**From the Dean’s Desk**

Dear College Faculty, Graduate Students and Staff,

The College continues to be recognized for its outstanding efforts in the campus wide sustainability project by graduate students in the Department of Agriculture. Dr. Tina M. Cade continues to facilitate graduate student’s participation in innovative recycling projects that combine agriculture and sustainability. Campus food waste and unwelcomed aquatic plants from the San Marcos River are collected to create mature compost. The project demonstrates information learned in the classroom being applied to real life problems for environmentally sound solutions.

Recently, the CAA Doctoral Faculty has grown with the addition of Drs. Marcus Felson from Rutgers University and Mitchell Chamlin from University of Cincinnati. Also joining the CJ department is Dr. Beth Sanders. The new faculty are coming on board as we select the second cohort of Doctoral students. Bienvenidos! Faculty promotions for the College include Dr. Tina M. Cade promoted to full Professor and Dr. Mary Jo Biggs was promoted to Associate Professor and has been granted Tenure. Congratulations!

Dr. Sylvia Crixell and Dr. BJ Friedman in Nutrition and Foods in a collaborative project with Ms. Jesse McCoy Rogers in Family and Child Development are to be commended for their recent grant awarded by the Texas Department of State Health Services Community-Based Obesity Prevention project. The project involves collaboration with many community partners, including the San Marcos Farmer's Market and the San Marcos Housing Authority.

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Jaime T. Chahin  
Dean of the College of Applied Arts

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Graduate Student Sustainability Project Recognized

Texas State University was listed among thirty Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)-member institutions recently recognized for “green” efforts on their campuses by the National Wildlife Federation in the publication “Generation 3: Students Leading For a Sustainable, Clean Energy Future.”

The publication highlights the unique and critical role college students are playing in reforming sustainability programs on campuses across the nation. The report examines 165 examples of institutions across 46 states where students are getting involved in finding ways to reduce the carbon footprint left behind by the institution they attend.

Graduate student Jason Sanders created “The Bobcat Blend” composting project as both a waste reduction and education/research initiative. A mix of campus food, cardboard and paper waste, and even poultry litter from a nearby farm are collected in a large-scale windrow composting facility along with water hyacinth plants (invasive aquatic plants of the area’s ecosystem). The project studies whether the composting process can destroy the seeds of the water hyacinth and still yield mature compost. Students educate diners on campus at the beginning of the semester about the compost project. It is projected that the project can save the institution as much as $17,000 a year in waste hauling costs.

The Texas State Livestock Judging Team

Livestock judging is so extremely important to the success of students in their careers as it creates leadership opportunities and relationships within the industry of Agriculture while encouraging and improving interpersonal skills, public speaking, problem solving, and teamwork. The Team is grateful for the ongoing support from the Department of Agriculture and the College of Applied Arts. They look forward to another successful year to come.

Andrew Brietzke (AG Education),
Travis Filipp (AG Education),
Lauren Lyssy (Animal Science),
Keelan Dunn (Animal Science),
Nolan Goebel (AG Education),
Kolton Smith (AG Education),
Travis Rutledge (AG Business),
Kaleigh Coleman (AG Education),
Ashley Millegan (AG Education),
Eric Brougher (AG Business),
Ashely Millegan (AG Education),
Jason Owen (AG Education),
Nicole Thibodeaux (AG Education),
Angela French (AG Education),
Ty Chumbley, Dr. Greg Pollard and Department Chair Reed Richardson.
Army ROTC

Frio Building Renamed in Memory of Adamsons

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The William W. and Elizabeth Adamson ROTC Building is home to Texas State’s Army ROTC program in the Department of Military Science. The Air Force ROTC program is housed at the Hines Academic Center in the Department of Aerospace Studies.

Speaking at a building renaming ceremony on Thursday, May 13, Texas State President Denise Trauth called the Adamsons “a couple whose memory we cherish.”

“We wanted to honor them in a fitting manner, and renaming the ROTC Building was the obvious way to do that,” said Trauth.

William Adamson earned business degrees from Texas State in 1974 and 1975. After retiring from the Air Force as a chief master sergeant, he returned to Texas State to take classes in aerospace studies. He died in 1989.

Elizabeth Adamson was the daughter of a U.S. Army master sergeant in the Fifth Cavalry. She died in 2009.

The Adamson Building came to Texas State in 1979 when the university purchased the San Marcos Baptist Academy campus. Before 1979, it was known as the Saber. After 1979, it was called The Den and then the Frio Building.

Department of Criminal Justice

FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Institute for Homeland Security Solutions (IHSS) invited Professor Bob Edward Vásquez to participate in a subject matter expert panel addressing issues of group violence and modeling. IHSS operates under the auspices of the Human Factors Division of Science and Technology in the United States Department of Homeland Security. This panel of experts met on March 9 in Washington, D.C., and provided substantive and statistical insights into the continuing development of the Violent Intent Modeling and Simulation project.

Professor Vásquez also wrote an essay on the implications of using lagged dependent variables in regression models. The essay appeared in the February 2010 issue of ACJS Today.
The Department of Criminal Justice is pleased to announce that the graduate level Certificate in Intelligence Analysis recently received University Council approval on April 8, 2010.

The Certificate program provides prospective students with critical thinking skills, creative problem solving abilities, cultural awareness sensitivity, and technical knowledge acquisition that directly impact performance outcomes in intelligence operations. A multi-disciplinary program of study and coursework will help refine and extend the knowledge and skills possessed by the professional analyst and introduce the prospective post-baccalaureate student to the latest issues in intelligence theory, communications, and research that are viewed as critical to securing employment in security or intelligence organizations and agencies in areas of government (e.g., homeland security, drug enforcement, border security), private business and local, state and federal law enforcement.

The Intelligence Analysis Certificate Program will be valuable to individuals planning to enter security-oriented careers in both the private and public sectors. The program will also be of interest to current security specialists seeking advanced training to qualify for professional advancement or career development. Overall, a unique feature of the proposed Certificate Program is its rigor and concentration in intelligence analysis training and its practical approach to security policy studies. Students will be given opportunities to develop intelligence and problem solving skills through the practical analysis of real world case studies and simulation exercises that deal with intelligence and security issues. Secondly, the graduate level Certificate program is also ideal preparation for advanced graduate study at the doctoral level in international relations, political science, public administration, public policy, history, criminal justice or other closely related fields due to its multi-disciplinary approach.

To meet these diverse skill requirements, the certificate program includes a wide range of elective courses currently taught in several disciplines (e.g., anthropology, computer science, criminal justice, history, and geography) which may be customized to suit the individual student’s needs and/or those of the particular sponsor for whom the student works as an intelligence analyst. Participants in the program will emerge with the skills and abilities necessary to acquire and process intelligence information more effectively in support of better operational decision making.

The Board of Regents for the Texas State University System (TSUS) is the next review body. The certificate in Intelligence Analysis is on the Board’s agenda for the May 20-21, 2010 session. After Board of Regents review, the Intelligence Analysis Certificate Program will be forwarded to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for final approval. The Department anticipates the graduate level Certificate in Intelligence Analysis will be added to the University’s certificate offerings in Fall 2010. For more information contact:

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Sakai Teaching with Innovation Award

The Sakai Foundation has announced the winners of the third annual Teaching with Sakai Innovation Award (TWSIA). All award winners will present their submissions at the Sakai Conference 2010 held in Denver, Colorado on June 15 – 17, 2010.

The first-place winner is Dr. Scott Bowman from Texas State University, San Marcos (USA). Second place was award to Dr. Sally Knipe of Charles Sturt University (Australia). Both Dr. Joshua Danish from Indiana University (USA) and Dr. Karen Swenson from Virginia Tech (USA) received honorable mentions.

Winners were selected from submissions from 5 countries. The annual award recognizes exceptional technology-supported teaching practices. Submissions are evaluated based on the excellence of pedagogy and innovative use of the Sakai Collaborative Learning Environment.

The Sakai Project brings colleges, universities and K-12 organizations together to create and use open software that supports exceptional teaching, learning, research and collaboration. Founded in 2004, Sakai is used today by over 350 colleges, universities and schools in 35 countries, including more than one-third of the top 100 universities in the world.

First place winner, Dr. Scott Bowman, used a wiki throughout his Juvenile Justice course to bridge the gap between theoretical explanations and the true praxis of the juvenile justice system in various cities, creating a practical and experiential learning environment. Second place winner, Dr. Sally Knipe, re-developed her course using a wiki-based assessment and an online debate to support two design theories; social cultural theory and constructive alignment.

“The Sakai tools provide an incredible opportunity to engage the students in an experience that deepens their learning, beyond the theory and beyond initial presumptions,” explains Dr. Bowman. “The greatest challenge was stepping away from the paradigm of a safely prepped class into a technologically constructed, semester long project that would bring theory, practice and experience together for the students in a very personal way. The technology tools have created incredible advances in my course.”

To view the winning applications, please visit http://openedpractices.org/twsia.

The Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) congratulated Professor Thomas C. Mijares, for being awarded a Norman Hackerman Advance Research Program grant. The program supports basic research and helps attract and retain the best undergraduate and graduate students and researchers to Texas higher education institutions. Out of 2,387 submissions, only 95 received funding. In the topic of Engineering-Electrical and Electronics only 49 proposals submitted, 6 were funded. Dr. Mijares’ project is in collaboration with UT Austin and is titled “Low-Cost Microdoppler Radar for Through-The-Wall Imaging of Humans”. His project is one of three awarded to Texas State.
Graduate Student Scholarship Opportunity

DONALD B. HARRELSON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR PEACE OFFICERS

STUDENT CRITERIA: Applicants must be licensed in-service peace officers employed full-time with a city, county, or state law enforcement agency as defined by Article 2.12 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. Applicants must possess a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and be currently enrolled at Texas State University with a degree plan and must be making progress toward either a Bachelor's or Master's degree. Applicants must not be receiving or be eligible to receive tuition assistance from any other source; e.g. VA. officer's agency, or officer's community, etc.

AMOUNT: $500.00 to be awarded for the Fall Term of 2010

SOURCE: Donald B. Harrelson Endowment Fund

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Applicants must complete an application and submit a résumé, statement of educational and professional goals, transcript and three letters of recommendation. Appropriate proof of employment on agency letterhead must be attached with the application.

NOTE: Donald B. Harrelson was a member of the Criminal Justice faculty at Southwest Texas State University from 1971 to 1987. During his tenure he served as Department Chair and Associate Dean of the School of Applied Arts and Technology. In 1983 he was honored by the Texas Association of Law Enforcement Educators as the recipient of the prestigious Wallace D. Beasley Award "for outstanding achievement and excellence in law enforcement training and education." He is co-author of The Texas Peace Officer.

STEPHEN C. GEIGEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

STUDENT CRITERIA: At the time of preparation the student must be enrolled as a graduate student pursuing the MSCJ at Texas State University.

AMOUNT: $500 to be awarded for the Fall Term of 2010

SOURCE: Austin MetroTech Foundation, Austin Community Foundation, friends and family of Stephen Geigel

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Applicants should prepare a letter of intent stating career and educational goals. An application, résumé, transcript and three letters of recommendation should also be enclosed.

NOTE: The late Stephen C. Geigel was Director of Security for the Austin area facilities of Motorola Corporation (now Freescale). He was an excellent student whose practical knowledge crossed a wide range of areas in the criminal justice system. Fellow students who lacked his experience in the field regarded him as a mentor and as a role model. He was named the Outstanding Graduate Student in 1993.
Ms. Caroline Hill, Assistant Professor, Interior Design, attended the annual Interior Design Educator’s Council conference in March where she presented a paper entitled “Practitioners + Academics: A Team-Teaching Approach to Interior Design Studios.”

Dr. Maria E. Canabal, Professor and Chair of the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences was “selected as the recipient of Florida State University College of Human Sciences Distinguish Alumni Award for 2010. This award recognizes an alum who has demonstrated outstanding career accomplishments. Decisions regarding awards were made by CHS faculty and Alumni Association Board members.” Dr. Canabal received an MS from the institution.

Mr. Jene Laman, Professor, Interior Design attended the Texas Association of Schools of Art annual conference in Austin, Texas, April 9-10. His artwork was exhibited in the “One Square Cub” Exhibition. Mr. Laman was invited to exhibit his artwork titled “Flippery” at the Walkers’ Gallery in San Marcos, from April 18-30.

Dr. Sylvia Crixell and Dr. BJ Friedman in Nutrition and Foods collaborated with Ms. Jesse McCoy Rogers in Family and Child Development on a $150,000 grant that was awarded by the Texas Department of State Health Services Community-Based Obesity Prevention project on 4/15/2010. The purpose of this 16 month project is to implement and evaluate an intervention to combat obesity in San Marcos by addressing two evidence-based strategies supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: increasing intake of fruits and vegetables and decreasing intake of sugar sweetened beverages. This project involves collaboration with many community partners, including the San Marcos Farmer's Market and the San Marcos Housing Authority. In general, the intervention will include (1) a community education component which includes hands-on cooking classes; (2) the development and use of a toddler 'plate' depicting fruits and vegetables; and (3) a restaurant initiative promoting fruit and vegetable options on menus, especially for infants and toddlers. A focus of this project on infants and toddlers is important because early feeding practices are linked to lifelong food preferences that ultimately affect body weight and long-term health outlook. Very few projects have involved education about feeding infants and toddlers.
GRADUATE STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Jeanna Martinez, Megan Brooks, Jill Chism and Hilary Koenig are involved in various aspects of data collection and analysis for the Kindergarten Longitudinal Project. Children and teachers at the Texas State Child Development Center and Hernandez Elementary School are participating in a study to assess the pre-kindergarten environment, teacher-child interactions, as well as children’s social and academic competencies to determine how predictive these components are of kindergarten and first grade success. “Factors affecting school success will be determined.” These graduate students are working with Drs. Elizabeth Blunk, Sue Williams, and Elizabeth Morgan Russell.

Drs. Blunk, Williams, and Morgan Russell as well as Ms. Carol Armga presented a poster at the Society for Research in Human Development on March 26th in San Antonio, Texas. The topic of the poster was, “How and when teachers intervene into the peer conflict of preschool children”.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Ms. Pamela Brown, at the Child Development Center (CDC) earned her Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential. Ms. Brown compiled a portfolio, parents completed questionnaires, and she passed a written and verbal exam.

Ms. Geraldine Walker, at the CDC renewed the CDA credential. Ms. Walker completed continuing education. The CDA must be renewed every 5 years.

School of Social Work

FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

BOKO Award Ceremony
(Best of Kats on Campus)

Dr. Katherine Selber was chosen as Faculty Advisor of the Year 2010 for Student Organizations at Texas State University for her work with the awesome student vet organization--the Veterans Alliance of Texas State--. “It is an honor to work with the greatest bunch of students and veterans ever!” said Dr. Selber. Chris Schave, Outgoing President (right), Dr. Selber & Incoming President David Fink (left).
Spring 2010 MSW Research Forum

MSW students prepared and presented a professional quality poster presentation on their research project from field for an end of semester student forum to which faculty field instructors and other agency staff were invited. Due to the large number of upcoming MSW Graduates, the MSW Research Forum was extended over two sessions, the first session was held on Tuesday, April 27th and the second session was held on Wednesday, April 28th.

Lt. Governor David Dewhurst to the Executive Committee of the Texas Office has reappointed Dr. Mary Tijerina, Associate Professor of Social Work, for Prevention of Developmental Disabilities. Dr. Tijerina currently serves as the Program Chair of the Executive Committee. Dr. Tijerina’s reappointment will run through 2012.

Dr. Hawkins, Dr. Brown, Mr. Henton and Dr. Karen Knox presented at BPD on April 20th - Global Citizenship: A Model for Social Work Education.

Papers presented at professional meetings by Dr. Christine L. Norton:


Norton, C.L. (2010, March 27). Multicultural education and experiential education: Transforming curriculum and enhancing cultural competence. Association for Experiential Education Mid-South Regional Conference, Memphis, TN.
The Occupational Education Program held its bi-annual Graduate Research Forum the first week in May. Participants presented their findings, conclusions and recommendations for future research in their respective topics. The Graduate Research Forum presentations are the final phase of research for students fulfilling the final course in the research block of the MSIS degree.

The evening began with a light supper. Attendees were welcomed by Dr. Stephen Spring, Chair of the Occupational Education Program. Dr. Omar Lopez gave the Graduate Address. Judges were invited to judge the presentations on professionalism, statistical soundness, and significance of findings. Judges included, Dr. Matthew Eichler, Dr. Betty Harkins, Dr. Omar Lopez and Dr. Niem Tu Huynh.

Presenters and topics were as follows; **Brian Carpenter** on *The Perception of Crime and Safety on Texas State University Campus*; **Charles Carpenter** on *The Effects of the Built Environment on Occupational Stress*, **Brian Coleman** on *Own-Race Bias in a White/Hispanic Paradigm*, **Carolyn Holesovsky** on *User Adaptation of New Technologies At Texas State University*, **Grant Mazak** on *Student Attitudes in Downloading Music*, **Christopher McCauley** on *Examination of Factors that Impact School District Performance and Standardized Testing in Public Schools Over Time: Measuring What Counts in Texas Public Education*, and **Shwetha Narayanan** on *Assimilation of immigrant Indian Women on H4 Visa Status in the USA*.

Brian Coleman was the winner of the Forum and Shwetha Narayanan and Charles Carpenter were honorable mention. Congratulations to all the presenters for a job well done in completing this portion of their MSIS degree.

**Dr. Betty Harkins**, was honored at the University Honors Ceremony last month. She was the recipient of the Stephanie Goodbread Award. The Goodbread award is given to the faculty member who has been particularly helpful to Honors students and is given in memory of Stephanie Goodbread, the first assistant director of the Honors Program.

**Drs. Omar Lopez and Stephen Springer** presented "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Public Managers" at the American Society of Public Administration/Certified Public Managers Conference on February 12th.

**Dr. Omar Lopez** published in *Computers & Education Journal*, vol 54(2010), 901-915, The Digital Learning Classroom: Improving English Language Learners’ Academic Success in Mathematics and Reading Using Interactive Whiteboard Technology, in March of 2010. He was also the keynote speaker for the OCED Graduate Research Forum held on May 7th.
CAA Graduate Scholarship and Research Fellowship
Deadline: June 1
Apply online at http://www.appliedarts.txstate.edu/Graduate-Studies/Financial-

Sustainability Workshop
Texas State offered an opportunity to participate in Infusing Sustainability into the Curriculum Workshop on May 18-19. The workshop was suitable for faculty new to Texas State, those “testing the waters” of sustainability, and those interested in revising courses from all Colleges. Economic, environmental, and social sustainability, including corporate governance, are topics essential in preparing Bobcats for the 21st century. Organizers from the College of Applied Arts included Dr. Peter Dedek, Family and Consumer Sciences & Dr. Catherine Hawkins, School of Social Work. Drs. Tina M. Cade & Hardin Rahe were facilitators. Dr. Cade Tina assisted with the recycling efforts of workshop wastes. Drs. Christine Norton, Asha Hegde, Caroline Hill, Matthew Eichler & Diana Papillon were participants. Dr. Chahin was a presenter.

International Efforts Recognized
The Committee on Honorary Professors of International Studies met and unanimously recommended Several professors including Professor Jaime Chahin, Dean of Applied Arts. Dean Chahin was invited by the U.S. State Department to present on international accreditation at the Universities of Chile and Costa Rica. He traveled to Honduras sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and Dr. Dennis Dunn in hopes of developing a partnership. The U.S. State Department has extended an invitation to Nicaragua for the fall 2010. A campus wide interdisciplinary committee also selected Dean Chahin as the International Studies Administrator for 2010.

CAA: Graduate Studies 101
“I’ve been accepted... Now what?”
Friday, July 30
11:45 am in Ag 205
Graduate Studies Orientation
RSVP to Yolanda Quintanilla at yq10@txstate.edu by Friday, July 23

Graduate College Celebrates 75
The Graduate College held a reception on Wednesday, May 5th to celebrate the 75th anniversary of graduate education at Texas State. The reception was held on the first floor of the Alkek Library where a historical exhibit showcased graduate education at Texas State from 1935 to the present.

Images of the historical exhibit can be seen at http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/celeb_75.html or take a brisk walk to the first floor of Alkek.

Pictures Taken at the CAA Annual Awards Banquet & the CAA Master’s Hooding Ceremony will be coming soon from the Office of University Marketing. A link to the official sites will be sent upon completion.

STAY TUNED!!!
**Graduate Studies News & Events**

**MSIS and MEd grads**
on Graduation Day!
Degreed, experienced, a winning combination!

**Family and Consumer Sciences**
ladies on Graduation Day!
A highly prepared trio!

**School of Social Work Family**
on Graduation Day!
Impressive!

**School of Social Work Gang**
getting rid of some last minute jitters! Smile and have fun!

Be sure to go to the CAA Graduate Studies Photo Gallery at [http://www.appliedarts.txstate.edu/Graduate-Studies/CAA-Photo-Gallery.html](http://www.appliedarts.txstate.edu/Graduate-Studies/CAA-Photo-Gallery.html) for more photos!

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