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# THE SAHE SCOOP

*University of Colorado Colorado Springs*

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Hello SAHE Students, Alumni, and Friends!  
 Welcome back to the Fall 2022 semester! I am honored to begin serving as the SAHE Program Coordinator. As student affairs programs and higher education broadly have faced myriad pandemic challenges, I am encouraged and proud of how UCCS SAHE has responded. Our faculty are committed to program and individual success, and my goal is to continue the tradition of excellence rooted in the SAHE program. I encourage you to reach out to me as we continue to shape the post-pandemic student support landscape together. Lastly, I would like to wish you a happy, healthy, and productive 22-23 academic year. Go Mountain Lions!!

Sincerely,  
 Dr. Phillip Morris  
 Incoming SAHE Program Coordinator

# OUTGOING PROGRAM COORDINATOR

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Dr. Patty Witkowsky



Dr. Patty Witkowsky is the outgoing Program Coordinator for the SAHE Program.

Dr. Witkowsky is currently a tenured Associate Professor in the Department of Leadership, Research, and Foundations in the College of Education at the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. She teaches leadership, college student development theory, qualitative research methods, internationalization, and supervised practicum courses in the M.A. in Leadership with a concentration in Student Affairs in Higher Education program and in the Educational Leadership, Research, and Policy Ph.D. program. Dr. Witkowsky was the SAHE Program Coordinator from 2014 up until 2022, and excelled in her service to our program and the university. Thank you Dr. Witkowsky for all the work you did for the program, it is greatly appreciated!

# INCOMING PROGRAM COORDINATOR

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Dr. Phillip Morris



Dr. Phillip Morris is the incoming Program Coordinator for the SAHE Program. Dr. Morris is currently an Assistant Professor Department of Leadership, Research, and Foundations in the College of Education at the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Please do not hesitate to email Dr. Morris at [pmorris@uccs.edu](mailto:pmorris@uccs.edu) if you have any questions or would like to inform him about topics such as:

- Alumni updates
- New student connections/recruitment activities
- Practicum opportunities
- Graduate Assistantship opportunities
- SAHE Program events
- Information to share with SAHE students and alumni (e.g., jobs)

# conGRATulations!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
WONDERFUL SPRING 2022 GRADUATES!**

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**CARLEE BRADFORD**

**ROBBY FAHRENHOLTZ**

**SARAH FILLMAN**

**CRISTINA GUERRA**

**FLORENCE JATHANNA**

**PAIGE KOSTER**

**KANE LEMASTERS**

**KATIE MORTON**

**KATIE PRITCHARD**

**BRUCE ZIEGLER**

# Graduation Pictures



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# 2022 SAHE AWARD WINNERS

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Congratulations to the award winners that were honored in May!



**KATIE PRITCHARD**  
*Academic Excellence*



**FLORENCE JATHANA**  
*Ariel Ortega Social Justice Award*



**BAILEY ASHIDA**  
*Outstanding Cohort Leader*



**DR. ELISA THOMPSON**  
*Outstanding Educator*



**BRIE ESCOBEDO**  
*Inspiration in Student Affairs Practice*



**STEPHEN CUCCHIARA**  
*Service Award*



# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Recent alumni, Paige Koster '22 (she/her/hers), gives insight into her life post-graduation.

## *What are your current post-graduate plans?*

"Since graduating from the SAHE program in May 2022, I accepted at job as an Academic Advisor here at UCCS. I made so many connections working in the College of Education and across campus I decided to stay!"

## *What was your favorite SAHE memory from your time in the program?*

"My favorite SAHE memory from the program was when we did the poster board presentations "Generations of Student Affairs." This project gave me an opportunity interview student affairs professionals working in the field for 3 years, 10 years and 20 years! These interviews provided such good insight into how the field has changed, how to apply CAS standards, and the value of working in SAHE."

## *What are you most looking forward to as a new SAHE alumni?*

"I look forward to the amount of free time I will have! Personally, I will spend more time outside, traveling, and catching up with family and friends. Professionally, I hope to get more involved on the UCCS Campus and attend professional conferences (ACPA, NASPA, NACADA)."

## *What advice would you give future SAHE students about to enter post-graduate life?*

"I would say, don't rush your job search! There are so many great job opportunities, wait for one that is the right fit for you! Having an MA in Leadership opens up so many opportunities to find a career. Reach out to your cohort, SAHE faculty, or even Alumni if you have questions. We are here to support you!"

# WELCOME SAHE 2022 COHORT!

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW CLASS OF SAHE  
STUDENTS STARTING COURSES THIS SUMMER! WE  
ARE SO EXCITED TO SEE YOU BEGIN!

Jessi Allen-Lutz	Mary Leusink
Erika Griego	Samantha Luckiw
Brendan Grove	Graham Maxwell
Bonnie Hart	Samantha McComas
Mollie Hayden	Angello Soto
Brandy Kaminsky	Caroline Wooten





# INCOMING STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS



Get to know two of the incoming 1st year cohort students!

## ANGELLO SOTO (HE/HIM/HIS) - COLORADO SPRINGS, CO

*Undergrad: UCCS - Communication*



### Why did you decide to pursue this program?

I decided to pursue the SAHE program because I felt that my calling is working with students, in all types of capacities, to help fulfill their needs and watch them grow into young professionals.

### What about SAHE are you most excited for?

I am most excited for learning new ways to grow my knowledge in higher education and leaning on the experiences of my colleagues in my cohort to become the very best version of my self that I can be, so that I can assist students in their aspirations.

### Is there a current position that you hold?

I am currently a full-time working professional at UCCS in the Office of Admissions, as the Colorado Springs Admissions Counselor.

### Why did you decide to pursue this program?

I decided to pursue the SAHE program to learn more about how I can better support and advocate students, especially students from communities that have historically been marginalized by higher ed institutions, as they navigate their student experience.

### What about SAHE are you most excited for?

I am most excited to learn how different institutions approach different aspects of the student experience.

### Is there a current position that you hold?

I will be working full time as a Residential Life Coordinator at Colorado College during the program.



## MOLLIE HAYDEN (SHE/HER/HERS) - SIMSBURY, CT

*Undergrad: Colorado College- Environmental Studies*

# BEST STUDY SPOTS IN THE SPRINGS!

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Check out some of the great local study spots Colorado Springs has to offer.

## THE WELL

15 E Pikes Peak Ave Suite 100,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## WAYFINDER COFFEE CO

6140 Austin Bluffs Pkwy,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80923

## GOOD NEIGHBORS

505 Columbia St,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80907

## THE EXCHANGE ON TEJON

526 S Tejon St,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## LOYAL COFFEE

408 S. Nevada Ave.  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## HOMA AT KINSHIP

415 S Nevada Ave,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## PEAK PLACE

360 Montebello Square Dr Suite H1,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80918

## SWITCHBACK HILLSIDE

909 E Moreno Ave,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## CARNELIAN COFFEE

2428 W Colorado Ave,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

## THIRD SPACE COFFEE

5670 N Academy Blvd,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80918

## BUILDING THREE COFFEE

2727 N Cascade Ave Suite 155,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80907

## STIR COFFEE & COCKTAILS

2330 N Wahsatch Ave,  
Colorado Springs, CO 80907

# ALUMNI UPDATES

Congratulations to our past graduates on beginning new adventures, positions, and awards.

**Kim Quintana Hinkle - Class of 2019**

New Position: Director of Hispanic Serving Institutions Professional Development at Pueblo Community College

**Kane Lemasters - Class of 2022**

New Position: Resident Director at the University of Puget Sound

**Kalia Lee - Class of 2017**

Promotion: Manager for Admissions and Student Engagement at CU Denver Business School

**Sabrina Wienholtz - Class of 2011**

New Position: Executive Director at Leadership Pikes Peak

**Bradley Plesz - Class of 2019**

New Position: Program Director for Instructional Technology at UCCS College of Business

**Stephanie Trujillo - Class of 2021**

Promotion: Customer Service & Enrollment Coordinator for the Office of Orientation at UCCS

**Crystal Cyr - Class of 2011**

New Position: Director of Assessment, Research, and Data at CU Boulder

**Lisa Cohe - Class of 2017**

New Position: Associate Director for Admissions at Mary Baldwin University Online

**Rosanna Smith - Class of 2021**

New Position: Enrollment Specialist with Zovio

**Karen Perez - Class of 2021**

New Position: Department Coordinator for the Intercultural Center at Brandeis University

**Dr. Sarah Long - Class of 2016**

New Position: Assistant Dean for the College of Education at UCCS

**Dr. Sandy Ho - Class of 2010**

New Position: Director of Community Programs with the Colorado Department of Human Services Office of Children, Youth, and Families

**Bailey Ashida - Class of 2021**

New Position: Marketing Coordinator for Visit Colorado Springs

**Mark Paquette - Class of 2021**

New Position: Corporate Campus Recruiting with global consulting firm, ICF.

**Danielle Trujillo - Class of 2021**

New Position: Education Specialist in the Dean of Students Office at UCCS

**Robbie Guilford - Class of 2023**

New Position: Assistant Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life at Texas Tech University