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## News and Events

### **GSU Semi-Finalists at national Health Services Executives' Competition**



*Pictured (left to right) are Dr. Rupert M. Evans, Sr., and MHS students Uzma Saleha, Josephine Anetekhai and Nisha Mehta.*

Congratulations to Nisha Mehta, Uzma Saleha and Josephine Anetekhai, second year Master of Health Administration students. They represented GSU and the College of Health and Human Services' Health Administration program at the National Association of Health Services Executives' Annual Everett V. Fox Student Case Analysis and Presentation Competition. This year's competition was held October 15-18 in Miami, during NAHSE's 28th Annual Educational Conference.

Graduate students from 21 university Health Care Management programs from across the United States competed in this event.

Our team represented GSU well, progressing in the competition all the way to the semi-final round. This meant our team was ahead of more than half of all the other teams, winning each of our team members a monetary award. Three of the Illinois teams placed in the competition: UIC finished in fifth place and Rush in first place.

Serving as "coach" for the GSU MHA students was Dr. Rupert M. Evans, Sr., DHA, MPA, FACHE, Associate Professor, Chair and Program Director for GSU's Department of Health Administration.

The Case Competition is a scholarship program that utilizes the case study methodology of teaching to provide graduate students with an educational experience that enhances their problem analysis and presentation skills. Team members are given a unique case study and are charged with applying their knowledge and experience to analyze the diverse and real situations facing the healthcare organization featured in the case. The teams are given the specific facts and raw data related to the case, from which they are expected to reach

decisions as outlined in the case assignment. The team then presents its case findings and recommendations before a panel of judges representing leaders in the healthcare field.

Past cases have been modeled after organizations such as Kaiser Permanente, Mayo Clinic, Catholic Health Initiatives, Trinity Health System, University of Maryland Medical System, HCA, UnitedHealth Group and most recently, G.E. Healthcare. This year Kaiser Permanente was the sponsor of the case.

### **Students, faculty and staff gather for writing symposium**



More than 140 faculty, staff and students gathered on Friday, Oct. 18 for an enlightening, educational symposium led by Dr. Donald McQuade. A Professor of English from UC-Berkeley, Dr. McQuade is an expert in writing across the curriculum and is the past Chair of the Board of the National Writing Project. He led the group through exercises designed to get them thinking about writing in different ways. Later that afternoon, during his responses to faculty concerns about plagiarism, Dr. McQuade covered many issues, including the design of plagiarism-proof assignments.

On Thursday evening, Dr. McQuade spoke in Sherman Music Hall to a group comprising students, faculty, staff and community members on the subject of "Teaching Writing in the Age of Twitter."

Friday's symposium was the fourth in a series of First Year Experience symposia designed to get the entire GSU campus thinking about the innovative, research-based ways GSU is preparing for its new freshman students. In addition, these symposia are designed to challenge faculty and staff to think creatively about our existing programs and initiatives.

The next symposium is already scheduled for Friday, April 4, 2014. Dr. Kathleen Yancey will be visiting GSU to discuss e-portfolios. Keep an eye on future editions of the GSU View for more information.

### **GSU Students are Illinois Technology Foundation's "50 for the Future"**

The Illinois Technology Foundation is honoring four GSU students at the 7th annual "50 for the Future" ceremony. The ITF "50 for the Future" recognizes exceptional students in technology. McClinton Hoover, Joseph Ponton, Kimberly Poole and Gina Richard were nominated for their achievements at GSU and potential in their fields. The winners go through a rigorous judging process and are chosen for their interest in and potential to use technology. Each student and

their nominating faculty (University Lecturer Steve Hyzny) received a \$1,000 scholarship to apply to training at Directions Training.

McClinton Hoover of Glenwood is pursuing a Computer Science Master's Degree and is currently the President of the Computer Science Club. Joseph Ponton of Chenase is pursuing a Computer Science Undergrad and was a Collegiate Cyber Defense Team member. Kimberly Poole of Joliet is pursuing a Management of Information Systems Master Degree is currently Treasurer and Secretary of the Computer Science Club. Gina Richard of Riverdale is pursuing a Computer Science Undergrad is currently Vice President of the Computer Science club.

Each of these winning students has demonstrated great capabilities at GSU in both their academic pursuits and extra- curricular activities. The ceremony on November 12th, 2013 at the Chicago Cultural Center will be attended by many of Illinois technology industry leaders along with the winners and their families.

For more information on the Illinois Technology Foundations "50 for the Future" check out their website at <http://illinoistechfoundation.org/itf-programs/fifty-for-the-future-celebration/> and congratulate GSU's winners.

Illinois Technology Foundation offers free membership to Illinois students and free job search tools at <http://illinoistechfoundation.org/>

### **Ethics Training Deadline is Just Around the Corner**

Don't delay. GSU employees need to complete state-mandated Ethics Training for 2012 no later than 7 p.m. on November 14. Faculty and staff are reminded that annual completion of Ethics Training is an important requirement of employment in Illinois.



Complete the training and proudly print out your Ethics Training certificate. For more information, call Human Resources at 708.534.4100.

### **Study Abroad: Two Great Opportunities**

Information about a trip to Poland, sponsored by the CBPA but open to all GSU students and alumni, will be presented on October 29, from 6 to 7 p.m. in room B2203.

The 12-day trip includes visits to Warsaw, Krakow and Gdansk; lectures at Polish University; visits to government offices and agencies as well as sightseeing and cultural events. For more information, contact Dr. Carlos Ferran at 708.534.4930.

COE is sponsoring an educational trip to England, June 10 through 19.

Information about the trip is available on Monday, November 4 at 4 p.m. in G261. The cultural exchange will focus on the educational leadership and Arts Integration. The trip is co-sponsored by the British Consulate-General of Chicago and is open to university staff and faculty, graduate students, alumni, educators

and community members.

## **Post Your Scariest Halloween Photos...We Dare You!**

BOO!! SCARY MOVIES have nothing on GSU! Does the library staff know just how SCARY you can be? DARE you to take your SCARIEST 'selfie' curled up with your very favorite bloodcurdling book, as you chill watching your favorite chilling movie or dressed in your best Halloween costume. Haunted house? Send us your snap shot! Share on

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GSULibrary>



Costume party? Tweet us your pic!  
LibraryGovst@LibraryGOVST#govst\_halloween

Show us your competitive spirit for a year's worth of bragging rights. Speaking of Halloween, if you are on campus, don't get tricked, get a treat. Stop by the library and get your surprise in the Friends Reading Nook area. HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!!

## **Bears Vs. Packers Game Watch Party**

Watch the game and enjoy good food, trivia and the chance to win prizes on November 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Game Lounge. Every GSU student is welcome – no matter which team you are rooting for. Sponsored by Recreation and Fitness.

## **"A...My Name is Alice" Marks Return of Theater Studies at GSU**



On November 6, 7 and 8, at 8 p.m., you could be one of an intimate group of audience members to witness the return of a true cultural gem – a production from the newly reinstated Theatre and Performance Studies Program at GSU. The program, under the direction of GSU's Dr. Patrick Santoro, kicked off its public performance schedule last April with two sold-out performances of Anne Sexton's Transformations.

"A...My Name is Alice" promises to be an equally coveted treat. "A...My Name is Alice" is a musical revue conceived by Joan Micklin Silver and Julianne Boyd. Playful, funny, sophisticated and insightful, you'll be entertained by a series of songs and sketches portraying women of all ages and types in a variety of situations and relationships. Alice made its Off-Broadway debut in 1983 and offers us a glimpse into the historical fight for gender equality while also asking us to consider women's experiences and how

they have shifted in the last 30 years. The play features a cast of staff and students from GSU and community members.

Cast members are Killeen McClowry, of Frankfort; Aarika Hughes, of Monee; Lorell Jones, of Chicago; Lois Nemeth, of Chicago Heights; Deirdre L. Webb, of Chicago Heights, with Music Direction by Dr. Stacy Eckert, Choreography by Megan Lindsay and Stage Management by Joshua Young.

Tickets are just \$10 for the public and \$5 for students. Patrons will be seated on the stage, with performers up close, so only 90 people will be admitted per night.

To purchase tickets for both shows, or for further information, contact GSU Center's box office at CenterTickets.net or call 708.235.2222.

### **GSU Student Invited to the White House Cyber Security Special Meeting**

GSU student Tamisha Rose has been asked to participate in a special meeting at the White House sponsored by the Council on Cyber Security and the Department of Homeland Security.

The meeting will be highlighting the work of cyber students on various state and local programs across the country and to discuss ways they can continue to be involved in cyber initiatives.

Tamisha is the past president of the Computer Science club, participated for the past two years as Collegiate Cyber Defense Team member and then team leader. She was instrumental in GSU's participation in the Cyber Aces competition this year and has arranged for tours of Microsoft's Chicago data center and Cisco's Chicago office.

Tamisha worked hard to start a student chapter of the Association of Computing Machinery at GSU and will be the first student initiated as a member of GSU's UPE honor society that she worked to bring to GSU. Before she graduates this year she will be working with students from Lincoln-Way East High School to assist them in preparing for their Cyber security competition. She was recently recognized by the Illinois Technology Foundation as one the Illinois' "50 for the Future".

### **Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition Team**

On Saturdays from now until February 2014, the GSU Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition Team will train and practice. The team will meet in D 2440, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The CCDC is a national competition to test the security skills of students defending a company's network from hackers. During the competition, the team will spend eight hours securing and protecting networked servers and



computers.

No experience is needed to join the team, but some hard work is required. All GSU students are encouraged to participate but skills from the Information Technology, Computer Science and Management Information Systems degrees are highly encouraged.

This year's team will also assist the Lincoln-Way East High School team prepare for its Cyber Patriot competition utilizing Windows 7 and Ubuntu Linux virtual machines. As GSU students work with the high school students, both will gain insight into the operating systems and security needed to protect and keep a network safe.

Come and learn, play and expand you knowledge. Contact Steve Hyzny computer science faculty, for more information - [Shyzny@govst.edu](mailto:Shyzny@govst.edu).

### **Veterans Entrepreneurial Boot Camp – November 13**

The Illinois Small Business development Center at GSU is hosting the 11th Veterans Entrepreneurial Boot Camp on Wednesday, November 13 beginning at 8 a.m. Registration will start at 7:30 a.m. This event is FREE to all veterans, active duty and National Guard personnel. There is a \$30 charge for non-veteran attendees.



State Senator, veteran and West Point graduate Michael Hastings will deliver the lunchtime keynote address.

This one-day intensive seminar will have general and breakout sessions for any level of business owner designed to provide information and resources to veterans so they can grow their businesses successfully. The Veterans Entrepreneurial Boot Camp has been revamped and includes: an informative panel discussion with successful veteran business owners during breakfast:

- The Affordable Care Act and How Will it Affect My Business or My Start-up?
- Speed Networking Session - Meet your perfect business match!
- How do I do Business with the Government?
- How to Grow your Business with Email and Social Media Marketing
- Training Session: Create your own 30-second Commercial
- Why do I Need a Business Plan?
- Is International Trade Right for My Business?

In addition, there will be a panel discussion on small business financing options and the John Marshall Law School of Chicago will interview potential clients for

participation in their free legal assistance for startups and in-business client legal challenges.

Space is limited. RSVP soon to reserve your spot! Register today at this [link](#).

### **Johnny Appleseed at the CPA for \$10**



Johnny Appleseed, on Sunday, November 3, at 2 p.m., is perfect family entertainment. This energetic, funny frontier musical about the legendary folk hero who planted apple orchards throughout Ohio, Indiana and Illinois is part rollicking adventure, part inspiring history and 100 percent All-American.

Come early for story time at 1 p.m. with Lynne Clayton. Includes complimentary hot apple cider and cinnamon donuts! Tickets are just \$10.

### **Flash Sale at the GSU Bookstore**

The GSU Bookstore will have Flash Sale on Tuesday, October 29.

Get 25% off in-store and online on men's women's and kids' fleece sweatshirts and pants. This includes hoodies, crewnecks, quarter zips, full zips and sweatpants.

Get 25% off in-store only on JVC Gumy Earbuds, Memorex® TravelDrive up to 32 GB, all student reference books and materials and GSU notebooks and binders.

Don't miss this great sale!