Anxiety
- Attention Deficit / Hyperactivity
- Career
- Codependency
- Depression
- Eating Disorders
- Grief and Loss
- Marriage, Family and Parenting
- Self-Esteem
- Sexual Abuse / Addiction

## Locations

#### Cascade

4245 Cascade Road SW, Atlanta, GA **Centerville** 3835 Laurel Falls Drive, Snellville, GA **Mt. Paran** 4200 Northside Parkway, Atlanta, GA **Mt. Zion** 7102 Mt. Zion Boulevard, Jonesboro, GA **Riverside at Six Flags** 212 Riverside Parkway SW, Austell, GA **West Cobb** 1245 Villa Ricca Road SW, Marietta, GA **West Ridge** 3522 Hiram Acworth Hwy, Dallas, GA As an extension of Richmont's graduate education programs in professional counseling and marriage and family therapy, the university operates a network of Hope Counseling Centers in the metropolitan Atlanta area. This ministry enables students to hone their clinical skills while providing the community access to high-quality, low-cost counseling from a Christian perspective.

From 2011-2012, the Hope Counseling Centers recorded a record year of service to the communities surrounding metropolitan Atlanta. The addition of the Cascade location at Elizabeth Baptist Church in June of 2011 brought the total number of Hope Counseling Center sites to seven. A record number of interns were involved (approximately 53), and alumni counselors brought the total number of clinicians to 59.

This year, interns provided 3,819 counseling sessions while alumni reported 693 counseling sessions provided via one of Richmont's several Hope Centers. At present, alumni and faculty who serve clients from Richmont's McCarthy building are not included in these totals.

Students continue to offer education to the community as they present topics relevant to mental health and spiritual well-being to churches and agencies throughout the area. For example, during the late spring, several of them responded to the needs of a couples Bible study class at Cathedral of Faith Church of God in Christ, offering helps to strengthen marriages. Others assisted at Central United Methodist Church's effort to address bullying among children and adolescents by presenting at the Anti-Bullying Workshop. Almost all have participated in a morning of prayer for the attendees of the business prayer breakfasts offered at Cobb Galleria.

These activities are evidence of Richmont's continuing commitment to serve the body of Christ and the world that God so loves.

Evalin Rhodes Hanshew, Ph.D. Director



Then, in 2007, I had a Bible study group meet in my home, and we talked about our brokenness and how to develop an emotionally healthy relationship with Christ. In that safe place they shared secret pain that they quietly carried in their high-functioning, successful lives. I felt ill-equipped to address their needs, but had a real passion to pass along the help I had received. I shared my concern with a friend - a student at Richmont - and she told me I should pursue a counseling degree. I looked at the catalogue, was intimidated, and filed it away. The following year, I was diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer. The doctors told us that there was no cure, but that there were things they could do to prolong my life. I spent the next year fighting cancer with two major surgeries, lots of CT scans, doctor's visits, blood work, and chemotherapy. I had to look death in the face and become comfortable with the idea of my own mortality.

## **Jane Neall**

Master of Arts in Professional Counseling

About 20 years ago my husband and I sought help from a pastor. He led us to a Christian counselor who helped us work on problems in our marriage, in our parenting and in our personal lives. The experience was life-changing for me; it saved our marriage, and made us better parents. The counseling relationship became a bridge to trusting God's love for me, and for being able to experience His grace at a deeper level. It changed me; I slowly began to accept myself and others, "warts and all;" and my family would say I was easier to live with!

As I shared my story with friends, I found people were eager to talk about their struggles.

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The purpose in my life boiled down to this: I wanted to make much of Jesus with whatever time I had left. Important stuff became crystal clear, the nonessentials evident. That year was the hardest year of my life, but also the richest. I got to know God on a deeper level, and I learned to treasure the people He put in my life.

In 2009, a year after my diagnosis, I heard Jana Pressley (a Richmont faculty member) speak at our church about Christian counseling. I felt a stirring in my heart that I felt was the Holy Spirit encouraging me to pursue a counseling degree at Richmont. I went home that day and talked to my husband about it, fully expecting him to approach it rationally and agree with my misgivings that it was "chemobrain" and not the Holy Spirit speaking to my heart. He asked me, "Would it be worth it if you lived long enough to help one person?" I answered "I was only one person when my counselor helped me, so, yes. If I could help another in the way I was helped, it would be worth it."

Six months later I found myself sitting in my first class at Richmont! I have loved every minute of it! There were challenges, of course; it had been 27 years since I had been in a classroom. I had to learn how to use a computer to write papers and to do online research. I was the oldest person in my class. The other students were wonderful to me; these friends have been my unexpected gifts on this unlikely journey. When I had one semester under my belt, and had to go back for a third cancer surgery.

The Richmont community prayed, sent emails and cards, and was amazingly supportive. I returned to school in the fall of 2010 and attended classes while going through chemotherapy, and, amazingly, never missed a class!

So here I am, a few months away from graduation, and in the final stretch of internship and classes. I am feeling well; I have had a reprieve from the cancer treatment for the past year, and it looks like I may live long enough to see a few clients. The past four years have been rich and full. I have been seeing clients for almost a year now during my internship at CBI Counseling Center. I have learned so much from my clients. I never tire of hearing peoples' stories, and I am always amazed that they would entrust me with their vulnerabilities. CBI is an amazing place. We have some of the best clinicians in Chattanooga, and many of them are my teachers. As an intern, I have the opportunity to consult with any of them, and they have been generous with their help. The ladies in the office make it a pleasure to come into work every day. I love this place and am so grateful that Chattanooga has this resource for quality professional Christian counseling that I can recommend. It would be amazing place to work\*.

\* Upon graduation, Jane was hired as a full-time counselor at the Henegar / CBI Counseling Center.

# Community Partnerships

As of 2011-2012, Richmont Graduate University has partnered with the following organizations (primarily by providing counseling interns):

Atlanta Mission Berry College Bethany Christian Services **Building Intimate Marriages** Center Point City of Refuge CitySide Healthcare **Covenant House** Cross Keys Counseling Center C & T Counseling **Emmanuel College** Fountain Gate Counseling Good Samaritan Center, Atlanta HopeQuest Ministry Laurel Heights Life Development Center Manna Treatment Center

MARR Men's Center Mary Hall Freedom House Mt. Paran Pastoral Care Open Door Children's Home Peachford Hospital **Point University** Potters Wheel Counseling Richmont Hope Center(s) **Ridgeview Institute** Senior Transitions Program at Wesley Woods **Skyland Trail** Southern Polytechnic State University Tanner at Willowbrooke The Serenity Center Toccoa College Wellspring Living YWCA, Marietta

## Events and Honors

#### "Celebrating the Life & Legacy of Henry Henegar"

November 1, 2012 - The Chattanoogan Hotel, Chattanooga, TN

For over 20 years, Henry Henegar served as the president of Richmont Graduate University. During his tenure, President Henegar's passion brought unparalleled life to the university. It was under his leadership that the Psychological Studies Institute and the Chattanooga Bible Institute merged to create Richmont Graduate University. Additionally, Henry's commitment to the city of Chattanooga is commendable as his activities serving the community are numerous.

Those who know Henry best know him to be compassionate, committed, loyal, perseverant, and humble. His legacy already includes hundreds of thousands of people who have been impacted by Richmont's graduates. Therefore, in honor of Henry's life and service, Richmont officially named the the Henegar / CBI Counseling Center in gratitude of his commitment to the university and the counseling profession. It was a great privilege and a rare opportunity for the university to host an evening in honor of Henry's life, legacy and selfless service to both Richmont and the city of Chattanooga.

### "A Night of Laughter with Jeff Foxworthy"

April 12, 2012 - The Piedmont Driving Club, Atlanta, GA

During the spring, the university once again hosted their annual fundraising event. This year, Jeff Foxworthy brought laughter to an audience of 400 friends of the university who attended the event at the Piedmont Driving Club in order to raise over \$60,000 for graduate scholarships and general operating costs.



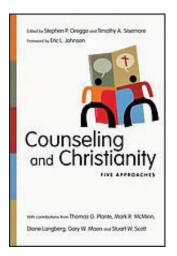


#### **"Into the Consulting Room: Five Approaches to Counseling and Christianity"** November 2-3, 2012 - Chattanooga Convention Center, Chattanooga, TN

"Given the unique demands and constraints of the Christian counselor working in both secular and faith-based settings, the tasks of actively relating one's faith to one's work as a psychological healer and people-helper are complex and frequently difficult ... For this reason, the support of fellow believers in the counseling community and the strategic tools of integration with which we can equip one another are vital – indeed, indispensable – in assisting Christian counselors in walking the line of moral and professional integrity." - Into the Consulting Room

In partnership with Bryan College and The Bryan Institute for Critical Thought and Practice, Richmont Graduate University co-produced "Into the Counseling Room: Five Approaches to Counseling and Christianity." The conference brought together leading voices of five major approaches that each seek to relate Christianity to the counseling field. Through spirited conversation and charitable debate, each consultant shared a unique vision of the ways in which Christian discipleship impacts one's career as a counseling professional.

Ultimately, the conference and university partnership not only resulted in a November conference but also in a brand new industry standard textbook: "Counseling and Christianity: Five Approaches." Published by InterVarsity Press, the book prominently features Richmont faculty members Dr. Tim Sisemore and Dr. Gary Moon. Currently, Richmont continues to enjoy a close partnership with Bryan College as psychological studies students are able to graduate with their undergraduate degree (from Bryan) and their master's degree (from Richmont) within five years.



Conference speakers included:

Stephen P. Greggo, Psy.D. Diane Langberg, Ph.D. Mark R. McMinn, Ph.D. Gary W. Moon, Ph.D. Thomas G. Plante, Ph.D. Stuart W. Scott, Ph.D. Timothy A. Sisemore, Ph.D.

# Faculty Presentations and Awards

**Amanda Blackburn (Psy.D), Timothy Sisemore (Ph.D.), Rachel Smith, and David Re** presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Christian Association for Psychological Studies in Washington, D.C., titled: *Hope and Forgiveness as Mediators of Enacted Grace in Christians: A Survey with Implications for Psychotherapy.* 

### **Dr. Gary Collins**

- Conducted an eight-month seminar titled *Global Leadership for Mental Health Professionals* for doctoral students at Regent University.
- Led a *Trends in Leadership* workshop at an African American pastor's conference in Los Angeles, CA in October.
- Taught a modular class for graduate students in November on leadership and coaching through Faith Evangelical Seminar in Tacoma, WA.
- Led a seminar with Everett Worthington on *Writing and Getting Published* at Regent University's Hampton Roads Practitioner-Scholar conference. Also provided the closing address *Where Do We Go From Here?*
- Completed a 90 minute professional recording with three cameras on the *History of Integration: A Half-Century Perspective* with Regent University.
- Taught a modular class for graduate students in March on *International Issues in Leadership and Coaching* through Faith Evangelical Seminar in Tacoma, WA.

### Dr. William Doverspike

- Published *Ethical Risk Management (2nd Edition)*, Professional Resource Press (2012).
- Published DSM-5 in Development: Anxiety, Depression or Both?, Georgia Psychologist (2012).
- Published *DSM-5 in Development: Disorders Under Consideration for Deletion or Revision*, Georgia Psychologist (2011).
- Published *DSM-5 in Development: Behind the Scenes,* Georgia Psychologist (2012).
- Participated in Zur Institute podcast *Top Ten Questions about Telehealth: Interview of William Doverspike, Ph.D.* (2011).
- Presented *Avoiding the Top Ten Ethical Pitfalls* ethics workshop at the annual Richmont Graduate University alumni reunion (2012). Also presented this workshop in Emory University's Department of Psychology (2012).
- Presented *The Real Presence: Integrating the Sacred and the Secular* during Richmont Graduate University's 2011 commencement activities.

### Dr. Kevin Eames

- In press, *Signposts for Heaven: C.S. Lewis, Senhnsucht, and the Fulfillment of Joy* in *Heaven, Hell, and Afterlife: Eternity in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam* (J. Harold Ellens, Ed), Greenwood-Praeger.
- Published *Faithful Presence: The Christian School Head, Personhood, Relationships, and Outcomes,* along with Jack E.Beckman and James L. Drexler in the *Journal of School Choice* (2012).
- Published *Expanding the Hermeneutical Circle* as a response to Alan C. Tjelveit's *Understanding the Psychological Dimensions of Love for God and Neighbor-as-self*, Edification: The Transdisciplinary Journal of Christian Psychology (2011).
- In press, Heart Health, Insomnia: The (Sleep) Thief in the Night, and Stress: More than a Feeling

in the Encyclopedia of Wellness, edited by Sharon Zoumbaris. Greenwood-Praeger.

• Published *Evil in Mind: Psychotherapy and Anomalous Cognitive Function* in *Explaining Evil,* edited by J. Harold Ellens. Greenwood-Praeger, 2011.

### **Dr. Keny Felix**

- Presented *Responding to Trauma and Loss* at American University of the Caribbean, Les Cayes, Haiti (2012).
- Co-presented *Military Marriages and Families: Special Treatment for a Special Population* alongside N. Edwards, A Shillingford, and S. Todd at the international conference of the Christian Association for Psychological Studies, Washington, D.C. (2012).
- Co-presented *The Role of Spirituality in Posttraumatic Growth* in a poster session at the international conference of the Christian Association for Psychological Studies, Washington, D.C. (2012).
- Published From Slavery to the Pews: Celebrating the Role of Music as Therapy to the Soul in African-American Life (2011).
- Co-authored *Increasing the Receptivity and Delivery of Counseling Services Among African Americans* alongside A. Kimberly (2011).

### William McGee, Ed.D.

• Presented *Ethics for Counselors and Mental Health Service Providers* in a workshop format at Summit Counseling Center in Chattanooga, TN, (2011).

### Dr. Mary K. Plisco

• Co-presented *The History and Contextual Treatment of Scrupulous OCD* alongside Timothy Sisemore, M.L. Keeley, and C. Barton at the Anxiety and Depression Association of America's annual conference in Virginia (2012).

### **Dr. Dan Sartor**

• Co-presented *Female Sexual Addicts: Comparing and Contrasting Approaches to the Assessment and Treatment of Male and Female Sexual Addicts* at the international conference for the Christian Association for Psychological Studies (CAPS) in Washington, D.C., (2012).

#### **Dr. Timothy Sisemore**

- Sisemore, T.A. (Ed.) 2012). Special issue: Christian psychology. *Journal of Psychology and Christianity*. (Winter, 2012).
- Greggo, S., & Sisemore, T.A. (Eds.) (2012). *Psychology and Counseling: Five Approaches.* Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press.
- Sisemore, T. A. (2012). *The Clinician's Guide to Exposure Therapies for Anxiety Spectrum Disorders: Integrating Techniques and Applications from CBT, DBT, and ACT.* Oakland, CA: New Harbinger.
- Greggo., S.,& Sisemore, T.A. *Into the Consulting Room: Five Approaches to Counseling and Christianity.* Bryan Institute; Chattanooga, TN, November 1-2, 2012
- Sisemore, T.A. *Acceptance and Commitment Therapy: A Christian Translation.* Six-hour seminar presented at Richmont Graduate University, May 11, and September 28, 2012.
- Sisemore, T.A., Keeley, M., & Barton, C. *The History and Contextual Treatment of Scrupulous OCD.* Presented at ADAA, Washington, DC., April 14, 2012.
- Blackburn, A. M, Sisemore, T.A., Smith, R.E., & Re, D. *Hope and Forgiveness as Mediators of Enacted Grace in Christians: A Survey with Implications for Psychotherapy.* Presented at CAPS Conference, Washington, DC, March 29, 2012.
- Johnson, E.L., & Sisemore, T.A. *Introduction to Christian Psychology: Theory and Practice.* Threehour post-convention seminar presented at the Christian Association for Psychological Studies

Conference, Indianapolis, IN, April 2, 2011.

### **Dr. James Siwy**

• Published *Translating Psychology Christianly: A Challenge for the Heart and Mind* in the *Transdisciplinary Journal of Christian Psychology,* (2011).

### Dr. Michael R. Sytsma

- Co-presented *You Never Want Sex: Decreasing Conflict over Sexual Frequency and Desire by Correcting Attributions* alongside K. Smith-Vaniz at the American Association of Christian Counselors national conference in Branson, MO, (2012).
- Presented *The Art of Sexual Initiation* at the American Association of Christian Counselors Marriage America Conference in Orlando, FL, (2012).
- Co-presented *I Want You to Want Me: Sexual Desire in Married Couples* alongside K. Smith-Vaniz at the American Association of Marriages and Family Ministries annual conference in Dallas, TX, (2011).



# Overseas Efforts



# Les Cayes, Haiti

Working alongside various humanitarian aid organizations and local churches, Richmont engages individuals around the globe who need mental health services. These overseas trips enhance the academic experiences of students, alumni, faculty and staff while providing critical counseling services in economically disadvantaged nations.

This year, Richmont's team of ten students, alumni, faculty and staff spent a week working with Torch of Hope Foundation, Inc. in Les Cayes, Haiti. One of Richmont's deans, Dr. Keny Felix, is of Haitian descent and speaks Haitian Creole; therefore, in partnership with mission organizations and local churches, the Richmont team set to work caring for people. The team presented seminars and lectures on healthy relationships, marriage and family issues, personal development, basics of Christian counseling, and coping with trauma, grief and loss. The various sites included American University of the Caribbean, a private Christ-centered university in Les Cayes and Port-Au-Prince, the capital. The team also held VBS-like sessions at three Christian schools, sharing the gospel through stories and engaging the students through music, recreation, and arts and crafts. Through the various sessions over the eight-day trip, including Sunday morning and evening services, the Richmont team ministered to and learned from over 600 Haitian brothers and sisters.

"This trip [to Haiti] was so precious because every day there was some unexpected gift from the Lord. We got to the point where we would wake up in the morning and think, "What is God going to do today?" **Dr. DeAnne Terrell, Richmont's Dean of Students** 

"The Haiti trip was like a culmination of all my Richmont classes in action. Social and Cultural, Family Systems, Theodicy and Trauma, Counseling Systems, Assessment – every day we saw the need for everything we have been learning over the past few years. Most importantly, we saw and met the extended members of the Body of Christ in the faces and voices of the sweet Haitian people. God took the perfect mix of Richmont personalities and allowed us the privilege of going forth in His name for His glory." **Barbara Jaratt, 2012 Richmont Alumna** 

"I think the thing that impacted me most on the trip to Haiti was seeing the ways in which some aspects of our humanity transcend all boundaries that culture might otherwise construct. I wasn't able to speak Creole or "counsel" in ways that I would have in the U.S., but fortunately smiles, hugs, and a warm presence are universal ways of saying "you matter." It was awesome to care for people and be cared for by those we met in God's sometimes unspoken language of love."

Bethany Blanco, Current Richmont Student

"Since graduating from Richmont in 2009, my wife Deb ('08) and I have had the opportunity to teach Christian Marriage and Family classes at a Haitian seminary. I wanted to be part of Richmont's first Haiti trip because I know the huge need for counseling and counselor education in the country, and I hope to work with Richmont to help establish and support the first school of counseling there. The trip greatly expanded my exposure to the Haitian people and culture, getting us onto mountain paths, lean-to schoolhouses, city and country churches, a beautiful university, and even a private tour of a national botanical garden! We saw God move in precious and exciting ways and each of us left a small part of our hearts behind, calling us to return."

### Craig Torrell, 2009 Richmont Alumnus

"In every trip we take, whether at home or abroad, our mission remains the same: advancing God's work of healing, restoration and transformation in the lives of individuals, churches and communities." **Dr. Keny Felix, Richmont's Dean of the School of Counseling** 

# Kenya and Thailand

Dr. DeAnne Terrell represented Richmont in Asia and Africa by taking her fourth trip to Thailand and her third trip to Kenya in order to provide counseling services. Working alongside a metro-Atlanta church and the International Mission Board (IMB), Dr. Terrell provided counseling services to many diverse population groups such as: female prisoners (Thailand and Kenya), individuals affected by sex trafficking (Thailand), in a Buddhist school (Thailand), with street vendors (Thailand), amongst orphans of prisoners and HIV positive orphans (Kenya), and in a traditional Massai village where she was the first Caucasian to visit. Dr. Terrell also helped to conduct a women's conference for pastor's wives in Kenya that taught the women how to do "Same Life, New Story" conferences in their own villages. Based on stories of women in the bible, participants were trained to understand how the Lord takes life's issues and makes them meaningful. Thanks to these workshops, many women came to see how the Lord is redeeming their stories and the stories of their friends. This year, Dr. Terrell plans to return to all three places.





## Romania

"I was blessed with the opportunity to once again serve God in Europe this past summer working with children in Romania. As a bachelor, I have not had a wealth of experiences with kids, and this trip definitely challenged and stretched me in that regard! Working with these kids (none of which had fathers active in their lives and some without mothers, too) was demanding emotionally, physically, and spiritually. We did crafts, played Bible games, and took them to the park; however, our team's greatest impact was being a Godly example in the kids' lives for a week. I can truly say that I have returned from Romania with a greater appreciation and heart for children." Adam Dark - Senior Admissions Counselor -

Mission trip to Romania



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Richmont Graduate University ended the 2011-2012 fiscal year in healthy financial standing. The university is especially proud of the following: having no long-term debt, a track record of collecting on receivables in a timely manner, sustaining greater assets than liabilities, maintaining a restricted endowment in support of student scholarships, and pursuing a significant level of independent charitable contributions.

Each year, the university also conducts annual audits that are compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Additionally, Richmont pursues independent audits of our government student loan program. These efforts are also in compliance with all Government Auditing Standards.

As a whole, the faculty, staff and students of Richmont Graduate University are grateful for every partner who financially invests in the university's mission and vision to provide Christ-centered education and research that advances God's work of healing, restoration, and transformation in the lives of individuals, churches, and communities.

ASSETS	2012	2011
Current Assets		
Cash Investments	\$419,809 \$1,546,842	\$194,101 \$1,749,867
Total Current Assets	\$1,966,651	\$1,943,968
Other Assets		
Land held for investment Accounts Receivable (net) Prepaid Expenses Property and Equipment (net) Other Assets	\$112,273 \$107,237 \$40,230 \$3,913,767 \$83,055	\$112,273 \$88,196 \$85,687 \$4,133,377 \$104,084
Total Other Assets	\$4,256,562	\$4,523,617
LIABILITIES AND NET	ASSETS	
Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll Deferred Income Accrued Vacation	\$49,162 \$65,729 \$323,698 \$8,890	\$42,391 \$46,942 \$347,118 \$8,181
Total Current Liabilities	\$447,479	\$444,632
Net Assets		
Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted Permanently Restricted	\$4,572,460 \$1,076,955 \$126,319	\$4,791,234 \$1,105,400 \$126,319
Total Net Assets	\$5,755,734	\$6,022,953

TOTAL

\$6,223,213

\$6,467,585





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