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News and Events

Happy Fiscal New Year!

FY14 requisitioning can begin through the portal on Tuesday July 2, 2013.

You will notice that you cannot “receive” items. That is intentional so that procurement staff can assist you in differentiating between FY13 and FY14 receiving. This will help ensure audit expenditure accuracy. If you need receiving completed, call Procurement at ext. 4056 or email PASDatatel@govst.edu with the purchase order receiving information – PO#, date, etc.

New Signature Card: A new signature card has been added to the Procurement portal page. It is now a fillable PDF. If your area needs to make changes to the requisitioners and/or approvers on an account, simply complete the form. The procurement staff recommends saving the document in case additional changes are needed in the future. If you have no changes, you do not need to complete a new form.

Helpful reminders:

- Requisitions require approvals before they can be transferred to PO status.
- If using a GSU logo on any specialty items, approval is required from the Office of Marketing and Communications.
- If you have attachments, scan (with the requisition #) and email to PASdatatel@govst.edu.

For more information, contact Procurement at ext. 4056.

Cable Station Accepting Video Submissions for Fall

The Division of Digital Learning and Media Design is seeking submissions of films and television programs of any length to be showcased on *The Educator*, GSU’s cable station. GSU students, staff and faculty, past or present, are invited to submit their work. Approved submissions will air each Monday, Wednesday and Friday this fall from 7 to 9 p.m., on *The Educator*.

Submissions can be sent digitally via a file sharing system, such as Dropbox™ or Google Docs™, in the highest resolution. Send them to [Keisha Dyson](#), Program Developer in the DLMD. A hard copy (DVD or file on hard drive) can be mailed to Keisha in room D1425.

All submissions must be accompanied by a completed submission form, which can be found on the [Master of Fine Arts in Independent Filmmaking and Digital Imaging website](#), along with a description of the project in 250 characters or less. The submission deadline for fall broadcast consideration is September 1 at 5 p.m. All submissions will be screened for approval before broadcast. Videos containing inappropriate material or that can be classified as pornographic will not be aired.

The Educator can be found on the following channels, depending upon your cable provider:

- AT&T U-verse® TV – Channel 99 (only in South Holland, IL)
- Comcast® – Channel 16
- WOW® Cable – Channel 24 (only in South Holland, Oak Forest and Calumet City, IL).

See [The Educator full program schedule.](#)

For answers to other questions email [Keisha Dyson.](#)

MILE Hosts Renowned Educators



Drs. Rosemary and
Harry Wong

On June 24 and 25, nationally renowned educators Drs. Harry and Rosemary Wong presented their *Effective Educators Seminars* to 546 educators from Illinois and 13 other states. The two day event was sponsored by the GSU College of Education's Metropolitan Institute for Leadership in Education and Louisiana State University's College of Human Sciences and Education. This was the first time this program had been presented in Illinois.

The first day focused on “How to Create a Successful School in Less than Two Years,” and was targeted to school superintendents and principals. The second day was titled “How to Be an Effective and Successful Teacher.”

“The extremely popular Wongs introduced success stories from school leaders from around the country,” said Alicia McCray Director of MILE. “We were very proud to host his event.”

New Hydration Station in Library

The Library now has a new bottle filler/water fountain combo station better known as a hydration station. “The hydration station is all about reducing the amount of waste going into a landfill or energy required to recycle plastic bottles,” said Kevin Barto, Assistant Director for Grounds Management & Custodial Services. “It directly supports GSU’s sustainability initiatives.”



The hydration station is located in the atrium of the library. Water from the hydration station is double filtered to improve taste and smell while removing any sediment. There is a counter on the unit that indicates how many plastic bottles are eliminated when it is used.

“Sustainability is a very important initiative here at GSU,” said Lydia Morrow Ruetten, Dean of the Library. “When you think of libraries, they are very supportive of sustainability by simply circulating books and materials. However, we wanted to extend our support of sustainability in the Library by purchasing and installing a hydration station. We want students, faculty and the community to be aware that it is now in the library.”

Argonne Internship Enlightens GSU Student

When Reuven Hicks, a senior in Computer Science, took software engineering course from Dr. Clare Tang he was sold right away on getting an internship at Argonne National laboratory. He not only listened to her advice but took all the right steps: he studied hard, earned good grades and submitted his completed application on time.

Reuven's diligence paid off. He was awarded Summer Undergraduate Laboratory Internship at Argonne and is now living at the Argonne campus in Darien. He is very excited about working with and being mentored by world-renowned scientists – the intellectual stimulation is a big reward. He is working on a material science project using a desktop computer.

Dr. Tang is working currently on computer modeling to simulate the physical process influencing the movement of water over and through the soil. The computer models will allow hydrologists to predict the magnitude of streamflows generated by a precipitation event. The computation is very intensive and requires supercomputer powers.

After visiting Dr. Tang at Argonne's supercomputer center, Reuven announced he is determined to return to Argonne again next summer and work on the supercomputers.



Reuven Hicks and

Dr. Clare Tang

Donors Help Preserve Sculpture

“Signal yellow” is the color but you wouldn't have known that earlier this spring. The wear and tear of exposure to the elements over 38 years had faded the monumental sculpture “Illinois Landscape No. 5” into a mellow buttercream.



Funding for conservation work and painting came from memberships in Pathfinder, the sculpture park's donor organization, and other funds collected over the past six years. “This is another important piece of the revitalization of Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park, and we have our many supporters to thank,” said Geoffrey Bates, NMSP Director and Curator.

Illinois Landscape No. 5

by John Henry

John Henry's masterwork has graced the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park since 1975 when it was commissioned with the assistance of the National Endowment for the Arts. Thousands of students and visitors have regarded John Henry's striking work of contemporary sculpture with awe and good humor. Now onlookers can once again appreciate it in its full glory. Just as “signal yellow” implies, the sprawling site-specific sculpture compels visitors and passers-by to slow their pace, just to gain a glimpse.

Henry's work has become an icon for Governors State, an immediately recognizable symbol of the dynamic relationship between the campus and its community.

Computer and Information Honor Society at GSU

Theta Chapter of Upsilon Pi Epsilon at GSU has been approved by the society's national governing body. The chapter advisor, Steve Hyzny, will begin identifying students to become charter members next month.

UPE is the only honor society that is recognized by the Association for Computing Machinery and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Computer Society. The GSU ACM Student Chapter was chartered July, 2012.

UPE was first organized at Texas A&M University in 1967 with a mission of recognizing academic excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Computing and Information Disciplines. UPE is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies.

To qualify for membership, students in Computer Science, Information Technology and Management of Information Systems programs must meet the following requirements:

- A graduate student must be a candidate for a graduate degree in Computer Science or Management of Information Systems and must have completed at least 18 semester hours of graduate credit with a grade point average of at least 3.5, exclusive of research and seminar courses.
- An undergraduate student must be a candidate for an undergraduate degree in Computer Science or Information Technology and must have completed at least 45 semester hours for undergraduate credit, including 15 semester hours in the computing or information disciplines. He or she must have a grade point average of at least 3.3, with a grade point average of at least 3.5 in all respective degree coursework.

For more information, contact [Steve Hyzny](#) at 708.534.4537.



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