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On behalf of Nova Southeastern University, it is a pleasure to welcome you to our beautiful campus for the Human Anatomy & Physiology Society (HAPS) Southern Regional Conference. This educational event provides a wonderful opportunity to meet other basic science educators, researchers and students. We hope this event will establish new connections and result in future collaborative projects.

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Nova Southeastern University is honored to support HAPS mission to promote teaching excellence and encourage faculty and students to give presentations and posters. We are delighted to partner with HAPS to provide a venue to showcase research and scholarly activity. Welcome to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the “Venice of America”.

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Absolutely NO food or beverage is allowed in the Hull Auditorium. Please dispose of any food or beverage before entering the Auditorium during this event.
Abstract: Metacognition is defined as thinking about thinking. Students who progress successfully through a course often use its key elements: planning, monitoring, and evaluating. Essentially these students are aware of what they already know and what they still need to learn in order to do well on course assessments. Instructors may assist in the development of this “learning awareness” by encouraging the use of metacognitive strategies like self-quizzing and cautioning students about ineffective methods such as rereading. This talk will cover ways to introduce metacognition to your students and provide you with tools you can use in your classroom throughout the semester.

Bio: Rachel Hopp has been a HAPS member since 2006. She joined the HAPS Board in 2015 and serves as the Southern Regional Director. She has been teaching undergraduate Biology students for 17 years at Houston Baptist University (HBU), Bellarmine University, and the University of Louisville. Rachel has published two articles on factors related to student success in Anatomy and Physiology. She has also served as a Southern Association of Colleges Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) Academic Assessment Officer for HBU and consults in this area.
Abstract: Italy’s medieval universities established the study of human anatomy for physicians. To heighten their art, Renaissance masters clandestinely examined anatomy through human dissection. The profound connection between art and science in Italy is beautifully demonstrated by the genius of Michelangelo. Indeed, the wooden crucifix he carved in gratitude for secret access to corpses from a convent’s hospital still hangs in the Basilica of Santo Spirito in Florence. This talk will examine the nexus between art and science, the history of anatomy education in the university, and how this story is distinct to the Italian peninsula.

Bio: Kevin Petti, Ph.D. is a dual U.S./Italian citizen, a professor in the departments of science and health at San Diego Miramar College, a textbook coauthor, and president-emeritus of the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society. Dr. Petti teaches human anatomy and physiology, human dissection, and health science. He also teaches study abroad courses to Italy that focus on the genesis of anatomy as a science and its influence on the Renaissance masters. His students range from anatomy professors pursuing continuing education, to international programs for college students. He is invited to speak about the connection between art and anatomy in medieval and Renaissance Italy at international conferences as well as universities throughout the United States. The Italian government has invited him to speak at their Cultural Institutes in Los Angeles and New York City. In the summer of 2016, The University of Palermo in Sicily, hosted Dr. Petti for a week as a guest lecturer to their medical students.
Abstract: Neuroscience is one of the newest of the biomedical disciplines. This talk will briefly cover how perceptions of the brain have changed over time and how these perceptions have influenced our language when discussing the brain. We will then discuss several modern experimental breakthroughs in neuroscience and how these advances may shape our future. Topics will include an introduction to neurogenesis, induced-pluripotent stem cells, the human connectome project, and optogenetics. Finally, we will discuss novel sources to promote neuroscience education.

Bio: Dr. Munoz earned his Ph.D. in Neuroscience at Tulane University with an emphasis in Gene Therapy. His thesis work examined neuroprotective effects of mesenchymal stem cells and their interactions with endogenous neural stem cells. He completed Postdoctoral Training at the University of Pennsylvania, where he studied how changes in intracellular calcium signaling affected the maturation of neural stem cells. He also studied the role of EphB proteins in the proliferation, migration, and differentiation of neural stem cells. His current research is examining factors that regulate the proliferation, migration, and differentiation of neural stem cells.
1: Bronchial Basement Membrane Carbohydrates in Asthma  
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Bronchial basement membrane (BM) alterations are the consequence of chronic airway inflammation in asthma. We assessed the BM carbohydrate composition as detected with lectin molecular probes. Bronchi were randomly taken from 12 cases of fatal asthma and from 6 control subjects (accidental death). Biotinylated lectins were applied onto serial bronchial sections. In comparison to controls, there were marked alterations of the BM lectin reactivity in asthmatics. The BM had an increased PNA, BSA, UEA, MAL and DBA reactivity. We conclude that in the examined cases of fatal asthma the degree of bronchial wall remodeling included a significant alteration of BM.

2: Gastrointestinal Barrier: Keratin Cytoskeleton and Heat Shock Proteins to the Rescue  
Anastasia Mashukova, Nova Southeastern University, amashukova@nova.edu, Pedro Salas, University of Miami

The gastrointestinal barrier separates the inside of the body from the outside environment. Tight junctions (TJs) are the most important structural component for the formation of constitutive barrier in epithelial cells. Atypical Protein Kinase C (aPKC) is a crucial regulator in the establishment of apico-basal polarity and assembly of tight junctions. Our data indicate that in the intestinal epithelium the rescue of aPKC from degradation depends on a subset of heat shock proteins that operate on a keratin cytoskeleton scaffold. This mechanism is responsible for the maintenance of normal steady-state levels of aPKC and supports TJ barrier integrity.

3: Biomarkers and the Pathophysiology of Breast Cancer  
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Breast cancer is one of the most common malignancies that occurs in women. Cell lines represent an important tool in the experimental studies of breast cancer. Biomarkers such as estrogen receptors ERα and ERβ, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (HER-2), and human epidermal growth factor receptor – 1 (EGFR) are involved in the development of the disease. The expressions of these biomarkers influence prognosis and therapeutic options. The goal of this project was to develop a biomarker expression profile of 14 commercially available cancer cell lines. Western blot analysis was used. Our results show unique expression patterns of these cell lines.

4: A Descriptive Study on Morphometric Analysis of Mental Foramen of Adult Human Mandibles in Central Nepal  
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Anatomic variations of mandible vary among population. A descriptive, cross-sectional, multi-centered study was conducted in the anatomy laboratories of five medical colleges of central Nepal. A total of 197 dry adult human mandibles were studies for different variables. A total 179(11.67%) mandibles had accessory mental foramina (MF): 6.6 % on left and 5.08 % on right side. Average diameters of mental and accessory MF were measured as 1.55±0.37mm and 1.01±0.22mm, respectively. Commonest location of MF was found to be below the apex of second premolar (52.54%). The present study supplements various data of mandible among Nepalese population.

Poster Presentations  
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Even number presentations will present from 2:45 – 3:15 PM
5: Variation of the Common Carotid Artery Diameter Related to Age
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In multi-campus, multi-year study we investigated the relationship of the size of the common carotid artery versus age of death. A significant and positive correlation was identified bilaterally in the diameter of the common carotid arteries in relationship to age of death in human cadavers ranging from 24 to 102 years old (p=0.011). The diameter of the common carotid artery has been associated with the occurrence and severity of strokes. This may provide insight into circulatory-related procedures in the cervical region or may be indicative of a related genetic predisposition to a higher vascular flow.

6: A Novel Interactive Cadaver Dissection Experience to Supplement Learning Clinical Orthopaedic Tests with Physical Therapy Students
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As part of a clinical examination, physical therapists utilize clinical special tests that often aim to provoke symptoms. Understanding the kinematics involved in each test is imperative to determine an accurate diagnosis; however, students often lack depth in understanding these concepts due to an abstract application of gross anatomy knowledge. A novel interactive dissection experience was implemented in a professional physical therapist education program. Students dissected cadaver specimens to demonstrate all tissue structures that may be involved in a given pathology. Students then performed clinical tests on the dissected specimens to visually reinforce the mechanism of the clinical test.

7: Variations in Duodenal Lengths of the Pyloris and the Major and Minor Papilla
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The duodenum is located in the proximal portion of the small intestine. It plays a vital role in the break down of chyme from the stomach, allowing for absorption of food in the small intestine. The duodenum is located distal to the pyloric sphincter and stomach. The purpose of our research was to measure the distance from the pylorus to the major papilla and the distance from the minor papilla to the major papilla. Having a solid understanding of these distances is of great importance to gastrointestinal (GI) doctors as they investigate the pathways through which bile and pancreatic juices pass upon their final draining into the duodenum. These measurements can be used for future medical studies in medicine and to allow for a better understanding of anatomical variations that occur within the small intestine.

8: Measuring Student Perceptions to Virtual Dissection in a Graduate Neuroanatomy Course
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Integrated use of virtual dissection software was begun in medical anatomy and neuroanatomy courses in 2014 at NSU, Tampa. By 2015 all students were required to study and use virtual dissection in these studies. Cohorts where virtual dissection was less employed (class of 2016) were surveyed as well as those cohorts which required it (class of 2017). The survey was based on the psychomotor learning objectives for the course and was conducted on-line using an on-line instrument (RedCap). Students enrolled in two professional doctorate programs were asked to participate; the Occupational Therapy Doctorate as well as the Physical Therapy Doctorate. Both programs are delivered by a hybrid curricula and utilize extensive web-based resources. Results and analysis of the survey will be presented.
9: Frozen Brain Atlas: Individualized Brain Mapping
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The Frozen Brain Atlas provides students, educators, and scientists with a tool to further explore the architecture of the brain. Current mouse and rat brain atlases allow users to navigate sectioned brain tissue using histological staining; however, they fail to capture naturally visible structures. Through immediate post sectioning image collection, the natural contrast of the brain reveals unique structural details rarely seen by traditional staining procedures. By utilizing indexing and interactive labeling, this atlas allows identification of brain regions as an educational and research tool for modalities including receptor autoradiography, immunofluorescence, and other methods.

10: Using Three-Dimensional Printing to Enhance Cross Sectional Anatomy Instruction
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The increased use of external interventions to diagnose and treat podiatric pathologies warrants a greater understanding of the lower extremity in the transverse plane. Films, prosections, and plastinated cross sections currently assist students in their anatomical studies. These costly and time intensive methodologies fail to provide the tactile component of dissection, lending themselves to the unlimited possibilities made available with three-dimensional (3D) printing. To fabricate 3D prints, lower extremity cross sections were excised from cadaveric specimen, sketched, digitized, and 3D printed. This instruction advances traditional didactic teaching by facilitating the visuospatial comprehension of lower extremity anatomy, an essential clinical skill.

11: Use of 3D Printing for Teaching Unity of Form and Function in Undergraduate Anatomy and Physiology Courses
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The use of 3D printing in medicine is ever expanding (Michalski & Ross, 2014). From dentistry to prosthetics, the use of 3D printing to teach and treat is being explored rapidly by a variety of specialties in today’s medical community. The purpose of this project is to provide educational strategies for implementation of the use of 3D printing in undergraduate Anatomy & Physiology courses. Evidence of the effectiveness of the use of 3D printing of anatomical images in addressing the learning outcome of recognizing anatomical structures and the unity of this structure to physiological functions will be presented.

12: Custom 3D Printed Brainstem Model for Neuroanatomy Instruction
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Commercial and computer anatomical models are readily available in universities. Commercial models are expensive and computer simulations may not be as effective for learning. We attempted to create a custom model of a human brainstem using freely available medical images, open-source software, and the NSU Health Profession Division's 3D-printer. The librarian, consulting with a neuroanatomy instructor, downloaded CT images from Japan's Database Center for Life Science's “BodyParts3D/Anatomography” open repository, edited them with free software - Meshmixer, NetFabb, and Meshlab - and created physical representations of the brainstem images with the library's TAZS 3D-printer, to be lent to students.
13: Depression and Behavioral Ratings of Alzheimer’s and Non-Alzheimer’s Dementias
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Dementia is marked by a significant loss of cognitive output and daily living skills. Although Alzheimer’s disease accounts for most cases, other etiologies are just as damaging. Neuropsychological functioning is the most studied area in dementia, and less research has been made in the areas of mood and behavior. To close this gap, we investigated depression and behavioral ratings in patients with dementia caused by Alzheimer’s, Lewy bodies, vascular, frontotemporal, or Parkinson’s. The study endorses the need for multiple sources when performing behavioral assessment and provides valuable qualitative information about psychological symptom severity in patients with different dementia.

14: The Utilization of Current Events to Pique Students’ Interest in Research
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The Deepwater Horizon accident that occurred in 2010 spilled approximately 685,000 tons of oil into the Gulf of Mexico. The event received unprecedented news coverage with even live coverage online. Owing to the latter, students were very aware of the tragedy and it was discussed in many science classes. However, it was also used to stimulate their interest in research. In this case students were taught histological techniques and utilized them to monitor metaplasia in shellfish from 2010-2015. Later, many of the students began to ask their own research questions, and investigate how best to answer them.

15: Physiology Understanding Week as a Tool for College Students to Recruit the Next Generation of Scientists
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The American Physiological Society has been organizing Physiology Understanding Week for the past ten years. This is an effort to get high school and middle school students to participate in science. The APS has noted that this is becoming more popular among the younger students in middle schools. It is an important outreach event which allows college students to interact with, and influence the next generation. They are able to share their knowledge and realize the importance of teaching future students, and possibly affecting career choices. In addition, the middle school students gain hands-on experience with physiological activities.

16: Mobilizing College Students in Health Professional Studies to Provide Science Outreach Activities to the Community
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The focus of the Science Alive program is to incorporate Pre-Health students in after-school science outreach, exposing children to the science field and inspiring them to pursue a college education. This was achieved by creating a curriculum in which students from kindergarten through fifth grade were exposed to the fields of: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Robotics, Circuitry, Navigation, Energy, and Crime Scene Investigation (CSI). The children's performance in science subjects not only improved (through greater comprehension and knowledge retention), but also advanced the college student volunteers’ leadership and social experiences; acquiring skills that can be applied throughout their professional development.
17: Teaching Methods to Increase Engagement of Non-Majors in Undergraduate Anatomy and Physiology Courses
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We have designed a number of strategies for our non-major students who have in the past been less engaged, and have shown less interest, in undergraduate biology courses, specifically anatomy and physiology. Our purpose is to increase student interaction with one another, student interaction with faculty, student understanding of complex biological concepts. In addition, we aim to engage them physically in the learning process and to increase their interest and recall using experiential learning. These strategies fall broadly into categories of projects outside of the classroom, in-class interactive activities, and in-laboratory exercises to enhance memory and to make the learning experience interactive. We aim to make the courses relatable to their fields and their career interests, including majors in sports science, sports management, athletic training, pre-nursing, pre-physician assistant, and pre-occupational therapy.

18: An Investigation of Potential Trends in A & P I Final Grades Between Male versus Female Students
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The purpose of this study was to identify potential trends in BIOL 226 (Anatomy and Physiology I) final grades between male and female students. Anatomy and Physiology I final grades from 2011 to 2016 were categorized by each student’s gender. The data shows that while female students have, on average, earned a moderately higher final grade in A & P I than male students, this difference was not statistically significant. These findings contradict recent studies which claim that nationally, female college students are academically outperforming their male peers in the sciences.

19: Peer Based Interactive Problem Solving Improves Anatomy and Physiology Learning Outcomes in Nursing Students
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A deep conceptual understanding of the principles of anatomy and physiology is essential to nurses in today’s health care field. The challenges associated with conveying this information, and its retention to nursing students are multifaceted. Traditional didactic methods have been shown to be less effective than more active learning processes. To this end, we sought to evaluate the use of peer-assisted small group problem-solving sessions consisting of case studies to solidify some of the traditionally more difficult concepts in various anatomy and physiology principles. Students attending these sessions found them to be valuable to their learning and had improved outcomes as compared to non-attendees.

20: Teaching Anatomy to Health Profession Students from the Perspective of Medical Student Anatomy Fellows
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While some students are well-versed in anatomy by the time of their enrollment, other professional students complete the entirety of their pre-requisite work without any such exposure, exhibiting disproportionate preparedness for medical anatomy. As medical students and anatomy fellows, we examine the tools that were advantageous to ourselves in learning the material, as well as the methods and devices found to be most effective in teaching anatomy to their peers and students of other health professions.
21: Arts in Medicine -- A Literature Review Proposing Henna Art as a Healing Medium
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This literature review explores the medical application of henna art. There is little research on the subject, opening avenues for novel research on its therapeutic effects. There are a few documents citing the medical use of henna itself, which will be analyzed in this study. However, the majority of this paper will involve thinking deeply about the other aspects of documented arts in medicine work that could be analogically translated into the "henna crowns" pilot study proposed. We explore articles about the use of visual art (drawing, symbol creation, self-expression, support groups, etc.) on breast cancer patients. We then translate how that article is relevant to the visual art of henna tattoos and to describe the benefits of this work specifically. We explore aligned fields such as nursing and anthropology to analyze historical studies done on the importance of body art for tribal groups and healing. This research spans beyond the physical healing properties of henna and looks at its psychological and symbolic, and expressive aspects on women with breast cancer. This study lays the groundwork for further research on henna art, and presents henna as a promising medium for use in a healthcare context.

22: Art, Microbiology and Anatomy Combined in a Unique Arts and Sciences Collaboration
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Collaborations between the arts and sciences create bridges into new ideas and processes that can benefit the artistic mind as well as the scientific mind. Nova Southeastern University art students participated in a microbiology laboratory workshop within the Department of Biological Sciences where they learned how to use agar as a canvas and bacteria as paint in order to create works of art. The students created colorful images of anatomical icons and were able to bridge the gap between two seemingly opposite subjects. The images were entered into the American Society for Microbiology’s 2016 Agar Art contest.

23: Linking Protein Structure and Function to Medical Applications Through 3-D Molecular Modeling
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Through the use of protein visualization software, such as JMOL, it is possible to design and ultimately print 3-D structural protein models. Literary review and protein database files help shed light on the important structural components of proteins. As an example, the Angiotensin II, AT1 type receptor, known by its protein database file, 4ZUD, was selected to demonstrate this process. We observed its interaction with a well-known anti-hypertensive drug, Benicar™ (olmesartan), to better explain the structure and function of this drug and its receptor. 3-D molecular modeling is a valuable tool for visually understanding and identifying anatomical and physiological relationships.

24: Modeling and Simulation of Caenorhabditis Elegans Chemotaxis in Response to a Dynamic Engineered Bacteria
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Nematodes remain important causative agents of diseases. While several studies have examined how nematodes behave in response to a chemoattractant, how the characteristics of the chemoattractant affect chemotaxis has yet to be explored. A mathematical model was created to examine how characteristics of chemoattractants affect chemotaxis in Caenorhabditis elegans. Specifically, toxic bacteria were engineered to express a chemoattractant. Under static conditions, the chemoattractant’s diffusion rate was proportional to attraction. If the nematodes learn that the chemoattractant is associated with toxicity, attraction is counterintuitively reduced with increasing diffusion rate. Results may have implications in novel treatments of parasitic infections.
25: Sensitivity of Computational Hemodynamic Models to Geometry and Viscosity Parameters: Comparison of Real and Idealized Arteries With and Without Stenosis
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A comprehensive understanding of the sensitivity of hemodynamic variables within blood flow models is critical to our understanding of the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis. This study is a comparison of sensitivities of blood flow in a carotid artery to both geometric and viscosity model changes. Specifically, the results of these changes are compared in both real and idealized arteries that have no (0%), moderate (50% and 70%) and severe (90%) stenosis.

26: A Method to Early Detect Lower Extremity Edema Due to Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)
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In the US about 550,000 new cases of CHF occur per year often with lower extremity edema. We reasoned that if the edema were detected earlier than is possible visually, then treatment could be more properly guided. For this to occur a normal reference range is first needed. Our goal was to develop a method to provide this reference range using noninvasive measurements of skin tissue dielectric constants (TDC) as an index of localized water content. To minimize patient-to-patient variability we express the tissue water values of lower extremity sites relative to upper extremity sites not normally involved in CHF.

27: The Neuroanatomy of Narcolepsy
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As basic science educators, teaching the anatomy of the brain, we can incorporate clinical correlations to maximize student interest. Narcolepsy is an often misunderstood sleep disorder. Research over the past decade has revealed the underlying cause is an autoimmune-mediated destruction of hypocretin (orexin) -producing neurons in the hypothalamus. Hypocretins are neurotransmitters involved in maintaining wakefulness. In the brains of people with narcolepsy, the number of hypocretin-producing neurons in the brain is markedly reduced.
Session 101, Room 2102: Sympathetic Innervation of Lacrimal and Salivary Glands: Textbook Contradictions and Long Lasting Conundrum in Research Literature
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Information regarding the effect of sympathetic nerves on lacrimal and saliva flow is contradictory and confusing. Some authors of Anatomy and Physiology textbooks deny existence or functional role of sympathetic innervation of the lacrimal glands, while others show secretion as a response to stimuli. There is also disagreement about the effect of sympathetic stimulation on salivary glands, and either suppressive or stimulatory outcomes are listed. While evidence that sympathetic activity modulates secretion of tears and saliva became available more than a hundred years ago, the precise role of sympathetic nerves in regulation of these physiologically important fluids remains obscure.

Session 102, Room 2103: Cellular Life After Death: Stories of Cells Used in Research
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Cells from the human body can live on long after the person they came from has died providing essential tools for research. A famous example are cells from Henrietta Lacks’ tumor. Although Henrietta died in 1950 at the age of 31 from cervical cancer her cells were able to grow in culture. Examples of how and why cells live on long after the individual they came from has died will be presented. Questions such as, “What happens to cells once they leave our bodies, especially when we have samples taken as part of medical procedures?” will also be discussed.

Session 103, Room 2104: Defining Anatomy and Physiology through Sound: The Visualization of Anatomy by Ultrasound
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Ultrasound is a radiological exam used in identifying pathology. The difference between other modalities is that ultrasound is dependent upon the sonographer, which requires an in-depth knowledge of anatomy and physiology. Learning how sound travels through the human body adds another component to identifying anatomical organs. The tissue echogenicity within an organ and between organs requires a strong understanding in the physics of how sound travels. The resulting images created by sound waves are representative of the anatomical structures scanned. This presentation will demonstrate a strong connection between the identification of pathology and the skills to perform a diagnostic sonogram.

Session 104, Room 3320 (Gross Anatomy), HPD Library Building: The Cadaver as the First Patient: Emphasizing the Importance of Gross Anatomy for Future Healthcare Professionals
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Gross Anatomy is the foundation of every future healthcare professional. At Nova Southeastern University, our Health Professions Division trains a variety of students in various programs including osteopathic medicine, dental medicine, optometry, nursing, physician assistant, anesthesia assistant, physical therapy, and occupational therapy. This workshop will give participants an opportunity to see our extensive model collection as well as our newly-renovated prospection and dissection cadaver laboratories.
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**Workshop Session 2**
**11:15 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Session 201, Hull Auditorium: The Biological Correlates of Psychological Well-Being: It’s Not Just a State of Mind**
Barry Nierenberg, Nova Southeastern University, nierenbe@nova.edu

Recent research efforts will be reviewed that have identified both genomic and neuroimmune correlates of individuals with high and low Psychological Well-Being (PWB). Evidence based models of PWB will be presented including Ryff’s 6 factor model. Implications for physical and mental health will be discussed.

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**Session 202, Room 2102: The Chemistry of Anatomy**
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Basic science educators have the power to mold student’s minds, change lives and impact the world. Medical students in particular apply foundational knowledge to real life situations. A&P courses are the building blocks for their education. Faculty are in a unique position to kill students’ dreams or inspire and empower them. Presenting from two different perspectives, as students and a former educator, our goal is to raise awareness about the power educators have to make a positive impact on students’ academic success. We will discuss building a rapport with students, versatility in teaching methods, and disseminating advanced curricular material.

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**Session 203, Room 2103: Anatomy 1 and 2 Online with Support of a Technology**
Vetaley Stashenko, Palm Beach State College, stashenv@palmbeachstate.edu

Level of the commitment from a pre nursing students is presented on example of a fully online laboratory (Anatomy 1 and 2) class. Author would like to hear an opinion and share its own experience.

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**Session 204, Room 2103: Using Computer Based Exam Question Analysis for Assessing and Improving Student Learning**
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Many universities are now using computer based assessment systems to document the quality improvement, curriculum mapping and assessment of student learning outcomes now required by accrediting agencies. This workshop will discuss how computer based exam analysis can be used to link exam questions to both specific and general learning objectives. The presenter will discuss how he uses outcome based assessment analysis to improve teaching, student learning and the quality of exam questions.
Session 205, Room 2104: Clinical Correlation of Cross Sectional Anatomy and Sonography
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Anatomy and Physiology are undoubtedly the sole foundations of Sonography. Sonographers have to be very knowledgeable of all the anatomical structures, as well as the physiological concepts of each organ. Unlike any other imaging modality, sonography is quite more difficult because if these two subjects are not completely understood, sonographers can create diseases that are not there by adjusting the ultrasound machine settings incorrectly. This workshop will provide you all with a deeper insight of what role medical sonographers play in the clinical environment and what you all can do as anatomists to adequately prepare students that are interested in this field.

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Workshop Session 3
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

Session 301, Hull Auditorium: Zika Virus in South Florida! Where to Next?
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Zika virus grabs our attention now because of its potential to harm the fetus, with microcephaly being the most devastating effect. This brings a lot of focus on infected pregnant women and management of babies born with congenital Zika infection. In addition to this demographic, Zika virus can also cause rare neurological complications in the rest of the population. Zika virus spread explosively in 2015, with 49 countries in the Americas now (including Florida in the United States) showing local transmission of Zika. How do we stop this spread? How do we protect future generations?
Session 302, Room 2102: Art, Medicine and Observation: Teaching Future Healthcare Professionals the Power of Observation
Dianna Silvagni, Nova Southeastern University, ds1414@nova.edu
Using an interdisciplinary approach, this workshop will focus on the development of a course to improve students' observation skills. Through the structured analysis of works of art, attendees will learn how art appreciation skills may be applied to patient observation. As educators, we are in a unique position to foster critical thinking skills in our students.

Session 303, Room 2103: Peel the Real Deal Without Cost and Time Constraints: Anatomy & Physiology Revealed Version 3.2
Greg Reeder, Broward College, Melissa.bittner@mheducation.com
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You can easily incorporate Anatomy & Physiology Revealed (APR) into your Anatomy & Physiology course. Come learn new ways to provide students with opportunities to practice structures anytime, anywhere. Greg Reeder will share the many unique features, including 3D animations, interactive physiology exploration, and allowing educators to have a more focused structure list through APR’s unique customization feature. This workshop will help you enhance the laboratory and lecture elements of your course. You can use these strategies for online, hybrid or face-to-face courses.

Session 304, Sonography Lab: Recognizing Anatomy in Ultrasound: A Hands-On Clinical Correlation
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Sonography is a key diagnostic tool for physicians, yet it is often overlooked as a career path. It can be used to visualize a variety of physiologic processes and pathology. Thorough knowledge of human anatomy is vital to the practice of sonography, as it can be difficult to recognize anatomical structures using its cross-sectional scan planes. This workshop will be a continuation of the first sonography workshop. It will provide a first-hand exploration of sonography.

Session 305, Room 3108 (Microblab B), HPD Library Building: Welcome to the Office Brochure
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Practice management is ever more crucial in today’s competitive world to keep one’s program viable. This workshop will teach participants how to create a computerized 6-panel brochure that can be used for many purposes. Although professional organizations may provide its membership prefabricated templates for brochures, creating your own brochure will help your message stand out and target the audience you want to reach. For educators, giving this computerized pamphlet assignment to your students provides them with a great motivator and showcases the future endeavors of your students in very creative ways.

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Session 401, Hull Auditorium: Molecular Mechanisms of Altered Brain Development in Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders
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Autism and autism spectrum disorders (ASD) are complex neurodevelopmental conditions whose prevalence is increasing in the United States. Numerous studies have suggested that oxidative stress is involved in the pathogenesis of autism, with deficient glutathione levels as the underlying mechanism. ASD incidence also increases with the age of the father, implying that increased incidence of mutation or accumulation of mutations at conception and early development may be involved. Several of the mutation-susceptible DNA repair deficiency diseases exhibit neurodegenerative phenotypes affecting apoptosis that will be discussed as potentially relevant to understanding both the cellular mechanism of ASD and it’s rising incidence.

Session 402, Room 2102: Learning How To Learn In A&P
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Tired of poor student performance in A&P? If so, then come to this hands on interactive workshop designed to explore techniques to improve student success. Many A&P students are new to college or science and struggle with learning large amounts of material. We will explore methods that students can use to organize and condense material while improving study techniques. We will use concept mapping, both on paper and with technology, through the use of apps, spreadsheets, and word processing programs. We will examine the importance of eye-catching color and visual schematics as a means of leaning optimization. Join us to gain the tolls required to be proficient in optimizing student success in A&P.

Session 403, Room 2103: Use Cutting-edge Technology to Teach Anatomy in 3D and Teach Students the Way They Want to Learn by Visible Body
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Visible Body will walk professors through our 2 main products for the undergraduate course: A & P and the Human Anatomy Atlas. An open conversation will be generated around challenges faced by professors and students of anatomy and physiology, how to increase student engagement, and how to improve student performance. Visible Body's learning tools are designed to get students hands-on, learning anatomy in bite-sized chunks. Student learn anatomy and improve their study skills in order to master difficult content in the course.
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Anatomy and physiology are the study of the structure and function of different parts of the body. The only problem is that it’s impossible to see through the body to view the necessary anatomy that is desired. Or is it? Diagnostic medical sonography is a form of imaging that allows for the viewing of selected organs, tissues, and blood flow. This workshop will provide you with the understanding of the relationship between sonography and anatomy and physiology, and that their relationship is intertwined. Sonography enhances anatomy and physiology tremendously. Diagnostic medical sonography gives anatomy and physiology life.

Session 405, Dental Simulation Lab: The Art of Making a Future Dentist: Success in the Dental Simulation Laboratory
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Fine motor skills, attention to details, and artistic ability are critical skills required in dentistry. Our Masters of Biological Sciences program lays the foundation of success for future medical and dental students. Basic science courses with a laboratory component, like gross anatomy, histology, and neuroanatomy, give students an opportunity to learn fundamental hand-eye coordination. This workshop will give participants a better understanding of the hands-on exercises required in the first year of dental school. The session will take place in our newly-renovated advanced simulation technology laboratory.

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