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121st Commencement Ceremonies Slated for Dec. 21

The 121st commencement ceremonies of FSU will be held Saturday, Dec. 21, in the Harold J. Cordts Center Main Arena on the FSU campus.

Two exercises will be held during the day. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will present degrees beginning at 10 a.m. and the College of Business and the College of Education ceremonies will start at 2 p.m. FSU President Catherine R. Gira will confer graduate and undergraduate degrees at both events.

The featured speaker this semester will be FSU alumna Dr. Barbara Roque. A registered nurse, attorney, dean of higher education and county commissioner, Roque received her Associate in Arts Degree in Arts and Sciences from Allegany College of Maryland before majoring in political science at FSU. She later earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. Roque joined the staff at Allegany College of Maryland in 1988, and is now dean of student development/legislative and legal assistant to the president. This past November, Roque was elected to a four-year term to serve as an Allegany County commissioner.



Shannon Padeway

Student speakers at the winter commencement include **Shannon**

Padeway, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; **Erin Shaffer**, College of Education and **Lauren Umbel**, College of Business.

With a dual major of English and French, Padeway was an active member in the honor societies for both departments. In her English/literature studies, she presented papers at FSU's English colloquium and published her essays in campus journals. She also worked as a staff writer for The Bottom Line, FSU's student newspaper, and is a certified tutor at the campus Writing Center. As a foreign language student, Padeway served as president of both the French Club and the French Honor Society. In addition to her academic honors, she has received the Black Student Alliance Award for Excellence every semester since coming to Frostburg four years ago. Padeway is a resident of Sterling, Va.



Lauren Umbel

A graduate of Allegany College of Maryland with a degree in business administration, accounting and economics, Umbel continued her business studies at FSU with a management concentration and a human resources focus. She received previous human resources experience when she worked as benefits coordinator at NeighborCare

Pharmacy in Morgantown, W.Va. A member of the Pinnacle International Honor Society for non-traditional students, Lauren has performed with the FSU Chorale and Potomac State College choir. She is currently a resident of LaVale, Md.



Erin Shaffer

Erin Shaffer will earn degrees in both recreation and parks management and business administration. A native of Oakland, Md., Shaffer is currently a seasonal park ranger at Potomac-Garrett state forest in Garrett County. In past semesters, she served as a research assistant for a business professor, preparing teaching tools for management courses. Shaffer is a member of the Phi Eta Sigma student honor society and the Society for the Advancement of Management, an award-winning student business organization. This year, she received the Outstanding Regional Student Award at a S.A.M. conference. An advocate for protecting parks for future generations, Shaffer hopes to pursue a career in the field of park service after graduation.

Presenting candidates for degrees will be Dr. Stephen Simpson, Provost; Dr. Susan Arisman, Dean of the College of Education; Dr. Connie Groer, Acting Dean of the College of Business; and Dr. Fred Yaffe, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

'Copacabana -- the Musical' is January's Cultural Events Offering

Winter will seem far away when Barry Manilow's "Copacabana - the Musical" comes to town for three shows running Friday and Saturday, Jan. 17 and 18, in the PAC Drama Theatre, presented by the FSU Cultural Events Series. Set in the glamorous 40's world of the famous Copacabana nightclub, when "music and passion were always in fashion," this musical extravaganza follows the adventures of the same Lola made famous in Manilow's hit song. Sponsored by Best Western Braddock, this performance is presented in partnership with the Windwood Theatricals and FSU Division of Performing Arts.



'Copacabana -- the Musical' will be performed Jan. 17 and 18.

The CES is offering two new options to package event tickets this season. The

Arts GetAway Package adds a hotel stay, dinner and breakfast to event tickets at either the Best Western Braddock or Cumberland Holiday Inn. The Dinner Show Package adds transportation and dinner at one of the area's Dinner Show restaurants, Acropolis, El Canelo, Gandalf's, Gehauf's, Giuseppe's, Harrigan's and Tombstone Café.

CES offers a variety of ticket purchasing options ranging from individual event tickets to multiple season subscription and sampler season options. Tickets for FSU students, faculty and staff are available at a discounted price with a valid FSU ID.

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For information and individual ticket and series subscription purchases, call or visit the CES Box Office, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Lane University Center, Room 235. It can be reached at x3137 or toll-free at 1-(866) TIXX CES. All tickets not purchased in person will be charged a \$1 per ticket handling fee. Payment by credit card (VISA, MasterCard, Discover and Bobcat Card), check and money order is accepted.



Take Note

Zeta Phi Sorority Gains Independent Recognition

The Zeta Phi Sorority has become the first Independently Recognized Greek organization at FSU.

Founded six years ago by 16 FSU students, Zeta Phi was approved for independent recognition on Oct. 16 after meeting an extensive set of requirements established by the 2002 Greek Life Task Force and implemented by the Independent Review Board. The sorority will be granted full status after one year, providing minimum expectations have been met.

The group's community service activities currently include volunteering at the Frostburg Village Nursing Home, participating in Bowl for Kids Sake, collecting canned foods for Tri-State Operation LovePak and running a 5K race to support the YMCA's at-risk youth programs.

On campus, Zeta Phi members attend leadership conferences, work with campus clubs and organizations and participate in intramural sports.

Shelley Ducatt, FSU's director of Greek Life, sees a new collaboration opportunity arising as more groups attain independent recognition. "They bring to the table community service, leadership and scholarship. Their views as Independently Recognized groups offer the Greek system a different perspective than our National groups," she says, noting the addition of Alpha Gamma and possibly two other unrecognized groups to the independently recognized category at Frostburg.

"They can become a part of a unified Greek life system," Ducatt says. As part of that system, recognized organizations can receive numerous benefits from the University, including use of its facilities, equipment and services, advising and support from Ducatt's office, recognition in University publications, eligibility for funding from the Student Government Association, awards, honors and educational programs, among others.

Modern Humanities a Unique Route to Master's

Thinking about working towards your master's degree? Have time in the summer to pursue this dream? The FSU Modern Humanities Institute may be the program for you. It is an educational experience that will broaden your horizons and open your mind unlike any

summer vacation you have experienced. Applications are now being accepted for the upcoming sessions.

The FSU Modern Humanities Institute offers a unique program leading to the degree of Masters of Arts in Modern Humanities. This summer-only, interdisciplinary program, which is open to individuals with a bachelor's degree in any field of study, focuses on the 20th century and encompasses the fields of literature, history and philosophy. The topical focus of the program is upon the ethical and moral issues examined from these three perspectives.

In addition to those individuals who are interested in completing the M.A. degree in Modern Humanities, the program has proven attractive to individuals who may not be interested in completing an entire graduate program, but whose personal and/or professional life can benefit from the writing and analytical skills fostered by graduate liberal studies.

For information about or application to the FSU Modern Humanities Program, contact Dr. Nicholas Clulee, director, FSU Modern Humanities Institute, at x4428, x7769 or nclulee@frostburg.edu. For additional information about the program, visit the FSU Web site at www.frostburg.edu/grad/hume/.

Ort Library Announces New Online Catalog

On Monday, Jan. 6, 2003, library users of the University System of Maryland will find they have a new and improved online catalog to assist them in accessing the libraries' collections: catalogUSMAI.

The new Web-based online catalog will provide University System of Maryland and Affiliated Institutions (USMAI) students, faculty, and other researchers with more advanced features than the previous automated library system used by the libraries since the early 1990s. Some of the new capabilities include:

- An enhanced Basic Search, with on-screen tips to guide users in searching and the ability



- to do keyword searches in specific areas of the catalog records, such as words in the title area;

- Ability to refine a list of search results to show only the available items, screening out items that are checked out, lost or otherwise unavailable;

- A powerful Advanced Search capability, with options to combine keyword searches in different parts of the record, (e.g. word in author Beethoven and word anywhere piano); limit searches by format (e.g., theses, or videos or online resources), by language, by range of dates or by library collection; browse lists of authors, titles, subject headings, or call numbers; use command language searching to create complex searches with maximum control over your search;

- Ability to create lists of catalog records and save them to consult when

searching the catalog at a later date;

- Ability to save favorite search strategies and repeat the searches at a later date.

Library users will also be able to use the new catalog to place requests for materials in other USMAI libraries if the item is not available at their home institution, and to view their own accounts to see lists of library materials they have borrowed and review requests they have made.

Grad Students - Dec. 2002 Commencement:

Graduate students who plan to complete their degrees in December 2002 should file the "Application for Graduation" as soon as possible. It is available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or by calling x7053. Please contact the FSU Bookstore at x4341 for cap and gown information.

Commencement Info

Any student planning to complete his or her studies during this semester must first officially file for graduation.

Undergraduate students should contact the Registrar's Office (x4349, 144 Pullen Hall). Please contact the FSU Bookstore at x4341 for cap and gown information.

Information about Commencement is always available on the University's Web site. For information, contact Beth Deatelhauser in Special Academic Services, x3130, 127 Performing Arts Center, or by e-mail at bdeatelhauser@frostburg.edu.

Points of Pride



Dr. John J. Lombardi, an assistant professor of mass communications at FSU, recently received a fellowship to attend the annual National Association of Television Program Executives (NATPE) Program Conference & Exhibition.

NATPE, the world's leading association for media content professionals, works to enhance the quality and quantity of content by offering resources and experience to every content creator, no matter the medium. As part of its mission, the organization created an educational foundation to offer learning opportunities for the academic community in an effort to better prepare students for a future in television.

Of about 100 applicants, Lombardi was one of only about 12 selected to receive a full NATPE Faculty Fellowship. He joined the organization last year as a way of staying current in his field to benefit his students and to learn about new research opportunities. At FSU, he teaches courses in video and audio production, as well as a course in current issues and new technologies.

Matt Harman, a senior in the Department of Geography, has been accepted to the National Geographic Society's Geography Intern Program. He is the first Geography major from FSU selected for this coveted position. Each year, National Geographic Society solicits from around the world applica-

tions from students majoring in geography. Extremely competitive, with the hundreds of applications submitted by hopeful students, less than ten are invited by the Society to participate each year. Matt will be taking part in the program as a mapping scientist over Summer 2003. His primary responsibility will be working with the cartography group preparing maps and illustrations for the National Geographic magazine.

Matt is majoring in Geography, with a concentration in the mapping sciences. He is also pursuing a minor in computer science. He is active in the Geography Department as the current president of Gamma Theta Upsilon (GTU) – an honors society for geography majors. Outside of the department, he works for Allegany County in the Planning Department and held a summer position with Environmental Research Systems Institute (ESRI) in Vienna, Va., working as a systems analyst on ESRI's ArcIMS internet mapping server architecture.

For more information about Department of Geography internships, contact Dr. Fritz Kessler, 230 Gunter Hall x4266.

A new chapter of Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology, was installed on Dec. 8 at FSU. Seventeen FSU students were inducted.

The new members of the FSU Chapter are: *Elissa M. Adams, Rebecca A. Beatty, Heather B. Douglas, Alecia C. Eubanks, Diana A. Frankenberry, Lora J. Jackson, Tracy A. Lee, Martina D. Miller, Danny R. Moore, Dolly N. Moore, Gwilym J. Newman, Jessica C. Roldan, Melanie A. Rouch, Toni L. Stallings, Colleen J. Sullivan, Carla L. Warner and Stephanie L. Zych.*

Volunteers



Holiday Meal Drive

Sodexo Campus Services, in conjunction with FSU, FSU's Center for Volunteerism and National Service and the Western Maryland Food Bank, will once again help the local community by preparing and delivering warm meals this holiday season for those in need.

You can help by purchasing an entire meal for someone (which includes roast turkey, potatoes, gravy, stuffing, cranberries, green beans, pumpkin pie and a beverage) for only \$4.50. To help out this holiday, present your Bonus Bucks, Bobcat Express or cash to any Sodexo cashier in the Lane University Center, Chesapeake Hall or Sub Connection until the evening of Monday, Dec. 16.

For those wishing to give their time, volunteers will be assembling meals on Friday, Dec. 20, from 2 to 6 p.m. in Chesapeake Hall. All interested parties are welcome to participate. Please contact Steve Marr of Sodexo (301-689-8464) in advance if you want to help.

For more information, contact Jim Butler, Sodexo, at x4152.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

Montessori School Seeks FSU Graduates

Beginnings Pre-School and Kindergarten is seeking college grads to serve as an AmeriCorps Member at their Montessori-style school in Cresaptown. For details, please contact Sean King, AmeriCorps Program Director at x7615 or sking@frostburg.edu, or contact Michelle Barmoy at Barmoy@charter.net.

International

Study in Germany this Summer with FSU

Students who are interested in spending the first part of the summer taking a FSU course in Germany are encouraged to apply to the Center for International Education. The course on offer is SOCI 450, "Classic Sociological Theory" and will be taught by Dr. Anthony Crosby (x4391, 022 Guild Ctr.). Approximate cost for program, including tuition, housing, some meals, airfare, Eurail pass and other fees is \$2,700 (in-state) or \$3,000 (out of state). Deadline will be late February, early March.

Work or Volunteer Abroad After Graduation

If you are thinking about what you want to do after graduation, working or volunteering overseas is a great way to get international and work experience at the same time and it looks very impressive on your resume or CV. The following Web sites are a good place to begin reviewing your options, or you can contact the CIE for more information.

Here are a selection of sites:

- **International Volunteer Programs Association (IVPA)**
<http://www.volunteerinternational.org/>
- **Peace Corps**
<http://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/index.cfm>
- **BUNAC Working Adventures Worldwide**
<http://www.bunac.com/>
- **Council International Volunteer Projects**
<http://us.councilexchanges.org/opportunities/ivp/index.html>
- **World Teach**
<http://www.worldteach.org/>
- **How to Live Your Dream of Volunteering Overseas (book that reviews over 100 programs)**
<http://www.volunteeroverseas.org/html/index.html>

Apply Now for Summer Study Abroad

The CIE is taking applications for summer study abroad. Many programs are available, either through FSU (Oxford, Ireland, Ecuador, Ghana, Germany) or through other organizations such as ISEP

(Chile, Finland, France, Germany, Korea, Malta, Thailand, Scotland, Ireland) and AIFS (Austria, China, Czech Republic, Italy, Poland, Russia, South Africa, Spain). Scholarships are available.

Study Abroad Programs

The Center for International Education offers a variety of ways for FSU students to see the world. In many cases, students register at FSU during a semester abroad and can take all financial aid with them and transfer credit back to FSU. For information on any of the programs or scholarships that may be available, check with Dr. Amy Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, call her at x3091 or e-mail her at asimes@frostburg.edu, or visit the CIE's new and improved Web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm.

Study in Non-traditional Locations

FSU is affiliated with the School for International Training. This enables FSU students to study through SIT in over 50 locations while remaining registered at FSU. All financial aid will transfer. SIT offers programs in Africa, Asia, South America, Europe and Austral-asia. This is a fantastic opportunity for students who would like to spend a semester, year or summer off the beaten track.

Semester Overseas for Same Price as FSU

The International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) allows FSU students to register at FSU, pay FSU tuition and housing, and then study overseas for a semester, year or summer at one of more than 140 locations. Students may take financial aid with them and may apply for scholarships from the CIE and from ISEP. Students may choose programs taught either in English or other languages. For the price of an airline ticket, this is a great way to earn credit toward your FSU degree while enjoying life in a foreign culture. Apply now for summer or fall 2003.

Gain Work/Volunteer Experience Overseas

Students interested in working abroad should come by the CIE for information about internships, volunteer organizations and paid work overseas. Many organizations help students obtain jobs and work permits, and some help to arrange housing as well. Students can choose from short experiences (one to two months) to longer experiences (four to 12 months), or even look into a more serious commitment (one to three years). Destinations are available throughout the world.

Do Your Student Teaching in Copenhagen

Education majors who would like to earn a semester of FSU credits while studying in Denmark should apply for the spring semester exchange program with the KDAS School of Teacher Training in Copenhagen. Students complete projects and spend several weeks in Danish schools practicing student teaching skills. All courses are in English. Financial aid transfers and scholarships are available.

Study in Limerick, Ireland

Students interested in taking part in the Ireland Exchange Program in Limerick

are encouraged to pick up an application at the CIE. Participants study at Mary Immaculate College and take one FSU class and three MIC classes. All financial aid will transfer and scholarships are available.

Study in Newcastle, England

Students interested in studying at the University of Northumbria in Newcastle, England, may apply now for the fall 2003 semester. Newcastle is one of the liveliest cities in the UK, just across the Channel from Amsterdam, and three hours north of London (one hour south of Edinburgh) by train. Courses are available in a wide variety of subjects. The cost of the program is about the same as one semester at FSU (in-state) and all financial aid will transfer.

Financial Aid for Studying Overseas

FSU students are able to transfer all federal financial aid overseas to help pay for study abroad programs, along with state and institutional aid for most FSU sponsored programs. The CIE also awards study abroad scholarships of \$500 and \$1,000 to qualifying students. Scholarship deadline for summer, fall and academic year programs is March 15. Many other state and national scholarships are also available to help cover overseas costs.

Choose from Over 20 Locations to Study

FSU affiliates with the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS), which offers study abroad programs in a variety of locations at universities around the world. Programs are open to all majors. Study in Prague, South Africa or Japan. You may register at FSU and use your financial aid for all programs. AIFS offers scholarships to qualified students. Take advantage of free rail pass offers.

Study Down Under

FSU is affiliated with AustraLearn, an organization that provides unique opportunities for students to study at universities in Australia and New Zealand. AustraLearn arranges cheap flights, an orientation program on the Great Barrier Reef, pre-registration and transcript evaluation. Students may choose from a broad range of courses at campuses in beautiful and exotic surroundings. Scholarships are available from both FSU and AustraLearn.

Learn More about Study Abroad

Students who would like to learn more about study abroad opportunities and how they fit into a degree program may come to the CIE. The staff will provide an overview of programs and requirements and have applications available. Scholarship and financial aid information will also be available. Students may use the CIE library and computer to search for programs. Many videos are also available.

Music from Around the World

Tune in to the university radio station, WFWM (91.9 FM), every Wednesday between 7 and 8 p.m. for "Planet Frostburg." Listen to both traditional and contemporary world music and get the latest about study abroad.



Safety Message

Holiday Safety Tips

The Office of Human Resources wishes you and your family a safe and enjoyable time off during the holiday season. Here are a few safety tip reminders while you enjoy the season.

SMOKE DETECTORS -- Wipe away any dust, dirt or grease from the detector. Test batteries; replace them immediately if malfunctioning.

NATURAL TREE USE -- (Natural trees are not allowed on campus.) Cut the end at least two inches away from original cut. The new cut helps the tree to absorb water. Place tree in water until ready to be placed in sturdy water-holding stand. Place tree away from heat source and away from stairs, halls and doors that could block your path of escape.

COOKING AND SAFE HANDLING OF FOODS -- Do not allow children under foot when cooking on top of the stove. Do not leave handles turned out from the stove. Foods that are tempting to children should not be stored near the range. Keep food utensils, preparation surfaces, knives and hands clean during the cooking process. Keep hot foods hot

and cold foods cold. Be sure that the interior temperature has reached the proper setting. Refrigerate foods after the meal or party as soon as possible.

HOLIDAY TRAVELING/DRIVING -- Do not drink and drive. Buckle up before starting your vehicle. Pre-plan your trip, schedule rest stops and be sure your wipers are in good condition. Check your windshield washing fluid level. Keep your fuel level high. During bad weather slow down and keep a greater distance between you and the vehicle in front of you. If you have to travel in bad weather, take a winter survival kit with you. This kit should have at least the following items: first-aid supplies, blankets, a flashlight, extra batteries, a shovel, a bag of cat litter or sand, salt or bird seed. You should also have snacks in a can, such as dried fruits, nuts, hard candy. Call ahead and inform you host when you are leaving, route and your estimated time of arrival. Check on weather conditions along your route. Be safe and follow the driving laws. Watch for wildlife crossing the road.

The Office of Human Resources Safety Office would like to thank you for working safety this year. We look forward to another year of keeping our campus a safe place to study, learn and work. Have a safe return to work next year.

FSU Events Calendar

Look for the FSU weekly events calendar on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/weekcal.htm



MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

- Final Exams (through December 20)
- * SCI Study Hall 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Manicur Assembly Hall
- * SCI Study Hall 5:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane University Center

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

- * SCI Study Hall 5:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane University Center

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

- * SCI Study Hall 6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane University Center

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

- * SCI Study Hall 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room & Manicur Assembly Hall
- * SCI Study Hall 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane 202
- * SCI Study Hall 6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Lane University Center

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

- Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m.
- * Friendly Friday 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Derezinski Lounge/Loft

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

- COMMENCEMENT
- * Champagne Brunch 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- * The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences 10:00 a.m. Cordts PE Center Main Arena
- * Reception Following Ceremony Manicur Assembly Hall
- * The College of Business & The College of Education
2:00 p.m. Cordts PE Center Main Arena
- * Reception Following Ceremony Manicur Assembly Hall
- * Open to the public – Questions? – Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change.

FSU is committed to making all of its programs, services, and activities accessible to persons with disabilities. You may request accommodations through the ADA Compliance Office, 302 Hitchins, 301-687-4102, TDD 301-687-7955.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday

