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News and Events

Good Bye Summer Hours

As of Monday, August 10, 2009, GSU is returning to a regular Monday to Friday, 37.5-hour schedule. Employees are reminded to mark time sheets to reflect this change.

Open a Bestseller

The Governors State Library is proud to add a selection of the New York Times Bestsellers to its book collection. The Friends of the GSU Library has provided funds since 2008 to purchase this collection.

All of these books are available to students, staff, and faculty for a four-week checkout period. Community members with valid public library cards are also invited to check out these books.

Several of the newest additions to the collection include *Liberty and Tyranny*, *Outliers*, *Horse Soldiers*, *Girls from Ames*, *Wicked Prey*, and *8th Confession*.

Take a minute or two, pick out several titles at Governors State Library, and get lost in a great book.

Even More CPR Grads

As part of the Emergency Response Team's ongoing training, volunteers across the campus continue to participate in CPR/AED training courses.

The third session concluded last week with Karen Caesar-Smith, Carlos Cantu, Paula Cosenza, Jackie Johnson, Rebecca Schreurs, Gabrielle Sutton, and Yvonne Thigpen earning their certificates.

The Emergency Response Team is always looking for additional volunteers to assist in the event of a campus emergency. Interested individuals should contact [Colleen Rock](#) at ext. 7384.

Maintenance Day for eLearning

On Saturday, August 22, the GSU eLearning System (WebCT/Blackboard) will be down for maintenance beginning at 6 a.m. The system will be moved to newer servers and connected to a new ITS infrastructure that will support GSU's continued growth.

The system will be down an estimated 12 hours. Notification will be emailed when the system is back on line.

This temporary inconvenience will result in better, faster systems that support student learning and instructional excellence.

CE-8 Assistance

Between now and September 5, the staff of the Center for Online Teaching and Learning will be providing one-on-one assistance to faculty who are new to CE-8. The Center will help you set up your course and make the syllabus available to students. Center staff will also help identify other additions you may want to do to web-enhance your course, to save time for you and your students, and enhance learning outcomes.

For an appointment, call [Jan Engle](#) at ext. 3073 or [Barbara Mandel](#) at ext 4940.

Academic Research Enhancement Award

Several faculty researchers have expressed interest in pursuing the National Institute of Health's Recovery Act Limited Competition: Academic Research Enhancement Award (or Request for Applications Number RFA-OD-09-007). This is an R15 grant program, which supports small research projects in the biomedical and behavioral sciences conducted by students and faculty in health professional schools and other academic components that have not been major recipients of NIH research grant funds.

The complete text of the [grant announcement](#) can be found on the web. Applications are due September 24, 2009.

If you are interested in pursuing this grant opportunity, notify the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research as soon as possible by completing an [Intent to Submit Grant form](#).



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