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As we move closer to FC14 we must ask, “What are the implications for the classroom and academics based on this traditional student population?”

First and foremost, it is essential to note that this generation is accustomed to receiving regular, consistent feedback of a positive nature regarding their academic work. They want to know exactly what is expected of them as they want to live up to the standards, but they need to know what those standards are. The challenge is to give them enough structure to meet their needs and enough motivation to move outside of that structure. Similarly, they expect the standards to be high, but fair, and they will measure their grade and efforts against those of their classmates.



Darcie Campos

These students are confident of their values, which are increasingly conservative. They are trusting of authority and faculty, but not if they perceive we are trying to sell our conflicting values rather than facts or knowledge. We need to help these Millennials to test and stretch what they believe while demonstrating respect for their beliefs, or we will lose them.

Be prepared as parents will call you, as it is difficult for them to stop from being involved. The same is said for the students as it will be equally difficult for them to take control of their lives. FERPA guidelines are important and often cause confusion for students and parents. Therefore, it will be important for the university to educate our new GSU families about FERPA. Regular consistent clarification of the guidelines is crucial, and explanation will be necessary.

While these students enjoy collaborative work and receiving group grades, it will be a challenge to get them to critique one another. Therefore, the best approach will be individual work followed by blended collaborative output. In addition, they do not like to be singled out, so another challenge is to find incentives for sole efforts that will complement group work.

Another implication is the pressure this generation feels to succeed. This can often lead to cheating and plagiarism, which is complicated by the fact that it is more difficult to define cheating and originality within group work. Also, the presence of technology, especially the Internet and the ability to cut and paste, will cause us to take a closer look at honor codes and the importance of making the rules clear.

Lastly we must recognize that service oriented careers are rising in interest, and these students have made it known that they want to use technology to solve world issues and to make life better. It will be our job to ensure that we put in place the appropriate technology and tools necessary to make this achievable.

**- By Darcie Campos, Director, Career Services**

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### **Search Committee for COE Dean Appointed**

President Elaine P. Maimon this week appointed the College of Education Search Committee. COE Dean Deborah Bordelon was recently named Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

"Many thanks to all who have agreed to serve on this important committee. I especially appreciate their willingness to get preliminary work on the search completed this summer," Dr. Maimon said "We should be ready to proceed most efficiently in August."

CHHS Dean Elizabeth Cada will chair the committee. Other members are:

- Gebeyehu Ejigu, Executive Vice President and Chief of Staff
- John Cook, Assistant Professor, Educational Administration
- Andrea DalPolo, Administrative Clerk, College of Education
- Shea Dunham, Assistant Professor, Psychology and Counseling
- Pamela Guimond, Coordinator of Science Secondary Education
- Taida "Toddy" Kelly, Associate Professor, Education
- Sandra Mayfield, Associate Provost
- Rashidah Muhammad, President, Faculty Senate; Academic Coordinator, English Programs
- Elizabeth Ruiz, Associate Professor, Psychology and Counseling; President, GSU UPI
- Catherine Sori, Associate Professor, Psychology and Counseling
- Sharon Starks, COE Student, Psychology with an emphasis on Forensics
- Stephen Wagner, Assistant Professor, Management
- Kristina Houston, Human Resources Representative
- Joan Johns Maloney, Administrative Support

The ads for the position will be placed soon and the committee will have its first meeting this week. The committee's goal will be to have finalists for the dean's position on campus before the end of the fall semester.

## **National Engineering Award Going to GSU Trustee**

GSU Trustee Anibal L. Taboas has been selected as 2013 recipient of the Dixy Lee Ray Medal by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers International.



Anibal Taboas

Taboas formerly served in the U.S. Department of Energy. His background includes a decade as Manager of the Argonne Area Office, with line responsibility for Argonne National Laboratory. He also executed national energy and environmental programs that span the entire nuclear fuel cycle. Taboas earned master's degrees in Mechanical/Nuclear Engineering from Northwestern University and in Physics from Indiana State University.

Taboas is currently the president and CEO of Aspira Inc., a not-for-profit organization supporting the education of underserved populations in Chicago.

ASME notified Taboas that he is receiving the award "for advancing closure of the nuclear fuel cycle, and for internationally recognized leadership in regulatory engineering and sustainable environmental management."

The award is named for the late Dixy Lee Ray, the former governor of Washington and a strong advocate for nuclear power. In 1973, she was appointed to chair the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. She is the only woman to have chaired the AEC.

Taboas said the award is especially rewarding because Dixy Lee Ray was a close friend.

ASME, founded as the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, is a professional association that promotes the art, science and practice of multidisciplinary engineering and allied sciences around the globe through continuing education, training and professional development, codes and standards, research, conferences and publications, government relations and other forms of outreach.

## **Dr. Johnson Participating in Two APA Presentations**

Dr. Jean Johnson, Associate Professor in the Division of Psychology and Counseling, will serve as discussant and chair for two national symposia at the upcoming 121st Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association in Honolulu, from July 31 to August 4.



Dr. Johnson

During *Psychology Program Evaluation and Publication: Perspectives from the Trenches*, Dr. Johnson will discuss the practices and pitfalls of psychology program evaluation, review and publication from a variety of expert perspectives across the field. Her co-presenters are Drs. Meera Komarraju, Associate Dean, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale; Andrew N. Christopher, Editor, Teaching of Psychology, Chair and Professor, Albion College; and Maureen McCarthy, Faculty Executive Assistant to the President, Kennesaw State University.

During *Undergraduate Psychology Capstone Experiences: Advice from the Experts*, Dr. Johnson will discuss trends, research and suggestions regarding capstone experiences in undergraduate psychology programs from experienced capstone faculty and STP Capstone Mentors. Her co-presenters are Drs. Jamie G. McMinn, APA Program Director, Society for the Teaching of Psychology, Westminster College; Kenneth D. Keith, APA Fellow, Department of Psychological Sciences, University of San Diego; and Bernard C. Beins, APA Fellow, Ithaca College.

Dr. Johnson is chair of the Society for the Teaching of Psychology National Capstone Project and a national capstone mentor.

### **The Puck Drops Here**



Watch the Chicago Blackhawks skate toward the championship during Game Four of the Stanley Cup finals on Wednesday, June 19, at 6 p.m., in the GSU Game Room.

Enjoy the game, along with trivia, prizes, food and fun. The event is sponsored by Recreation and Fitness Center and Student Life.

### **GSU Library Summer Hours**

Summer hours will be in effect at the GSU through August 2. The library will be open Monday through-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The library will be closed each Friday and Sunday through August 2, except for Friday July 5, when the library will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library will also be closed July 4.

### **Save the Date for ICO Dance Social**

The Office of International Services and the International Culture Organization presents the ICO Dance Social on Thursday, July 11, 2013 from 3 to 5 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex.

Come join the fun while learning and performing popular American and international dances.

For more information, contact [Khaan@govst.edu](mailto:Khaan@govst.edu) (708.235.2836) or [KRandolph-Clark@student.govst.edu](mailto:KRandolph-Clark@student.govst.edu) (708.235.7611).

## **Ronald Daly and Patrick Rea Speak on Leadership**

This month's Dynamic Leadership Lecture Series continues when Ronald E. Daly presents *The Leadership of Change*, on Monday, June 17, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall.

Daly is currently a board member of the AARP, the AARP Foundation, Metropolis Strategies, Loyola University of Chicago

and U. S. Cellular. He was with R. R. Donnelley for 38 years, rising from working on the factory floor to the presidency of Donnelley's largest business unit.



Ronald Daly

Patrick Rea will speak on *Is There Difference between Leadership in Military and Corporate Leadership?* on Wednesday, June 19, from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. Rea has a



Patrick Rea

long and

distinguished career of professional achievements and dedicated public service. He is a retired brigadier general in the U.S. Army and serves as the Tinley Park village clerk.

The series, free and open to the public, features speakers who will discuss aspects of management and governance related to their own lives as successful leaders. The lectures are sponsored by the College of Business and Public Administration. Advance registration

is not required. Everyone is welcome.

