

# Saint Mary's Monthly

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Graduate School of Health and Human Services Alumni Newsletter



**Saint Mary's profiled on KSTP-TV for online teaching training**



Saint Mary's was recently profiled on KTSP-TV news from the Twin Cities. This feature was focused on the program of training our faculty to teach online.

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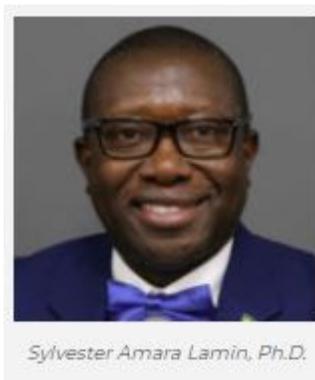
## Meet our new faculty: Michaela Rinkel, social work, associate professor



Michaela Rinkel, Ph.D., LCSW, joined Saint Mary's University as an associate professor in the Master of Social Work program on July 5.

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## Lamin co-authors book on Chinese family culture



Sylvester Amara Lamin, Ph.D., Health and Human Services core associate professor, co-authored "Chinese Family Culture: Change, Continuity, and Counseling Implications" with Jiping Zuo, Ph.D. sociology professor at St. Cloud State University.

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## Practicum segways into new career path



Tara Dicus M'20 always knew she wanted to get her master's degree. She was just waiting for the right time. When her son turned four and her daughter was in second grade, she found it.

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## Public health student plans to take lessons learned at Saint Mary's abroad



Armed with a Master's Degree (MPH) in Public Health, Koko Tarr hopes to not only open a nonprofit clinic back home in Liberia, but also to change the country's health practices — and ultimately save lives.

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