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## News

### Winter Weather Preparedness Week



Winter is coming, and we want you to be prepared. Whether the thought of winter brings you cheer or makes you want to hibernate, [read these precautions and procedures \(https://gsunews.govst.edu/winter-weather-preparedness-week/\)](https://gsunews.govst.edu/winter-weather-preparedness-week/) that the university's [Facilities Development and Management \(http://www.govst.edu/About/Offices\\_and\\_Departments/Facilities\\_Development\\_and\\_Management/\)](http://www.govst.edu/About/Offices_and_Departments/Facilities_Development_and_Management/) (FDM) team would like to remind the community of before sub-zero temperatures, ice, and snow accumulation hit the GSU region.

### Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week Starts Today

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is an annual program where people come together across the country to draw attention to the problems of hunger and homelessness. The Civic Engagement Community Service Center has created a weeklong series of educational, service, fundraising, and advocacy events: log onto [Jaguar Connection \(https://govst.campuslabs.com/engage/\)](https://govst.campuslabs.com/engage/) for a full schedule of this week's events.

Donations will be accepted all week for the GSU Food Pantry, sponsored by the Community Service Council.

For additional information, email [Leah Frazier Dixon \(mailto:civicengagement@govst.edu\)](mailto:Leah.Frazier.Dixon@mailto:civicengagement@govst.edu) or call 708.235.7454.

## International Education Week



# INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

Celebrate [International Education Week](http://www.govst.edu/About/Office_of_International_Services/Programs/International_Education_Week/)

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(IEW) throughout the week with [events](http://www.govst.edu/About/Office_of_International_Services/Programs/International_Education_Week/)

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hosted by the [Office of International Services \(http://www.govst.edu/ois\)](http://www.govst.edu/ois) (OIS). IEW is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education is part of the university's efforts to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences at Governors State University.

For a full listing of events, click [here](http://www.govst.edu/About/Office_of_International_Services/Programs/International_Education_Week/)

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All members of the GSU community are invited to participate.

## Fall All-Campus Symposium Explores Diversity and Inclusion



Governors State's Fall All-Campus Symposium, held Friday November 10, tackled issues of diversity and inclusion as they affect GSU community members. Students, faculty, and staff gathered on the Center for Performing Arts (CPA) stage to observe five panel discussions on topics covering inclusivity for students, veterans, and DREAMers, among others.

Graduate student Abby Miller said that the symposium, “emphasized the importance of putting the focus on individual,” continuing, “we should continue to be cognizant of these important issues.”

GSU’s spring symposium will take place on **February 23** and focus on the university’s core value of strength-based learning.

## Why You Should #DoTheFAFSA



1. It's Money for College! Filing a FAFSA automatically qualifies you for low-interest federal student loans of at least \$5,500 a year.
2. More Money for College! Illinois MAP grants are tied to FAFSA. Grants are education dollars that you don't have to pay back. This year's MAP recipients are eligible to receive up to \$4,800. As always, MAP is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. If you wait to apply, the money could run out, so fill out your FAFSA as soon as you can.
3. Graduate Earlier! Students can now graduate sooner by taking summer classes. [Learn more \(https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-education-betsy-devos-delivers-promise-year-round-pell-and-increased-flexibility-students\)](https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/secretary-education-betsy-devos-delivers-promise-year-round-pell-and-increased-flexibility-students).
4. It's Easy. How easy? [Click here! \(https://blog.ed.gov/2017/09/8-steps-to-filling-out-the-fafsa-form/\)](https://blog.ed.gov/2017/09/8-steps-to-filling-out-the-fafsa-form/)

Plus, the [IRS Data Retrieval Tool \(DRT\) \(https://fafsa.ed.gov/help/irshlp9.htm\)](https://fafsa.ed.gov/help/irshlp9.htm) **safely and securely** links your and/or your parents' tax information directly from the IRS to your FAFSA.

This [online video \(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H\\_iS7gmQd9o\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_iS7gmQd9o) shows you the ease of applying for FAFSA.

## Follett Bookstore Survey

Follett Higher Education Group, our [GSU Bookstore \(http://www.govst.edu/Campus\\_Life/Bookstore\\_-\\_GSU\\_Follett/\)](http://www.govst.edu/Campus_Life/Bookstore_-_GSU_Follett/) partner, wants to hear what you think. Please provide feedback [here \(https://www.campusstorefeedback.com/\)](https://www.campusstorefeedback.com/). The survey will be available through **Sunday, November 26**.

## Student Art Installations Connect with the Skylight Gallery in the Library



In collaboration with [Dr. Patrick Santoro's](http://www.govst.edu/Site_Navigation/Contact/Directory/psantoro/) Performance Art course and the [Visual Arts Gallery](http://www.govst.edu/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/College_of_Arts_and_Sciences/Visual_Arts_Gallery/), the [GSU Library](http://www.govst.edu/library/) is hosting a five-week series of student art installations.

This week's featured student artist is Angel Jackson, a Theater and Performance Studies (TAPS) major. Her interactive exhibit *Who We Are* considers trauma and its impact on individual identity.

In her artist statement, Jackson reflects, "So often we human beings refuse to allow ourselves to process emotions. We forget that we are imperfect and emotional creatures. We don't realize that we then carry these things in our bodies."

As she describes the painting hanging above the childhood bed in her exhibit, Jackson says, "Every event that we go through impacts who we are and creates the person that we become."

Email the [Library](mailto:GSULibraryInfo@govst.edu) with questions or for more information about this series of student art installations.

## Advance Your Tech Skills with Library Workshops

Attend workshops throughout the week hosted by the GSU Library designed to help students, staff, and faculty advance research and technology skills.

[Register for workshops](http://libguides.govst.edu/workshops) in database research methods, e-books, and the Microsoft Office Suite. Drops-ins are also welcome.

## Men's Leadership Summit – Registration Closed

Registration is closed for Friday's [Men's Leadership Summit](http://www.govst.edu/Diversity/). There will be no onsite registration. We are excited to welcome delegations from Prairie State College, Triton College, South Suburban College, Indiana University, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, Kankakee Community College and regional agencies and organizations.

## Last Chance to Submit to the View in 2017

The GSUView goes on winter break following its December 4 issue. Please submit your last View entries of the year by **Thursday, November 30**.

## Announcements and Events

### Join Our Team!



GSU's Student Activities Council seeks students to join the Culture/Diversity Team. Students must love having fun, being part of a team, and planning/marketing cultural and diversity-themed activities on campus.

Contact [Konya Sledge \(mailto:ksledge@govst.edu\)](mailto:ksledge@govst.edu) to sign up. No experience required.

### A Reading by R.M. Ryan



Join poet and memoirist R.M. Ryan on **November 14** from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Hall of Honors for a reading from his memoir *There's A Man With A Gun Over There*, an autobiographical novel based on his military experiences during the Vietnam era.

Ryan says of his memoir: "All of us men with guns were pretty scary—even scarier is the realization that most of the people who come through the American military are trained killers. These people are your neighbors. They're your relatives. We need to face up to what we're doing, both to peasants in the Third World and to our own children."

Pizza will be provided for students following the reading.

Please RSVP to [Sandi Kawanna \(mailto:skawanna@govst.edu\)](mailto:skawanna@govst.edu) or call 708.534.4011. This event is part of **The Dialogues on the Experience of War** program, made possible in part by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

## The ABC's of the Affordable Care Act (ACA)



All in the GSU community are invited to attend a panel discussion covering the details of the Affordable Care Act, led by [Dr. Ning Lu](http://www.govst.edu/Site_Navigation/Contact/Directory/nlu/), Full Professor of Health Administration, on **November 14** from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall.

Panelists include Health Care Administration students Brittnee Harris, Dhupina Patel, and Lisa Purdy, officers of the Student Health Care Management Club. GSU's [Dr. Rupert Evans](http://www.govst.edu/Site_Navigation/Contact/Directory/revans/), a regent of the American College of Health Executives for Metro Chicago, will also speak.

Refreshments will be served. This event is hosted by the GSU Student Health Care Management Club and supported by a grant from the Intellectual Life Committee. Contact the [Library](mailto:gsulibraryinfo@govst.edu) with questions.

## I AM A ZEBRA: A Curiously Entertaining Story of Illness



Join Ingrid Masterton, creator and performer of *I AM A ZEBRA* ([http://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/zMiscellaneous/gsuView/Library\\_flyer\\_Zebra\\_1017.pdf](http://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/zMiscellaneous/gsuView/Library_flyer_Zebra_1017.pdf)), on her journey of trials met with humor; pain muted by joy; and the absurd kind of amusement that only the world of medicine could provide. Have fun with her as she discovers how she'll next use her peculiar identity to undertake the reinvention that illness demands.

This [free performance](http://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/zMiscellaneous/gsuView/Library_flyer_Zebra_1017.pdf), directed by Anne Marie Scheffler, will take place **November 15** at 4:30 p.m. in Sherman Hall. Click [here](http://gsunews.govst.edu/i-am-a-zebra-a-curiously-entertaining-story-of-illness/preview/1f4b3f3a4906f414b6c0d74f376d12b138496038) to learn more.

## Professional Networking Event

The [Office of Career Services](http://www.govst.edu/careerservices/) (<http://www.govst.edu/careerservices/>) and the [GSU Foundation](http://www.govst.edu/Alumni_and_Donors/GSU_Foundation/) ([http://www.govst.edu/Alumni\\_and\\_Donors/GSU\\_Foundation/](http://www.govst.edu/Alumni_and_Donors/GSU_Foundation/)) are partnering to provide a professional networking event on **Thursday, November 16** from 3 – 4 p.m. in the Lakeside Lounge. Students will network with faculty, staff, and employers to expand their professional etiquette skills so that they may become more comfortable and better prepared for opportunities within their chosen field.

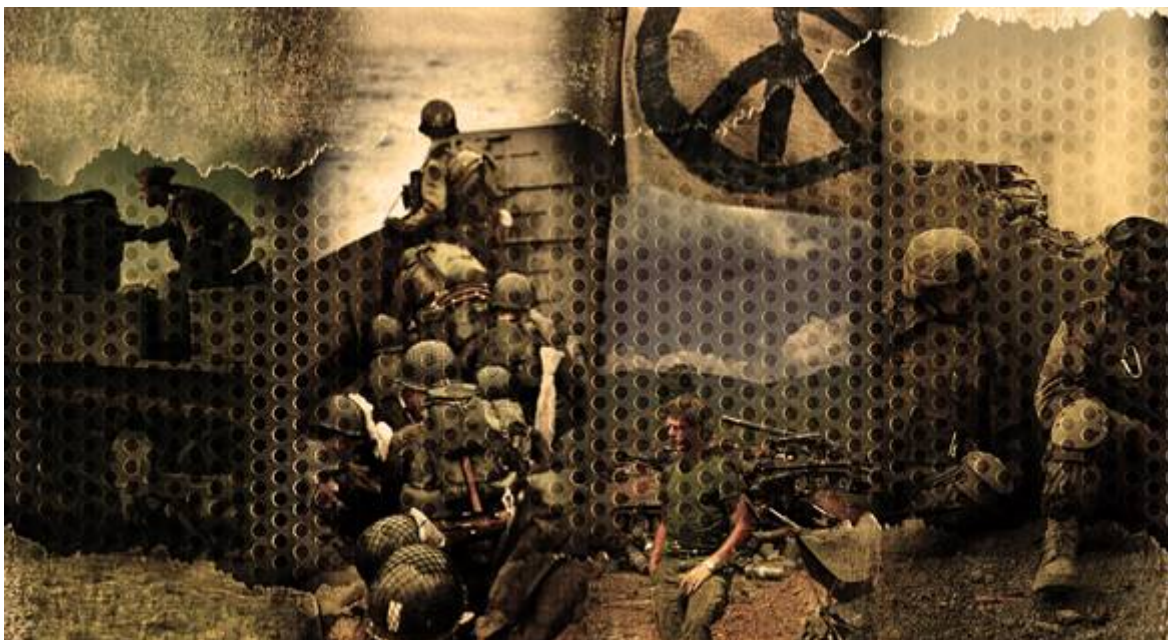
## Dine at Schoop's in Monee and Support the Friends of the GSU Library



Dine in or order pickup for lunch on **Thursday, November 16** to support the Friends of the GSU Library. From 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., 20% of purchases from customers who mention Governors State or print and bring this article will be donated directly to the Friends of the GSU Library.

Schoop's is located at 5701 Monee-Manhattan Road, in Monee, Illinois. The phone number is 708.534.6000. [Check out their menu](http://www.schoopsmonee.com) (<http://www.schoopsmonee.com>), and contact [the library](mailto:GSULibraryInfo@govst.edu) (<mailto:GSULibraryInfo@govst.edu>) with questions.

## Veterans Speak: War, Trauma, and the Humanities—A Town Hall Event



In this [Town Hall event](http://www.govst.edu/casgrants/) (<http://www.govst.edu/casgrants/>) hosted by Kevin Smith, GSU Director of Veterans Affairs, five student veterans, along with Professors Rosemary Johnsen and Andrae Marak, lead a discussion on how engaging war-related humanities sources enables veterans to make



connections with their own experiences and to help others better understand war's impact on those who serve.

Veterans Speak will be held in the Digital Learning and Media Design Studios on **December 4** at 7:30 p.m.—check-in starts at 6:50 p.m.—and will be taped and live-streamed to Facebook.

This forum is hosted by the College of Arts and Sciences and the Veterans Resource Center and funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Dialogues on the Experience of War program. [GSU's project \(http://www.govst.edu/casgrants/\)](http://www.govst.edu/casgrants/) explores war trauma through literature and other humanities sources with the trained student-veterans serving as embedded discussion facilitators in a special topics class. This event is made possible in part by a major grant from the NEH.

## Writing Table and Poetry Workshop

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GSU students, faculty, and staff interested in polishing their writing or reading their poetry are invited to the Writing Table and Poetry Workshop hosted by the staff of GSU's literary and visual arts journal *Reconstructed* and the Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) writing fellows. The workshop will take place **Friday, November 17** from 4 – 7 p.m. in the Visual Arts Gallery and E-Lounge. Dessert will be served.

Email [Reconstructed \(mailto:Reconstructed@govst.edu\)](mailto:Reconstructed@govst.edu) for more information.

## Jaguar Career Closet Grand Opening

The Jaguar Career Closet was established to assist GSU students with professional apparel for job interviews, career fairs, and other presentations. The closet provides students FREE access to one professional outfit or accessory based on need. We invite you to attend the grand opening on **Wednesday, November 15** from 2 – 3 p.m. in the Jaguar Den (Room A2140).

Contact the [Civic Engagement and Community Service Center \(mailto:civicengagement@govst.edu\)](mailto:civicengagement@govst.edu) for additional information.

## Call for Auditions: *for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf*



Theatre and Performance Studies (TAPS) and the Center for Performing Arts (CPA) are calling for auditions for the upcoming production of *for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf*. Auditions will be held on two dates: **Wednesday, November 15** from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. in the E-Lounge, and **Saturday, November 18** from 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. in Sherman Hall. [Schedule an audition \(https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/hdgttd\)](https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/hdgttd).

## Chicago Dreamgirl Celebrates the Legendary Aretha Franklin at GSU



Joseph Jefferson Award-winning actress Donica Lynn (Effie White in *Dreamgirls*, 2016) brings a deeply moving tribute to GSU's Center for Performing Arts on **Saturday, November 18** at 8 p.m. in *Aretha Franklin: Queen of Soul*, presented by Artists Lounge Live. Chicago Tribune named her among the Chicagoans of the Year (2016), citing "Lynn has stepped up to Chicago stardom."

[Read more about the performance.](http://www.govst.edu/About/Center%20for%20Performing%20Arts/All%20Events%20by%20Date/Aretha%20Franklin-Queen%20of%20Soul%20Starring%20Donica%20Lynn/)

[\(http://www.govst.edu/About/Center for Performing Arts/All Events by Date/Aretha Franklin-Queen of Soul Starring Donica Lynn/\)](http://www.govst.edu/About/Center%20for%20Performing%20Arts/All%20Events%20by%20Date/Aretha%20Franklin-Queen%20of%20Soul%20Starring%20Donica%20Lynn/)

Tickets are \$36 and \$28, based on seating location. GSU staff and faculty pay \$25, and students pay only \$10, with valid I.D.

## Internationalizing Higher Education: A Faculty Symposium

All faculty are invited to attend *Internationalizing Higher Education: Challenges and Strategies* (<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eepqorcd9efb721f&llr=wrj9lfzab>), an interdisciplinary symposium on **Friday, December 15** from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Faculty experts from GSU, UIC, Marquette University, Purdue University Northwest, Indiana University, and Harper College will share their perspectives and experiences on curriculum design, learning assessment, and institutional strategies on internationalizing higher education.

Register here (<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eepqorcd9efb721f&llr=wrj9lfzab>) to attend the symposium. Light breakfast and lunch will be provided. The symposium is presented by the [College of Business \(http://www.govst.edu/cob\)](http://www.govst.edu/cob), in collaboration with the [College of Arts and Sciences \(http://www.govst.edu/cas\)](http://www.govst.edu/cas), [Center for Active Engagement and Scholarship \(http://www.govst.edu/caes/\)](http://www.govst.edu/caes/), and Indiana University Center for International Business Education and Research.

## Salt Creek Ballet Presents a Time-Honored Holiday Tradition: *The Nutcracker*



The highly acclaimed Salt Creek Ballet brings its lovable holiday classic *The Nutcracker* ([http://www.govst.edu/About/Center\\_for\\_Performing\\_Arts/All\\_Events\\_by\\_Date/Salt\\_Creek\\_Ballet\\_-\\_The\\_Nutcracker/](http://www.govst.edu/About/Center_for_Performing_Arts/All_Events_by_Date/Salt_Creek_Ballet_-_The_Nutcracker/)), once again, to GSU's Center for Performing Arts. This year, the production will feature internationally-recognized guest dancers Vilia Putrius and Mindaugas Bauzys from Festival Ballet Providence. The Nutcracker performers waltz into Governors State University on **Saturday, December 9** at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Families will enjoy a "Sugar Plum Party" between the performances at 3 p.m. where they can take pictures with Santa, enjoy hot chocolate and cookies, and enter to win prizes.

Tickets are discounted for GSU faculty/staff (\$25) and students (\$10). The performance is supported by First Midwest Bank and the Illinois Arts Council.

## **Submit Programs for Black History Month**

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. The event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating black history.

Submit your program to [Robert Clay \(mailto:RCLAY@GOVST.EDU\)](mailto:RCLAY@GOVST.EDU) by Friday, December 15.

## **MLK Commemoration: Save-the-Date**



Save the date for GSU's annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Program on **Monday, January 15** at 10 a.m. in Sherman Hall. This year's keynote speaker is publisher, editor, and educator Dr. Haki R. Madhubuti, founder and president of Third World Press, the oldest independent publisher of Black thought and literature in the country.

Donations of nonperishable food items for the GSU Food Pantry are suggested. This program is presented in collaboration with the University Park Library and University Park MLK Committee.

## Highlights

### Gretchen Jankowski



GSU lecturer and mixed media artist [Gretchen Jankowski](https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/CAS/CAS_News magazine_16-17.pdf) ([https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges\\_and\\_Programs/CAS/CAS\\_News magazine\\_16-17.pdf](https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/CAS/CAS_News magazine_16-17.pdf)) likes audiences to engage with her work and becomes animated when she sees students relaxing in a remote corner of the E Building on campus.

There, outside the art studio, the vision of Jankowski and her fellow art faculty has materialized in bright, colorful sofas and chairs, oversized art books, and student masterpieces that beckon visitors to enter, relax, and reflect.

“We wanted to create a student lounge, to make this area into an art space where people feel welcome to come check out. The lounge has an energy that makes me happy,” said the instructor whose passion is processes (“I’m a process junkie,” she says) and “pushing ink into paper.”

[Read more . . . \(https://gsunews.govst.edu/gretchen-jankowski/\)](https://gsunews.govst.edu/gretchen-jankowski/)

## **GSU Registrar Named President-Elect for IACRAO**



GSU’s University Registrar Chris Huang was named 2017 – 18 president-elect of the Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (IACRAO) at its 95th Annual Conference in late October.

The IACRAO presidency is a three-year commitment: president-elect, president, and past president. IACRAO consists of over 100 institutions and over 500 members, and is the local chapter of the national American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). Huang has been involved with IACRAO since 2013, previously serving as district chair and as professional activities officer. One of Huang’s main responsibilities as president elect will be to plan IACRAO’s 96th annual conference in Alsip, Illinois.

## **Public Administration Honors Society Welcomes New Members**



Pi Alpha Alpha ([http://www.govst.edu/Campus\\_Life/Student\\_Life/Honor\\_Societies/](http://www.govst.edu/Campus_Life/Student_Life/Honor_Societies/)) (PAA), a national society for honoring "outstanding graduate students in public administration, public policy, and public affairs," welcomed new members for the 2016 – 17 academic year on Friday, November 10 in an on-

campus induction ceremony in Engbretson Hall. GSU President Elaine P. Maimon attended the event along with 40th District State Senator Toi W. Hutchinson (<http://www.senatorhutchinson.com/>) and 80th District State Representative Anthony DeLuca (<http://anthonydeluca.org/>).

The organization also took time to acknowledge the work of Tasha Baker—PAA and Master of Public Administration (<http://www.govst.edu/MPA/>) advisory board member—for her successful grant work in 2017.

Read about PAA's new grant and inductees. (<https://gsunews.govst.edu/public-administration-honors-society-welcomes-new-members/>)

## **Congrats to CEO Leadership Certificate Program Participants!**



Over 50 GSU students completed the Certified Executive Officer (CEO) Leadership Certificate program—a program designed to provide student leaders of clubs and organizations with effective and essential leadership skills. The CEO program develops leadership potential and self-efficacy in preparing today's students to lead. Student leaders also explored leadership trends to foster learning and personal development through exploration of theories and practices. At the closing ceremony, students were able to engage and participate in program reflections with Robert Currie, President and CEO of Community Care Alliance of Illinois.

## **SEA Provides Community Lunches through #Hashtag Lunchbag**



The Student Education Association (SEA) (<https://seaatgsu.wordpress.com/>) completed #HashtagLunchbag. (<https://www.hashtaglunchbag.org/>) a community service project sponsored by an Illinois Education Association (IEA) grant, on Tuesday, October 24. Using funds from the grant as well as over \$150 worth of food and supplies donated by the GSU community, the team purchased supplies for more than 250 sandwich lunches made by an assembly line of students and faculty. Notes with positive messages written by students were included in the lunch bags. Lunches were donated to two local nonprofit organizations—South Suburban PADS and the Bethel Family Resource Center—which both provide access to resources to low-income and homeless individuals and families.

The #HashtagLunchbag event was organized and led by Stephanie Henning, Brianna Fabsits, and Dr. Katy Hisrich.

## Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society Induction Ceremony



The Installation and Initiation Ceremony for the Alpha Iota Alpha chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society in education at GSU, took place on **Tuesday, October 10**. The ceremony established the chapter and initiated its first group of active members—almost 40 students were inducted at the ceremony along with more than 30 who were unable to attend. More than fifteen faculty members were initiated as first-time members, along with a few faculty members who were reinitiated into this chapter at GSU.

Click [here](https://gsunews.govst.edu/kappa-delta-pi-honor-society-induction-ceremony/preview/3922601adb0ed54148dfeaf89a9e9ee84c7dc88) (<https://gsunews.govst.edu/kappa-delta-pi-honor-society-induction-ceremony/preview/3922601adb0ed54148dfeaf89a9e9ee84c7dc88>) to read more about the ceremony and the new chapter inductees.

KDP and SEA recently collaborated with PSI Chi and the Psych Club to host a workshop on traumatic conditions that can impact children and families.

## Workshops & Trainings

A list of workshops for students, faculty, and staff can be found [here](http://gsunews.govst.edu/workshops-and-training-ops/preview/0e8930bfc4328ea9bc13bfbe19bbee3e3df7125f) (<http://gsunews.govst.edu/workshops-and-training-ops/preview/0e8930bfc4328ea9bc13bfbe19bbee3e3df7125f>), including the next FAFSA Completion Workshops, Writing Center Workshops, and GSU4U Ambassador training, among others

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**Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View? [Click here to learn about our submission guidelines.](http://www3.govst.edu/adecastro/GSUview/guidelines.html) (<http://www3.govst.edu/adecastro/GSUview/guidelines.html>)**



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# International Education Week

## *International Education Week*

Each year, the U.S. Departments of State & Education sponsor International Education Week (IEW). IEW is a celebration of the importance of international education in the United States.

During IEW, the Office of International Services works with units around the university to host several cultural programming events. If you are interested in being part of this initiative, please email The Office of International Services ([mailto:ois@govst.edu?subject=International Education Week](mailto:ois@govst.edu?subject=International%20Education%20Week)) with how you'd like to be involved.

### **International Education Week 2017**

International Cuisine will be available all week by Arena in the Cafeteria!

#### **Monday, November 13**

##### **“A Day in the Life”**

**11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Hall of Honors - *Stop in at any time!***

*International and Study Abroad students will speak about what a typical day is like in their home or host country. Topics will include food, traditions, habits and common leisurely activities.*

##### **Serbian Dance Lesson**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Racquetball Court**

*GSU International Students, Mili Maras and Ana Jurisic, will teach the basic moves of traditional Serbian dance.*

#### **Tuesday, November 14**

##### **OIS & Study Abroad Resource Fair**

**11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Hall of Governors**

*Various tables will be set up in the Hall of Governors to promote cultural awareness on campus and upcoming study abroad programs.*

##### **Martial Arts Lesson**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Racquetball Court**

*GSU Student, Tony Anderson, studied Muay Thai and Jiu Jitsu and will share the basic moves of kickboxing and ground defense.*

##### **Networking with GSU**

**6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Lakeside Lounge**

*Current international students and alumni are invited to attend this event for networking purposes and to stay in touch with the GSU community.*

*Sponsored by the GSU Alumni Association.*

#### **Wednesday, November 15**

##### **Restorative Justice in Brazil: Considerations for the World with Dr. Joao Salm**

**11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. E-Lounge**

*This lecture is part of the Global Lunch Series hosted by OIS each semester. Dr. Joao Salm is an expert in Restorative Justice which is a growing field in the U.S., in Brazil and throughout the world.*

##### **World Bazaar**

**2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Hall of Governors**

*This event will include various interactive cultural activities, crafts and food sales hosted by student clubs, international students and the Office of International Services.*

## Latin Dance Lesson

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Racquetball Court**

*OIS Staff, Kara Johnson and Amy Schoenberg, will teach the basic steps of salsa, merengue and bachata.*

## **Thursday, November 16**

### **China Studies Presentation & Chinese lunch**

**1:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Engbretson Hall - Stop in at any time!**

*Students who participated in the Summer China Studies Program will share their experience in China with the GSU Community over Chinese food.*

### **Classical Indian Dance Lesson**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Racquetball Court**

*GSU International Student, Sivaranjani Muthukrishnan, is a trained professional dancer in classical Indian dance who will show us traditional Indian moves.*

### **International Film Screening – Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter...and Spring**

**4:30 – 6:30 p.m. F1622**

*Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter... and Spring is a 2003 South Korean ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South\\_Korea](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/South_Korea))film (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Film>) directed by Kim Ki-duk ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kim\\_Ki-duk](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kim_Ki-duk)) about a Buddhist (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buddhist>)monastery (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Monastery>) that floats on a lake in a pristine forest. The story is about the life of a Buddhist monk (<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bhikkhu>) as he passes through the seasons of his life, from childhood to old age. Suzanne Patterson, School of Extended Learning, will lead the discussion on the film.*

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## Gretchen Jankowski

Governors State University (<http://www.govst.edu/>) (GSU) lecturer and mixed media artist [Gretchen Jankowski](https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/CAS/CAS_NewsMagazine_16-17.pdf) ([https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges\\_and\\_Programs/CAS/CAS\\_NewsMagazine\\_16-17.pdf](https://www.govst.edu/uploadedFiles/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/CAS/CAS_NewsMagazine_16-17.pdf)) likes audiences to engage with her work and becomes animated when she sees students relaxing in a remote corner of the E Building on campus.

There, outside the art studio, the vision of Jankowski and her fellow art faculty has materialized in bright, colorful sofas and chairs, oversized art books, and student masterpieces that beckon visitors to enter, relax, and reflect.

"We wanted to create a student lounge, to make this area into an art space where people feel welcome to come check out. The lounge has an energy that makes me happy," said the instructor whose passion is processes ("I'm a process junkie," she says) and "pushing ink into paper."

The daughter of an architect and graphic artist-turned-educator, Jankowski struggled to find her own career calling—first choosing social work, then English literature, and some time tending bar. Following a "painful" stint in a law office, Jankowski enrolled in classes at Columbia College.



She graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree and then went on to California State University where she earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in 2010.

In 2011, Jankowski returned to Chicago to reconnect with family and began teaching in the [art program](http://www.govst.edu/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/College_of_Arts_and_Sciences/Art/) ([http://www.govst.edu/Academics/Colleges\\_and\\_Programs/College\\_of\\_Arts\\_and\\_Sciences/Art/](http://www.govst.edu/Academics/Colleges_and_Programs/College_of_Arts_and_Sciences/Art/)) in the GSU [College of Arts and Sciences](http://www.govst.edu/cas). (<http://www.govst.edu/cas>) Today, Jankowski carries a full load of undergraduate and graduate classes that covers the spectrum from Art Appreciation to Advanced Printmaking, and she revels in her students' abilities at all levels.

Jankowski sees the artist in every student—even those who say they are not are naturally inclined. "You can learn art no matter what. If you can put a pencil in your hand, you can do it. If you can't put a pencil in your hand, maybe use your foot."

### **GSU Newsroom: What is the overall philosophy behind the art program at GSU?**

**Jankowski:** The faculty here have been proactive about being involved with students, rewriting curriculum, and thinking about the program in a broader sense. The result is a really good program. We offer ceramics, printmaking, sculpture, painting, photography, mixed media, stained glass, and more. In the art lab, we have three presses—two etching presses and one for lithography. We use these for the four processes: relief, intaglio, screen printing, and lithography.

It's impressive when you consider not all institutions offer programs like ceramics and printmaking. Running a studio is expensive, but if you are going to have a fine art program, the basic foundations are important for students to understand.

### **GSU Newsroom: What is printmaking and why do you call it "archaic"?**

**Jankowski:** Printmaking is essentially how to push ink into paper, and there are several ways to do it. The most common technique is screen-printing, where ink is pressed through a mesh screen that's been applied to a stencil. This is the technique used on t-shirts.

We focus on posters here. That's a little more fine art versus industrial art. A lot of processes I teach are artistic ways of transferring an image as a repeatable matrix, such as etching and relief.



Printmaking is one of the most ancient forms of making art. In early western culture, printmaking originally came about as a means of communication, allowing for mass production of propaganda, having mostly to do with biblical or political material. In the early 1500s, it became more artistic with Albrecht Dürer and later Rembrandt. But to paint a painting took several months, while in that same timeframe you can get 20 to 700 prints depending on the process. So those copies—or editions—sell cheaper than a painting, but you can sell multiples.

**GSU Newsroom: If printmaking is archaic, is it relevant?**

**Jankowski:** I tell my students to do what they love, and we have some very talented artists here. But when it comes to art in general, jobs are hard to come by, and making it as an artist takes a lot of hard work and perseverance—but is not impossible. I've been encouraged by several articles that I have recently read that show a trend in which employers are hiring artists because they know artists are problem solvers. We figure out problems. And, artists are accustomed to putting in long hours. That's a desirable quality no matter what the job is.

**GSU Newsroom: How would you describe your art, and what do you want your audience to get from your work?**

**Jankowski:** In my artist statement, I say, "I want viewers to stroke and even sit on the work, to experience it firsthand, to leave their imprints," and I do. I like the idea of my work being played with. I did a living room installation with pressure sensors that direct people to interact with it. We've been trained not to touch things in an art gallery, but I want you to experience my work.



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## Public Administration Honors Society Welcomes New Members

Pi Alpha Alpha ([http://www.govst.edu/Campus\\_Life/Student\\_Life/Honor\\_Societies/](http://www.govst.edu/Campus_Life/Student_Life/Honor_Societies/)) (PAA), a national society for honoring "outstanding graduate students in public administration, public policy, and public affairs," welcomed new members for the 2016 – 17 academic year on Friday, November 10 in an on-campus induction ceremony in Engbretson Hall. GSU President Elaine P. Maimon attended the event along with [40th District State Senator Toi W. Hutchinson](http://www.senatorhutchinson.com/) and [80th District State Representative Anthony DeLuca](http://anthonydeluca.org/).

The GSU community congratulates Spring 2017 inductees:

- Krishae Beamon
- Ericka Stuckey
- Allison Swisher

And Fall 2017 inductees:

- Wanda Atterberry
- Lisa Brown
- Ricardo Ruiz
- Kimberly Wingfield
- Catherine Wojnarowski

The organization also took time to acknowledge the work of Tasha Baker—PAA and [Master of Public Administration](http://www.govst.edu/MPA/) advisory board member—for her successful grant work in 2017.

With the guidance of faculty advisor [Professor Mary D. Bruce](http://www.govst.edu/Site_Navigation/Contact/Directories/mclark/), Baker authored the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Grant which was awarded to the chapter that wrote the best proposal in the category of Public Service Loan Forgiveness Advocacy. Dr. Bruce accepted a certificate and a \$500.00 check on behalf of Baker and PAA at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. in October at the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs and Administration's (NASPAA) national conference.



GSU-PAA proposed in the grant to host an advocacy training series that will focus on teaching advocacy techniques to students and the surrounding community and promoting advocacy to protect and bolster the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLFP).



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## Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) is an International Honor Society in Education which was founded by William Bagley, Truman Kelly, and Thomas Edgar Musselman in 1911 at the University of Illinois. The organization was created to foster excellence in education and promote fellowship among those dedicated to teaching. The founders chose the name from the Greek words for knowledge, duty, and power. Today, the organization is comprised of more than 45,000 members. The mission of Kappa Delta Pi is to sustain an honored community of diverse educators by promoting excellence and advancing scholarship, leadership, and service.

The Installation and Initiation Ceremony for the Alpha Iota Alpha chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at Governors State University (GSU) took place on Tuesday, October 10th, 2017. This ceremony established the chapter at GSU and initiated its first group of active members. Dr. Amy Schroeder from the University of St. Francis represented Kappa Delta Pi and served as the inaugurating officer. Those who were invited to be a member of Kappa Delta Pi were required to meet certain criteria. Invitations were sent to students and faculty in the College of Education, College of Arts and Sciences, and College of Health and Human Services. Almost 40 students were inducted at this ceremony; over 30 other members were inducted but were unable to attend this event. More than 15 faculty were initiated as first-time members; a few faculty who were already members, like Dr. Glenna Howell and Dr. Quincy Martin, were reinitiated into this chapter at GSU.

The executive officers were initiated as members and into their new positions in the chapter: Jessica Dunahoo, Stephanie Henning, Jessica White, and Michelle Westergaard. The faculty advisors (Dr. Katy Hisrich, Dr. Marlon Cummings, and Dr. Timothy Harrington) were previously inducted into Kappa Delta Pi in their college chapters; they were reinitiated into this chapter. As members, the faculty advisors assisted with the traditions of this ceremony. Dean Dermer, a new member of Kappa Delta Pi, spoke at this event. Dr. Deborah Bordelon, a long-time member and supporter of Kappa Delta Pi, served as the honorary speaker for the ceremony.

Ms. Marie Iofallo, a career educator, was presented with an honorary membership. She is the oldest inducted member of Kappa Delta Pi. Ms. Iofallo served as Principal of the Siboney American Defense School prior to teaching fifth grade Art in Park Forest's Sauk Trail school in 1956. While at Park Forest, Ms. Iofallo developed a Gifted Program that was implemented in all seven District 163 schools. In 1990, Ms. Iofallo helped start the Tall Grass Art School. She is active with the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra, the Illinois Theatre Center acting lessons program, the Center for Performing Arts and College of Education advisory boards at Governors State University. She is also a "friend" of the Steger-South Chicago Heights Library where she teaches Art classes. Ms. Iofallo was inducted into the Hall of Fame at Park Forest Historical Society in 2012.

Congratulations to all members of the new Alpha Iota Alpha Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at Governors State University. You should be proud of your hard work and accomplishments. Kappa Delta Pi cannot wait to see you at future events throughout the semester.