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<p>Education</p>	<p>Ph.D. , Higher Education Administration, The University of Southern Mississippi MA, Student Personnel Services, Northwestern State University BA, History, McNeese State University</p>
<p>Teaching Philosophy</p>	<p>I believe in a student-centered approach to teaching. My role is to provide knowledge, skills, competencies, and mentorship to my students so they can be successful in their chosen career fields. I utilize a variety of resources and assessments in each of my courses to try and meet the learning styles of my students. I set clear expectations and hold students accountable for their actions. My classes are engaging, in part because each student is different and always has something they can contribute to our classroom discussions. I am a scholar-practitioner who brings into the classroom real-word experiences and I challenge my students to think creatively about how they would respond to these experiences. I am an educator that believes in the power of encouragement and helping students find the grit and tenacity they need to achieve their chosen goal. I give structure to my classes, but know that there are times when I need to be adjustable and flexible. I provide and seek feedback from my students because there is always room for growth and improvement. My ultimate goal for every class is for my students to leave saying they learned something new.</p>
<p>Bio</p>	<p>Dr. Giroir is an experienced educator with a demonstrated history of working in the field of higher education at both public and private institutions. Dr. Giroir began his career in higher education by working in student affairs, in particular residence life and housing. After working for several years with residence life, he decided to transition into other areas on the university campus to include campus activities, intramurals/recreation, campus welcome center, Greek Life, student leadership, and orientation/FYE.</p> <p>Dr. Giroir brings his years of practical work experience into the classroom as he enjoys working to prepare the next generation of university administrators. He has served in graduate faculty roles at both The University of Southern Mississippi and Arkansas Tech University. In addition to faculty roles held, he also held administrative duties in higher education that included serving as graduate program coordinator, department head, and an associate dean for a graduate college.</p>

	Dr. Giroir is married to Dr. Beth Giroir, who serves as the Executive Director for Student Success at UL, and they have 2 children, Lilly and Sam.
Courses Taught	EDLD 850—Leadership Theory & Practice in Higher Ed EDLD 852—Student Affairs in Higher Education EDLD 860—Strategic Planning & Human Resource in Higher Education EDLD 861—History and Philosophy of Higher Education EDLD 880—Research Practicum in Ed Leadership
Research Interests	Co-Curricular Experiences and their impact on overall student success (undergraduate & graduate students), graduate student success initiatives, and today’s college students and their parents.
Teaching Experience	*Interim Associate Dean, Graduate College, Arkansas Tech University (2015-18) *Dual Assignment *Department Head & Associate Professor, College Student Personnel (CSP) , Arkansas Tech University (2012-17) Assistant Professor, CSP, Arkansas Tech University (2012-2008) Graduate Program Coordinator & Assistant Professor of Practice, CSP, The University of Southern Mississippi (2008-2007)
Publications	Giroir, C. (in press). Ethical decision making case study: Lady luck. In Benjamin, M, and Jessup-Anger, J. (Eds). <i>Maybe I should... Case studies on ethics for student affairs professionals</i> , (2 nd ed.). Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. Giroir, C. & Austin, C. (2019). Role of a graduate student honor society in encouraging professional identity development. <i>ACPA Developments</i> , 17 (TBA). Fossey, R. & Giroir, C. (2019). Doe v. George Washington University: A university breached its contract with student by denying him an opportunity to appeal a disciplinary panel ruling finding him responsible for sexual assault, case commentary. <i>School Law Reporter</i> , 61(2), 15-16. Giroir, C. & Austin, C. (2015). Keeping student affairs relevant in a virtual world. <i>ACPA Developments</i> , 13 (4). Giroir, C. (2013). Ethical decision-making case study: Holiday dilemma. In McCoy, B., and Vaccaro, A. (Eds.) <i>Decisions matter: Using A Decision-Making Framework with Contemporary Student Affairs Case Studies</i> . Washington, DC: National Association of Student Affairs Professionals. Giroir, C. (2012). A virtual dilemma: Case study for SACSA graduate students and new professionals. SACSA regional conference in Memphis, TN.

	<p>Giroir, C. & Giroir, E. (2010). Look out: Here comes generation x parents. <i>Transitions</i>, 5(3), 4-6.</p> <p>Giroir, C. & Giroir, E. (2010). Survivor meets the job search. <i>NASPA, Region IV-West Newsletter, Summer Edition</i>, 9.</p> <p>Underwood, S., Austin, C., & Giroir, C. (2010, Winter). Squeezing the virtual turnip: Introducing student affairs professionals to open source. <i>Journal of Technology in Student Affairs</i>.</p>
Presentations	<p><u>International/National Level:</u></p> <p>Holt, A. & Giroir, C. (2018, November). <i>Sustaining student leadership: Developing a lifeline between student affairs and academic affairs</i>. Paper presented at NASPA (Student Affairs Professionals in Higher Education) IV—West annual conference.</p> <p>Giroir, B. & Giroir, C. (2016, November). <i>Sunglasses, contacts, bifocals, and readers: Looking at parents through different lenses</i>. Paper presented at NASPA IV—West and East annual conference.</p> <p>Giroir, C. & Giroir, B. (2015, November). <i>The synergistic graduate student</i>. Paper presented at NASPA IV-West conference.</p> <p>Schwehm, J. & Giroir, C. (2014, November). <i>Our students stories: Leveraging adult learners past experiences to build resiliency through academic advising</i>. Paper presented at the American Association of Adult & Continuing Education national conference, Charleston, SC.</p> <p>Giroir, C., Austin, C., & Giroir, B. (2013, March). <i>Inspiring inclusion: Integrating student services for the online community</i>. Paper presented at the American College Personnel Association’s annual conference, Las Vegas, NV.</p> <p>Giroir, C. & Giroir, B. (2013, November). <i>Avoiding manic workdays: Transforming leadership skills in student affairs</i>. Paper presented at National Association of Student Affairs Professionals (NASPA) IV-W annual conference, Hot Springs, AR.</p> <p>Austin, C., Giroir, C., & Underwood, S. (2011, March). <i>Engaging students; informing the future: Technology in grad prep</i>. Paper presented at The National Association of Student Affairs Professionals, Philadelphia, PA.</p>

Giroir, C. & Rexroat, B. (2010, November). *Changing of the guard: A new frontier of parents*. Paper presented at the National Association of Student Affairs Professionals, IV-West annual conference, Omaha, NB.

Giroir, C. (2010, March). *The homeland generation: A new revolution for student affairs professionals*. Paper presented at The American College Personnel Association, Boston, MA.

Regional Level:

Holt, A. & Giroir, C. (2016, November). *Connecting to the co-curricular experience: Fostering academic partnerships*. Paper presented at the regional Southern Association of College Student Affairs conference, Jacksonville, FL.

Giroir, C. & Archibald, J. (2011, November). *Facing incivility head on*. Paper presented at Southern Association of College Student Affairs, Atlanta, GA.

State Level:

Giroir, C. (2019, October). *Marching off the map: How to work with today's college student*. Lead facilitator for the LACUSPA Common Read round table session at the LACUSPA state conference in Baton Rouge, LA.

Giroir, C. & Giroir, B. (2017, October). *How to navigate the job search process for new professionals in student affairs*. Pre-conference workshop at the Partners for Student Success state conference, Hot Springs, AR.

Giroir, B. & Giroir, C. (2016, October). *Are you a rhino or a cow? Goal setting and tips for achieving your goals as a new professional in student affairs*. Paper presented at the Partners for Student Success state conference, Hot Spring, AR.

Austin, C., Underwood, S., & Giroir, C. (2010, July). *Connecting to the i-generation*. Paper presented at the UAMS Teaching with Technology Symposium, Little Rock, AR.

OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES:

Invited speaker for ULL Division of Student Affairs Professional Staff Development Workshop on Generation Z students, Lafayette, LA, July, 2019.

Editorial member for the *Journal of Student Affairs--New York University*, October, 2017-2018.

	<p>Reviewer for the national Crookston Award for graduate student research and writing for the American College Professionals Association (ACPA)—3 graduate research papers reviewed, November, 2017.</p> <p>Chair, College Student Personnel (CSP) graduate program review for Arkansas Department of Higher Education, 2016.</p> <p>Reviewer for the national <i>Nevitt Sanford Award</i> for graduate student research for the American College Professionals Association (ACPA) —10 research proposals submitted for review, November, 2015.</p> <p>Graduate Student Case Study faculty judge for Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education (NASPA) national competition, New Orleans, LA, March 2015.</p>
Grants	
Conferences Attended	<p>NASPA annual conferences</p> <p>ACPA annual conferences</p> <p>LACUSPA annual conferences</p>
Professional Memberships	<p>NASPA (Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education)</p> <p>ACPA (American College Personnel Association)</p> <p>LACUSPA (Louisiana Association of College & University Student Personnel Association)</p> <p>SACSA (Southern Association for College Student Affairs)</p>
Awards	
Additional Skills	
Dissertation	<p>Giroir, C. L. (2006). Exploring the race card: The relationship between first-year residents and their resident assistant (Doctoral dissertation, The University of Southern Mississippi). ProQuest Digital Dissertations database. (Publication No. AAT 3268447). Dr. Wanda Maulding, Chair.</p>
Other Professional Experience	<p>Associate Director of Residence Education, The University of Southern Mississippi (2004-2007)</p> <p>Assistant Director for Staff & Student Development, Residence Life, The University of Southern Mississippi (2001-2004)</p> <p>Area Director, Residence Life, Tulane University (1999-2001)</p> <p>Assistant Director of Student Involvement, Centenary College of LA (1997-1999)</p>
Service	<p>Faculty Representative to the LACUSPA state board (2018-present)</p> <p>Graduate Curriculum Committee Member, (2019-20)</p>