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New Degrees at University

GSU now has the right to award a new bachelor's degree and two new master's degrees, according to David Curtis, vice president for academic affairs and provost.

A bachelor of science in computer science is now available to students in CAS. The new degree is the culmination of a rapid buildup of computer science courses initiated at GSU in recent years as a response to increased interest in new technology throughout the area.

The university was also approved to grant the Master of Public Administration degree off-campus in the Parkland Community College District downstate. This program will be offered at Chanute Air Force Base for residents of the community college district as well as base personnel. GSU has been offering public administration courses at Chanute for the past two years.

A master of arts in educational administration and supervision degree will be offered in cooperation with Chicago State University and Northeastern Illinois University, also part of the Board of Governors (BOG) of State Colleges and Universities system.

"The expansion of offerings at Governors State is but another indicator of the university's growth, evolution and commitment to meet the needs of the region we serve," Dr. Curtis says.

The Illinois Board of Higher Education recently acted on the recommendation of the BOG to grant these degrees. They bring to 45 the number of undergraduate and graduate degree programs offered by GSU.

Park Forest South, GSU's Home, Changes Name

On Tuesday evening, January 24, in a move which climaxed months of consideration, Park Forest South officially changed its name to University Park. The switch reflects the ever-increasing part which GSU has in the overall life of the community. P.F.S. board members, by unanimous vote, accomplished the renaming.

At GSU many things will change as the university adjusts to the new name adopted by the village board. President Goodman-Malamuth already has begun plans for an orderly, efficient change-over which will take into consideration both short and long-term needs. Staff members are receiving a memo from the president dealing with the change.

Stationery, forms, and other printed materials will have to be changed from Park Forest South to University Park.

William H. Dodd, director of university relations, represented GSU on the village name-change committee. "Naturally we are pleased that the village board chose to recognize in its new name the important role which the university has played and will continue to play in the community's development. We believe University Park will give both of us a stronger, more distinctive identity."

The transition will take several weeks, or perhaps months, to complete. In the meantime, all mail or materials still addressed to GSU in Park Forest South will continue to reach us in University Park.

51 Students Named In Who's Who

Fifty-one students have been named to the 1984 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, according to Tommy L. Dascenzo, director of student activities at GSU.

This is a record number. The students come from 30 communities, reflecting the regional aspect of the university.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. The directors have been recognizing outstanding students since it was first published in 1934.

Students were nominated by a GSU committee on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.
Dates Set for CEEL, BOG Degree Sessions

Dates have been set for the winter trimester workshops which can help individuals apply life experiences toward a college degree through the Evaluation of Experiential Learning (CEEL) process and Board of Governors (BOG) Bachelor’s Degree Program.

CEEL workshops will be held in room F-1300 on Thursdays, January 26, February 16 and March 1 from 4:30-7:30 pm. Through CEEL, GSU grants credit for prior learning and/or proficiency examination scores which are equal to or higher than acceptable levels. Such credit may be applied toward the 50 credit hour requirement for admission to the university or to an academic degree.

The first of three BOG/BA seminars will be held in Engbretson Hall on Saturday, January 28, from 9:30 am until 12:30 pm. The second and the third sessions will be held on February 18 and March 3 at the same time.

This program differs from regular degree programs at the university in that it is more general, with no defined major. In addition to credit awarded for previous college courses and profiency examination, experiential learning from non-traditional forms is evaluated. Such sources as television, independent and correspondence study and programmed learning sequences are considered. Among other requirements for the BOG/BA degree, a student must complete at least 15 trimester hour requirements for admission to the university or to an academic degree.

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GSU offers a wide variety of courses during evening hours and Saturdays for the convenience of working students. Since the university is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the BOG/BA degree is readily accepted both in the market place and by other educational institutions.

For further information concerning either CEEL or the BOG/BA program, contact the GSU BOG office at extension 2515.

Nikki Giovanni Coming To GSU

Nikki Giovanni, known as “The Princess of Black Poetry,” will appear at GSU Friday, February 17, at 8 pm. The program is sponsored by the Student Activities Office as part of National Black History Month. For individual or group ticket information, call extension 2123.

Cincinnati Photog Exhibits Works in Infinity

The photographic art of Thomas R. Schiff, architectural photographer from Cincinnati, will be on public display in the Infinity Gallery during the month of February.

This current exhibit marks the third showing for Schiff’s work here, following a two-person show in 1977 and a one-man show in 1981.

Of his work, Schiff says, “I consider it a great challenge to seek out visual situations involving architectural subject matter that perhaps was not thought of or intended by the designer of that particular structure. For me, making a photograph may involve going back many times to the area being photographed to see the changes in light at different times of the year.”

Schiff, part owner of Images Photography Gallery in Cincinnati, studied photography at Ohio University. His works are in the public collections at the New Orleans Museum of Art, Ithaca College and Milwaukee Center for Photography, as well as at GSU. He has had eleven solo exhibits since 1978 and has participated in seven-teen group showings throughout the Eastern United States.

Infinity Gallery is open at various hours from Monday through Friday, and special showings may be arranged by calling Paul Schranz, CAS, at extension 2446.

GSU-Dempster Offers Information on BOG/BA Degree

Persons who have some higher education but no degree can learn about the special BOG/BA program for adult learners at a meeting sponsored by GSU. It will be at the Dempster Development Center, 420 W. Dempster, Mt. Prospect, on Wednesday, February 1, at 7:30 pm.

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For further information about the informational meeting on Feb. 1, call Marge LaBrot at Dempster Development Center at (312) 439-7550.

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Illinois Humanities Council Awards Grant To GSU, Morton College

GSU and Morton College in Cicero have received a grant of approximately $23,000 to develop and implement a “Summer Institute in Local and Suburban History” for west suburban secondary school teachers during summer of ’84. Twenty-five teachers from the area will receive stipends for expenses and materials, along with waivers of tuition and fees, from the award granted by the Illinois Humanities Council. Participants can earn three hours of graduate credit from GSU. Sessions will be held at Morton College.

Larry McClellan, CAS professor of urban studies, is the project director. Details are being worked out by a planning committee comprised of Tony Spahr, Morton College; Michael Ebner, Lake Forest College; Glenda Bailey-Mershon, Prairie State College; Thomas J. Kelly and Melvyn Muchnik, GSU.

Details are not yet available, but the institute probably will be held during June and July. It will involve an introductory meeting, considerable reading and research, a week of day-long participation and written reports. The goal, according to McClellan, is “to challenge participating teachers to give new consideration to their approaches to history and teaching. We hope they will use the methods of local history research to introduce students and communities to broader historical concerns and questions.”

Morton College is a community college serving freshmen and sophomores. Like GSU, it is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Energy Workshop: How to Save on Fuel Bills

How to reduce heating costs this bitter winter is the goal of a special workshop at GSU on successive Saturdays, January 28 and February 4.

Homeowners, business people, landlords, apartment dwellers, and anybody else who participates in “Surviving Winter’s Chills and Staggering Utility Bills” can learn to take an energy audit of their buildings. They will feed data into a computer, which will analyze it and indicate steps necessary to cut heating bills immediately.

Tim Kulak, workshop leader, says that if participants do what the analysis says to do, it is possible to save the cost of the workshop during the current heating season.

The workshop runs from 9 am – 3 pm each Saturday. The $40 registration fee includes materials and coffee breaks but not lunch. A second registration from the same household is $25.

Sessions will be in Krabbe House, a frame building on Stuenkel Rd. immediately east of Governors Highway. For further information call the Office of Conferences and Workshops, extension 2436.

Toshiko Akiyoshi, Jazz Pianist, Performs In MRH

Internationally popular jazz pianist, Toshiko Akiyoshi, joined her talents with those of the GSU Jazz Ensemble and Combo in a free concert Thursday, January 26.

The program, consisting of her own compositions, climaxed a three day residency at the university for the Manchurian-born pianist. She conducted workshops in composition, arranging and rehearsal techniques and seminars for improvisation and pianists.

Akiyoshi has been at or near the top of the jazz polls for several years. In the 27th Annual International Jazz Critics Poll conducted by Down Beat magazine, she was top arranger and second only to Charles Mingus as a composer. The band she co-leads with husband Lew Tabackin ranked No. 1. By 1982, the 30th annual poll had her on top of the heap as composer, arranger and big band leader. One of the Akiyoshi/Tabackin records was among the top five. She has done equally well in the Down Beat readers’ poll.

In Japan, where she grew up, her records consistently score well. Swing Journal the country’s top jazz magazine, gave a rating of 100 out of 100 to the Akiyoshi-Tabackin recording of “Farewell,” which was dedicated to Mingus.

She and Tabackin take their big band to Japan every 18 months, and they have played in Europe at such major events as the Berlin Jazz Festival. But the group does not tour the U.S. as extensively as some others. According to Down Beat her music is so difficult that it takes not only top notch musicians, but also musicians who can play several instruments. That is expensive to maintain on the road, the magazine contends.

And appearances similar to the one at GSU in which she performs with college musicians are not common. The music, by and large, is very complex for such young musicians, says Warrick Carter, CAS, director of the GSU jazz ensembles and chairman of the division of fine and performing arts.

“Our students have had to work extra hard to be ready to play with such a talented artist.”

Akiyoshi’s residency and program at Governors State were funded by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Faculty Forum, Lecture Series, Open to Public

Helen Hughes, CE professor of psychology, will deliver the first address of the Faculty Forum for 1984 on January 31 at 10:30 am in Engbretson Hall. Her topic, “The Brain: Use It or Lose It,” is reflective of her research into neuropsychology. Important research, according to Hughes, is currently being conducted on the importance of stimulation of the brain from birth to death. “Understanding the human brain is basic to understanding any aspect of human knowledge and potential,” she claims.

Hughes holds the Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago, a master’s from California State University/Long Beach, and the B.A. from California State University/Los Angeles. She currently is president of the GSU faculty union. She is also editor of the quarterly magazine, Creative Woman, which is concerned with the contributions of women in art, science, literature, religion and politics. The public is invited to attend the Faculty Forum free of charge.

Larry McClellan
GSUings...
Harriet Gross (CAS), being interviewed on CBS radio January 20 by Annamae Sandusky on "Lifestyle." Harriet also was interviewed for CBS-TV Nightwatch with Naomi Gerstel.

Paul R. O’Brien (BPA), presenting a lecture "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Application Software" to the Application Software Division of University Computing Corporation, in Dallas, January 9.

Condolences
To Suzanne Prescott (Prov O) whose father passed away during the Christmas break.
To Otis Lawrence (BOG) on the death of his brother in Oklahoma January 22, 1984.

Job Opportunities
GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
Position: Director of University Relations
Responsibilities: Supervising professional and clerical staff, implement comprehensive public relations and publicity program, production for all noninstructional university publications, creation of public service programming for radio, television, cable distribution, coordination of internal university communication, provide support to fundraising and government relations efforts.
Qualifications: Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree or equivalent work and/or academic experience preferred. Also, at least three years successful administrative and supervisory experience in higher education public relations.
Salary: Competitive, commensurate with qualifications and experience.
Deadline: January 31, 1984. Send nominations or letter of application and resume detailing public relations experience and three letters of reference to Ira Louis Neal, Chairperson, University Relations Search Committee, Governors State University, University Park, IL 60466.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Position: Dean of the School of Education
Qualifications: Earned doctorate; record of leadership and administrative experience involving schools of education; record of scholarship and creative achievement; committed to support of research and teaching excellence.
Deadline: February 13. Nominations, resume, application, names and addresses of three people familiar with present or past responsibilities should be sent to Dr. Richard Butwell, Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD 57069

WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
Position: Vice President for Academic Affairs.
Responsibilities: Leadership, direction in budgeting, curriculum, personnel matters and planning.
Qualifications: Earned doctorate or other degree of comparable rank. Credentials should meet typical standards to be appointed as professor.
Salary: Competitive, negotiable.
Deadline: March 1, 1984. Send nomination or application, resume and names of three references to Chair, Search Committee, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Old Main 450, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington 98225.

How About This?
It would take 170 super tankers carrying one million barrels of oil each to equal the energy produced in three weeks (one quad) of U.S. coal production, which is 40 million tons. Employee Information Council.

"George, are you sure you sent the check for your life insurance?" Employee Information Council.
Events

Monday, February 6
Photography Exhibit: Works of Thomas R. Schiff, IG* (through 2/28)
Artist Exhibit: Works of Black Artists, UAG* (through 2/29)

Tuesday, February 7
7:30-9:30 pm
Special Programs: "Financial Planning and Wise Money Management," Harvey Holiday Inn (also 2/24 & 2/21)

Wednesday, February 8
12 noon
Theology for Lunch: "World Council of Churches: What's New?" Rev. Bruce Naylor, HDR*
1-3 pm
Student Senate Meeting, EH*
1-3:30 pm
Student Development Workshop: "Time Management," room B1109 (also 2/9, 5-7:30 pm) HDR*

Thursday, February 9
12 noon
1-3:30 pm
Student Development Workshop: "Stress Management," room B1109 (also 2/16, 5-7:30 pm) HDR*
3:30-4:30 pm
Student Activities: Student Leadership Training Program, Student Organization Council, EH*
3:30-5 pm
BOG/BA Degree Portfolio Development Seminar, Dempster Development Center (also 2/18 & 2/29)
7:30 pm

Friday, February 10
9 am-5 pm
Special Programs: High School String Workshop, MRH*

Saturday, February 11
12 noon
Withdrawal Deadline (Block 2)

Monday, February 13
12 noon
Theology for Lunch: "World Council of Churches: What's New?" Rev. Bruce Naylor, HDR*
1-3 pm
Student Senate Meeting, EH*
1-3:30 pm
Student Development Workshop: "Time Management," room B1109 (also 2/9, 5-7:30 pm) HDR*

Thursday, February 16
8:30 am-12 noon
Special Programs: "Recapitalization for Small and Independent Enterprises," Dempster Development Center.
2:30-4:15 pm
Blood pressure screening for general community, (also 6-7 pm) HG*
4:30-7:30 pm
Civil Service Senate Meeting, HDR*

Friday, February 17
7 pm
Credit Through Evaluation of Experiential Learning Portfolio Development Seminar, second of three sessions, BOG office
8 pm

Saturday, February 18
9:30 am-12:30 pm
BOG Portfolio Development Seminar, EH*

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