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News and Events

Morrow Ruetten Named Interim Dean of GSU Library

President Elaine P. Maimon is pleased to announce the appointment of Lydia Morrow Ruetten as Interim Dean of the GSU Library. Professor Morrow Ruetten holds degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and Governors State University. She has been with the university since 1989, and most recently served as Interim Library Program Coordinator and the Serials/Acquisitions Librarian.



Morrow Ruetten

Morrow Ruetten was responsible for the founding of the Friends of the GSU Library. She has helped the library receive several grants; she is co-author and co-coordinator of the grant that brought the first traveling exhibit, "Changing the Face of Medicine," to the GSU Library. She has held leadership roles with the American Library Association, the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois, and the University Professionals of Illinois. She was an elected delegate for the Illinois Federation of Teachers and the American Federation of Teachers. Morrow Ruetten continues to serve on the advisory board of the College of DuPage Library Technical Assistant Program.

"I am pleased that Lydia Morrow Ruetten is willing to serve as Interim Dean at a crucial time for the Library," said Provost Terry L. Allison. "Her leadership, as we plan to serve our first lower division students and complete space planning for the Library, will be crucial to the next stage of the Library's growth."

"I have greatly appreciated Ms. Morrow Ruetten's role as chair of the Intellectual Life Committee and look forward to her growing leadership in the university," President Maimon said.

President Maimon and Provost Allison thanked and commended Nancy John for her outstanding one-year service as Interim Library Director. John, who retired from the University of Illinois at Chicago after a long, distinguished career in university librarianship, came to GSU part-time during this past year. During this time, and with Morrow Ruetten as the Interim Library Program Coordinator, GSU Library underwent some major transitions in staff and approaches to expanding services. GSU thanks Ms. John and wishes her a happy return to golf, continued library board service, and in her many other activities.

Baysore Award Nominating Process Begins

President 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](#).

2012-2013 Holiday Closing Schedule

The holiday closing schedule for the 2012-2013 academic year was announced this week by Executive Vice President/Chief of Staff Gebe Ejigu.

You can read the [holiday closing schedule](#) here

CBPA Hosts Graduate Programs Open House

CBPA is hosting a graduate programs open house on Saturday, July 14, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Faculty, advisors, administrators, and current students will be on hand to discuss master's degree programs in accounting, business administration, management information systems, and public administration. Various specialization areas are available for business administration, including corporate entrepreneurship and supply chain management. A new online cohort for supply chain management will begin in January, 2013.

The open house is free and open to the public. For more information and to RSVP please call 708.534.4391 or e-mail BPAINFO@govst.edu.

Open Admission Day Scheduled July 28

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.

Get to Know Your University

Orientation sessions for new GSU students on Thursday, August 16 and Saturday, August 18 will provide an introduction to student resources, services, and programs that will lead to a successful college experience.

Undergraduate Orientation is August 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Center for Performing Arts. Graduate Orientation is August 18, from 9 a.m. to noon, also in the CPA. The on-campus orientation is required for all new students -- graduates and undergraduates. New students need to register for Orientation at <http://mygovst.govst.edu>.

Orientation features a welcome by President Elaine P. Maimon, an overview of services available to students, an ITS overview, and breakout sessions in respective colleges. Information tables for more than a dozen university units will be set up to give further information on services available to students.

For more information on Orientation, call 708.235.7362.

LSAT Prep Class 2012

GSU is offering a free Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) preparation class. The course begins with a mandatory pre-test on Saturday, August 11 or 18, at 9 a.m., in room B2203. Classes will be held on Mondays, beginning August 13, and continuing through April 29, 2013. All classes are from 7:30 to 10:20 p.m., in room B2203.

University tutor David Sparks of the Academic Resource Center will teach the preparation classes for the LSAT. Class work will focus on the three main areas of the test: reading comprehension, logic reasoning, and analytical reasoning.

While many test prep services charge \$1,000 or more for LSAT prep classes, GSU is offering this class at no charge. "This is an opportunity for GSU to offer an important service to the community," says Sparks. "Preparing for this test is not easy. We don't want cost to stop people from taking a course that can help them prepare."

Advance registration is required and seats are limited. For more information or to register, call 708.235.3963 or e-mail dsparks@govst.edu.

Scholarship Spotlight – Sharon Lawrence



Sharon Lawrence

Sharon Lawrence of Richton Park received the Great Lakes Bank Endowed Scholarship. She is an undergraduate student in the College of Arts and Sciences studying English and literature. She wishes to become a high school teacher.

Sharon's goal is to assist her students in learning to their greatest potential as well as mentoring them during a challenging time in their lives.

