

UCA PT FACULTY SPOTLIGHTS

William Bandy, PhD,PT,SCS,ATC: Dr. Bandy received his PhD in physical therapy from Texas Woman's University. He is a Professor in the department and teaches courses in orthopedics, sports, and research. Dr. Bandy was awarded Sports Specialization Certification by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties in 1987, and he has over 30 publications. Additionally, Dr. Bandy volunteered his services to the Olympics in Atlanta in 1996, and he is a former two-term president of the ArPTA. Dr. Bandy has taken sabbatical this spring to devote work to two textbooks that he is co-authoring. His research interests focus on the adaptation of the musculoskeletal system. He is currently clinically active with Sportsmedicine Plus at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

James Fletcher, MS,PT,ATC: Mr. Fletcher received his MS in physical therapy from UCA. As an Instructor in the department, Mr. Fletcher teaches kinesiology for assistants, patient care skills, electrotherapy, and orthopedics. He is currently in post-professional coursework in the PhD program at UCA. Most recently, he has contributed a chapter to the Bandy and Sanders text, *Therapeutic Exercise*, to be published this year. His research interests are in the musculoskeletal area of physical therapy. Mr. Fletcher's clinical specialty is in the area of orthopedics and sports physical therapy. He is currently clinically active with Sportsmedicine Plus at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Stephen Hearn, MS,PT: Mr. Hearn received his Advanced MS in physical therapy from UCA. As an Instructor in the department, Mr. Hearn teaches therapeutic procedures, therapeutic agents, electrotherapy, home health and electroneuromyography. He has done extensive course work in clinical electrophysiology at the Institute of Clinical Electrophysiology in Provo, Utah. He is currently in post-professional coursework in the DPT program at UCA. His research interest is clinical electrophysiology, and he is currently involved in research investigating "The H Reflex in Patients with Spinal Cord Injury." He is clinically active as an independent consultant for electrophysiological testing.

Clayton Holmes, EdD,PT,ATC: Dr. Holmes received his Doctorate in Education from UALR. He is an Assistant Professor in the department and teaches courses in kinesiology, orthopedics, and treatment of

the spine as well as core courses in the PhD program. Dr. Holmes is the coordinator of the Post-Professional Programs for the Department. Most recently, Dr. Holmes has had his article, "Attitudes and Perspectives of Physical Therapy Students Regarding Patient Education" published, and he is currently grant funded with the Arkansas Department of Higher Education researching Multimedia uses in Clinical Instruction. His clinical specialty is sportsmedicine with a focus on treatment of the spine while his research interest focuses on patient education. He is currently clinically active with Sportsmedicine Plus at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Glenn Irion, PhD,PT,CWS: Dr. Irion received his PhD in physiology from Temple University School of Medicine. Dr. Irion serves as an Associate Professor and Director of Research in the department and teaches pathology, cardiopulmonary PT, wound care, women's health, and pharmacology. The American Academy of Wound Management certified Dr. Irion as a Certified Wound Specialist in April, 1997. Dr. Irion has recently completed a textbook, *Physiology: The Basis of Clinical Practice*, which will be published this year. He is also in his second term as treasurer of the ArPTA. His research interests include burn and wound management and healing, cardiopulmonary practice, and incontinence. Dr. Irion is currently clinically active in treating patients with burn and wound injuries at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Jean Irion, MEd,PT,ATC,SCS: Ms. Irion received her MEd in sports medicine from Temple University School of Medicine. Ms. Irion is currently pursuing her EdD degree at UALR with an anticipated completion of May, 2000. As an Assistant Professor, Ms. Irion's teaches in the areas of kinesiology, orthopedics, clinical education, aquatic therapy, industrial rehab, and women's health. Ms. Irion is a board certified Sports Specialist. Her research interests include aquatic therapy and women's health. Most recently, she has contributed to the Bandy and Sanders text, *Therapeutic Exercise*, to be published this year. Ms. Irion is currently clinically active with Sportsmedicine Plus at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock, and she is the owner and president of Occupational Health and Prevention Services, a consulting firm to businesses and industries in work injury management and prevention.

Loretta Knutson, PhD,PT,PCS: Dr. Knutson received her PhD in exercise science from the University of Iowa. She is an Associate Professor in the department and teaches courses in pediatrics, orthotics, research, and embryology. Dr. Knutson is a board certified Pediatric Clinical Specialist. She has served two terms as president of the APTA Section on Pediatrics. In 1997 and 1998, Dr. Knutson completed a Mary E. Switzer Distinguished Rehabilitation Research Fellowship conducting research at the Motor Control Laboratory of the Department of Woman and Child Health, at the Karolinska Institute of Stockholm, Sweden. Dr. Knutson has extensive clinical research experience in the area of orthotic management and has published several articles, text chapters, and informational booklets on orthoses.

Venita Lovelace-Chandler, PhD,PT,PCS: Dr. Lovelace-Chandler received her PhD in health education from Texas A&M. She is a Professor in the department and has served as department chair for 19 years. Dr. Lovelace-Chandler is a board certified Pediatric Clinical Specialist and teaches courses in pediatrics and professional issues as well as core courses in the PhD program. She is in her second term as treasurer of the APTA Section on Pediatrics and has been appointed to the Commission on Accreditation in PT Education. Her research interests are in the areas of neonatal pediatrics and higher education. She is clinically active in pediatrics.

Twala Maresh, MS,PT: Ms. Maresh received her Advanced MS in physical therapy from UCA. As an Instructor in the department, she teaches administration, patient care skills, physical rehabilitation, psycho-social skills and advanced spinal cord injury. She is currently in post-professional coursework in the DPT program at UCA. She is actively involved in research with the Arkansas Spinal Cord Commission and is currently grant funded with the Commission investigating "Consumer Action to Prevent Pressure Sores in Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries." Her clinical specialties are inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation, spinal cord injury, orthotics, wheelchair prescription, and home health.

Margaret McGee, MS,PT: Ms. McGee received her MS in Physical Therapy from UCA. As an Instructor in the department and as Coordinator of the PTA program, she teaches courses in the



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