October 4, 2018
**Next-Gen Educators: Engaging Preschool Through College Students in a New Age**

**Margaret Grogan, Ph.D.**
Dean, Donna Ford Attallah College of Educational Studies

Many of us moved through our school years carrying around labels designed to explain both who we were and what we were capable of achieving—gifted, slow, average, hyperactive, etc. As adults, we know we are so much more than any label can define. Today’s educators must be prepared to provide a more holistic approach to assessing and preparing the whole child.

Dean Grogan will present some of the challenges and benefits of teaching to a modern class of future educators. New teachers will require a mindfulness of educational needs and possibilities, rather than limitations. The Attallah College is poised and ready to help graduating educators value and celebrate diversity in all of its forms: cultural, cognitive, linguistic and more.

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November 1, 2018
**The Evolution of the Sports Business**

**Matt Parlow, JD**
Professor and Dean, Fowler School of Law
Donald P. Kennedy Chair in Law

From attracting millennials to attend games rather than merely watching them on television, to combating increasingly negative stories on athletes in the media, to keeping up with advancing technologies and social media outlets, the business of professional sports has grown dramatically over the past few decades. It has become a multi-billion dollar industry. This climactic growth was driven by some highly strategic legal and business decisions made by each of the major professional sports leagues. This exponential growth and increasing popularity of teams and their athletes has also brought controversy and strife between the players and their team owners.

A notable sports law expert, Dean Matt Parlow, will discuss how these professional sports leagues have experienced this kind of unprecedented growth, some of the challenges they have faced over the past three decades, and what issues lie ahead.

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February 7, 2019
**Fiction: The Art of Lying for Good Reason**

**Richard Bausch, MFA**
Professor, Wilkinson College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

How does one approach and begin the creative writing process? In his presentation, acclaimed author Richard Bausch will share the inner workings of the creative mind of the author by sharing a self-written short story and discussing how he conceives, constructs and writes his stories.

A master of the short story, Bausch is the author of 12 novels and eight collections of stories, most recently, Living in the Weather of the World. His stories have appeared in The Atlantic Monthly, Esquire, The New Yorker, GQ, Playboy, and other magazines, and are widely anthologized, notably in Best American Short Stories, O. Henry Prize Stories and more.

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March 7, 2019
**Much Ado About Something: The Fascinating Story of Brain and Placebo Science**

**Amir Raz, Ph.D.**
Professor, Crean College of Health and Behavioral Sciences
Director, Institute for Interdisciplinary Brain and Behavioral Sciences

Although placebos have long been considered a nuisance in past clinical research, today they represent an active and productive field of research. Because of the involvement of many of the human brain’s vast mechanisms, the study of the placebo effect is actually now viewed as a melting pot of concepts and ideas for neuroscience to explore. And why do more expensive placebos work better than cheaper ones? These are some of the key questions that often come to mind when we consider the slippery and counterintuitive field of placebo science. Research with the living human brain unravels some of the mysteries so key to this nascent science.

As director of the recently established Institute for Interdisciplinary Brain and Behavioral Sciences, Dr. Amir Raz brings a highly regarded body of research to partner with Chapman University in establishing the new institute.

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May 2, 2019
**Building a Collegiate Environment to Support our Students**

**Jerry Price, Ph.D.**
Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
Chapman University

Chapman University is affectionately referred to as a place that people fight to get into, don’t want to leave, love to support, and never forget; but what are the biggest hurdles and obstacles facing modern college students today? Jerry Price, dean of students, along with Parker Kennedy, chair of the Student Life Committee of the Chapman University Board of Trustees, and additional key student services administrators, will discuss the challenges facing college students today. In addition, they will provide an overview of counseling, housing, student safety and other support services that Chapman University offers to help students succeed. Student Government Association President Mitchell Rosenberg will present a student perspective on those services and what services Chapman should consider adding in the future.

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Lunch at the Forum series of five (5) tickets is $200 and includes a visitor parking permit and one ticket to Chapman University’s Annual Sholund Scholarship Concert. Individual luncheon tickets may be purchased for $45 per ticket; no parking permit or concert ticket is included. Advance ticket purchases and reservations are strongly encouraged. For more information, please contact Andi Doddridge at (714) 744-7679 or visit chapman.edu/tg.