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A newsletter for students, faculty & staff



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News

Chat with the President



Students are invited to share questions and ideas with Dr. Elaine P. Maimon at the Chat with the President on Tuesday, March 21 at 6 p.m. in the Hall of Honors. Dinner will be served. For more information, contact <u>Penny Perdue</u>.

Undergraduate Open House

GSU will host an undergraduate Open House on Saturday, March 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information on admission requirements, financial aid, campus life, and student housing, as well as undergraduate degree programs, will be presented. Prospective freshmen and transfer students will be able to meet with academic advisors and financial aid counselors.

For more information or to RSVP, click here.

Will Guzzardi Discusses Tuition-Free Illinois with GSU Community



In the midst of the state budget crisis, <u>Will Guzzardi</u>, State Representative of Illinois' 39th District, shared his vision of Tuition-Free Illinois (TFI) with the GSU community on Monday, March 20.

Guzzardi's TFI campaign, launched in Fall 2016, is a grassroots movement that aims to make in-state tuition free. Since October, he has taken his message to college campuses to raise awareness and inspire action for change.

At GSU, the TFI forum was attended by students, faculty, and staff. Student Senate President Justin Smith and President <u>Elaine P. Maimon</u> made opening remarks about Guzzardi, the state budget crisis, and the unwavering fight of the GSU community for state budget.

Fall GSU Foundation Scholarships Available

The list of GSU Foundation Fall Scholarships is now available. More than \$150,000 in scholarship funding is available. Click here for more information.

Deadline to apply is Friday, April 14.

Attention All Eligible Graduates!

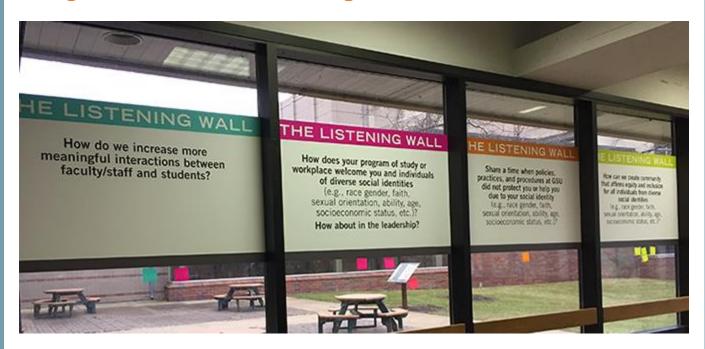
It's time to get ready for Commencement in May! All Fall 2016 and Spring/Summer 2017 graduates are invited to Salute to Grads on **Wednesday, March 22** from noon – 6 p.m. in the Hall of Governors.

Salute to Grads provides eligible graduates the opportunity to be fitted for their cap and gown (and order both online), order personalized invitations and thank you cards, and pick the

perfect diploma frame and class ring. A photographer will also be available to take your photo in full graduation regalia.

For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Using Art to Heal at the Listening Wall



If you've visited the Lakeside Lounge lately, you may have noticed something different. The Listening Wall, sponsored by the Campus Inclusion Team, is a series of questions asking people in the GSU community to reflect and respond about issues of equity and equality at GSU. Click here to read more.

Barnes and Noble Befriends the GSU Library



In a unique effort to highlight the university and raise funds for the library, the Friends of GSU Library will host a book fair at Barnes and Noble in Orland Park on **Saturday, April 8**. A percentage of anything purchased, with the exception of gift cards and e-books, on that day at the Orland Park Barnes and Noble will be donated to the Friends. This includes books, CDs, DVDs, NOOK, and items from the café.

Everyone is encouraged to participate. If you can't visit the Orland Park location, provide the voucher number 12114591 at checkout at other stores on April 8 or <u>online</u> from April 8-13 and your purchases will be applied to the fundraiser.

Visit the Orland Park store between 6:30 – 8 p.m. and you will have the opportunity to hear Eric Nicholson of the GSU Library perform some of his music in the Barnes and Noble Café. Eric, whose music is often inspired by literature, recently performed at the Jerry Garcia Foundation and Why Hunger in San Francisco.

Call for Submissions for the 2017 Faculty Authors Reception

The annual Faculty Authors and Sponsored Program Grant Recipients Reception will take place on **Wednesday**, **April 12** from 2:30 – 4 p.m. on the Library Balcony. All faculty are invited to submit their works by Friday, March 31 for inclusion. Each member of the faculty has been sent information on how to submit works along with the submission form. Please contact Alexis Sarkisian for more information.

The Faculty Authors Reception is co-sponsored by the GSU Library, Friends of the Library, and Office of Sponsored Programs and Research.

Get Published!

Attention all GSU Artists! <u>Reconstructed</u>, the GSU student art and literature publication, is offering you the opportunity to have your work published. Submit your original literature or art for inclusion in the next edition of <u>Reconstructed</u>.

Students can submit up to three pieces. Click here for submission guideline. Submit to Reconstructed@govst.edu and be sure to include your name, title and genre of work, and the year it was finished.

The deadline to submit is Monday, March 27.

Announcements and Events

BCS Seminar - Brilliant Ways to Look at Small Things

The Division of Chemistry and Biological Sciences is hosting a seminar on Brilliant Ways to Look at Small Things: Light and Electron Microscopy on Thursday, March 23 in room F1622. Refreshments will be served at 3 p.m. followed by the seminar from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. The seminar features Professor Andrew Maselli of the Department of Biological Sciences at Chicago State University.

The seminar is funded by a GSU Intellectual Life grant.

March Madness Basketball at GSU



The March Madness Basketball Tournament has come to campus. The GSU Program Council is hosting teams in a tournament competition on March 30 and 31, 6 – 9 p.m. in the GSU Gymnasium. Team registration is \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door. The event is open to the public. For more information, email <u>arichards4@student.govst.edu</u> or click <u>here</u>.

Tamales for Sale!



On Tuesday, March 28, buy a delicious tamale lunch between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. in the Hall of Governors. Chicken, pork, and cheese tamales will be available as well as a side of rice. The sale is sponsored by the Association of Latin American Students (ALAS). Sales are cash only and all proceeds go to support club activities.

Second Annual Reading Showcase

The Student Education Association is hosting a reading showcase on Monday, April 3, 2017. AdVANCEment Learning, a curriculum publisher, and Foundations 4 AdVANCEment, an Early Learning Academy in Steger are sponsoring and leading the second annual "The Journey of a Book Starts with a Word" Reading Showcase at GSU.

This event is open to any child in the community in preschool through first grade and offers a variety of reading competitions. Participants will be assessed on essential components of reading, word recognition, and participation. All participants receive a T-shirt. Trophies and cash prizes are awarded to the winners of the various competitions. The purpose of this

showcase is to foster children's lifelong love for reading, as well as encourage their curiosity and creativity.

The event will take place in Sherman Hall from 4-7 p.m. with registration and book fair beginning at 3 p.m.

To volunteer to assist with this event, contact <u>Erin Peterson</u> or <u>Dr. Katy Hisrich</u>. Click <u>here</u> for more information or to register a child.

The Scottsboro Boys – the Controversial and Celebrated Musical at GSU



It was the legal case that could be considered the fuel that ignited the modern civil rights movement. A train ride to the tiny town of Scottsboro, Alabama not only changed the course of nine lives but the entire nation. See the true-life story come to life as Porchlight Music Theatre presents its Chicago Premiere production, "The Scottsboro Boys," at Center for Performing Arts on Saturday, March 25 at 8 p.m.

A free, pre-show public forum, CONVICTED; A look at American Justice from the Scottsboro Boys Trial to the Black Lives Matter Movement, will be held on Tuesday, March 21 at 5 p.m. in Sherman Hall

Student tickets are only \$10. For tickets and ticket information, click here.

The Four Hijabs Screening and Discussion



Jamil Khoury and Dr. Manal Hamzeh

Jamil Khoury, Founding Artistic Director from Silk Road Rising, will be on campus for the screening and discussion of "The Four Hijabs" on Tuesday, April 11 from 2 – 3:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall.

Dr. Manal Hamzeh, Professor of Women's Studies and Interdisciplinary Studies at New Mexico State University and author of the book "Pedagogies of Deveiling: Muslim Girls and the Hijab Discourse," will join us via Skype for the presentation. "The Four Hijabs" was inspired by Hamzeh's book.

This event is open to the entire GSU community. For more information on the short film, please visit www.fourhijabs.org.

STEAM Camp at GSU Registration Begins

GSU is once again sponsoring hands-on science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics (STEAM) Camp fun for summer 2017. Through a series of highly enjoyable and interactive activities, students will learn basic concepts in the visual and performing arts, chemistry, engineering, mathematics, physics, and robotics.

There are two sessions: July 17 to 21 and July 24 to 28, both from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. for students in middle and high school (ages 11 to 16) for \$200 per session, per camper. STEAM Camp Plus activities are also available from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday for an additional fee of \$60 per session, per camper.

Register at <u>www.govst.edu/steamcamp</u>.

CPA/Emerald City Theatre Summer Camp – School of Rock



It's time for students (ages 6 to 14) to believe that they have what it takes to make it in the world of rock. Campers attending this Emerald City Theatre Summer Camp at the Center for Performing Arts will perform a final show that is guaranteed to leave the audience shouting for an encore.

Camp dates are June 19-23, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. with a performance on Friday, June 23 at 7 p.m. (Tickets are only \$10 each). Campers must be 6-14 years old and will be separated into break-out groups by age. Camp registration fee is only \$250 and includes an Emerald City Theatre Camp T-shirt and Friday hot dog lunch. Call the CPA box office for reservations at 708.235.2222. Space is limited to 60 campers.

S.H.E.R.O. Registration Now Open

The S.H.E.R.O. Women's Leadership Symposium (Sharing Her story of Empowerment Resilience & Opportunity) will be held on Friday, March 31. Symposium attendees should come ready to workout in dress down attire for this year's conference as we will take a more holistic approach to women sharing their stories.

This year's speakers represent empowerment, resilience, and opportunity. Speakers include Erika J. Kendrick and Rashidat Boston. Kendrick is a suicide survivor, an acclaimed author, national speaker, and mental fitness junkie. She earned a psychology degree from Stanford University and an MBA in marketing and international business from the University of Illinois. Erika was an NBA cheerleader for the Chicago Bulls before writing her novel, "Confessions of a Rookie Cheerleader" (Random House, 2007).

Boston, a holistic yoga instructor, believes that many of the challenges we face in our busy lives can be worked out and even overcome by developing a more refined sense of awareness and cultivating a practice of relaxation and meditation.

For more information, call 708.534.4551 or email <u>diversity@govst.edu</u>. To register, click <u>here</u> by Friday, March 24. The symposium is free and open to the public.

"13th" - the Documentary and the Discussion at GSU



The Oscar nominated, nationally acclaimed documentary, "13th," directed by Ava DuVernay, will be screened on Tuesday, March 28. "Awareness, Social Action, & Political Change," a discussion led by Associate Professor, Dr. Lorri Glass will follow the screening. This free event is open to the entire GSU community and guests and is sponsored by Generating Hope Student Network, with the support of the Intellectual Life Grant.

Members of the discussion panel include: Assistant Social Work Professors Drs. Gisela Grumbach and Vickii Coffey, Criminal Justice Sr. Lecturer Caron Jacobson, and UIC Associate Director and Researcher, Dr. Joseph Strickland.

The event will be held in Sherman Hall beginning with a reception at 4:30 p.m., screening at 4:45 p.m., and discussion from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the sale of snacks and refreshments support Generating Hope's organizational efforts. Free tickets are available here. Contact Ameenah Rashid at arashid2@student.govst.edu for more information.

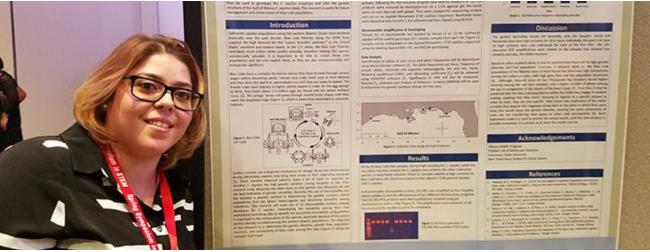
Highlights

International Business Club Field Trip to Canadian National



GSU students and members of the International Business Club recently visited the offices of Canadian National in Homewood to learn about the company's international business operations. The students heard presentations on the importance of safety, international issues and operations, and the company's hiring and training process. CN is the only transcontinental railroad in North America, transporting around \$250 billion worth of goods annually for a wide range of business sectors.

GSU Students Present at LSAMP Symposium: Franco wins 3rd Place



Biology student Melissa Franco

Recently GSU students presented their research at the Louis Stokes Advancing Minority Participation (LSAMP) Symposium in Chicago.

Four students presented posters of their undergraduate research. This included biology students Melissa Franco, Diana Acosta, and Andres Martinez, and chemistry student Alejandro Gonzalez. Seven GSU faculty volunteered to judge student presentations. Melissa Franco won third place in Environmental Science presentations.

The LSAMP is an NSF sponsored grant for undergraduate research which provides a stipend and travel funds for minority students to perform science research. For information about LSAMP, contact Prof. <u>Erin Grey-Avis</u>.

GSU Visits India



Each year, the College of Business creates a faculty-led study abroad program in a country with an emerging economy. In the past, programs have been held in China, Poland, Brazil, and South Africa. During spring break this year, COB faculty Dr. Ujvala Rajadhyaksha, and staff member Karen Williams accompanied 12 GSU students on a trip to study the business and culture of India.

They arrived in India during Holi festival and were able to immediately participate in the colorful activities of this special time of year. The trip includes visits to businesses, schools, and cultural sites in Delhi, Agra and Mumbai.

Thanks to funding from the Indiana University (IU) CIBER grant, program fees have been greatly subsidized, allowing more students to take advantage of the opportunity to study abroad. Follow their program on <u>Facebook</u>.

Workshops & Trainings

A wealth of workshop and training opportunities are available to students, faculty, and staff sponsored by a variety of university departments and committees.

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about the many trainings and workshops opportunities offered at GSU.

Please note -

Faculty: If you have not already done so, it's time to have a new headshot photograph taken. Please refer to the <u>schedule</u> to find a convenient time.

Student Employees: Attend three <u>Career Service workshops</u>, receive your Certificate of Professional Development, and get a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate from the GSU Bookstore!

Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View? Click here to learn about our submission guidelines.



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