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Fall Semester
Registration
Through August 25

Meditation
Thursdays
2:30 p.m.
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6 - 7 p.m.
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Ways of Making
Juried Art Exhibit
Through June 23
Reception
June 23
4:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Visual Arts Gallery

Pre-K Screening/
Registration/Tours
June 12, 13
9 a.m. to 2
Family Dev Cntr
708.235.7300

Sex in the Sand
Counseling Workshop
June 21
10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Engbretson Hall
[Register](#)

New Perspectives on
Desire
Counseling Workshop
June 22
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
E Lounge
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News and Events

The Color Purple in Spotlight at GSU (01-30-12)

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If you attend the discussion, you'll be eligible to win a ticket to the stage production of *The Color Purple*, to be presented Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m., in the GSU Center for Performing Arts.

Follow this [link](#) on the Library website for additional information on *The Color Purple*.

You can watch a [video](#) of Provost Terry Allison discussing the book, the play, and the February 7 event.

For more information and to RSVP, contact [Lydia Morrow Ruetten](#) at 708.534.4116.

Photography Reception

The Visual Arts Gallery presentation of *Ways of Making: Photography*, an exhibit featuring the work of artists Myra Green and Cecil McDonald, Jr., will conclude on February 3. A closing reception celebrating the exhibition will be held on Thursday, February 2, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The exhibit and the reception are free and open to the public.

Ways of Making: Photography is the second in a series of exhibitions highlighting the art-making practices taught in GSU's art program. This series is made possible in part by a grant from the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

The Visual Arts Gallery is open Mondays and Wednesdays, from 5 to 7 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1 to 9 p.m.; Fridays, from 5 to 9 p.m.; and by appointment.

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D1496
\$50
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708.534.4092

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June 29
7:30 p.m.
Cntr Perf Arts
[Tickets](#)

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For more information, call 708.534.4021 or visit
www.govst.edu/gallery.

Public Speaking Pointers

Turn your nervous ums and ahs, stumbles, and pauses into effective and confident public speaking. This is an invaluable skill for any career. Dr. David Curtis, professor emeritus, will lead a public speaking workshop on February 1, from noon to 1 p.m., in B1216, and 6 to 7 p.m, in B1241.

The workshop is free and sponsored by the Academic Resource Center. For more information and workshop location, visit B1215 or call 708.235.2228.

Education Career Fair 2012

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a career fair for people interested in employment and internship opportunities in education and related fields on Thursday, February 23. The career fair will be open from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Current students, alumni, and community members are invited to attend. Potential employers are also invited to register as participants. This is an opportunity to match job and internship positions with qualified personnel. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974.

Film Update

GSU's connection to the big screen grows as Associate Professor Daniel Nearing and Assistant Professor Sanghoon Lee begin shooting their new film, *Hogtown*, based on a novel by Nearing. An [article](#) about the project recently appeared in ReelChicago.

An article about Nearing and Lee's previous award-winning collaboration, *Chicago Heights*, appears in the recently published Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2012. The film also made Ebert's list of best art films of 2010.

Student Filmmakers in the News

GSU educators are not the only ones impacting the silver screen. The GSU independent film program goes global this February when student filmmakers Blake Labriola, Leah Chapman, and Josh Young attend the International Student Film Festival in London. Their short film, *Careless*, will be screening at the festival February 4.

Labriola wrote and directed the 20-minute thriller. Chapman served as director of photography. Young helped with the production. *Careless* was developed through Assistant Professor Sanghoon Lee's MCOM 570 Short Film Production course last spring.

In addition to screening their film at the festival, the students will attend various workshops and have the opportunity to network with

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international filmmakers, critics, and executives.

Support for their trip was provided by a Student Life Grant and funds contributed by CAS.

Display Cases Available at GSU Library

You can share a treasured collection with the GSU community. Glass-enclosed display cases, in and adjacent to the GSU Library, are available to persons or organizations wishing to show their collections to the public. Both the GSU Library and Friends of the GSU Library offer display cases.

The Friends of the GSU Library case is about five feet tall by two feet wide, making it ideal for collections with some height and dimension. GSU faculty, staff, or students who wish to showcase their library-appropriate collection can contact [Pam Taylor](#) at 708.235.7527. Previous displays have included themes on the Civil War, suffrage, Legos, and holiday ornaments.

Display cases provided by the GSU Library are for materials of interest to the university community; educational, artistic, and cultural materials of general interest; information that promotes the use of books, library materials, and resources; and information about local area and cultural groups. Previous displays have focused on occupational therapy, archeology, Intellectual Life Committee offerings and pictures from the Park Forest Photography Club. For more information, please contact [Judy Hanacek](#).

Collections are put on display for about one month. All display cases are locked to protect items in collections.

Flowers for Sale

Make Valentine's Day special for someone you care about -- and easy for you. The Civil Service Senate is again sponsoring its annual Valentine's Day carnation sale. Pre-orders are being accepted through Wednesday, February 8. All orders must be paid in full by at the cashier's office by Thursday, February 9. Carnations will be delivered on Tuesday, February 14.

The cost of the carnations is also a great deal. Single blooms are only \$1.50. Six flowers cost \$7.50 and a dozen is only \$12. The more you order, the more you save so get your order in early.

Showtime for Students

It's showtime for students at GSU. *Stop Kiss* by Diana Son, the moving story of friendship and love, will be produced and performed by GSU students on April 11, 12, and 13.

Students have three opportunities to audition for roles in the student production. Auditions will be held on Monday, February 6, at 7:30 p.m., in room E2522; Tuesday, February 7, at 7:30 p.m., in room E1550; and Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m., in room E2522.

Students should prepare a one minute modern monologue and attend one day of auditions. No monologues should be from *Stop Kiss*. All

parts will be cast from the auditions. There are also nonperforming (behind the scenes) opportunities available.

For more information, contact director [Lauren White](#). This production is made possible by a grant from the Intellectual Life Committee.

GSA – February Meeting

The Gay Straight Alliance will meet on Thursday, February 9, from 3 to 4 p.m., in the CAS conference room E2590. Everyone is welcome.

Blackboard 9.1 Workshop - Utilizing The Grade Center

Registration is now open for the Blackboard 9.1 workshop, *Utilizing The Grade Center*. The workshop will be offered during the week of February 6.

This workshop will:

- Explain the features of The Grade Center (Grade Book)
- Demonstrate how to manage your course grades and customize your grade center view
- Discuss grade reports and grade history

Please register for only one workshop. Sessions are limited to 16 seats per session so [register](#) today for your preferred date and time.

Information, training materials, and handouts from previous workshops are still available at the e Center for Online Teaching and Learning [website](#).

For more information, contact [Nikki Roseborough](#).

Read-In 2012

Join more than a million readers from all ethnic backgrounds in celebration of Black History Month. The African American Read-In will be held on Monday, February 20, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. The event celebrates literacy and is endorsed by the International Reading Association.

Volunteers are being sought to participate in this remarkable event and everyone is welcome to attend. Readers choose an excerpt from a book, poem, or other literary work by an African American author to read aloud at the Read-In.

Contact [Dr. Rashidah Muhammad](#) at 708.534.6974 to sign up or receive additional information.

Year of the Dragon

Happy New Year! Join the Chinese Student Club in a celebration of the Chinese New Year on Wednesday, February 8, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Student Commons.

Model University Showcased (01-26-12)



President Elaine P. Maimon, a member of The Northwest Indiana Times Editorial Advisory Board, recently contributed a column; "GSU is a Model 21st Century University," which was published in The Northwest Indiana Times on January 22.

Read Dr. Maimon's [column](#).

Great Family Entertainment

The GSU Center for Performing Arts is offering a special deal on great family entertainment. Two for one tickets are now available for two upcoming shows.

See the exciting, awe-inspiring *Golden Dragon Acrobats* on Sunday, January 29, at 3 p.m. Buy one ticket and get a second ticket for free.

This amazing two-for-one ticket offer has also been extended to *Eric Carle's Treasured Stories*, which will be at the CPA on Saturday, February 4, at 11 a.m.

A valid GSU student or employee ID is required to take advantage of this offer. Visit the CPA box office or call 708.235.2222. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and two hours prior to a performance.

Board of Trustees Sets Meeting Dates

The Governors State University Board of Trustees will meet on the following dates in 2012. All meetings will take place in the William D. McGee Hall of Honors, exclusive of the Board retreat.

- Friday, February 17 - committee meetings
- Friday, February 24 - committee and full Board meeting
- Friday, June 1 - committee meetings
- Friday, June 8 - committee and full Board meeting
- Sunday, August 5 to Tuesday, August 7 – Board retreat
- Friday, October 5 - committee meetings
- Friday, October 12 - committee and full Board meeting
- Friday, November 30 - committee meetings
- Friday, December 7 - committee and full Board meeting

For further information, contact [Joan Johns-Maloney](#).

Public Speaking, Pain-free

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This workshop is free and sponsored by the Academic Resource Center. For more information and workshop location, visit B1215 or call 708.235.2228.

Teaching Techniques on Brown Bag Agenda

The Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center today is hosting the semester's first brown bag lunch. Bring your lunch and your ideas to the session, which takes place from noon to 1 p.m. in the Hall of Honors.

Dr. Raven James and Dr. Mark Blagen lead today's session, focusing on how to incorporate experiential learning and active training in the classroom. They both have extensive experience using these teaching techniques.

Subsequent sessions each month will address topics from the top four domains determined in last fall's survey by the Faculty Scholarship and Teaching Center. Upcoming topics and dates are:

- Research: February 23 - Room D1496
- Technology: March 22 - Hall of Honors
- Assessment: April 26 - Hall of Honors

Coffee, tea, soft drinks, and snacks will be provided by the Provost's Office.

Make the Switch to Live@edu

Students who formerly used GSU's iMail system need to switch to the new Live@edu e-mail system this semester.

During the spring semester, students should begin communicating with friends, instructors, and colleagues via Live@edu, which was installed six months ago as an upgrade to the previous iMail system.

ITS will continue to support iMail for a limited period of time.

For further information or assistance contact the GSU [Helpdesk](#) at 708.534.HELP (4357).

New Remote Control Computer Software Available

Faculty and staff must download new software to allow them remote access into their office computers from any off campus computer. During the recent winter break, ITS updated the GSU's remote access (VPN) system.

The remote access system gives users home access to any files or programs on their office computers. The updated system requires installation of new VPN software on the off campus computer and utilization of the Remote Desktop Program (RDP) software that comes with all Windows and Mac computers.

Users of the remote access system need to replace the VPN software prior to March 1. After that date, the old software for remote access will no longer work.

To download and install the new software, visit <http://www3.govst.edu/vpnclient>.

For further information or assistance, contact the GSU [Helpdesk](#) at 708.534.HELP (4357).



Dr. King Celebrated



More than 1,000 students from local elementary and junior high schools enjoyed a celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the CPA on Monday. The students were encouraged by Dr. Maimon to plan for their college educations now and were given t-shirts emblazoned with "100% College Bound" by the university.

GSU graduate student and WVON radio personality

Bryant Monteilh emceed the event, which included performances by the GSU's A Cappella Choir, the Rich East High School marching band, Cynthia Jackson and Praises Goin' Up Dance Troupe, Keith Briggs, Ethiopian Dance Troupe, Crete-Monee Middle School students, and GSU forensic debate team member Etta Oben.



Keynote speaker Cheryl Pearson-McNeil, senior vice president of Public Affairs and Government Relations for Nielsen, encouraged students to achieve academically and in fulfilling their dreams.

The event was broadcasted live on GSU TV monitors and on local cable stations.

Campus Community Campaign Winners

Everyone wins when they donate to the GSU Campus Community Campaign. Donations help students attain scholarships, the library provide service, the CPA put on great shows, the NMSP preserve its collection, and the university fulfill its mission. Plus – donations are tax deductible.

CPA theater tickets are also part of the campaign. This week, Taryn Lindenberg of the FDC and Dr. James "Chip" Coldren of the Provost's Office won tickets to the *Golden Dragon Acrobats* on January 29. Adrienne Gray of DPS and Dr. Daniel Cortese of CAS won tickets to *The Color Purple* on February 8.

The last date to enter the drawings for CPA tickets is January 31. While the formal Campus Community Campaign will soon end, donations to the GSU Foundation are always accepted and payroll deductions make it easy to support the university.

Dr. Maimon will thank participants in the campaign at the wrap-up celebration on February 14, at noon, in the Cafeteria. Everyone is welcome.

For more information on Campus Community Campaign, contact [Jackie Small](#) at ext. 2188.

CHHS Dean Candidate Presentation – Beth Cada

Dr. Beth Cada, candidate for the position of Dean of CHHS, will give a public presentation on Monday, January 30, from 1 to 2 p.m., in room D1496 (across from the Hall of Honors). Students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

Read Dr. Cada's [vitae](#).

Pre-K and More at the FDC

GSU's Family Development Center (FDC) is now accepting applications for its infant and toddler childcare services, prekindergarten programs, and after school childcare. FDC programs are open to everyone. Participants need not be connected to GSU.

Childcare for infants, toddlers, and two year olds takes place in fully-equipped classrooms of eight children, each staffed with two teachers. The infant and toddler childcare center is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The FDC also offers full and half day pre-kindergarten, three or five days a week and extended day childcare for three to five year olds.

Before and after school childcare is also available for five to 12 year olds.

Special grants and pricing is available to assist eligible families. Discounts are also offered for GSU students and staff.

For more information or to register your child, call 708.235.7300.

CBPA Faculty Members Are Published

Three CBPA faculty members have been published in recent weeks.



Steve Wagner co-authored "A contingency model of union commitment and participation: Meta-analysis of the antecedents of militant and nonmilitant activities," in *Journal of Organizational Behavior*, 32, 1127–1146 (2011). Wagner's co-authors are Matthew J. Monnoti and Terry Beehr.

Chris Easley is author of *Our children, our responsibilities: Saving the youth we are losing to gangs*, published by Peter Lang Publishing, Inc., 2012.



Read the book's [description](#) on Amazon.com.



Evelina Mengova is author of "The Impact of Legal Systems on Trade Flows in Western and Eastern Europe – An Empirical Evaluation," in *The International Trade Journal*, 2012, 26 (1), 37-60.

Link to the [article](#).

CBPA Dean Ellen Foster Curtis is asking her GSU colleagues to join her in congratulating Wagner, Easley, and Mengova

on their publishing successes.

Extending Time for Capstone Courses

Students in some graduate programs requiring capstone classes may be able to extend the period available to complete those courses. When appropriate, students can petition for continuing registration in their capstone courses.

If such extensions are anticipated by the curriculum and approved by the instructor and division or department chair, student work on a capstone may continue for two or more terms. This option, where judged academically appropriate, offers students an extended period to complete work that requires a longer time frame than the standard academic term permits.

When such extensions are approved, students continue their capstone work by enrolling in a one- or two-credit directed scholarship or other resource course each term.

Procedures and the [Continuing Registration Request Form](#) are available on the Registrar's Office [Online Forms page](#).

Student Wins Scholarship from Police Chief Group

Malik S. Matariyeh, an undergraduate Criminal Justice major, was recently awarded a James Wade Memorial Scholarship by the South Suburban Association Chiefs of Police (SSACOP).

The \$500 scholarship was awarded to Matariyeh as a student who is furthering his education and anticipating entering the law enforcement profession.

SSACOP's scholarship is named after the late Tinley Park Police Chief James Wade. Chief Wade was president of SSACOP from 1991 to 1992 and was a strong proponent of training and general education for police officers. Shortly after Chief Wade's untimely death, the Association established the scholarship in his memory.

Scholarship Spotlight – Dorothy Adabayo



Dorothy Adabayo of Park Forest received the Rich Township Community Scholarship. Dorothy is a graduate student in the College of Arts and Sciences' political justice studies program.

Having raised three foster children herself, Dorothy wants to become an advocate for the voiceless children in the foster care system.

Sign Up For Early W-2 (01-23-12)

If you sign up by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 24, you can access your W-2 electronically earlier than the snail mail can get it to you.

Electronic W-2s are available for you to print on January 25. Paper copies will not be mailed until January 31.

The W-2 form you print online is exactly the same as the one you would get MUCH later in the mail. With an electronic W-2, you can file early and get your refund faster.

So don't delay – Beat the rush – Sign up today!

Five easy steps to an early W-2

1. Log into the myGSU portal at <http://mygovst.govst.edu>
2. Click on Employee Profile
3. Click on W-2 Electronic Consent
4. Read and select the option to receive your official W-2 only in electronic format
5. Click on the Submit button

Celebrate Dr. King



The GSU celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be held today from 10 to 11:30 a.m., in the Center for Performing Arts. The GSU community is invited to attend.

The guest speaker is Cheryl Pearson-McNeil, senior vice president of Public Affairs and Government Relations for Nielsen, a global leader in measurement and information. Nielsen measures what consumers watch and buy in more than 100 countries around the world. Pearson-McNeil is responsible for widening the scope of the company's government, community, and corporate social responsibility programs, as well as its philanthropic commitment. She writes a humorous and informational bi-weekly consumer oriented column.

Crete Monee Middle School students and the Rich East High School Band will perform in this year's celebration, along with GSU's Forensic Debate Team, the GSU Chorus, and many other memorable guests. Graduate Student Bryant Monte is the host of the event.

The event will be broadcast live on GSU TV monitors and on local cable stations. For additional information contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at 708.534.4552.

CPA Director Candidate – Lana Rogachevskaya

Lana Rogachevskaya, candidate for the position of Director of the Center for Performing Arts, will be on campus today. The candidate will participate in a full day of interviews, including a public presentation from 1:15 to 2 p.m., in Sherman Hall. All students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

Read [Lana Rogachevskaya's resume](#).

For more information, contact [Jill Stanley](#).

Tapping into Library Resources

Learn valuable research skills as the GSU Library explains the academic resources readily available – and accessible – on its website.

Library orientation sessions take place today through Thursday, January 26, at 11 a.m., noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., and 6 p.m.

Topics include:

- Finding books at GSU and other I-Share libraries
- Finding relevant databases for your discipline
- Finding the librarian for assistance in your discipline
- Finding course reserves
- How to access resources from off-campus

Question and answer opportunities, along with library tours, are also available.

Stop by the reference desk for room numbers before each session.

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Zumba at GSU

The GSU Recreation and Fitness Center is again offering Zumba. You can dance your way to fitness at GSU with the number one cardio workout.

Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., from January 24 through April 19. GSU students pay only \$10. Center members pay only \$40 and all others pay \$100.

Currently enrolled students are reminded that they are full members of the Recreation and Fitness Center and may use the facilities for free and join classes at drastically reduced rates.

For more information about the Recreation and Fitness Center visit www.govst.edu/recfit.

Message to Faculty and Staff (01-19-12)

President Elaine P. Maimon welcomes faculty and staff to a new year at GSU with a special message.

Download Dr. Maimon's [Message](#)

Tad at the CPA



Tad in 5th City comes to the Center for Performing Arts on Saturday, January 21, at 8 p.m.

Tad in 5th City, a production of MPAACT, is the second performance in the "One More Night" series, which is bringing the best in Chicago theater to GSU for one final performance. "One More Night" is made possible by a generous grant from the Chicago Community Trust.

Student tickets are only \$15. Tickets are available by calling 708.235.2222 or online.

Carla Stillwell, director of *Tad in 5th City*, and poet Orron Kenyatta will discuss the play today at 5 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. *Tad in 5th City* is based on Kenyatta's works.

The conversation is free and open to the public.

Dean Hill Encourages Tad Participation

CAS Dean Reinhold Hill is encouraging members of the GSU community to participate in today's discussion of *Tad in 5th City* and attend the play on Saturday night. The play is part of the One More Night Series.

Read Dean Hill's [letter](#).

Jesse White Visits Welcome Days

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White helped usher in a new year – and a new semester – at GSU Tuesday by presenting President Elaine P. Maimon with a special license plate that, she said, reflects all the positive developments on the horizon in 2012.



Appearing at Welcome Days, White honored the university with a framed "GSU – 2012" license plate. The Secretary of State's Mobile Unit is a popular fixture at the beginning of each semester, and White lauded the success of the program at GSU.

The Secretary of State, who founded the renowned Jesse White Tumblers, described the functions of his office, which oversees motor vehicle programs in Illinois and also provides funds to libraries across the state. He concluded with his personal credo: "Do something nice for someone

every day."

Dr. Maimon thanked White for providing important services to GSU students and staff and briefly recounted all the exciting developments taking place at the university this year. Construction of the new E and F wing science labs and classrooms is about to begin. Following approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education, GSU is getting ready for its first freshman class in 2014. The university is bolstering its innovative Dual Degree Program with a generous grant from the Kresge Foundation. Plans for on-campus housing are steadily moving ahead.

Will County Executive Larry Walsh and University Park Trustee Larry Brown also attended Tuesday's appearance by the Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State's Mobile Unit comes to GSU three times a year providing services to the campus community and the region.

Reserving Event Space

During the renovation of E and F Buildings, the assignment of class locations will be given priority over all other events. This includes the assignment of public function areas. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Library Hours - 2012

The University Library will be open on Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and on Sunday, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Find a Career

Don't just get a job, find a career. Gain insight and learn important tools at Careers for the 21st Century, a series of free workshops for both career seekers and career counselors on Monday, January 30 and Thursday, February 2. Participants may attend the workshop(s) of their choice.

On Monday, the workshops include:

- *The New Careers Perspectives for the New Career World* - 10 a.m. to noon, E-Lounge
- *Intuition, A Long Overlooked Career Counseling Competency* - 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., E-Lounge
- *Personal Reflections on the Use of Intuition in Career Choices* - 5 to 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria Annex

The workshops on Thursday are:

- *Career Transitions and Life Management in the New Career Market* - 10 a.m. to noon, Cafeteria Annex
- *Navigating Uncertainty* - 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Cafeteria Annex
- *Passion Search: Find your Career Passion and Path* - 5 to 7:30 p.m., Cafeteria Annex

Workshop presenters include Dr. Byron Waller, Associate Professor of Counseling at GSU; Carol Vecchio, founder of Centerpoint Institute for Life and Career Renewal, a nonprofit educational organization; and Dr. Heather Zeng, core faculty member and subject matter expert in career

counseling at Capella University.

Registration is not required. To reserve a seat or for more information, e-mail [Dr. Waller](#). Include the workshops you wish to attend as well as your contact information. These workshops are sponsored by the GSU College of Education and Department of Psychology and Counseling.

Join the Student Enrichment Program

The Student Enrichment Program (SEP) helps you earn your bachelor's degree with programming, support, and resources. SEP provides qualified students with academic support services that aid in retention and graduation, create a supportive learning environment, and expose students to professional development experiences that promote self-esteem.

Currently SEP is accepting only 50 participants. To be eligible for SEP, you must be committed to participate in the program; be a current undergraduate GSU student who is low-income and first generation, as determined by documentation in the Office of Financial Aid; have at least two semesters until graduation; and sign a consent form for use of program data for research purposes.

SEP is at GSU to support you as you pursue your educational goals. Let SEP help you achieve success by degrees.

For more information and to apply, visit www.govst.edu/arc or contact [Tamekia Scott](#) at 708.236.2228.

Forensics Team Looking for Members

As the new semester begins, students can sign up for GSU's Forensics Team. Faculty Sponsor Arness Krause said team members learn the art of rhetoric, advanced public speaking, advanced research, communications analysis, and dramatic interpretation.

"We welcome all students at all levels interested in learning more about the art of forensics," she said.

In the past year, the Forensics Team has competed in state-wide competitions. GSU's team has hosted two debates on campus and participated in celebrations honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Krause said team members are not required to compete and can join the team to participate in on-campus events and for personal improvement.

Interested students can contact [Arness Krause](#) to sign up for the Forensics Team, or for more information.

Navigating the Library Website

Learn valuable research skills as the GSU Library explains the academic resources readily available – and accessible – on its website.

Library orientation sessions take place Monday, January 23 through Thursday, January 26, at 11 a.m., noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., and 6 p.m.

Topics include:

- Finding books at GSU and other I-Share libraries
- Finding relevant databases for your discipline
- Finding the librarian for assistance in your discipline
- Finding course reserves
- How to access resources from off-campus

Question and answer opportunities, along with library tours, are also available.

Stop by the reference desk for room numbers before each session.

Acappella Auditions

Do you love to sing? Can you stay true to your part? Consider becoming a member of GSU Acappella.

GSU Acappella is looking for all voice types. The ensemble is open to GSU staff, faculty, and students. Rehearsals take place twice a week at noon.

Auditions will be held Wednesday, February 1, and Thursday, February 2, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Center for Performing Arts Green Room. Be prepared to sing a song acappella.

To reserve an audition time, contact [Lynne Clayton](#) at 708.534.3075.

Discussion of The Color Purple



Copies of *The Color Purple*, by Alice Walker, are available in the GSU Library. *The Color Purple* is this semester's selection in the One Book, One University series.

A discussion of *The Color Purple* takes place Tuesday, February 7, from 11:30 to 1 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Panelists include Rashidah Muhammad, professor of English and secondary education; Elizabeth Johnson, assistant professor of history; Elizabeth Todd-Breland, assistant professor of social science; and Byron Waller, associate professor of counseling. The discussion is sponsored by the GSU Intellectual Life Committee.

If you attend the discussion, you'll be eligible to win a ticket to the stage production of *The Color Purple*, to be presented Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m., in the GSU Center for Performing Arts.

For more information and to RSVP, contact [Lydia Morrow Ruetten](#) at 708.534.4116.

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Zumba Returns

The GSU Recreation and Fitness Center is again offering Zumba. You can dance your way to fitness at GSU with the number one cardio workout.

Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., from January 24 through April 19. GSU students pay only \$10. Center members pay only \$40 and all others pay \$100.

Currently enrolled students are reminded that they are full members of the Recreation and Fitness Center and may use the facilities for free and join classes at drastically reduced rates.

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Limited space is available. Contact the Recreation and Fitness Center today at 708.534.4556.

Blackboard Tips

Tips on using Blackboard are still available online. This valuable information will help you make your online courses more successful. See all the Blackboard tips on the Center for Online Teaching and Learning's [website](#) under Preparing for the New Semester.

Reading Together

Join over a million readers from all ethnic backgrounds in celebration of Black History Month. The African American Read-In will be held on Monday, February 20, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the Cafeteria Annex. The event celebrates literacy and is endorsed by the International Reading Association.

Volunteers are being sought to participate in this remarkable event and everyone is welcome to attend. Readers choose an excerpt from a book, poem, or other literary work by an African American author to read aloud at the Read In.

Contact [Dr. Rashidah Muhammad](#) at 708.534.6974 to sign up or receive additional information.

2012 Student Senate Candidates Sought

Students are encouraged to get involved, have an opinion, and make an impact. Elections for GSU Student Senate positions will be held from February 20 to 24.

More information and applications are available in the Student Life Office or online at www.govst.edu/studentsentate.

Scholarship Spotlight – Lisa Adams



Lisa Adams of Blue Island received the Accelerated Rehabilitation Centers Physical Therapy Scholars Award. Lisa is a graduate student in the College of Health and Human Resources' Doctor of Physical Therapy Program.

Lisa has always found joy and fulfillment in helping others. She has a strong work ethic and is confident she will be a good leader and excellent physical therapist.

Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at GSU

The GSU celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be held on January 23, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., in the Center for Performing Arts. The GSU community is invited to attend.



The guest speaker is Cheryl Pearson-McNeil, senior vice president of Public Affairs and Government Relations for Nielsen, a global leader in measurement and information. Nielsen measures what consumers watch and buy in more than 100 countries around the world. Pearson-McNeil is responsible for widening the scope of the company's government, community, and corporate social responsibility programs, as well as its philanthropic commitment. She writes a humorous and informational bi-weekly consumer oriented

column.

Crete Monee Middle School students and the Rich East High School Band will perform in this year's celebration, along with GSU's Forensic Debate Team, the GSU Chorus, and many other memorable guests. Graduate Student Bryant Monte is the host of the event.

The event will be live on GSU TV monitors and on local cable stations. For additional information contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at 708-534-4552.

CPA Director Candidate Presentation – Lindsay Gambini

Lindsay Gambini, candidate for the position of Director of the Center for Performing Arts, will be on campus on January 20. The candidate will participate in a full day of interviews, including a public presentation from 1:15 to 2 p.m., in Engbretson Hall. All students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

Read [Lindsay Gambini's resume](#).

For more information, contact [Jill Stanley](#).

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Play Portrays Truth, Warmth (01-12-12)



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Read the NWI Times [preview](#) of *Tad in 5th City*.

'Tad' Discussion Slated Jan. 19

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Weather Emergency Procedures

The GSU community is reminded that emergency campus closures due to inclement weather will be communicated via:

- GSU website homepage
- GSU website emergency info page
- Campus wide e-mail sent to faculty/staff e-mail and student iMail addresses
- School Messenger alert system – per your personal contact preferences
- WGN Emergency Closing Center website (www.emergencyclosingcenter.com), WGN TV news, WGN 720 AM radio

Students, faculty, and staff are asked to check these sources to determine if there is a campus closure and should NOT contact the Department of Public Safety with basic closure inquiries.

Curtain Up on SLATE Production

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Visit or call the CPA box office at 708.235.2222 or visit www.centertickets.net.

Welcome Spring Semester Students

Welcome Days at GSU give students the chance to learn about student service related resources available to them at the university.

Visit the many tables and displays on January 17 and 18, from noon to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors. Refreshments will also be served.

Secretary of State On Campus January 17

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Governors.

Services available at the mobile service unit include driver's license renewal, replacement, and corrections; State ID card renewal, replacement, and corrections; vehicle sticker sales; passenger and b-truck license plates; vehicle title and registration; parking placards for persons with disabilities; and organ/tissue donor information. In addition, vision tests and the written driver's license exam can be taken. No driving tests will be given.

The services provided are available to all qualified Illinois residents. State law allows driver's license renewal up to one year in advance. Proper identification is required for new and duplicate driver's licenses and state ID cards. Acceptable forms of payment include personal checks, cash, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover credit and debit cards.

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W2 and You

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PaperCut Print System Arrives

Printing documents at GSU just got easier with the PaperCut print system. Students can now print from on campus computers or from any Internet connected device.

For more information, visit www.govst.edu/print.

Computer Login 2012

Students must enter their GSU Username and Password to use on campus computers located in the ACS Lab, library, Cybercafé, Student Commons, and classrooms. Students are reminded that it is important to log off of the computer when they are finished using it to protect their privacy.

Computer workstations will log off automatically after 15 minutes of inactivity, clearing files and passwords. Work should be saved often to an external device or through e-mail.

Recyclemania Three-peat!



Recyclemania is back and GSU is ready. This national contest challenges universities and colleges from across the state and the country to increase awareness of and participation in waste reduction and recycling initiatives. The contest, now in its fourth year, ranks schools according to their success. GSU has ranked first out of all participating Illinois schools for the past two years in the Waste Minimization category.

Everyone can help GSU win a three-peat this year. Put all your paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, and cans in blue recycling containers located throughout the campus.

The competition starts on February 5 and runs for eight weeks, but training starts today. Whenever possible, recycle, reuse, reduce and use e-copies.

If you don't have a recycling container in your area or office, please contact [Peggy Schiesher](#) at ext. 6361.

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This program encourages family involvement.

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On Duty in Afghanistan

Major Susumu Uchiyama, a GSU analytical chemistry graduate, is helping restore peace to war-torn Afghanistan. Major Uchiyama, of the

U.S. Air Force Security Force, has been deployed to Bagram, Afghanistan since last July.



Major Uchiyama, of Joliet, received his Master of Science in analytical chemistry from GSU in 2004.

In Afghanistan, Major Uchiyama has led training efforts for Afghan police, as well as military police units from the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, and Air Force, and their counterparts from Poland, the Czech Republic, Jordan, Portugal, and Romania.

Major Uchiyama said he has overseen 11 police training sites in nine Afghan provinces.

"I went to those training sites once per week and assessed their training, operations, engineering, and logistic support and reported to the higher echelons and Ministry of Interior," Major Uchiyama said. He traveled to the training sites by air or ground.

"When I went by ground, typically in a convoy of MRAPs (Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles), we were harassed by the insurgents," he said.

Major Uchiyama, who was born and raised in Japan, praised his educational experience at GSU. He said he was taught by "three great professors" – Dr. Joseph Addison, Dr. Karen D'Arcy, and the late Dr. Joyce Mohberg. "I was very fortunate to have such great professors," he said.

"I was extremely impressed by GSU, because of the flexible hours for the graduate students, very caring and professional professors, and the diversity of GSU students and professors," he said. Members of the U.S. military know that diversity is the key to strength, Major Uchiyama said, and GSU helped him to confirm the value of diversity.

Major Uchiyama expects to return home to the United States early this year.

Associate Provost Candidate - Dr. Angela Latham (01-09-12)

Dr. Angela Latham, candidate for the position of Associate Provost, will be on campus on Thursday, January 12. The candidate will participate in a full day of interviews, including a public presentation. All students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

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For more information, contact [Sabrina Slocum](#) at ext. 4102.

Family Fun Day in University Park

Monday, January 16 marks the national celebration honoring the

birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

At 11 a.m., GSU's Center for Performing Arts will host the annual south suburban celebration of Dr. King's life. Following that event, the Village of University Park invites members of the GSU community to Family Fun Day. The village is starting its "Don't Sit - Get Fit" campaign next Monday, and unveiling the Kids Health Center of University Park.

Activities in University Park take place between 1 and 4 p.m. at 90 Towncenter. They include:

- Healthy Activities for Families
- Free Blood Pressure Screening
- Health-Related Games and Activities

Dr. Robin Washington, Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy at GSU, is taking part in the activities at Family Fun Day. "I want to stress the word 'empower.' My goal is to equip the youth with knowledge and education that will enhance their quality of life," Dr. Washington said.

Broadway at the CPA

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University Library Hours

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Chicago Theater at the CPA

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Students must meet all of the following conditions to receive direct deposit of financial aid refunds for the Spring 2012 semester. They must:

- Be admitted to a degree program.
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress.
- Have a complete financial aid file (FAFSA and all requested documentation) in the Financial Aid Office no later than December 16, 2011.
- Have accepted awarded financial aid no later than December 16.
- Be registered for at least six credit hours on January 6.
- Have a remaining financial aid balance after your tuition and fees have been deducted.
- Have provided or updated bank information on their myGSU portal (at <http://mygovst.govst.edu>) by December 12, 2011.

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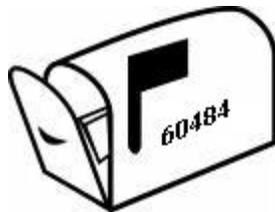
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FDC Enrollment Open

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Childcare for infants, toddlers, and two year olds takes place in fully-equipped classrooms of eight children, each staffed with two teachers. The infant and toddler childcare center is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The FDC also offers full and half day pre-kindergarten, three or five days a week and extended day childcare for three to five year olds.

Before and after school childcare is also available for five to 12 year olds.

Several, special grants may be available to assist eligible families. Discounts are also offered for GSU students and staff.

For more information or to register your child, call 708.235.7300.

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Ways of Making Photography

The Visual Arts Gallery will present *Ways of Making: Photography*, featuring the work of artists Myra Green and Cecil McDonald, Jr., from January 9 to February 3, 2012. A closing reception celebrating the exhibition will be held on Thursday, February 2, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The exhibit and the reception are free and open to the public.

Myra Greene received her BFA from Washington University in St. Louis and her MFA in photography from the University of New Mexico. Her work uses photographic processes to engage issues about the body, memory, the absorption of culture, and African-American identity.

Cecil McDonald Jr. grew up on the South Side of Chicago where an appreciation of art was encouraged by a creative mother, and influenced by the burgeoning DJ culture, House music, and the dance club scene.

Ways of Making: Photography is the second in a series of exhibitions highlighting the art-making practices taught in GSU's art program. The series began with an exhibit on *Ways of Making Paper*. Additional exhibits exploring the intricacies, methods, and some of the secrets of artistic creativity are planned. This series is made possible in part by a grant from the GSU intellectual Life Committee.

The Visual Arts Gallery is open Mondays and Wednesdays, from 5 to 7 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 1 to 9 p.m.; Fridays, from 5 to 9 p.m.; and by appointment.

For more information, call 708.534.4021 or visit www.govst.edu/gallery.

Reading Tutoring

GSU's Graduate Program in Reading is sponsoring The Literacy Zone, a reading tutorial program for students in grades six through high school, on Tuesdays, from January 24 through April 17, from 4:45 to 6:30 p.m.

This 12-week, one-to-one program brings students experiencing reading problems together with teachers who have the skills to help them. Students meet on the GSU campus with certified, experienced teachers enrolled in the Master of Arts Reading Program at GSU.

Enrollment is limited and based on the number of tutors. Students will be accepted in the order in which the completed application and registration fee are received. There is a \$70 registration fee. Snacks are provided at each session. Transportation is not provided.

For more information, contact [Dr. Mary Hession](#) at 708.534.4122.



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