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News and Events

Faculty Summer Institute Tackles Digital Age

GSU's Faculty Summer Institute 2012, "Engaging Students in the Digital Age," takes place Tuesday, June 5 and Wednesday, June 6.

This year's conference is designed to benefit faculty who teach in both the online environment and face-to-face in the classroom.

FSI 2012 kicks off with guest speaker Dr. Constance Staley, who will share her understanding of digital learner issues, and suggest ways to turn potential problems into teaching successes.

Blackboard consultant Jonathan Ahlbrand will return to the conference with Blackboard outlooks and updates. Fellow faculty members will be spotlighted; last year's Fisk Mini-Grant Technology Award winners demonstrate the use of their chosen technology to improve learning outcomes in the classroom. This year's Mini-Grant winners will also be announced.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be served. Complete the [registration form](#) and indicate if you will be on hand for lunch. Please register no later than June 1.

Sanders Receives National Women in Management Award

Courtney Kohn Sanders, GSU's vice president for enrollment management and marketing, has received The National Women In Management Woman of Achievement award, also known as the Charlotte Danstrom Award.



Courtney Sanders

Sanders received the award on May 15 during the annual Celebrating Women in Management Awards Ceremony at the Nineteenth Century Club in Oak Park. She is president of the Near West Cook Chapter of National Women in Management (WIM).

Awards are given in seven career categories; Academia, Corporate, Entrepreneur-Service, Entrepreneur-Product, Government, Licensed Professional, and Not-for-Profit based upon answers to questions set forth by the National Board of Women in Management. Sanders received this year's award for her contributions in field of academia. Candidates are judged by non-WIM members with knowledge and understanding of the skills needed to excel in the career field being judged.

The award is named for Charlotte Danstrom, one of WIM's founders in the 1970s. WIM

continues to celebrate her life and the opportunities she envisioned by presenting the Chapter Women of Achievement Award and the National Charlotte Danstrom Awards.

Women in Management is a national organization that promotes the professionalism of its members through education, development, encouragement and mentoring. WIM promotes its organization's growth to bring these services to other women throughout the nation and to encourage growth, networking and quality within its existing chapters.

He's Got Vacation Fever



Let the globe-trotting begin. Today marks the official start of the *Take Pierre on Vacation* photo contest, which chronicles our penguin friend as he travels far and wide with members of his GSU family.

You can take Pierre with you on vacation and submit your photos to [GSU View](#). Entries must include images of Pierre with GSU's new logo. The contest runs through September 14.

Visit the Office of Marketing and Communications, located in C1310, and pick up a new and improved Pierre. This year's Pierre is wearing the new GSU logo. Take him on vacation and send us your pictures. At summer's end, three winners will receive fabulous prizes.

For contest details, visit the [Take Pierre on Vacation contest website](#).

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June 14 BOT Meeting Canceled

The meeting of the GSU Board of Trustees scheduled for Thursday, June 14 has been canceled.

The Board of Trustees Executive Committee will meet on Friday, June 1, at 10 a.m., in the College of Health and Human Services conference room, G159. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting's agenda will be posted shortly on the GSU website at http://www.govst.edu/aboutgsu/t_aboutgsu.aspx?id=197.

For further information, contact [Joan Johns Maloney](#).

Breathe Deep

Meditation at GSU returns today for the summer session. Come take a break from the day's stress on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. in D34150. Sessions are free and open to everyone.

Meditation continues through the rest of the summer term.



Student Senate Hosts Sox Trip

The Chicago White Sox swept the Houston Astros in the 2005 World Series. You can see a rematch between the two teams when the GSU Student Senate sponsors a trip to see the Sox take on the Astros on Sunday, June 10, at 1:10 p.m., at U.S. Cellular Field.

To enter the drawing for the free tickets, send an e-mail to saasnews@govst.edu with the following information:

Subject Line: White Sox Tickets

1. Name
2. Student I.D. number
3. Phone number
4. E-mail address
5. Bus transportation – yes or no

Entries must be received by Friday, June 1. Only e-mails sent to saasnews@govst.edu will be entered in the drawing. Phone calls will not be accepted. You must be a current GSU student to participate.

Buses will depart from GSU at 10:45 a.m. A pre-game parade starts at 12:15 p.m.; guests will have the opportunity to enjoy activities at Gate 1 before walking about the ball field together.

Helping Protect the Environment

Dr. Xiaoyong Chen, Associate Professor of Biology, has been elected to the board of directors of the Great Lakes Midwest Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration International (SER).

The Midwest-Great Lakes Chapter of SER serves Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The chapter's mission is to promote the science and practice of ecological restoration to assist with the recovery and management of degraded ecosystems throughout the Midwest and Great Lakes region.

Scholarship Spotlight - Margaret Holden



Margaret Holden

Margaret Holden of Crescent City received the Manilow Scholarship for Students Who Achieve Intellectual Excellence. She is an undergraduate student in the College of Health and Human Services working toward her Bachelor in Health Administration degree.

After graduation, Margaret would like to become a patient advocate in a hospital.

