Presidential Search Committee Selects Four Candidates

Campus Visits Scheduled
The FSU Presidential Search Commit-tee, appointed by University System of Maryland Chancellor William “Brit” Kirwan, has identified four candidates for on-campus interviews starting this week and concluding on March 15. During their visits, candidates will participate in the following open meetings for targeted campus groups:
- 11 a.m. - noon (Staff)
- 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. (Students)
- 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Faculty)
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (Public reception in the Lane University Center Loft.)

The candidates and the dates of their visits are as follows:

Dr. Maravene Loeschke - March 5-7
Purdue/Welles University
Open meetings to meet Dr. Loeschke will be held on Monday, March 6, in Lane University Center 201.

Dr. Jonathan Gibraltar - March 8-10
President, State University of New York - Farmingdale
Open meetings to meet Dr. Gibraltar will be held on Thursday, March 9, in the Leake Room of the Cords Physical Education Center.

Dr. Richard Rafes - March 12-14
Senior Vice President for Administration, University of North Texas
Open meetings to meet Dr. Rafes will be held on Monday, March 13, in Lane University Center 201.

Dr. Timothy Flanagan - March 13-15
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, State University of New York - Brockport
Open meetings to meet Dr. Flanagan will be held on Tuesday, March 14, in the Leake Room of the Gords Physical Education Center.

The national search for the next FSU president generated 110 applicants since the position was advertised this past fall. Dr. Catherine R. Gira will retire on June 30. Plans are for the new president to start on July 1.

Copies of the candidates’ applications are on reserve in the Lewis J. Ort Library. For more information, visit online at www.frostburg.edu/presidentalsearch.

Music
Leonardt Jazz Plays Gershwin at Windsor Hall
The FSU Cultural Events Series jazz club, sponsored by Kaufman Music, presents “The David Leonardt Jazz Group Plays Gershwin” at the Windsor Hall on Town Centre in Cumberland on Friday, March 10, at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

The songs of George Gershwin have been a favorite vehicle for jazz improvisation for over half a century. Gershwin came of age when jazz was the voice of a new generation in America. The melodic harmonies have inspired countless jazz musicians to creative flights.

A highly skilled and versatile jazz pianist and composer, David Leonardt is joined by vocalist, Nancy Reed, who has sung professionally for over 20 years in the clubs of New York and on tour in Europe and the Far East, as well as drummer Taro Okamoto, bassist Bill Morning and saxophonist Larry McKenna.

For tickets or information, call the CES Box Office at 301-687-3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CEF, or visit online at ces.frostburg.edu. At 6:30 p.m., a 30-minute pre-performance discussion by members of the Aquila Theatre Company will precede the main performance. The discussion is designed to bring a greater understanding of the company’s works to the audience. It is free to all ticket holders.

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In addition to the performances, a free jazz workshop, "Listening to Jazz," will be presented at 4 p.m. Friday at Windsor Hall. The workshop will introduce the audience to the jazz idiom, its styles and the use of creative improvisation. By using familiar songs, Leonhardt will explain how a jazz musician uses the form and raw materials of a composition to structure a unique performance every time. A question-and-answer period is included. The workshop is free and open to the public, but space is limited; advance reservations are requested. Contact Melanie Moore, Educational Outreach Coordinator, at x7420 or mmoore02@frostburg.edu

Live! at the Loft Presents Bari Koral

FSU's University Programming Council will present New York City recording artist Bari Koral on Friday, March 10, at the Derezinski Lounge of the Lane University Center at 8 p.m.

Koral has played alongside such stars as Norah Jones, Lenny Kravitz, Joan Osborne, Lisa Loeb and the Jayhawks. The Village Voice deemed her "the folksy little girl from Long Island with the sound of love in her voice." Koral recently released her third album titled "Confessions of an Indie Girl" that has already received glowing reviews, including comparisons to artists such as J Jones, Allison Moorer and Ani DiFranco.

For more information, call the Lane University Information Desk at x4411.

Mass Comm Dept.
Calling All Musical Talent

Interested in being part of a compilation CD featuring our area's finest musicians? Are you and/or your band unsigned and looking for exposure? The Mass Communication Department at FSU is looking for artists and musicians with original music to be featured in the "MInd Culture Original Music Vol. 3" CD. With the completion of the CD, a benefit concert will be held on Saturday, May 6, featuring some of the artists.

For submission of your music or for more information, contact Connie Capaccione in the Mass Comm Department at x3049. Music submitted should be in CD format, and if needed, assistance is available to help make a recording.

Roots Series Presents Workshops and Concert

The Allegany Arts Council, in cooperation with Dr. Ken Roberts and WFWM Public Radio, will present musician workshops on flat-picking guitar and banjo on Saturday, April 8, as part of the Roots Music Series of workshops and concerts.

Robin Kessinger will hold a beginner/intermediate guitar workshop from 1 to 3 p.m. and an intermediate/advanced guitar workshop from 3 to 5 p.m. Kessinger is renowned for his teaching skills as he is for his accomplishments as a performer. In addition, Kevin Mallow will teach a banjo workshop focusing on the "Reno" style of playing named after Don Reno of the bluegrass duo Reno & Smiley, while Scott Walker will instruct the "Scruggs" style of banjo named after the legendary Earl Scruggs of Flatt & Scruggs fame. Mallow and Walker are members of the Shenandoah Blue Band.

The workshops will be held in rooms 201 and 202 of the Lane University Center.

Registration is $25 a workshop. The Roots Music Series was established to encourage and sustain "traditional" music in our community. The Roots Music Series showcases a variety of musical traditions, such as bluegrass, folk, country, blues and gospel, to educate, instruct and nurture local musicians, and to increase awareness and interest in these important art forms among area residents.

The workshops will be followed by a performance by Kessinger and by the Shenandoah Blue Band at 8 p.m. in the Palace Theatre on Main Street in Frostburg. Tickets will be available in advance from the Book Centre in Cumberland and Main St. Books in Frostburg and from the Allegany Arts Council. Tickets, if they are still available, will be sold at the door starting at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to register for a workshop, contact Emily Thomas at ethomas@allconet.org or call the Allegany Arts Council (at 301) 777-2787.

The Shenandoah Blue Band Speakers

Chemical Society Members to Speak

American Chemical Society member Lisa Holland will visit FSU on Wednesday, March 8, at 3 p.m. to discuss "Natural Products and Miniaturized Separations: A study of Acorus calamus" in Compton Science Center room 328. Holland will be joined by fellow ACS members Stephanie Archer and Christian White.

A second discussion will be held on "Miniaturization, Biological Questions, Properties of Matter and Device Development: The Interdisciplinary Nature of Science" at Sand Springs Saloon and Steakhouse in Frostburg. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the presentation is at 7:45 p.m. The public is invited to both events.

Holland's presentation at FSU will review Capillary electrophoresis (CE) and its characteristics. Also she will discuss CE separations. In the second presentation, Holland will discuss portable devices and how they can benefit scientists finding breakthroughs.

Holland holds a faculty position in the Department of Chemistry at West Virginia University specializing in biochemical separations. She is the recipient of a National Science Foundation Faculty Early Career Development award, has served on the scientific committee of the Frederick Conference on Capillary Electrophoresis, and has numerous publications in the field of separations chemistry.

Sponsors for this event include FSU's Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society and the Western Maryland Section of the American Chemical Society. For more information on the talks or if you wish to attend the dinner, contact Dr. Don B. Wiser at x4157.

Szabo to Discuss Alcohol, Mental Health

Ross Szabo, director of youth outreach for the National Mental Health Awareness Campaign, will share his success story in overcoming his struggles with alcohol and depression in a presentation entitled "Mixed Drinks, Mixed Emotions: Alcohol and Mental Health" in the ARMAH on Monday, March 6, at 8 p.m.

Diagnosed with bi-polar disorder at the age of 16, Szabo has waged a battle against mental illness and its related problems ever since. His program is designed to put a face to the feelings and thoughts of those with serious mental disorders and give students the necessary tools to deal with family members or friends who exhibit symptoms of mental illness. Szabo translates the technical jargon of mental illnesses, depression and suicide prevention into real-life language and examples.

For information, call the S.A.F.E. Office at x4761. The performance will be free and open to the public.

Centre for Children's Lit Presents Author Elliott

The FSU Centre for Children's Literature presents its spring author, Laura Malone Elliott, who will speak on Wednesday, March 8, at 7 p.m. at the Frostburg Community Center on Water Street.

Laura Malone Elliott is the author of several books for children including The Hunter and Stripe picture book series, inspired by her life as a mom and school volunteer, and "Hunter's Best Friend at School," illustrated by Lynn Munsinger. Elliott also writes fictional novels for young adults under the name L.M. Elliott. Her first novel "Under a War-Torn Sky," a World War II story about a B-24 bomber pilot's experiences with the French Resistance, is a Notable Children's Trade Book in the Field of Social Studies. Other novels are "Annie, Between the States" and "Flying South."

Elliott is researching a novel on an indentured servant's experience during the Revolutionary War to be published by Harper Collins in November 2006.

For information, contact the FSU Children's Literature Centre at x4420.
Alums to Share Stories of Pacific Crest Trail

Mac and Melanie Sloan will share their adventures from their 2,663-mile journey along the Pacific Crest Trail on Wednesday, March 8, at 7 p.m., in Compton 32. With a presentation entitled: “A Season on the Pacific Crest,” the talk will offer many stories and photographs from the Sloans’ five-month walk from Canada to Mexico. The Sloans are both local residents and Frostburg State alumni. Mac graduated in 2000 from the Biology Department with a B.S. degree in wildlife biology, while Melanie graduated with a B.A. in social work in the same year. After graduation, Mac hiked the entire 2,169 mile Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine, with his father Dr. Fred Sloan, Education Department. Melanie joined the two for nearly 1,000 miles of the journey, starting in New Jersey and completing the northern remainder of the Trail.

After living in northern California, the couple decided to return to FSU to pursue their graduate education. Both Mac and Melanie were accepted into the Master’s of Arts in Teaching Program (MAT), with Mac in the secondary program and Melanie in the elementary program. Upon graduating in May 2005 they embarked on the journey.

Appalachian Lab

On Thursday, March 9, Dr. Darren Bade, of the Institute of Ecosystem Studies will discuss “Terrestrial Carbon in Aquatic Ecosystems: Insights from Whole-Lake Tracer Studies,” another in the UMES Appalachian Laboratory’s spring seminar series. The talk will be in AL room 109. Refreshments will follow in the lobby.

Auditions Set for Next Frostburg Idol

Sign-up is starting now for the new Frostburg tradition, Frostburg Idol. Auditions will be Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. To sign up and for more information, contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu. Contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu. Auditions will be Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. To sign up and for more information, contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu. Auditions will be Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. To sign up and for more information, contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu. Auditions will be Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. To sign up and for more information, contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu. Auditions will be Tuesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. To sign up and for more information, contact Kaycee Bartee in the UPC Office at x4192 or e-mail upc@frostburg.edu.

Film

“Int’l Film Series Presents Life is Beautiful”

FSU’s International Film Series will present “Life is Beautiful” on Tuesday, March 14, at 7 p.m. in the Atkinson Room of the Lane University Center. Admission is free.

“The Life is Beautiful” tells the tale of Guido (Roberto Benigni), a charming waiter who’s gifted with a colorful imagination and an irresistible sense of humor. He has won the heart of the women he loves and created a beautiful life for his young family. This life becomes threatened by the emergence of World War II and Guido must rely on his strengths to save his wife and son from an unthinkable fate. “Life is Beautiful” was nominated for seven Academy Awards, winning three, including Best Actor for Benigni. Information, call the Lane University Center Information Desk at x4411.

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Presentations

Faculty/Staff Invited to Leader Lunch

Dr. Dafina Lazarus Stewart, FSU’s 2006 Leader/Scholar-in-Residence, will be on campus April 3 and 4. On Tuesday, April 4, faculty and staff are invited to a conversation over lunch centered on teaching as it relates to developing leaders and leadership in students and others. Lunch will be in 237 Ott Library from 12:15-1:30 p.m.

Stewart’s visit is sponsored by the Leadership Studies Minor, the Office of Student and Community Involvement and the Center for Teaching Excellence. Stewart is on the faculty at Bowling Green State University. She has done extensive research on African American students on predominate white campuses, including the awareness and integration of multiple sociocultural identities. For information and lunch reservations, contact Ruth Wallinger, coordinator of the Leadership Studies Minor, x4709.

The Advising Center

The Advising Center, established as a result of the Transfer Advising Task Force, is ready to offer services to new transfer students who are in transition, undeclared freshmen and sophomores who may need a place to discuss the many possible majors and to students who may be considering a change of major. The new center is staffed by Bernard Wynder, director; Elaine Barry, associate director; and Roxanne Weighley, administrative assistant.

The Advising Center serves as a resource hub, working collaboratively with faculty, staff and support services to access pertinent information and services for FSU students in transition. Our goals are to prevent small problems from becoming insurmountable, help students become engaged on campus, and provide a center where students can address change and deal with obstacles. Stop in and say hello in the office located in Hitchins 126, or call Roxanne at x3132 to schedule an appointment.

Students Surveyed on Alcohol and Drugs

Some 2,400 FSU students are being invited to complete an on-line survey that assesses student use and attitudes related to alcohol and drug use. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete and respondents are eligible to win FSU T-shirts and/or $100 Sheetz or Wal-Mart gift cards. Following completion of the anonymous survey, students will be eligible to enter the drawing. The first 200 Academy Awards nominators as well as nominators for the Board of Regents’ University System of Maryland Staff Awards are encouraged to revise and resubmit previous nominations.

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• A high level of professionalism and performance related to the employee’s job description.
• Outstanding service to the University community.
• Outstanding service to the external community (including professional and community activities).
• Any exempt employee

Any FSU employee may nominate himself or herself and another staff member for an Award for Excellence. Past Staff Awards for Excellence nominees as well as nominators for the Board of Regents’ University System of Maryland Staff Awards are encouraged to revise and resubmit previous nominations.

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Staff Awards for Excellence Nods Sought

One of the goals of the University’s Strategic Plan is to reward and recognize outstanding service to the institution. Again this year the FSU Foundation will fund three $500 Staff Awards for Excellence to employees who have demonstrated excellence in service. All members of the University exempt/ nonexempt staff are eligible to be nominated. Awards will be given in these categories:

• A nonexempt employee in facilities/maintenance
• A nonexempt employee Other than exempt employee in facilities/maintenance
• Any exempt employee

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Detailed criteria and forms have been distributed to employees. For information, contact Kelly Durst at x7487 or kdurst@frostburg.edu, or Patrick McLean at pmclane@frostburg.edu. New for 2006: If sufficient interest is shown, a “how-to”
Help is Here for Students on Probation

Do you have questions about your academic status for the spring 2006 term? Can I take a course at another institution to get off probation? Can I be dismissed at the end of the spring semester? These questions and more can be addressed at a probation meeting. Invest an hour to assure you are able to return to FSU for the fall 2006 semester. The meeting dates are as follows:

- Monday, March 6, 3 p.m., Compton Science Center 224
- Tuesday, March 7, 3:30 p.m., Compton Science Center 226
- Wednesday, March 8, 7 p.m., Compton Science 224

If you have questions or concerns, call the Provost's Office at x4212.

Ticket Limits for May Commencement

For your planning purposes for graduation, a projected amount will be 5 tickets for each graduate. That number may increase as we proceed closer to May 27, so please watch the commencement Web site for updated information. Any questions, please call Beth Andrews at x3130 or bandrews@frostburg.edu.

Shutterbug Contest: Environmental Photos

Entries are now being accepted for the third annual Environmental Photography Contest held by the Environmental Planning and Management Institute of FSU (a joint venture between the FSU Department of Geography and the Maryland Bureau of Mines, MDE).

Any amateur photographer over the age of 11 years old who lives, attends school or works in either Allegany or Garrett County is eligible to enter. No professional photographers. The photographs should be environmental or natural habitat scenes of either Allegany or Garrett County that depict an interpretation of the natural environment that defines the beauty and richness of these counties. To enter, submit up to three 8” x 10” photographs, either black and white or in color, to the Department of Geography, Gunter Hall 202 or the Maryland Bureau of Mines, Dunkle Hall 309.

This year, prizes will be a combination of cash, merchandise and gift certificates. Deadline is 4 p.m. April 5. Finalist photos will be on display at the Ort Library from April 17 to April 28. The awards ceremony to recognize the top four finalists will be Thursday, April 20, at 5 p.m. in the Compton Science Center atrium.

For information or entry forms, call x4267 or x4721 or visit www.Frostburg.edu/Dept/Geog/Enstitute.

Important Reminder for May 2006 Graduates

If you are planning to graduate at the end of this semester, then please note:

- The 128th Commencement Ceremony will be Saturday, May 27, in the Cordts Physical Education Center. The College of Business and College of Education ceremony will be at 10 a.m., while Liberal Arts and Sciences ceremony will be at 2 p.m.
- If you have not yet filed a graduation application at the Registrar's Office, YOU MUST DO SO IMMEDIATELY. All mailings related to Commencement are based on those who have filed.
- Information is sent to both your local and permanent address. If the Registrar does not have an updated local address, provide one as soon as possible.
- Caps and gowns are provided at no cost. You must be fitted in advance. Order them at the University Bookstore.
- The deadline is MARCH 29.
- A Grad Fair will be March 27 in the ARMH from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vendors will be present for ordering your class ring or diploma frames along with the bookstore for fitting and ordering your cap and gown or announcements.
- Full details are on the FSU Web site under "current students." Commencement information is on the left side. Contact Beth Andrews at x3130 or bandrews@frostburg.edu for more info.

Commencement for Grad Students

Students who plan to graduate in May 2006 must complete the "Application for Graduation" as soon as possible. Forms are available at the Office of Graduate Services 141 Pullen Hall, x7053. Tickets will be required for entrance to commencement on the Frostburg campus on Tuesday, May 30. Tickets are not required to attend this event.

Info Meetings Set at USM-H on MAT

FSU will present an information meeting for prospective applicants for its Master of Arts in Teaching programs, elementary, secondary and K-12, on Monday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the University of Maryland-Hagerstown Campus at 32 W. Washington St.

Dr. William Childs and Dr. Kim Rotruck offer advice to fellow advisors, especially those new to the position. "Be patient with your students and encourage them whenever and wherever you can," says Weser. "It takes time and effort to build leaders." Helping students grow into successful chemists keeps Weser involved with SAACS.

Points of Pride

Dr. Don Weser, Chemistry Department, has been featured in the Feb/March issue of "In Chemistry" magazine, a publication of the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society (SAACS). Weser became the faculty advisor to FSU's chapter of the SAACS. It was a "duty," he says, that "has since become a passion of mine. The ACS honors Weser as he muses on his 28 years spent with FSU Chemistry students and offers advice to fellow advisors; especially those new to the position. "Be patient with your students and encourage them whenever and wherever you can," says Weser. "It takes time and effort to build leaders." Helping students grow into successful chemists keeps Weser involved with SAACS.

Deadlines

Deadline for May 2006 Graduation Exceptions

Are you planning a May 2006 graduation? If your official degree progress report indicates you have not completed...
all requirements and you have a basis to request an exception, submit your written appeal letter and supporting letters and documentation to the Academic Standards Subcommittee, Office of the Provost, Hitchins Building by 4 p.m. on March 23 for the March meeting or April 3 for the April meeting (last chance for graduation exceptions and inclusion in the Commencement Booklet). For information, call the Provost’s Office at x4212.

Delete Your Incompletes
The last day for incomplete grades for undergraduate students for the fall 2005/intercession 2006 semesters is Friday, March 10. Please submit the change of grade forms to the Registrar’s Office, Pullen Hall, Room 144. Any changes not received by 4 p.m. will automatically be changed to Fs. If you need further information or forms, please call Marcy at x4347.

Teacher Ed Candidates
Attention teacher education candidates! Applications for phase I, II and III for fall semester 2006 are due to the Office of Unit Assessment (Framptom 203-3) by Friday, March 17. Aug. 24 is the deadline for documentation of passing Praxis scores at Unit Assessment for Phase I approval. Questions? Stop by or call x7953.

Frostburg with Pride
Frostburg with Pride - Hagerstown will be Thursday, March 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Four Points Sheraton, 1910 Dual Highway in Hagerstown. If you plan to attend, please e-mail your RSVP to Barb at bfiler@frostburg.edu by March 13.

Alumni News
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Scholarships
F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship
Applicants for the F. Perry Smith Jr. Graduate Scholarship, with an award of $1,500 annually, must have completed high school education or the equivalent in either Allegany or Garrett counties in Maryland and be enrolled at FSU with an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better. The recipient must demonstrate financial need (submit the FAFSA form). Applications are available at the Office of Graduation Services, 141 Pullen Hall (x7053) or on the Web at www.frostburg.edu/grad/forms.htm. The deadline to apply is March 15.

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs
Upward Bound Tutoring Positions
The Upward Bound office is accepting applications from students who are able to tutor algebra, geometry, calculus, trigonometry, physics, biology, chemistry, French or Spanish at the high school level. Most of the tutoring would be in Cumberland and La Vale. We pay mileage. Applications and information can be obtained from the Upward Bound office at 121 Sand Spring Hall or by calling x4994. Pay is $6.15 per hour.

Developmental Math Instructors Sought
Help Wanted: FSU’s Learning Center is seeking student instructors for its Developmental Math Program. Earn $670, receive three EDUC Field Experience Credits and build your resume while teaching Pre-Algebra or Intermediate Algebra students. Students who are interested in education or mathematics are encouraged to apply. However, the search is open to all students interested in helping others build their basic math skills.

For information or application materials, contact Beth Stallings at The Learning Assistance Center, 150 Pullen Hall, x4442 or bstallings@frostburg.edu. Deadline for applications is March 6.

Get Involved
UPC Board Meeting
University Programming Committee’s General Board Meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, at 8 p.m. in the Lane University Center, Atkinson Room (201). Come out and get involved. Try your luck (in honor of St. Patty’s Day) and play BINGO to win prizes! Don’t let other people decide how to spend YOUR money … tell us what you want! Be heard at the General Board Meeting … refreshments will be served.

Cheerleading Tryouts
FSU Cheerleading Tryouts will be Saturday, July 22, from noon to 5 p.m. in the Cordts PE Center. For more information, contact Coach Mason at x3241.

United Campus Ministry
On Tuesday, March 7, UCM will continue its Bible study series on Krazy Kinfolk at 7:30 p.m. in Ott Library room 237. On Sunday, March 12, UCM will go to a worship service at Wesley Chapel in Berkeley Springs, W.Va. This will replace the campus Second Sunday Service.

Catholic Campus Ministry
On Wednesday, March 8, CCM will discuss “Faith and the College Student,” a peer-centered discussion on faith in college. Meet at the Osborne Newman Center at 7:30 p.m.

Volunteers
Students Offer Free Tax Return Preparation
Free help preparing 2005 basic federal and Maryland income tax returns will be offered through mid-April through the IRS-sponsored VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Program at FSU. The College of Business students are trained and approved by the IRS and overseen by faculty. VITA assists taxpayers filing Form 1040EZ, Form 1040A or a basic Form 1040 federal return and with free electronic filing. Preparers will alert taxpayers to credits and deductions for which they may be eligible.

Appointments must be made in by calling Joyce Middleton, VITA site coordinator, at x4154. Students will work Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Framptom Hall (except March 18 and 25). A weekday drop-off service is available.

Taxpayers should bring any tax packages mailed by the IRS and the state, W-2 from all employers, all 1099s, a copy of last year’s returns, if available, other relevant information about income and expenses, and taxpayer and dependent social security numbers and birth dates.

International Scholarship Deadlines for Study Abroad Near
FSU students who have applied to study abroad in the summer or fall 2006, or the 2006-7 academic year, should note that the following scholarship deadlines are approaching. For most scholarship students, students should maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA and have been accepted to a study abroad program. For information, visit the scholarship pages on the OIE web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/scholar.htm

- Center for International Education - March 15
- Maryland International Education Association (MIEA) - April 14 (wwwnew.towson.edu/miea/)
- AustraLearn, AIFS, ISEP, CEAs - mid-March to early April (see individual programs)
- Gilman Scholarship (for students on the Pell Grant) - April 4 (www.iie.org/programs/gilman/index.html)
- Rotary Scholarships - March through July (www.rotary.org/foun- dation/educational/amb_scho/index.html)
- Fulbright Scholarships - summer deadlines for the 2007-2008 year
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 programs or scholarships, contact Dr. Amy Sime at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, x3091, asmee@frostburg.edu or visit the CIE Web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/studyabrd.htm.

School of International Training

FSU affiliates with SIT, an organization that offers study abroad programs off the beaten track for students who are serious about cultural immersion experiences. Here are some new programs:

**A Trio of New Semester Programs:*** Building on experience, expertise, and contacts in Africa and Latin America, SIT Study Abroad is offering three new semester programs for 2006. Ethiopia: Sacred Traditions and Visual Culture, and Argentina: Social Movements and Human Rights will launch this fall. Brazil: Public Health and Community Welfare began this spring, which also saw the return of the Indoonesia: Bali — Arts and Culture program. Visit www.sit.edu/studyabroad/news/2006_new_programs.html.

**Summer Program Options Expand:** Students interested in short-term study abroad have more choices than ever with the debut of four new summer programs in Africa in 2006. The new programs are East Africa: Coastal Archaeology, Ghana: Urban Ethnomusicology, Senegal: Lens on West Africa, and Tunisia: Youth and the Afro-Arab World. For more information, visit www.sit.edu/studyabroad/news/new_summer_programs_2006.html.

AustraLearn Launches Travel Grants

2006 has been designated by the U.S. Senate as the “Year of Study Abroad.” In support, AustraLearn will grant over $15,000 in airline ticket assistance to students beginning an AustraLearn program anytime between May and September 2006. This is a great opportunity to spend a semester abroad in Australia or New Zealand while reducing costs. AustraLearn also awards scholarships to qualifying students. For information, visit www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/australearn.htm or come by the CIE.

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University to their group of partner schools. For information, visit the CEA Web site at www.gowithceaa.com/ or the CIE Web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/studyabrd.htm.

Learn Spanish in Ecuador this Summer

The Center for Interamerican Studies is offering its intensive 9-credit Spanish program in Guena, Ecuador, once again this summer from June 7 to Aug. 23. For information, visit the CDEI Web site at www.summer.cedei.org/ssp/ or contact the CIE. Deadline to apply for OE scholarships is **March 15.**

Social Work in Ireland, Summer 2006

Social Work and Human Services students who want hands-on experience and academic credit for SOWK 498 are invited to apply for the summer Social Work in Limerick program. Information is available from Dr. Maureen Connelly at mconnelly@frostburg.edu or the CIE.

**New FSU Programs in Puerto Rico, Prague**

Two new faculty-led summer programs will be available this summer for all qualified FSU students:

- Dr. Suzi Mills will lead students to San Juan, Puerto Rico, as the Puerto Rican rainforested, to complete MUSC 117 “Music of the Americas.”
- Dr. Sally Boniece (International Studies/History) and Dr. George White (Geography) will lead students to Prague, Czech Republic, this summer for IDIS 491 Honors Seminar/HIST 390 Special Topics/GEOG 490 Special Topics:

"Czech Identity in Central Europe: Bridge to the West, Bridge to the East.” This will be an online/short-term study abroad course in association with the Society for Legal and Economic Education in Prague. Contact the CIE, Bonnie or White for information.

**Community**

‘Security Breach’ - Victim’s Rights Talk

On Oct. 6, 1990, security systems businessman, Tod McQuaid, was murdered in Greenbirer County, W.Va., by three of his employees. The tragedy and its aftermath prompted his mother, Jan McQuaid, to write the compelling book, “Security Breach; The Murder of Tod McQuaid.” The Frostburg Branch of the American Association of University Women will have a meeting open to the public on Tuesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Frostburg United Methodist Church Hall, 48 W. Main St. Jan will share her personal story of a family tragedy and how they had to deal with the judicial system. Her husband, Roger, will present their fight to recreate a Victim’s Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Copies of “Security Breach” will be available. There will be a question and answer period and refreshments will be served. For information, call Liz West 301-722-6445.

**FSU Events Calendar**

**MONDAY, MARCH 6**
- S.A.F.E. Office Speaker: Ross Szabo .............. 7:00 p.m. .............. Lane ARMAH

**TUESDAY, MARCH 7**
- Greek Council ........................................ 5:00 p.m. .............. Lane 202
- UPC General Body Meeting .................. 8:00 p.m. .............. Lane Atkinson Room

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8**
- Women’s Lacrosse: Washington & Lee ........ 4:00 p.m. .............. Away

**THURSDAY, MARCH 9**
- BURG General Body Meeting ............. 5:30 p.m. .............. Library 237
- UT: “The Playboy of the Western World” .......... 8:00 p.m. .............. PAC Drama Theatre
- UPC Live at the Loft: Bari Koral ................ 8:00 p.m. .............. Derezinski Lounge/Lot

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11**
- UPC Off-Campus Trip: New York City for “The Lion King” on Broadway
- Bus departs from the PAC Lot at 7:00 a.m. (Pre-paid reservations required)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 12**
- Lupine Drive: St. Joseph’s College (DH) ........... noon .............. Away
- Women’s Lacrosse: Greensboro College .......... 1:00 p.m. .............. Away
- CCM Mass ........................................ noon & 8:00 p.m. .............. Cook Chapel
- Planetarium: “Quick & Easy Intro to Planets” .... 4 & 7 p.m. .............. Tawes Hall

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