News and Events

Our Penguin in the Nation’s Capital

Pierre’s amazing summer of travel continued when he accompanied Assistant Professor of History David Golland to Washington, D.C. Pierre assisted Golland with his research for his new book. Pierre visited the National Archives and the Library of Congress, where he was photographed in the main reading room. Outside the Library of Congress, Pierre posed in front of the Capitol dome.

Send your pictures of Pierre’s summer travels to GSU View and you will be eligible for fabulous prizes in our Take Pierre on Vacation photo contest. For information on picking up your own GSU penguin for travels near and far, and how to enter the contest, visit Pierre’s webpage.

Psychology Faculty to Present Symposium at APA Convention

GSU will be represented by two faculty and one graduate student at the 120th National Convention of the American Psychological Association, taking place in Orlando, on August 2 to 5.

Drs. Jean Johnson and Al Tuskenis will present a symposium titled The STP Capstone Project:

Capstone Effectiveness and Resource Page. They will present the symposium with Dr. Wendy Close of Wisconsin Lutheran College. This is the culmination of a multiple year national research project on capstone courses in undergraduate psychology programs, which was supported by a research grant from GSU as well as a Partnership Grant from the Society for the Teaching of Psychology. Dr. Johnson, who is the 2012 GSU Psychology Faculty of the Year recipient, has chaired this effort.
Donelle Wilkin, a recent GSU and the 2012 GSU Theoretical Psychology Student of the Year, will present a poster on her recently completed master’s thesis: *Narcissism in College Age Students: Media Effects*.

**Legally Blonde: The Musical Starts Run This Weekend**

Punctuated by peppy songs and snappy dance numbers, Legally Blonde: The Musical is the perfect antidote for whatever ails you this summer – whether it’s a broken air conditioner, a neighbor’s car alarm at 2 a.m., or an extremely long line at the ice cream parlor.

Legally Blonde, the 2012 production of the Southland Theatre Ensemble (SLATE), comes to GSU’s Center for Performing Arts for four shows beginning this weekend. Performance dates are July 28 and August 4 at 7:30 p.m., and July 29 and August 5 at 2 p.m.

Based on the hit movie, Legally Blonde: The Musical tells the story of Elle Woods, a college sorority president and homecoming queen who doesn’t take no for an answer. When her boyfriend dumps her for not being “serious,” Elle puts down the credit cards, hits the books, and heads for Harvard Law School.

Tickets are on sale at the Center for Performing Arts box office. Tickets are $22 for adults and $19 for students and can be purchased at the Center’s website at [www.centertickets.net](http://www.centertickets.net) or by calling the box office at 708.235.2222.

**Phoenix Has Openings for Editors, Business Manager**

GSU’s student newspaper, the Phoenix, has the following stipend positions open to current students (who are taking at least six credit hours per semester): editor, associate editor, and business manager. Staff writers are also needed.

Interested students should contact faculty advisor Victoria Pierce at 708.774.4589. Students can also fill out an application outside the newsroom, E1500.

**Instant Admission Day on Saturday**

Prospective undergraduate students, with the proper transcripts, can be admitted on the spot to GSU at Instant Admission Day on Saturday, July 28. GSU will host the free open house event from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., for students interested in transferring into one of GSU’s bachelor’s degree completion programs.

At past Instant Admission Days, more than half the attending students were admitted to GSU undergraduate programs. Admission counselors and
academic program advisors are available to review transcripts and provide students with an instant decision on university admission.

Attendees will learn about specific undergraduate programs and financial aid, and have the option of attending group sessions or meeting with staff on a one-to-one basis.

For more information about Instant Admission Day, contact the GSU Office of Admission or 708.534.4490.

**Baysore Award Nominations Are Being Accepted**

President Elaine P. Maimon will present the Dr. Gerald C. Baysore Award at Convocation 2012 on Tuesday, August 14. The Baysore Award is awarded annually to a GSU employee who most fully demonstrates four qualities consistently and fully embodied by Dr. Baysore during his 18 years of service to the university.

They are:
- Absolute integrity
- Total competence
- Generous dedication
- Unfailing civility

Nominations for the Baysore Award must be received by Tuesday, August 7. Nominations should explain how the employee includes the above four qualities on a day-to-day basis at GSU.

Please send your written nominations to Penny Perdue.