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News and Events

Operation Migration Arrives at GSU

GSU's web migration is about to begin.

At Friday's kickoff meeting, members of the recently appointed Web Redesign Implementation Group (WRIG) heard about how the migration of web content from the current system to a newly designed website will be taking place in the next few months.

The redesign of the website by Mind Over Media, a marketing and web development consulting firm, is nearly complete and efforts to migrate content from the old site to the new are about to start. During the migration, it is expected that the current site's 7,000 web pages of content will be reduced to no more than 2,000 pages on the new site.



Erick Brenes, Rhonda Brown

COE Dean Deborah Bordelon and Executive Vice President Gebeyehu Ejigu, the co-chairs of GSU's Web Redesign Executive Sponsored Team, welcomed WRIG members to Friday's meeting. The meeting was convened by WRIG co-chairs Rhonda Brown, Assistant Vice President for Marketing and Communications, and Margaret Brady, Project Coordinator for CHHS.

WRIG is composed of GSU faculty and staff who will guide, coordinate, and facilitate the content revision, development, and migration process.

During their presentation, Rhonda Brown and Erick Brenes, Web Content Manager, explained particulars of Operation Migration. The new website, they said, is designed to increase enrollment, create positive brand awareness, increase community involvement, foster alumni engagement, and allow for easy content management.

They also reviewed mood boards and color options, the homepage and landing pages, and displayed highlights of the new site: a responsive design; an improved Ektron system and editor; smart forms that will lock down editing and style options; new servers to increase speed; and clean content, documents, and images.

During Operation Migration, they said, the objective is to move and edit current web material by purging, merging, moving, and reworking content.

Tools to help people evaluate and migrate content include content outline, voice and tone guide,

style guide, photo guide, and training sessions.

The official roll-out date for the new website is August 16.

Provost Search – First Candidate On-Campus May 8

Please join President Elaine P. Maimon in welcoming Provost Search Candidate Dr. Deborah Bordelon to campus on Wednesday, May 8. Dr. Bordelon will take part in a faculty forum from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. in E Lounge. All faculty are welcome and encouraged to attend.

At 2:30 p.m., a campus-wide public forum will be held in Sherman Recital Hall. The topic for Dr. Bordelon's public forum is *GSU's Renaissance 2014: What it is and what it can become*. Time will be allotted for Q&A. All are welcome to attend. Click here to review [Dr. Bordelon's CV](#).

Stay tuned to the GSU View for more information on Provost Search Candidate visits taking place in the coming weeks.

On the Spot Admission at Transfer Thursdays

GSU is offering qualified undergraduate applicants the opportunity to get admitted to the university "on the spot" with a new program called Transfer Thursdays.

Twice a month on selected Thursdays, the Office of Admissions and Student Recruitment will host instant admission opportunities. The first Transfer Thursday will be held on May 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Additional dates and times are listed on the [Transfer Thursdays website](#).

Representatives from the Offices of Admissions, Financial Aid, and Career Services will be on hand to answer questions and guide prospective students through the application process and answer questions about bachelor's degree programs offered in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business and Public Administration, Education, and Health and Human Services.

Qualified applications for all undergraduate degree programs, except art, nursing, and social work, will be accepted and processed immediately. Attendees are asked to bring official transcripts. The undergraduate application fee is \$25. Applicants must have completed at least 60 semester hours or an associate degree.

To see specific dates and times for Transfer Thursdays, visit the [website](#) or call 708.534.4490.

SBDC at Governors State has new director



Priscilla Cordero

Priscilla Cordero has been appointed Director of the Illinois Small Business Development Center at GSU. Cordero was previously Marketing and Lending Team Manager at Accion Chicago, where she managed a team of four loan officers, headed up bank outreach in the Chicago area, and led marketing efforts in the GSU region.

Dean Ellen Foster Curtis welcomed Cordero to the College of Business and Public Administration. “Priscilla’s passion for regional economic development and closing of \$3 million in micro loans to start or improve small businesses in the south suburbs is a welcome addition to CBPA and Governors State University,” Dr. Curtis said. “Her decade long experience counseling small business clients will ensure the continuation of the 29 year history that the Illinois Small Business Development Center at GSU has in providing resources that lead to business and job growth in the GSU region.”

Cordero is not new to the Illinois SBDC network, having worked several years as a loan specialist at the Women’s Business Development Center in Chicago. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics with a concentration in Economic Development from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Civil Service Senate Election Extended

Civil Service Senate election ballots must now be turned in no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, May 10. Ballots will be distributed to Civil Service members this week.

Completed ballots are to be returned to Eric Nicholson, Civil Service Senate Election Committee Chair, in the University Library either through campus mail or direct delivery to the library circulation desk.

Election results will be made available following the Election Committee count on Monday, May 13. Candidates will have five working days to file written challenges with the Election Committee regarding election results.

The Civil Service Senate apologizes for any confusion regarding election dates this year. Any inquiries to this election should be directed to [Kelly Robinson](#), Corresponding Secretary - Executive Officer for the Civil Service Senate.

Who Do I Ask? Is CUG Topic

The next meeting of the Colleague Users Group (CUG) is Wednesday, May 8 at 2 p.m. in the Hall of Honors.

The forum will include a presentation by Kirstan Neukam, Director Institutional Research and Effectiveness, and Loretta Jones, HR Contracts Manager, titled *Who Do I Ask?* Pete Mizera, AVP for Information Technology,

will discuss the new mobile functionality coming to GSU called Ellucian Mobile. Melinda Gieseke, Financial Services Assistant Director and Controller, will present a Tip of the Month about how to fill data in Microsoft Excel.

CUG provides a monthly forum for GSU community members to share and discuss their experiences using the system. Membership in CUG is open to all faculty and staff.

Contact the [Colleague Project Office](#) with any questions about the meeting.

Grading in Colleague for Spring Semester

Attention, faculty. The end of the spring 2013 semester is rapidly approaching.

Incomplete grades from the fall 2012 semester are due. The grade change process has been improved. Grade changes will be done through an email process. This process is outlined in the revised Faculty Guidebook to the myGSU Portal.

Final grades should be submitted within seven days after the section end date. For full semester classes (15 weeks, January 22 through May 12), grades must be submitted by May 19.

Grades should be posted online through the [portal](#) under Online Services: Faculty.

If you need assistance entering grades, please attend one of the open lab sessions in the Academic Computing Services (ACS) Lab below:

Tuesday, May 7	2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.	Lab D2430
Wednesday, May 8	1 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.	Lab D2430
Thursday, May 9	3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.	Lab D2430
Monday, May 13	11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.	Lab D2438

If you have questions regarding grading procedures and policy, please contact the Registrar's Office at 708.534.4500.

Good Day for a Ballgame



The first game of the season for GSU's men's club softball team will be held on Tuesday May 7, at 6:30 p.m., at Heritage Park, 1550 Sangamon Street, Crete.

The entire university community is invited to attend and cheer GSU on to victory.

The Millennial Student is Topic in FC14 Series

Darcie Campos, Director of the GSU Career Center, will present *The Millennial Student* on Wednesday, May 22, at 10 a.m., in B2203.

Faculty and staff are invited to the presentation, the first of three discussions this spring that explore what the FC14 students might be like, and what the implication might be for designing and delivering a high quality four year education with a series open to the entire community.

Persons planning to attend should RSVP to [Lisa Carra](#).

The FC14 series continues with a discussion and roundtable review of *Generation on a Tightrope: A portrait of today's college student*, on Wednesday, May 29, at 10 a.m., in the Café Annex.

Dr. Diane Dean, co-author of *Generation on a Tightrope: A portrait of today's college student*, will make a presentation about the book on Wednesday, June 12, at 10 a.m., in the Café Annex.

Health Care Jobs for Chicago Southland Employment Boot Camp and Job Fair

GSU's Health Care Jobs for Chicago Southland Project will host an Employment Boot Camp and a Job Fair for individuals seeking a healthcare career on May 16 and 17 at GSU.

The Boot Camp will begin on Thursday, May 16, in GSU's E Lounge with registration from 3:30 to 5 p.m., followed by a plenary session from 5 to 6 p.m. Leading the panel discussion on *The Impact of the Affordable Care Act on Health Care Sector Careers*, will be Dr. Linda Samson, GSU Nursing professor and principal investigator for the Health Care Jobs for Chicago Southland grant.

Following the plenary session, concurrent workshops will run from 6 to 9 p.m., covering topics including: *The Job Hunt; Behavioral Interview; Entrepreneur Opportunities in Healthcare; Resume Revival; Credit Repair and Family Services; and Waivers and Expungement*.

On Friday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., a Job Fair will be held in the Hall of Governors. Paul Anderson, Managing Director of ProLango Consulting, Inc., will deliver a special presentation on Career Search Optimization from 9 to 10 a.m., and again from noon to 1 p.m., in Engbretson Hall.

To register for, or receive more information about these two events, call 708.534.6985, or e-mail hcjcs@govst.edu.

Performance Spotlight – May 9

Performance Spotlight, featuring performances by students in Performing Culture and Identity, a Theater and Performance Studies course, takes place Thursday, May 9, at 6 p.m., in Sherman Hall.

The event, which is free and open to the public, includes mature themes.

GSU Board of Trustees meets May 17

The GSU Board of Trustees committee meetings scheduled for Friday, May 10 have been canceled.

The Full Board of Trustees will meet on Friday, May 17, at 8:30 a.m. in the William D. McGee Hall of Honors The meeting is open to the public.

Any questions regarding the GSU Board of Trustees may be directed to Joan Johns Maloney at 708.534.4131.

Run 4 Rehab at GSU May 11

Registration is under way for the third annual Run 4 Rehab, sponsored by GSU's Physical Therapy Student Association (PTSA). The event, featuring a 5k (3.1 mile) run and two-mile walk, takes place on GSU's campus, on Saturday, May 11, at 8 a.m.

Proceeds will go toward the PTSA and the Miami-Marquette Challenge, a national competition that raises money for physical therapy research.

You can still register online for the event. The cost of the event is \$25.

For further information, contact PTSA at Run4Rehab@gmail.com.

