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News and Events

UG Criminal Justice Service Learning Project

Learn the facts and get the resources! The event will be held Tuesday, November 26, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Hall of Governors.

For additional information, please contact Caron Jacobson, Senior Lecturer at 708.235.2136.

Narski Music, Inc.

Narski Music, Inc. invites you to their 4th Annual It's A Party With A Purpose Benefiting Local Charities.

The event will be held Friday Nov. 29, 2013, 7 p.m. in the Center for Performing Arts.

The Starring: Ronnie Laws, Tom Browne, BabiDoll, Comedian BLT, Paul Richmond, Chris Allison, and Hosted by Herb Kent.

Tickets half price for GSU students, faculty & staff at CPA box office.

Governors State University becomes part of International Honor Society

On November 22nd, 2013 GSU received a charter as a member of the Upsilon Pi Epsilon International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines. The charting ceremony was performed by Dr. Daniela Stan Raicu Associate Professor, DePaul University. Dr. Raicu represented the national UPE council. Receiving the schools charter was Tamisha Rose the presiding president of the UPE chapter at GSU, Michael Horvath MIS graduate student and GSU IT staff member, Donald Washington MIS Alumni and University lecturer Stephen Hyzny.

After receiving the charter the induction ceremony for the first induction at GSU was performed. To be inducted students must have a 3.5 GPA or higher in either their undergraduate or graduate degree work. Each year students meeting the requirement will be asked to join and continue the new tradition of academic excellence in the computing disciplines at GSU.



The following individuals were inducted into the newly formed honor society chapter for 2013.

Honorary Member:

Sally A. Smoczynski Managing Partner - Radian Compliance and board member of the Illinois Technology Foundation. Sally has worked with the GSU computer science club arranging speakers and mentoring students.

Faculty:

Dr. Reinhold Hill, Dr. Yunyau Steve Shih, Dr. Soon-Ok Park and University Lecturer and UPE Advisor Stephen R. Hyzny

Alumni & Students:

Margaret Ann Akines, Jovie Lynn Alfonso, Robert A. Asiamah, Keith A. Bockwoldt, Lauren R. Drish, Dulce M. Gonzalez, Jeffrey James Haas, Herman L. Harrison, Reuven R. Hicks, McClinton Hoover, Michael Horvath, Richard J. Kopera, Derrick Massey, Natalie L. McCoy, Michael Joseph Mokry, Jennifer Alica Morris, Rachana Mysore Krishna Murthy, John W. Nelson, George King Nkulenu, Edward Asare Owusu, Tamisha A. Rose, Damian Wesley Tucker, Louis R. Vician III, Donald Washington.

Export Seminar

The Illinois SBDC International Trade Center at GSU and State of Illinois Office of Trade and Investment will host an Export Promotion Seminar on December 10 at GSU. This informative seminar will provide ISTEP program application guidelines, eligibility requirements and introduce you to resources available to U.S. exporters. The deputy director of Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic opportunity will make the keynote presentation. The U.S Department of Commerce, the SBA and Export-Import Bank will take part in the panel discussion and share the export promotion services and programs.

The featured speakers:

Daniel Goff, Deputy Director of Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic opportunity

Monica Toporkiewicz, International Trade Specialist, U.S. Department of Commerce, Commercial Service-Chicago
Michael Howard, Managing Director, Central Region, The Export-Import Bank of the United States
John A. Nevell, Regional Manager, International Trade Programs, U.S. Small Business Administration
Michelle Bonina, Marketing Executive, Reed Exhibitions International Sales Group

GSU faculty, alumni and students are invited to participate in this free event. To RSVP, please contact: Mary Ma, Illinois International Trade Center at GSU, at 708.534.6976, hma@govst.edu or [click HERE](#) to register online.

First Freshman Admitted!



Thursday, November 21 was a big day for Marian Catholic High School senior Emily Metzger and a big day for GSU!

Emily and her parents arrived in the Hall of Governors that afternoon to receive a surprise announcement from Courtney Sanders, Vice President of Enrollment Management and her team. Emily is the first student to be admitted into FC14, GSU's first Freshman class.

At the podium, amid the welcoming cheers, Emily received a welcome banner, balloons, a certificate awarding her a \$1,000 GSU Merit Scholarship, and, most important, an information packet with her official letter of admission to GSU.

Congratulations, Emily! Welcome to GSU!

Thanksgiving Break

The university will be closed on November 28 and 29 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Health and Human Services Career and Internship Fair

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring the 2013 Health and Human Services Career and Internship Fair on Tuesday, November 26, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Center for Performing Arts lobby.

Prospective employers in the fields of physical and occupational therapy, nursing, social work and non-profit social services will meet with job and

internship candidates.

The career fair is open to current students, GSU alumni and members of the community seeking employment in these fields. There is no charge for job seekers. Participants are advised to dress professionally and bring plenty of resumes.

For more information, call 708.235.3974 or email career@govst.edu.

Box Elder Bugs



Box elder bugs are commonly seen at various times throughout the year. During certain periods, such as late fall, their presence increases as they congregate on buildings and look for openings to overwinter. Typically, sunny, southern exposures will see a higher number of them. At times, they may be seen again attempting to exit buildings, with some becoming trapped inside.

While definitely a nuisance, box elders are harmless. They can only live a few days in a building before dying and do not reproduce indoors. Spraying insecticide in the building is not recommended and does not prevent more from returning.

If you are bothered by them in your area, please call the Facilities office at ext: 4515 and a custodian will come and vacuum them.

Time to Plan for Women's History Month

March is Women's History month and it's time to make plans. Student Life is looking for volunteers to serve as planning team members to help make this month one to remember.

The first planning team meetings for Women's History Month is Thursday, November 21, at 11 a.m., and Monday, November 25, at 1 p.m. Planning team members can choose which meeting they wish to attend. Both meetings take place in the Student Life Meeting room (A2110).

Students are invited to be team members and share their ideas. For more information, contact [Vanessa Newby](#), Director of Student Life for Diversity and Wellness at 708.534.4551.

Walgreen's Funds FNP Scholarship at GSU

The Walgreen's family of Healthcare Clinics, formerly known as Take Care Clinics, has announced plans to invest in the lifelong future of Family Nurse Practitioners' education by providing scholarships for FNP students across the country. Walgreen's will provide a \$7,000 scholarship to a Family Nurse Practitioner in his/her last year of study at Governors State

University.

According to Cathy Moynihan, Market Manager for Walgreen's Healthcare Clinic/Chicago South, the Family Nurse Practitioner is "the heart and soul of our Nurse Practitioner-based company, a healthcare model committed to promoting patient-centered communication and care. We're expanding our scope of practice, and opening up a pipeline through which we intend to hire the best and the brightest FNPs from area universities."

Moynihan is a May 2013 graduate of Governors State University, where she received her Doctor of Nursing Practice degree from the College of Health and Human Services. Characterizing her nursing education at GSU as "outstanding," Moynihan cites, in particular, Nursing Department Chair Nancy MacMullen who provided excellent support to ensure her success in the program.



(Left to right) Wyvon Blackwell, Lecturer Department of Nursing; Cathy Moynihan, Market Manager, Chicago South/Walgreen's Healthcare Clinic; Nancy MacMullen, Nursing Department Chair; Elizabeth Cada, Dean of the College of Health and Human Services; Deborah Bordelon, GSU Provost; Donna Calvin, Assistant Professor, Family Nurse Practitioner Coordinator

New Undergraduate Research Program

The Office of the Provost has initiated an undergraduate research program to promote research and creativity activities for the undergraduate students. The inaugural meeting of the undergraduate research program will be held on Tuesday, November 26, from 11 am to 12:30 pm in E-Lounge.

This meeting will outline the activities planned by the URP this year, which include research grant offerings, -one has been offered and another will be offered in April 2014, workshops for undergraduate students, an opportunity for students to join newly formed Undergraduate Research Club and undergraduate conference in April 2014.



Contact Shelly Kumar at skumar@govst.edu by Friday, November 22 to attend this meeting.

GSU Volleyball Serves to Win

GSU women's club volleyball team begins their

playoff run on Monday November 25. The first round of the league playoff tournament begins for the GSU team at 8:10 p.m. at the Orland Park Sportsplex, 11351 W 159th Street, Orland Park.

Everyone is invited to come and cheer our team to victory!

Civil Service Senate Coming Attractions!

Pie Auction - Wednesday November 27. Save yourself some Thanksgiving prep work, bid on your favorite pie and you won't have to do any of the baking while serving a delicious dessert to your family gathering!

Civil Service Day - December 4. The show begins at 10 a.m. All faculty and staff are invited to attend. The Civil Service Staff Luncheon follows the show. Civil Service staff are reminded to check email for the invitation and make sure to RSVP for the luncheon! Also, remember to vote for the Civil Service Choice Awards! The CHOICE is yours!

Civil Service Newsletter – Call for content! We are looking for your favorite recipe, restaurant, local shop, fun activity or household tip you just can't keep to yourself along with pictures of campus or life in the Civil Service at GSU! Email all submissions to the Civil Service Senate Correspondence Secretary Lauren Esolato lesolato@govst.edu. Submissions for the December 2013 roundup edition must be received by Wednesday, December 4. In 2014, the Newsletter will come out quarterly so submissions for each quarter need to be received by the last day of the month for that quarter!

W-2 Online

Streamline your personal tax process by signing up for an electronic W-2 form. Financial Services is offering GSU employees the option to update their employee profile through GSU's online portal to consent to receiving an electronic W-2. Signing up for the service allows all employees to access, view, and print their W-2 forms.

If you already gave consent, there is no need to take action.

For instructions on how to sign up, [view the memo](#).

GSU Holiday Party Invitation

The GSU Board of Trustees and President Elaine P. Maimon invite all faculty and staff to celebrate the season at a holiday reception. The festivities will be on Friday, December 6, from noon to 2 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

RSVP to Penny Perdue at 708.534.6364 or pperdue@govst.edu.

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