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Campus Visits from Presidential Candidates Continue this week

The remaining two candidates of the four identified by the FSU Presidential Search Committee will be on campus for interviews this week.

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. 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 Cordts Physical Education Center.

The other two candidates, Dr. Maravene Loeschke, Provost at Wilkes University, and Dr. Jonathan Gibraltar, President, State University of New York – Farmingdale, were on campus last week.

Feedback forms should be returned to the Office of Student and Educational Services in Hitchins no later than 10 a.m. on March 15. Visit the office or call x4311 or x4312 if you need a form.

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

Theatre



CES: Aquila Theatre Co. Presents 'Hamlet'

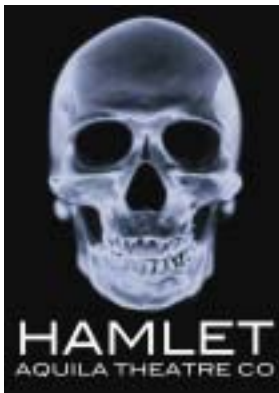
FSU's Cultural Events Mainstage Series presents the Aquila Theatre Company of London in William Shakespeare's "Hamlet" on Tuesday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the PAC Drama Theatre.

William Shakespeare's classic tragedy was written in 1602 and is often considered his greatest play. A compelling tale of familial discord, personal ambition,

love and revenge, "Hamlet" has enthralled audiences for over 400 years. Directed by Robert Richmond and featuring the Company's finest actors, Aquila's "Hamlet" seeks to shed new light on this important play, making it exciting, innovative and accessible to 21st century audiences.

For tickets or information, call the FSU Cultural Event Box Office at x3137 or toll free at 1-866-TIXX-CES, 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.



Music

Faculty Trumpet, Trombone Recital Set

The FSU Department of Music will present Steve McKnight and Brian Plitnik performing a joint trumpet/trombone recital on Tuesday, March 14, at 8 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center Pealer Recital Hall. The performance, part of the FSU Music Department's Faculty Artist Series, is free and open to the public.

McKnight is the trumpet instructor and director of Jazz Ensembles at FSU. He will perform with pianist Kevin Clark, bassist Tony Depaolis and drummer Alex Peck.

Plitnik is the trombone/euphonium instructor and director of Brass Ensembles at FSU. He previously served as adjunct faculty at West Virginia University where he is now pursuing a Doctorate of Musical Arts degree in Trombone Performance. Plitnik will be accompanied by pianist Judy Brown.

For information, please call the University Theatre box office at x7462.

Mass Comm Dept. Calling All Musical Talent

Time Is Running Out! The Mind Culture Original Music Project is under way. The FSU Mass Communication Department has already received numer-

ous submissions, so be sure to turn yours in by March 31. They are still looking for any original music, from any genre, for the annual compilation CD. Submissions must be in digital format; assistance provided if needed. Please contact Connie Capacchione at x3049 or drop off or mail submissions to FSU Mass Communication Department, Guild Center Room 118. All proceeds benefit the Mass Communication Department through the FSU Foundation.

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 as 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.

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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.

Gay Men’s Chorus to Present ‘Showboys’

The Allegany Arts Council and the FSU Division of Performing Arts will present a special performance by the Gay Men’s Chorus of Washington, D.C., (GMCW) on Saturday, April 1, at 7 p.m. in the PAC Pealer Recital Hall.

Founded in 1981, the GMCW quickly became a staple of the Washington choral music scene. Just this past season, GMCW had the honor of performing a new, truly inspirational, commissioned work, *Changing Hearts*, at the Montreal GALA music festival.

The performance in Frostburg is entitled *SHOWBOYS!* and features staged musical selections from four Broadway shows written by four gay composers. Rather than staging one musical, the Chorus will do what it does best—times four—and pull out all the stops with full costumes, choreography, lighting and all the trimmings as it highlights everyone’s favorite songs from Cole Porter’s *Anything Goes*, Jerry Herman’s *Dear World*, Stephen Sondheim’s *Company* and Marc Shaiman’s *Hairspray*.

Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at the PAC box office starting at 6 p.m. the night of the performance or in advance from the AAC (52 Baltimore St., Cumberland), the Book Center (15 N. Centre St., Cumberland) or Main Street Books (2 E. Main St., Frostburg). For information, visit www.gmcw.org or www.alleganyartscouncil.org or call 301-777-ARTS (2787).



Speakers

Appalachian Lab

On Thursday, March 16, Dr. Jack Cosby of the University of Virginia will present “Acid Deposition in the Southern Appalachian Mountains,” another in the UMCES Appalachian Laboratory spring seminar series. Cosby will speak at 3:30 in AL room 109. Refreshments will follow in the lobby.

Presentations



Forest Ecologist Hopefuls to Present Seminars

Candidates for the position of Forest Ecologist position in the FSU Department of Biology will present seminars in the coming week. All who are interested are welcome to attend.

The seminar times and locations are:

- Wednesday, March 15, 7 p.m., Room 226 Compton Science Center: Dr. Bryan Black will present “Pacific Rockfish, Tree Rings, and Climate-Driven Linkages Between Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystems.”

- Thursday, March 16, 7 p.m., Room 226 Compton Science Center: Dr. Rachel Collins will present “Using Ecological Theory to Address Applied Questions in Forests.”

Program Offered on Anger Issues

Jay Coughlin and Don Swogger will conduct a program on anger issues on Monday, March 13, at 7 p.m. in Lane University Center 142.

Through the use of music, movies and group interaction, the session will help students examine developmental stages of how culture, family, situations and substances can influence our attitudes and feelings about anger. The session will also help participants normalize the feeling of anger and assist them to express their anger in a healthy manner.

Call x4234 (Counseling Center) or x4761 (S.A.F.E. Office) for more information.

‘Increasing Your Self-Esteem’ Program Set

FSU’s United Campus Ministry and Catholic Campus Ministry are sponsoring a program entitled “Increasing Your Self-Esteem” on Tuesday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Osborne Newman Center.

With humor and creative insight, psychologists Dr. Jack Zealand and Dr. Toni Wiseman will present an all-campus program that is free and open to the public. Zealand, from Zealand Psychological Associates, and Wiseman, from the Thomas B. Finan Center, bring years of experience and knowledge to the subject of self-esteem. They will explore ideas and methods for expanding one’s sense of self-worth and self-regard.

For more information, contact Rev. Larry Neumark at x7490.

Faculty/Staff Invited to Leadership 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 Ort 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 predominately 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.

On the Radio



Gira Featured Guest on Next ‘Dialogues’

FSU President Dr. Catherine R. Gira will be the featured guest for the next edition of the locally originated program “Dialogues” on WFWM 91.9 FM, public radio from FSU. Dialogues will air on Sunday, March 12, at 1 p.m. with a repeat airing on Monday, March 13, at 6:10 p.m.

Dr. Gira, who will retire as the University’s President on June 30, will discuss her time at FSU, her hopes for the university’s future and her plans for retirement.

The 45-minute program is hosted by Dr. Keith Schlegel and presents conversations with university faculty on significant topics of local, national, or international interest. It is produced by WFWM Public Radio in cooperation with the FSU Department of English.

Schlegel has taught at Frostburg since 1971 and completes his third term as English department chair in summer 2006. The author and performer of a dramatic monologue in the character of Walt Whitman as “The Good, Gray Poet,” he is also heard every Thursday at 5:25 p.m. on WFWM as the voice of “Oasis,” where “poetry and history meet.”

For questions, comments or suggestions regarding Dialogues or any other WFWM programming, please call x4143. To receive up-to-date information on programming at WFWM Public Radio, including notification of special programs, e-mail wfw2@frostburg.edu.

WFWM can be heard at 91.9 FM Frostburg and 96.3 FM Oakland as well as on the web at wfwm.org.

Entertainment



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.

The show will be Friday, April 8, at 9 p.m. in the Lane University Center, Alice R. Manicur Assembly Hall.

The Circus is Coming!

The Ali Ghan Shrine Circus will be held on April 9, in the Cordts PE Center main arena. Show times are at 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. For tickets, call (301) 722-5970.

Athletics



Alhambra Basketball Tourney on Campus

The 46th Annual ACIT (Alhambra Catholic Invitational Tournament) basketball tournament will be held on March 16 to 18 in the Cordts PE Center main arena. Games are at 4 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. on Thursday March 16; 4 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. on Friday, March 17; 3 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 18. Tickets will be sold at the door at game time each evening; \$5 for students, \$6 for adult. For advance tickets, call (301) 724-5911.

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.

"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.

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



Take Note

College of Business Welcome Reception

On Monday, March 13, College of Business students are invited to a welcome reception from 3 to 6 p.m. the Leake Room, Cordts PE Center. The reception is especially designed for those who have declared a major in the College of Business since July 1, 2005 (accounting, economics, business administration). This reception is an opportunity to meet your advisor and other College of Business faculty members. Student organizations will also have representatives ready to share information about our professional

student groups. FSUBusiness Student Success Guides (student handbook) will be available, as well as free refreshments and door prizes! This is an informal event—students may come and leave at any time during the reception.

Academic Advising Workshop Schedule

All faculty and staff who work with students are invited to select from the following academic advising workshops sponsored by the Office of the Provost. Please note that many of the workshops are scheduled for two different times to better fit your schedules. All workshops scheduled in Compton 101 are on-line computer workshops. Be sure to bring your FSU username and password. Questions? Contact Bonny Griffith at x4212, or bgriffith@frostburg.edu.

- **Monday, March 13, 9-9:50 a.m., Library 237:** Who Approves What? Referring Students with Exception Requests

- **Monday, March 13, 1-1:50 p.m., Library 237:** Advising Students in Academic Difficulty

- **Monday, March 13, 3-3:50 p.m., Compton 101:** Using and Interpreting the Degree Progress Report

- **Tuesday, March 14, 9:30-10:45 a.m., Compton 101, and Wednesday, March 15, 9-9:50 a.m., Compton 101:** How to Navigate & Use the Learning Management Functions

- **Tuesday, March 14, 12:30-1:45 p.m., Compton 101:** Interpreting & Using Student Records & PAWS in Advising (Transfer Students)

- **Tuesday, March 14, 2-3:15 p.m., Library 237:** Advising Students Who Are Undeclared or Changing Majors

- **Wednesday, March 15, 11-11:50 a.m., Pullen 149:** Interpreting & Using Student Records & Placement Tests in Advising (First-time Students)

- **Wednesday, March 15, 3-3:50 p.m., Library 237, and Thursday, March 16, 12:30-1:45 p.m., Library 237:** The NEW General Education Program

- **Thursday, March 16, 9:30-10:45 a.m., Compton 101:** Using and Interpreting the Degree Progress Report

- **Thursday, March 23: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Leake Room, PE Center:** The Advising Process – an all-day workshop focusing on HOW we advise students. Continental breakfast and lunch provided. Reservation required, x4212.

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 students to complete the survey will receive a t-shirt and all respondents can be eligible to win one

of four \$100 Sheetz or Wal-Mart gift cards that can be used for food or gasoline. Students need to finish the survey by March 15.

Dr. Spencer Deakin coordinates the 2006 CORE survey project. The project surveys information on student use of alcohol and other drugs, as well as student attitudes toward these substances. Deakin has conducted the survey every three years since 1994. The FSU results will be compared with national data since the project uses a standard instrument used on more than 200 other campuses. The project results will be shared with the campus community through newspaper articles and presentations to classes, organizations and academic departments. The results will show changes in student alcohol and drug use over time and will be used in the University's substance abuse prevention activities. Deakin encourages all students who receive the e-mail to participate in this important project and to have a chance to win a valuable prize.

Staff Awards for Excellence Nods Sought

One of the goals of the University's Strategic Plan is to reward 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 facilities/maintenance

- An exempt employee

The Staff Awards Review Committee will select winners based on demonstrated evidence of all of the following criteria:

- A high level of professionalism and performance related to the employee's job description.

- Exemplary service to the University community.

- Outstanding service to the external community (including professional and community activities).

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

Detailed criteria and forms have been distributed to employees. For information, contact Kelly Durst at x7487 kdurst@frostburg.edu, or Patrick McLane at pmclane@frostburg.edu. New for 2006: If sufficient interest is shown, a "how-to" workshop will be offered for nominators (contact Kelly Durst if interested).

Complete nominations are due no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, March 17. Late nominations will not be considered. The awards will be presented during Dr. Gira's Spring 2006 Convocation.

The awards are sponsored by the alumni and friends of FSU through the 2006 Annual Fund Campaign.

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 e-mail 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 Land 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 201 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/Einstitute.

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 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 ARMAH 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. Students whose applications are received by **Friday, April 14** will be listed in the May 2006 Commencement Program. 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 Saturday, May 27 (www.frostburg.edu/events/commencement/). There will be a commencement ceremony for students attending the USM-Hagerstown Campus on Tuesday, May 30. Tickets are not required to attend this event.

Admission Interviews Set for MAT at USM-H

Admission interviews for Master of Arts in Teaching – Elementary & Secondary, K-12 candidates who wish to attend the USM Hagerstown Center held on Tuesday, April 11, by Dr. Kim Rotruck, MAT-E Graduate Program Coordinator, and Dr. William Childs, MAT-S, K-12 Graduate Program Coordinator.

The interviews will be at the USM-H Center, 32 W. Washington St. in Hagerstown (240-257-2060) Details will be sent to applicants.

The deadline for MAT-Elementary Summer 2006 co-hort applications is May 1, 2006. The deadline for MAT-Secondary Summer 2006 co-hort applications is April 1, 2006.

For information, please call Rotruck at 240-527-2736 (x2736 from on-campus) or Childs at x4216, or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

MAT-S, K-12 Application Deadline is April 1

The deadline is April 1 for summer 2006 co-hort applications for Master of Arts in Teaching – Secondary, K-12, offered both at the Frostburg campus at USM-H.

To be accepted, students must have successfully passed the Praxis I series (see www.ets.org or call the FSU ETS Computer Based Testing Center, x7990 to register). The summer 2006 applicant admissions interviews will be scheduled in mid-March. For information, call Dr. William Childs (MAT-S, K-12) at x4216, or the Graduate Services Office at x7053.

Notice for Spring, Summer MBA Applicants

For Master of Business Administration applicants for spring and summer 2006, the MBA program requires that **all** students entering the program complete the Graduate Management Admissions Test. New admissions criteria for those entering the MBA program in the fall are in the approval process and will be available in April 2006. The GMAT is no longer given at the FSU Computer Based Testing Center. See www.gmac.org/gmac for information. The closest centers are Towson University, Towson, Md.; and West Virginia University, Morgantown, W.Va.

The 2004-2006 FSU Graduate Catalog is available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall.

Points of Pride



Cindy Herzog, Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, was presented with the Miss America Pageant Woman of Distinction Award by **Jennifer Hurt**, an alumna of FSU, on Saturday, March 4, at Allegany College of Maryland. Hurt was Miss Cumberland 2005 and is currently a graduate student in the Clinical Psychology Program at Towson University

Dr. Stephanie Pack and **Dr. Karyn Schweiker-Marra** presented papers at the annual conference of the Eastern Educational Research Association, February 21-25, Hilton Head, S.C.

FSU's **AlcoholEdu Team** was recently chosen as a recipient of the 2006 Prevention Excellence Award by Outside the Classroom: Online Education for Life, developers of AlcoholEdu for College.

Headed by **Dr. Spencer Deakin**, director of counseling, **Dr. Tom Bowling**, associate vice president for student and educational services, and **Don Swogger**, alcohol and drug education coordinator, FSU's prevention program was selected to receive its award for its outstanding contribution to alcohol education on its campus.

According to Brandon Busteded, founder and CEO of Outside the Classroom, FSU's ability to develop, implement and sustain comprehensive alcohol prevention and education has brought it national recognition as a school committed to creating a healthier, safer campus.



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 13 for the April meeting (last chance for graduation exceptions and inclusion in the Commencement Booklet). For information, call the Provost's Office at x4212.

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.



Alumni News

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.



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 equivalency 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 FAFSA form). Applications are available at the Office of Graduate Services, 141 Pullen Hall, or call x7053. Deadline to apply is March 15.

Graduate Assistantships/International Fellowships

Applications for positions for the academic year beginning with the fall semester are available. The positions offer paid tuition (up to 30 hours year) and a \$5,000 cash stipend per year in exchange for 20 hours of service each week. These positions represent an academic honor, requiring the applicant to have been accepted to a graduate program in good standing and remain in good academic standing for the duration of the award. Applications are available at the Office of Graduate 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

Student Assistant: Summer Planning

A number of student assistant positions are available for the 2006 Summer Planning Conference.

Following a review of the applications, qualified students will be invited for an interview. Those students selected to work in this program will be notified in April. You will be evaluated by the following: academic standing, leadership experiences, ability to work well with others, ability to make convincing presentations, ability to work in a structured environment, excellent communication skills, flexibility and a genuine interest in helping first-year students. A commitment to the success of the program will be taken into consideration in the selection process.

Starting date:

Student Workshop - June 11-14

Staff Workshop - June 15

Sessions:

I - June 16-17

II - June 18-19

III - June 21-22

IV - June 23-24

V - June 26-27

Salary: \$950 (Plus room and board)

Applications are available now in the Office of Student and Educational Services (Hitchins 116), Residence Life Office (Annapolis Hall) or the Lane University Center Information Desk.

Applications must be returned to the Residence Life Office by March 17.

Upward Bound Tutors

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 LaVale. 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.

Get Involved

Catholic Campus Ministry

Tokyo Steak House in the Country Club Mall is the location of CCM's monthly dinner on Wednesday, March 15. Meet at the Osborne Newman Center at 6 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 scholarships, 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 CIE web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/saschol.htm

- Center for International Education - March 15
- Maryland International Education Association (MIEA) - April 14 (wwwnew.towson.edu/miea/)
- AustraLearn, AIFS, ISEP, CEA - 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/foundation/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 Simes at the CIE in the Fuller House on Braddock Road, x3091, asimes@frostburg.edu or visit the CIE Web page at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/cie.htm.

Global Learning: Cyprus, Belize, Europe

FSU has begun a new affiliation with Global Learning Semesters, a study abroad program provider that specializes in immersion programs in Cyprus, Europe and Belize. Students may study at Intercollege in Nicosia, the capital of the Republic of Cyprus; Galen University in San Ignacio, Belize; or London Metropolitan University for the Semester in Europe that takes students to 12 European countries. GLS will provide scholarship money for qualifying students, and all financial aid will transfer overseas. Credit

earned will be applied to FSU transcripts. For further information, visit the GSL website at www.globalsemesters.com or come by the CIE.

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 Indonesia: 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: 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.

Watercolor in Britain 2006

Dr. Judith Dieruf will be lead students to Oxford, England, this summer in conjunction with Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She will offer ART 221/421/621. The program runs from July 21 to Aug. 12. Deadline for the group flight is April 1. For students wanting to apply for scholarships, deadline is **March 15**. For more information, visit the IUP Web site at www.chss.iup.edu/oxford/

Numerous Cultural Experiences Abroad

Frostburg's newest affiliate, Cultural Experiences Abroad (CEA), has new programs in Buenos Aires, Argentina, as well as in Budapest, Hungary, and Prague, Czech Republic. They are also opening their second CEA Study Center in Barcelona (Paris was the first). Also, in London, they have added Goldsmiths University to their group of partner schools. For information, visit the CEA Web site at www.gowithcea.com/ or the CIE Web site at www.frostburg.edu/admin/cie/stdyabrd.htm

Learn Spanish in Ecuador this Summer

The Center for Interamerican Studies is offering its intensive 9-credit Spanish program in Cuenca, Ecuador, once again

this summer from June 7 to Aug. 23. For information, visit the CEDEI Web site at www.summer.cedei.org/ssp/ or contact the CIE. Deadline to apply for CIE scholarships is **March 15**.

FSU Program in Prague, Czech Republic

A new faculty-led summer programs will be available this summer for all qualified FSU students. 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, Boniece or White for information.



Safety Message

How to Avoid Becoming an Inattentive Driver:

• Before driving, don't consume alcohol or medications that could cause drowsiness.

While driving:

- If your cell phone rings, carefully pull off the road in a safe location to take the call.
- When using your cell phone, use a hands-free device.
- Avoid lengthy, distracting, or emotional conversations while driving.
- When approaching work zones, be extra alert, slow down and obey posted

speed limits.

- Pay special attention while driving with passengers.
- Never open or look through the glove compartment or reach for things on the floor.
- Never reach for something in the back seat.
- Never look for a tape, CD or radio station.
- Never comb your hair, groom your face, or manicure your nails.
- Slow down, respect posted speed limits and look out for other drivers.
- Stay alert: Do not take anything for granted, and drive safely.

FSU Events Calendar



MONDAY, MARCH 13

- * S.A.F.E. Office Program: Anger/Violence 7:00 p.m. Lane 142
- * Leadership: Dress for Success 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

- * Men's Tennis: Penn State University-Altoona noon Away
- * NAACP General Body Meeting 7:00 p.m. Lane 202
- * UPC International Film: "Life Is Beautiful" 7:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room
- * CES: Aquila Theatre Company, "Hamlet" 7:30 p.m. PAC Drama Theatre
- * Faculty Artist Series: Brian Plitnik, Trombone/Steve McKnight, Trumpet
8:00 p.m. PAC Pealer Recital Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

- * BSA General Body Meeting 8:00 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

- * Men's Tennis: Pitt-Greensburg noon Away
- * BURG General Body Meeting 5:30 p.m. Library 237
- * SGA Meeting 7:30 p.m. Lane Atkinson Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 17 – St. Patrick's Day

Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

Spring Break (through March 26)

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

- * CCM Mass noon & 8:00 p.m. Cook Chapel
- * Planetarium: "Quick & Easy Intro to Planets" 4 & 7 p.m. Tawes Hall

* Open to the public – Questions? Call 301-687-4411. All information subject to change
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