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Office Hours

The Graduate School Office is open 8:30-5:00 Mon-Thursday and 8:30-5:00 on Friday. The associate dean and graduate recruiter are available after hours by appointment.

The Office will be closed for the Christmas holiday from Monday, December 24 through Tuesday, January 1. The Office reopens on Wednesday, January 2.

Important Dates

- Dec. 8       Last day of classes
- Dec. 10-15   Final examinations
- Dec. 17-Jan. 14 Winter break
- Dec. 24-Jan. 2 University offices closed
- Jan. 2       Spring 2007 tuition due
- Jan. 11      Final registration for spring 2007
                9am-4pm
- Jan. 21      Martin Luther King Day. No classes.
- Jan. 14      University offices closed
- Jan. 18      Spring classes begin
- Jan. 18      Spring 2007 graduate course syllabi due
- Jan. 18      Last day for late registration
- Jan. 29      Last day to choose pass/fail option or
               change to audit for Spring 2008
- Feb. 1       Applications due for A Celebration of Scholarship
- Feb. 15      Last day to file formal application for
               degrees to be conferred for Summer 2008
- Feb. 23      Spring break begins after last scheduled class
- Mar. 3       Classes resume

See all spring class schedules online at

www.jcu.edu/registrar

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News Brief

Spring Registration is Around the Corner: Current graduate students in good standing are able to register for spring classes online via the Banner system. Visit the Registrar's website at [www.jcu.edu/registrar](http://www.jcu.edu/registrar) for more details and course listings or go [here](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate/news/newsletter/2007-08/07page2.html) for the "secure area" where you can log in with your Banner ID and your password. If you have not used this feature yet, we encourage you to test it out. In addition to registration and financial information, you can also now conduct your own degree audit. Students who have recently been accepted are required to consult with their advisor for first-time registration.

Spring 2007 Graduation Application Deadline is November 26, 2007: The deadline to apply for Spring 2008 graduation is November 26, 2007. For information and application forms, visit the "current student" tab of our website at [www.jcu.edu/graduate](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate) or go directly to the [application](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate/news/newsletter/2007-08/07page2.html). Office Hours The Graduate School Office is open 8:30 – 6:00 Mon-Thursday and 8:30-5:00 on Friday. The associate dean and graduate recruiter are available after hours by appointment.

A Celebration of Scholarship! 2008: The "Celebration of Scholarship" is a campus-wide event featuring poster sessions, lectures, panel discussions, paper presentations, poetry, music and more by undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, and other members of the University. The event celebrates four general views of scholarship first explained by Ernest Boyer in "Scholarship Reconsidered": teaching, discovery, integration and application. This year’s "Celebration" will take place March 10-13, 2008. Applications for the paper/panel and poster sessions are now available online. Panels will be scheduled as applications are received with a few sessions held open for individual paper presentations which will be filled after all applications are received. The online schedule will be updated to reflect closed session times. The poster session is scheduled for Thursday evening, March 13 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM in the Dolan Atrium. Accepted applicants are expected to be present during the poster session. Poster stands will be on display in the Dolan Atrium and in the Art Exhibit room in Dolan from March 11-13. Poster applications will be assigned to the Atrium space and then to the overflow space in Dolan E135 in the order in which they are received. For more information on the format for abstracts and presentation tips, visit the help page. Arts at Lunch and the Art Exhibition information will be announced at a later date. The deadline for poster, paper, and panel applications is January 14, 2008. Apply early to reserve your spot!

Dean's Corner:

As the Interim Dean of the Graduate School, I am happy to be returning to a position that I originally held as Dean of the Graduate School from 1986 to 1999. In many respects it feels like coming back home. The Graduate School has moved its location, grown in numbers of staff and looks different, but its focus on serving the Graduate Students and providing a quality program of Graduate Studies remains the same as it has been from its inception. The Graduate School Dean also oversees the Office of Sponsored Research and is responsible for faculty development, research and grants.

Currently, the Graduate School is in a period of transition. We are taking this year to study the Academic Division Structure and how best to restructure graduate education so that it continues to grow and to serve students and the University in the best possible ways. Also being studied is how best to organize the research and faculty development functions in the University. Whatever the results of this reorganization will be, the University’s strong commitment to graduate studies, programs and students will not change. I will keep you updated on what is happening in future Newsletters.

The semester is off to a good start as we head into planning for next semester. Registration starts on November 5th and our office is here to help you with any questions. Vivienne Porter is very busy working on recruitment and has been out visiting with prospective graduate students informing them about the excellent programs we have here at John Carroll.

I welcome your input. You have a unique perspective on Graduate Studies and I would appreciate your sharing with us any suggestions, comments, questions and program ideas that may occur to you based on your own experience here and otherwise. Please feel free to contact me, Dr. Peck or our office with your ideas about how we can do what we do, better. You are our best ambassadors so, please tell your friends about Graduate Education at John Carroll.

Sally H. Wertheim, Interim Dean, The Graduate School
Meet the New Graduate School Staff

Vivienne Porter

As the Graduate Admissions Counselor, Vivienne is responsible for recruiting new graduate students to the programs at John Carroll University. This involves travel to undergraduate universities and conferences, presentations to John Carroll classes, and visits to local school systems. Guiding interested students through the application process, connecting them to faculty, and responding to all email and phone inquiries are part of her day.

Prior to coming to John Carroll University, Vivienne worked in graduate admissions at Case Western Reserve University and in sales for Unisys Corporation. She has a BS from Miami University and an MBA from Case Western Reserve University.

Birkenhauer Mentorship Award: Mary Matthews

Gail A. Moran MAIS'07 is the recipient of the Fall Semester 2006 Rev. Birkenhauer Mentorship Award. The award is given in recognition of outstanding scholarship and commitment to science education. Moran is mentoring in Life Science SI 550L with Dr. Olivia White. The awardee provides the primary instructor with information regarding equipment and supplies available to the middle grade teacher, labs and activities commonly carried out in the middle grade science classroom and insights into the nature of the middle grade student.

This award is funded through a generous contribution from John ('62) and Fran Smith of Glen Ellyn, IL in honor of Rev. Frank Birkenhauer S.J., an exemplary scientist, mathematician, teacher and friend.

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News from the Field

Community Counseling

- Congratulations to Community Counseling program graduate Anne Van Wagoner who recently accepted a position at Family Behavioral Health Services, LLC.
- Please Welcome...
  The 2007-2008 Community Counseling Doctoral Interns:
  David Burkholder from Kent State University, Kevin Feisthamel from The University of Akron, and Michelle Toth from the University of Akron
- Ronda Haynes, the new Graduate Assistant for Community Counseling
- Colby Cox and Carla Kovach, the new undergraduate work-study students for Community Counseling

14th Annual Beta Chi Wellness Conference:
Please join us for the John Carroll University Beta Chi Chapter’s 14th Annual Wellness Conference on Friday, November 9th from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This year’s key note speaker will be Denise Ben-Porath, Ph.D., an Associate Professor in the Department of Psychology at John Carroll University. She will be presenting on Dialectical Behavior Parenting: Tools for Mental Health Practitioners Treating Families. The cost is $35 for students and you will receive 3 CEUs. To register, please contact the Continuing Education office at 216-397-3008.

Comps Spring ’08
Just a heads up that the Community Counseling Comps will be offered on a Saturday in April ’08...exact date and time to be announced. You must take and successfully pass your comprehensive exam before you can begin Internship class.

Practicum Orientation Night ’08
Dr. Paula Britton will be hosting a Practicum Orientation Night in February ’08 for students who plan to begin their Practicum during the Fall ’08 semester. Exact date and time will be posted in the near future.

Studying for Comps or the State Licensure Exams?
A new set of 18 CDs is available on reserve in the library for students studying for the Community Counseling Comprehensive Exam and the state licensure exams. Please see Jie Zhang, reference librarian, if you have any questions.

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