GSU Professor Writes Lead Article on U.S. Supreme Court Case for National CPA Publication

On March 4, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in a case that could change the scope of, or even derail the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), a decision that would affect millions of Americans. GSU Associate Professor of Accounting Brian McKenna wrote the lead article on the case for the February edition of the American Institute of CPA's *The Tax Adviser* publication.

GSU Associate Professor of Accounting Brian McKenna

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[Chat with the President March 3]
Do you have questions or ideas you would like to share with GSU President Dr. Elaine P. Maimon? This is your chance! Join Dr. Maimon for a Chat with the President session on Tuesday, March 3 at 3:00 p.m. in the Prairie Place Great Room. Refreshments will be served. No RSVP's required. Questions? Contact Penny Perdue at pperdue@govst.edu or call 708.534.4130.

**GSU Undergrad and Graduate Program Open Houses**

Governors State University will present the transformation of the university at an undergraduate Open House on Monday, February 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. With the innovative freshmen academic program, recently renovated science, health science and technology classrooms and labs, and the opening of the first on-campus student residence hall, GSU has a lot to showcase.

"We will have information on admission requirements, financial aid, campus life and student housing, as well as specific undergraduate programs. Prospective students and parents will also be able to meet with Governors State faculty, academic advisors and financial aid counselors," said Yakeea Daniels, Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment.

"Potential students will find out exactly what they'll need to become a successful student here. We are glad to show off all that GSU has to offer and why we should be their first choice for higher education," adds Daniels.

For more information or to RSVP for the undergraduate open house, contact the Office of Admissions at (708) 534-4490 or gsunow@gsu.edu. To register for Open House, go to www.govst.edu/openhouse.

GSU will also host a Graduate Program Open House on Saturday, March 7 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Prospective graduate students will learn about Master's, Specialist and Doctoral degree programs. Register to attend at www.govst.edu/grad-openhouse/. The deadline to register is February 27. For more information, contact Julie Anderson at 708.534.4086 or janderson13@govst.edu.

**NAIA Campus Visit February 19**

A Membership Evaluation Team from the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) will be on campus Thursday, Feb. 19 from 8:00 a.m.-3:15 p.m. Governors State has applied for membership in the NAIA and part of the process is an on-site visit.
The group will be given a campus tour, followed by meetings with representatives from GSU's athletic, academic, admissions and marketing departments. GSU Senior Administration, including President Elaine P. Maimon, will also meet with the Evaluation Team.

After the all-day visit, members of the team will give key impressions based on review of GSU's application and the campus visit, field any questions from GSU and discuss the next steps in the application process. These include an NAIA Council of Presidents meeting in April, after which GSU will be notified of the decision within 10 days. If GSU is approved, membership becomes effective in August.

Membership in the NAIA will give GSU an opportunity to join a conference (Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference) and compete with other area colleges and universities in a variety of sports.

For more information on the NAIA, visit http://www.naia.org/

The NAIA also provides training for student athletes and professional development for coaches and staff through its Champions of Character program. Click here for more information.

High School Arts Festival Pieces on Display February 9-10

Please stop by the Visual Arts Gallery to enjoy the artwork from 16 regional High Schools (Southwest Suburban Conference HS Art Festival) on Monday, Feb. 9 and Tuesday, Feb. 10 from 10am to 6pm. The Festival took place Friday, Feb. 6 and an Open House that was held Saturday, Feb. 7 welcomed friends, family and the community.

A special thanks to the guest key-note speaker Jessica Segal from Union Street Gallery in Chicago Heights, Randi Schneider, Enrollment Management and Marketing, Keisha Dyson, Marketing and Communications, Lori Montalbano, Communications, Visual and Performing Arts, the GSU Art Program Faculty, the ART RISING team, Phil Labriola, SWSC, Kris O'Reilly, Gallery Graduate Assistant, Ashieka Daniels and all the others who made this event possible, and made it a huge success.

**Chicago News Media Tap GSU Profs for Expertise**

GSU professors are being tapped for their expertise by the Chicago media. Professor Khalil Marrar was interviewed for an NBC 5 Investigates piece on how terrorists recruit teens through websites and social media. See the video [here](#).

Two GSU professors were interviewed as security experts on the ABC 7 News Friday, Feb. 6. Professors William Kresse and David Green were interviewed by reporter Jason Knowles in an I-Team investigative piece on fingerprint scanning. See the video [here](#).

**Siskel Center to Screen Two Films by GSU Faculty/Students/Alumni**

The GSU faculty/student/alumni film HOGTOWN has been formally invited back for multiple screenings at Chicago's great art house, the Gene Siskel Film Center. The Siskel Center is also hosting a one-night-only return screening of CHICAGO HEIGHTS, the first film in our "period-less" trilogy. The two films will be shown in separately ticketed screenings on Saturday night, Feb 21. The films are screening as part of Black History Month.

Watch the trailer for HOGTOWN [Here](#)
Watch the trailer for CHICAGO HEIGHTS [Here](#)

Here is the schedule of show times for both films at the Siskel Center:
Fri., Feb. 20, 8:00 p.m. HOGTOWN [http://www.siskelfilmcenter.org/hogtown](http://www.siskelfilmcenter.org/hogtown)
Sat., Feb. 21, 6:30 p.m. CHICAGO HEIGHTS [http://www.siskelfilmcenter.org/chicago_heights](http://www.siskelfilmcenter.org/chicago_heights)

**GSU Small Business Development Center featured in Publication**
GSU's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) was featured in the Weekly Connection, a publication of the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity. SBDC Business Advisor Lauren Esohato worked with the business featured in the publication's Spotlight on Success – Diva Doll Hair Company in Harvey. Read our Spotlight on Success: [Here](#).

The School of Extended Learning and The Illinois Small Business Development Center at Governors State University offer Small Business Development courses at Governors State University throughout the year. For information about free workshops, personal enrichment, certificate, and credit courses, [click here](#).

**Bon Appétit! at Center for Performing Arts March 1**

*Bon Appétit!* is a comedy opera mimicking a classic Julia Child television broadcast. Witness an "episode" live on Sunday, March 1 at 4 p.m. at GSU's Center for Performing Arts. Julia, played by the "deeply expressive" Sarah Ponder Brock (*Chicago Sun Times*), teaches the basics of making a classic French chocolate cake. The score, written by Lee Hoiby, takes listeners on a musical journey to match the cooking mayhem unfolding before their eyes, in classic Julia Child fashion. And it's not just about cake. The Julia Child episode lasts about 20 minutes and additional songs about food and wine complete the experience including, "Be Our Guest" (*Beauty and the Beast*) and "Fin ch'an dal vino" (*Don Giovanni*) to "Votre Toast" (*Bizet's Carmen*).

Not an opera fan? You will be surprised and entertained by a laugh-out-loud production with familiar musical themes and a hilarious, fanatically whisking chef who whips up a decadent masterpiece. Oh, and in the Center for Performing Arts version, you get to sample along with the songs and witness the hilarity up close and personal from your table on the stage!

**Tickets are $50 per person and include wine and food sampling** throughout the show. Seating is limited so it is recommended to reserve your ticket in advance. Buy tickets [Here](#) or by phone: 708.235.2222; in person at the box office: 1 University Parkway, University Park, IL.

Box office hours: Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The box office is open two hours prior to shows.
Content Management Systems (CMS) Training Session Feb. 18

There will be a ContentManagement Systems (CMS) training session for GSU staff on Wednesday, February 18 at 11am. This training session shows how to update and create content for GSU's website. If your department needs someone to update your pages on our GSU website please contact Tony De Castro at adecastro@govst.edu to register for the training session and further information.

Symposium March 6: From Transformation 2014 to Vision 2020: Successes, Challenges, and Next Steps

Please hold Friday, March 6 on your calendar for the next in our ongoing series of all-campus symposiums. "From Transformation 2014 to Vision 2020: Successes, Challenges, and Next Steps". This symposium will bring Maury Cotter, Director of Strategic Planning and Quality Improvement at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, to GSU. Ms. Cotter will lead faculty, staff, and students in discussions of our transformation: what went well, what was unexpected, what should we modify or change? As we learn from the past, we will plan for the future, framed by Vision 2020.

This session will be very interactive, requiring the participation of a wide representation of all campus citizens. We'll send details later, but please plan to arrive at 8:30 a.m. and stay through mid-afternoon. Both a continental breakfast and lunch will be served.

Scheduling Group Study Rooms in the Library

Two group study/collaboration rooms are available in the library for students to use during library hours. The rooms D2401D (1) and D2401F (2), are designed to give groups of two or more students a place to work and collaborate. To schedule a room, students are advised to:

1. Pick up a form at the Information Desk located inside of the library; or
2. Visit the library website, http://www.govst.edu/library/ and under the Quick Links visit the Group Study Rooms for further information.

Facebook Posts of the Week

👍 Response to GSU Professors in the media post: Jackie Greeneshaverssnell Tart I saw the report on fingerprint scanning and was proud to be affiliated and associated with GSU. I am in the MAA PROGRAM there and I am always stoked when I approach the campus. Congratulations professors.

👍 Response to Transfer Friday post:
Carmella Glenn...The experience is great! Everything they mention above is exactly how it is, and the entire process is smooth, just come prepared with your official transcripts. Unlike community colleges, they communicate with you along the way so nothing goes left undone, Good Luck