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GSU Nursing Program Accredited by National League for Nursing

The baccalaureate nursing program at Governors State University received its formal letter of accreditation from the National League for Nursing on December 11, 1981. Professor Annie L. Lawrence, Chairperson of the Division of Nursing, announced to the University that the accreditation is for eight years. This is the maximum period of accreditation granted by the National League for Nursing to any program.

The nursing program is distinctive because it is the first upper division baccalaureate nursing program in the State of Illinois designed exclusively for the registered nurse who wishes to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. Historically, nursing students at GSU have commuted from Kankakee, Grundy, Will Counties, and all areas of Cook County. However, it is not unusual for nursing students to have traveled from as far away as LaSalle-Peru, Danville, Urbana, Waukegan, and Schaumberg to obtain their baccalaureate education.

Annie L. Lawrence, Chairperson of the Division of Nursing, SHP
The nursing faculty is highly qualified because of their diversity and experiential backgrounds in nursing. The nursing faculty consists of Professors Constance Edwards, RN, MS; Doris Johnson, RN, MA; Annie Lawrence, RN, MSNE; Robert Leftwich, RN, PhD; Eileen Massura, RN, MSN; and Linda Ziemann, RN, MSN.

Robert Cornesky, Director, School of Health Professions
Johnson, RN, MA; Annie Lawrence, RN, MSNE; Robert Leftwich, RN, PhD; Eileen Massura, RN, MSN; and Linda Ziemann, RN, MSN.

Logic and cold reason are poor weapons to fight fear and distrust. Only faith and generosity can overcome them.  . . . Jawaharlal Nehru
GSU Adopts Liberal Education Policy

The Liberal Education policy, recently put into effect, causes BA students to distribute their study across several discipline areas. When interviewed, Provost Curtis L. McCray was asked what effect this would have on College programs at GSU.

"The impact," he stated, "is on the liberal arts program. It gets us on record as having a commitment to liberal education. We have stated this in the past, but not enforced it. Liberal education is something that the North Central Association has said that we need to be committed to. In effect the policy says that if incoming students do not have the requisite number of liberal education hours at the community college level, then they must take them here. It forces, gently, it is hoped, every student pursuing a BA at GSU to spread credit hours among several disciplines rather than concentrating on just one area."

The policy should have a beneficial impact on CAS because it will require a growing number of SHP and BPA students to take hours in that College. It will also stimulate concrete discussion between faculty members about new courses and solutions. Once results have been adjudicated by the Provost's Office, there will then be opportunity for a centrally administered distribution of courses among the Colleges.

Another effect of the Liberal Education policy will be to assure that incoming students have hours in the sciences, humanities and the fine arts. Some initial difficulty is anticipated in accomplishing this goal because GSU is an upper level university. The articulation agreements with the community colleges are in effect but their curricula do not always integrate with ours. This difficulty does not arise at a four year institution where, after freshman year, it is possible for the student to explore a variety of upper level courses which aid in making a program choice. The hope is that an integrated articulation can be developed, especially if GSU can be permanently sited on community college campuses, allowing sophomores to take upper level GSU courses.

GSU Enrollment Study

A recent enrollment study by the Office of Institutional Research and Planning has revealed some interesting statistics. For instance: the University has a higher percentage of graduate students - 64.2, than the state mean of 24.0. This is also true for minority students - 29.0 as compared to the state mean of 15.2. The annual average 1980-1 tuition and fees were $636 undergraduate, $682 graduate, compared to the average $851 - $880 for the other public universities in Illinois.

The average age of the student enrolled at GSU is 35.5. the statewide average is 24.1. Only 15% of our students are full-time at present, with average student class loads shrinking to only six hours per Trimester. This is to be expected, since our typical student often holds a full-time job in addition to, perhaps, having family responsibilities. The University's off-campus enrollments have risen dramatically, from 3.1 in 1976 to 25.7 for the 1981 Fall Trimester. From 0.1 Students-at-Large in 1973, enrollments have climbed to 40.1 in 1981.
Food Drive

The Salvation Army is once again asking the GSU community to contribute to its annual canned food drive. Anyone wishing to contribute to this humanitarian effort is asked to place canned or nonperishable food in the containers in the Hall of Governors.

The Salvation Army is experiencing a critical shortage this year of food needed for the meals they prepare and sponsor during the Christmas holiday. Any contribution would be greatly appreciated and needed by those who may not otherwise have a meal this Christmas.

For further information contact Don Hansen, Special Programs, ext 2125.

A taste for irony has kept more hearts from breaking than a sense of humor for it takes irony to appreciate the joke which is on oneself.

... Jessamyn West
I thought how sadly beauty of inscape was unknown and buried away and yet how near at hand it was if it could be called out everywhere again.

... Gerard Manley Hopkins
GSUings

MARGARET ADKINS (BO) pictured recently in The Park Forest Star, arranging some of the handcrafted items from her shop, "Ma's Calico Corner," located in the newly constructed mini-mall in the Park Forest Plaza.

TED F. ANDREWS (BPA) serving as consultant to the biology faculty and the administration at Texas Lutheran College, December 10-12. The institution is in the process of revising its biology major curriculum and liberal education requirement in all sciences.

Published

MARTHA C. ARMSTRONG (UL), and Peter Fenner, formerly CAS, now Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs at Purdue University Calumet have collaborated to produce a book, Research--A Practical Guide to Finding Information, William Kaufmann Inc., Los Altos, California, publisher.

Congratulations

Proud parents SHANNON TROY and CARL PETERSON (UL), welcoming their first-born, a son, Brian Carl, who weighed in at 8# 13 oz. on December 2. Everyone is doing fine!

Job Opportunities

Director of Student Affirmative Action, San José State University; Qualifications: teaching and some admin. experience in higher education; fluency in both English and Spanish. Application deadline: February 1, 1982. Apply to Dr. H. Brett Melendy, Associate Academic Vice President, Office of the Academic Vice President, San José State University, San José, CA 95192.

Dean of Student Development, Chicago State University. Qualifications: Ph.D, minimum 3 yrs. experience in administration; or combination of MA and minimum five years experience in administration. For Spring 1982. Deadline: January 1, 1982. Apply to: Dr. Phyllis R. Swanson, Chairperson, Search Committee, Chicago State University, Rm. F313, 95th St. at King Drive, Chicago, IL 60628.

Job opening list from the University of California, Santa Barbara is available in President's Office. See Marie Coats.

Civil Service Positions:
Editorial Writer, Provost's Office (part time), deadline Dec. 12.
Contact Personnel Office, x2194.

Faculty Exchange Project

Dr. Joyce S. Kennedy, Occupational Education Project coordinator announces the Faculty Exchange Project for Governors State University faculty who wish to participate in field visitations to businesses or professional institutions related to their major fields. Through cooperative arrangements with selected occupational-related agencies, new techniques and innovations in the field may be observed first hand by Governors State University faculty for utilization in classroom instruction. Additionally, limited time for in-service and instructional activities presented by professionals in the field will be made available to participating Governors State University personnel. For further information and application, contact the Occupational Education Project Office, Extension 2589 or 2527. Application deadline has been extended to January 8, 1982.

Registration Child Care for Staff

On January 6 and 7, 1982, the Student Activity Program Child Care Center will offer free child care services to staff members working registration. This free service will be available from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on both evenings for children ages 2-12 who are registered (must be toilet-trained).

Contact Bonnie Winkofsky, Supervisor, x2552 for further information.

In these times you have to be an optimist to open your eyes in the morning.

...Carl Sandburg
Phyllis Bacon - A Profile

Phyllis Bacon is one of the more visible and better known people who serve on the staff at GSU. Interviewed on her birthday, she was in a mood to assess past experiences and relate them to her present level of achievement.

Phyllis' official title is Public Functions Supervisor and in that capacity she oversees the coordination of space, seating and availability of rooms and furniture for special events. She works with other offices of the University to make sure that each function is logistically smooth.

Another of Phyllis' responsibilities is the Information Office, located just inside the main entrance. This is the place which knows "... where it's at" around GSU. She has up to 7 work-study students who aid her in this effort and she has high praise for these people, who must learn quickly the various locations of events and classes, as well as know about such things as the "wandering bus" schedule, all examples of concerns that callers or visitors may inquire about. Her staff must also field politely the wrong numbers, impatient or sometimes abusive callers that are their lot as they do their stint in the office.

Phyllis is a native of Kankakee and growing up there in the early 1960s did not prepare her for the "big world." In an atmosphere which treated a trip to Chicago as a special--and rare--event, Phyllis managed just the same to become politically active as a high school student and later at Northern Illinois University. Emerging from her "rural cocoon," she found the population at NIU, largely students from the Chicago area, to be a revelation. Before she graduated as a history major, she was again involved in her favorite activity, politics, this time with a more cosmopolitan approach.

Her next experience was in a different milieu as a history teacher at Homewood-Flossmoor high school. Phyllis was on the staff for six years, and as she puts it, decided to leave because she was rapidly becoming the only woman teacher left in the history department.

Still filled with a desire to serve, she elected to go into social work and in 1975 took a position on the staff at Tinley Park Mental Health Center, working with adolescent girls. Since the children she worked with were homicidal, suicidal or schizophrenic, Phyllis found the work emotionally draining, although once in a while she was rewarded with measurable progress in one or two of her charges. However, not being "Street wise," she did not sense a situation developing which resulted in physical injury--to her. The incident contributed to her decision to leave the Center in 1976 and accept a job at GSU as a graduation counselor.

Here, she has found people with ideas and community spirit, and believes that the University functions both as an educational institution and in serving the surrounding community. True to her liking for active involvement, Phyllis has, since her arrival, been a student representative to the Board of Governors and is now a steward in the recently formed union representing GSU clerical employees.

Phyllis Bacon has plans for her future. She has a habit of saying "... when I grow up ... " and feels that she is still growing. Besides wanting to learn to play the piano, she is seriously considering studying law and feels that if women are to make an impact on society they must have a collection of serious credentials. Meanwhile, she goes efficiently about the challenging job of being Public Functions Supervisor at GSU.

Courses is a science of the highest importance. It is ... opening a door that we may derive instruction from the example of others, and at the same time enabling us to benefit them by our example, if there be anything in our character worthy of imitation.

... Michel de Montaigne
Veterans of Innovation

Eleven Years
Florence Dunson (SHP) 12/9

Ten Years
Jacob Liao (ICC) 12/1
Louise Brown (Reg.) 12/6

Nine Years
Beatrice Grant (ASR) 12/4
Katie Zitter (OR) 12/18

Eight Years
Suzanne Prescott (HLD) 12/1
Peter Yaus (PPO) 12/1
Johnnie Malvin (CAS) 12/17
Sonya Monroe-Clay (HLD) 12/20

Seven Years
Nancy Sherick (HLD) 12/16

Six Years
Gloria Chu (BO) 12/16

Five Years
Antoinette Williams (CLA) 12/8
Dorothy Jackson (HLD) 12/16

GSU Goes Navy

While on active duty with the U.S. Naval Reserve, Bob Jensen (BO) left a copy of the GSU Catalog in the college catalog section of the Midway Island Station Library at the U.S. Naval air facility there. Midway island is a small, isolated but beautiful islet, just a bit larger than the GSU campus, in the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

RESERVE REQUESTS

The University Library reminds all faculty to submit reserve lists by December 14 so that they will be ready by January 4, 1982. Requests received after January 4 will be processed on a first come basis. For more information call Bonnie Ahlberg, x2327.

There lives the dearest freshness deep down things.

...Gerard Manley Hopkins

Events

Friday, December 11, 1981
10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon Administrative Computing Advisory Committee (ACR)

Saturday, December 12
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon D.O.E. Community Professors' Orientation (EH)

Sunday, December 13
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. J. S. Bach Festival (MRH)

Monday, December 14
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Civil Service
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Community Exchange (B Wing Lounge)

Wednesday, December 16
7:30 p.m. – 10:20 p.m. U.S. & Illinois Elections (EH)

Thursday, December 17
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Civil Service Senate (EH)

Saturday, December 19
7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Insurance Testing (All02)

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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, 1981

Please accept from Margaret and me our very best wishes for a joyful holiday season and a rewarding new year.

In these days marked by gift-giving I want to recall for you some of the gifts you recently so generously exchanged among yourselves. Our nursing faculty, ably by Annie Lawrence and Bob Cornesky, have presented all of us with a program accredited by the NLN. Our Faculty Senate brought forward a beautifully wrapped and beribboned Liberal Education Policy. All of us through dedication and cooperation have given each other an enrollment in excess of 5,000 this past Trimester, an all-time high.

Thus, as you enjoy the moving experience of giving and receiving among your family and friends, I ask you not to forget the significant gifts each of you has received this year from your sisters and brothers in the University family.

Although we understandably experience feelings of loss and sadness, let us remember, too, to rejoice with our Provost in the high honor bestowed upon him this week by the Board of Regents of the University of North Florida.

PROVOST NAMED PRESIDENT OF UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA

Dr. Curtis L. McCray, vice president for academic affairs and provost of Governors State since August, 1977, has accepted the appointment as president of the University of North Florida at Jacksonville, Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth announced December 22. McCray will begin his new duties on July 1.

"I accept Dr. McCray's resignation with mixed emotions," Goodman-Malamuth stated. "He has been an extremely capable administrator and educator at Governors State. The University has made great strides during his tenure. Naturally, we are sorry to lose such an outstanding individual. However, I am sure his many friends from GSU join me in wishing him well in this new and challenging position."

McCray will continue as Provost until late spring or early summer. "While I look forward eagerly to the new responsibilities awaiting me this summer," he said, "I have regrets about leaving Governors State. My years here have been challenging, exciting, and satisfying. I believe GSU has a bright future, indeed."

The University of North Florida parallels GSU in many ways. It has approximately 5,000 students and a faculty and administrative staff of about 250. It was established in 1965, just four years before GSU came into being and, like our University, is located near a large city, Jacksonville, Florida.

Before coming to Governors State, McCray was vice- president of academic affairs and associate professor of English at Saginaw Valley State College, Saginaw Michigan.
RE\INDER FROM PAYROLL

The regular end-of-December payday will be January 4, 1982. Special arrangements have been made for employees to personally pick up paychecks on Thursday, December 31, 1981 from noon to 2:00 p.m.

Identification may be required to pick up paychecks. The west entrance of the University (near the Personnel and Business offices) will be open for pick up of checks.

Time sheets are due December 23.

UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

GSU will be closed from Thursday, December 24, 1981, through Sunday, January 3, 1982 for the holidays. No university activities will be held in the main building during this period.

During the break between Trimesters, December 13-23, 1981, and January 4-10, 1982, several university support units will shorten their hours as follows:

University Library Monday-Friday, 8:30a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Saturday.

Bookstore Monday-Friday, 10:00a.m- 5:00 p.m.

Cafeteria 8:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

ACTING DEANS APPOINTED

Acting deans have been appointed to fill temporarily the CAS and HLD positions left vacant by resignation.

They are: RON BRUBAKER, CAS, and TULSI SARAL, HLD. (The latter appointment pending ratification by the BOG.)

OUR APOLOGIES

A very important Veteran of Innovation was omitted from the December list. ED SURJAN (PPO), who joined the GSU staff December 1, 1970

GSUings...

ANTHONY WEI (CAS), presenting a talk, "The Concept of Justice in Biblical Literature," on December 3 at the Suburban Ministers' Council, an organization of ministers, priests and a rabbi from Homewood, Flossmoor, Country Club Hills and Hazel Crest. On December 9, presenting "The Infancy Narratives: An Illustration of Literary Form" at Theology For Lunch at GSU.

BILL DODD (UR), announcing change in category of employment, effective January 1, for two staff members, JOAN LEWIS from Associate Director of Publications to Coordinator of University Publications and GINNI BURGHARDT from Assistant Director of Development to Executive Coordinator of Alumni Relations.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP, Public Administration February 1, 1982 to June 30, 1982. Deadline for applications is January 8, 1982. For more information, call Paul Green, extension 2257.


ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, Affirmative Action, University of Cincinnati. Application deadline is December 29, 1981. Contact Marie Coats, PO, extension 2339.

There are a number of positions now available at the University of California, Santa Barbara. For more information and detailed job descriptions, Call Marie Coats, PO, extension 2339.

CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS

Secretary IV Stenographer SP&CE. Deadline December 21, 1981.

Administrative Secretary Steno. SAS. December 21, 1981 deadline.

Events

Saturday, December 19, 1981
7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Insurance Testing (A1102)

Wednesday, January 8, 1982
11:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Winter 1982 Trimester/Registration & Fee Payment

Thursday, January 7, 1982
11:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Winter 1982 Trimester/Open Registration & Fee Payment (Gym)

Monday, January 11
8:00 a.m. Classes Begin - Winter 1982 Trimester

Thursday, January 14
5:00 & 7:30 p.m. SA Film Series: "My Bodyguard" (EH)

Saturday, January 16
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Special Programs Workshop: Divorce and the Effects of Changing Families. Also January 23 & 30.

Thursday, January 21
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. BOG Meeting

Friday, January 22
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Special Programs Workshop: "Alcoholism, Grief and Recovery"

Friday, January 29
5:00 & 7:30 p.m. SA Film Series: "Nine to Five" (EH)

*(EH) Engbretson Hall

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