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*During the summer, The Graduate School Office will be open from 8:30-5:00 P.M. Mon-Friday but will close daily for lunch from 12-1. The assistant dean and graduate recruiter are available after hours by appointment.*

#### [Important Dates]

May 15	Summer Sessions 1 & A begin
May 29	Memorial Day. No classes
Jun 16	Session 1 ends
Jun 19	Session 2 begins
Jun 29	Session A ends
July 4	Independence Day. No classes
July 5	Session B begins
July 10	Deadline for applications for Winter 2007 graduation
July 21	Session 2 ends
July 24	Session 3 begins
July 31	Deadline for essay, thesis or project for Summer 2006 graduation
Aug 7	Deadline for comprehensive exam results for Summer 2006 master's degrees
Aug 17	Session 3 ends
Aug 24	Session B ends Graduate Assistant Workshop
Aug 28	Fall classes begin New graduate student Orientation
Aug 29	New graduate student Orientation
Sep 1	Last day for late registration and course changes
Sep 4	Labor Day. No classes

See all class schedules online at

[www.jcu.edu/registrar](http://www.jcu.edu/registrar)

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**Summer 2006 Thesis, Essay and Creative Project Deadline is July 31, 2006:** The deadline to turn in your thesis, essay and creative project for Summer 2006 graduation is July 31, 2006. For information and application forms, visit the "current student" section of our website at [\[www.jcu.edu/graduate\]](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate) or go directly to the [\[application\]](#).

**Winter 2007 Graduation Application Deadline is July 10, 2006:** The deadline to apply for Winter 2007 graduation is July 10, 2006. For information and application forms, visit the "current student" section of our website at [\[www.jcu.edu/graduate\]](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate) or go directly to the [\[application\]](#).

**Fall Registration is Underway:** Current graduate students in good standing are able to register for summer and fall 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 [\[here\]](#) 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.

**Sacred Heart Elementary School Fundraising Update:** We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our fundraising campaign for Katrina-stricken Sacred Heart Elementary School in D'Iberville, Mississippi. Funds will be used by the school to replace math textbooks, all of which were lost in the storm. Currently we have raised approximately \$3,000 for the school and are continuing our goal of \$5,700. To see pictures of the school, order JCU/Sacred Heart cookbooks, or keep updated on our campaign, view our [website](#).

**Football Tailgating Event:** The Graduate School

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### Dean's Corner:

As we come to the end of this academic year I am moved by a feeling of gratitude. Gratitude for our students. Gratitude for our faculty. And gratitude for our staff that works so hard to make The Graduate School a responsive and supportive place for our students and faculty. The students keep us energized and responsive to new ideas. Our office is lucky to be able to work with both undergraduate and graduate students. They all give us hope for the future. The faculty provides a quality education to our students. This involves many small but important things that students do not see. Many faculty give freely of their time and talents to ensure that students have an excellent experience. The staff, most especially in The Graduate School office, has been the glue that holds us all together. Multi-tasking is a way of life for our staff! So as we end the year, please take time to consider what you are grateful for over this past year and take time to let that person(s) know, be it a fellow student, a teacher or a staff member. Best wishes for a peaceful and restful summer.

*Thoughts on Gratitude by Albert Schweitzer:*

*At times our own light goes out and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flame within us.*

*To educate yourself for the feeling of gratitude means to take nothing for granted, but to always seek out and value the kind that will stand behind the action. Nothing that is*

will be hosting graduate student tailgating before the football game on September 16, 2006. We will tailgate together in the quad and then walk over to the game. Graduate student admission is free, while additional family member tickets are \$6 and children under 4 are free. For more information please e-mail Jessica Mehnert at [jmehnert08@jcu.edu](mailto:jmehnert08@jcu.edu).

*done for you is a matter of course. Everything originates in a will for the good, which is directed at you. Train yourself never to put off the word or action for the expression of gratitude.*

*Contributed by Dr. Mary Beadle, Dean of The Graduate School*

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### New 5-year BS/MBA Programs in the Sciences

This year six new 5-year BS/MBA programs are being launched at JCU. The 5-year programs offer JCU students from the Sciences the opportunity to continue their education and earn an MBA degree with one additional year of study. JCU students who major in Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics or Psychology are eligible for this program.

Students will take courses from the Boler School of Business throughout their undergraduate education. Each department in the sciences has identified a faculty member as a liaison who will work with students who are interested in this program. This faculty member will act as their academic advisor to answer questions and provide support and assistance in course selection. In addition, students will come together once each semester and hear speakers from the community talk about career opportunities for Science MBAs.

In addition to course work students will be encouraged to participate in internships during their graduate work. The internships should offer students an opportunity to gain valuable work experience that will blend their science courses with management experiences.

Traditional MBA programs are two years in length. However, by taking many of the first tier business courses in their undergraduate curriculum, students will be able to complete the MBA with only 11 additional graduate courses. These courses are being offered to JCU students in the 5-year program with a 25% scholarship discount. Although students will declare their intent to participate in the 5-year program either in their freshman or sophomore year, students will need to apply for acceptance into the program in the fall of their senior year. All applicants will

The Series resumed Spring Semester '06 with Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC, Communications, speaking on the topic What's Love Got To Do With Leadership?. The following month, Dr. Lisa Shoaff, Educational Leadership, spoke on the topic "Ingenuity. Can You Lead Without It?" Dr. Shoaff also invited two students, Molly Connaughton, Educational Leadership, and Jane Eigner Mintz, '06, Community Counseling, to share ways they have displayed leadership by creatively solving issues in their places of business. The series culminated with Dr. Sally Wertheim who spoke on the topic Heroism and Leadership. *Contributed by Joan Steidl, workshop coordinator.*

### New Master of Arts Degree in Nonprofit Administration

.Are you ready to become a leader in the non-profit arena? The Graduate School at John Carroll University is launching a new master's degree program in nonprofit administration this fall. The program is designed as an interdisciplinary plan of study in the social sciences and business that will provide you with practical applied training for your work in a nonprofit organization.

What sets John Carroll apart? For over a century, John Carroll has been educating its students to become community leaders. This new program builds on the university's long tradition of educating women and men to lead and serve in a dynamic world. The university offers a significant scholarship to individuals who enroll in the 2006-2008 cohort program making this non-profit master's program a best value in the area.

And it is a unique program. We have built this program by talking with the employers, employees, and future employees in the

need to take the GMAT exam as part of the entrance requirement. Contributed by *Dr. Giannina Pianalto D'Agruma, Graduate School Recruiter.*

#### Graduate Student Association Leadership Development Series

The Graduate Student Association created and held its first 5-part Leadership Development Series based upon the book *Heroic Leadership* by Chris Lowney. Building upon the Jesuit tradition of leading and serving others, the series was designed to empower students to discover their own leadership potential, so, in turn, they can unlock the leadership potential of those with whom they live, work, and play in order to create vibrant places of business, homes, and communities

In an effort to accommodate part-time graduate students who work full-time, the series was held on Monday evenings from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. over the course of two semesters. During Fall semester '05, Fr. Howard Gray, SJ kicked the series off with his talk "Heroic Leadership". The following month Dr. Cynthia Marco-Scanlin, from Career Services spoke on the topic Self-Awareness: The Leadership Foundation.

nonprofit world. They told us what they needed and we created it, a streamlined, intensive program that emphasizes case-based learning, team-building, and networking in a non-traditional academic environment.

- This degree is completed in 36 hours of coursework over two years.
- 24 hours are required in "core courses" such as a crucial Leadership course, Ethics in Nonprofits and a unique Capstone Fieldwork course.
- 12 hours are elected in "special topics" such as Strategic Planning, Grantwriting, Policy Analysis and Organizational Assessment
- Many courses are offered in unique, "non-traditional" ways, often as "hybrid" courses that sometimes meet on campus in the evening, and at other times meet on-line, on the weekend, on site, or as intensive "crash courses" in the summer

Take your education further than you imagined! Join us as we start this incredible program this fall. For information about The Graduate School at John Carroll University, visit [www.jcu.edu/graduate](http://www.jcu.edu/graduate) or call 216.397.4284. Our web pages include information about this program, financial aid and our no-fee on-line application. *Contributed by Dr. Duan Dukes, program director.*

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### [Community Counseling Update]

#### **Congratulations to....**

Jacalyn Barnett, John Nisky, Laura Scott, and Amber Vadinie who recently passed the National Counselor Exam for Licensure and Certification (NCE) in Ohio.

Recent graduate Julie Minarczik who has recently hired at Beech Brook as an Outpatient Case Manager.

#### **A Tip of the Hat to....**

Students Kerrie Ann Cerino and Billie J. Gilliam who presented posters at the Ohio Counselors Association in November. Ms. Cerino's poster was entitled "The Physiological, Social and Psychological Components of Psychoimmunology" and Ms. Gilliam's poster was "Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Neonaticide."

Elissa Bortz received a Student Initiative Scholarship Grant to attend the Association for Death Education and Counseling, which is the professional organization that supports the field.

#### **Circle Your Calendars Now**

For the 13th annual Beta Chi Wellness Conference on Friday, November 17th, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year's featured speaker will be Dr. Sylvia Rimm. Dr. Rimm is a nationally known psychologist who has been featured on the Oprah Winfrey and Today shows, in People Magazine, and on NPR. She also has a syndicated newspaper column.

Her topic will be: "The Critical Effect of Competition in Counseling Families". This year's conference promises to be an interesting one for both school and community counseling students,

### **[Dr. Faiver wins Distinguished Faculty Award]**

Dr. Christopher Faiver, coordinator of the Community Counseling program for The Graduate School, was awarded the 2006 Distinguished Faculty award. He has earned national recognition for his studies in counseling and spirituality. While serving as the coordinator of the Community Counseling program, he has published two books along with numerous journal articles.

During Dr. Faiver's acceptance speech he claimed that he was so blessed for all he has in life. "There is an older woman who cleans the rooms in the O'Malley building. I often run into her after my evening classes. Each time I ask her how she is, she replies, "I'm blessed." It is I who am blessed today."

The Distinguished Faculty Award was first established in 1969 and is offered to a faculty member that exhibits excellence in classroom teaching, scholarship, advertisement and leadership of students and community concern. According to Dr. Mary Beadle, Dean of The Graduate School, "The one thing about Chris is how much he cares for his students." Dr. Faiver's recognition helps to show the importance of a graduate education, especially here at John Carroll University. *Contributed by Brianne Vogan, The Graduate School.*

### **[Joan Steidl Awarded AAUW Grant]**

Joan Steidl, Community Counseling, was awarded an American Association of University Women (AAUW) 2006-2007 Career Development Grant. Steidl, an AAUW member, was awarded the grant for her final year during which time she will be doing her Practicum and Internship field placement. A portion of her Practicum/Internship will be at the JCU Career Services Center where she will conduct psychoeducational therapy

as well as school psychology and other education students.

### **Beta Chi**

Beta Chi, the JCU chapter of Chi Sigma Iota, the national honor society for professional community and school counselors inducted 30 new members during its April Induction Ceremony. The keynote speaker was Dr. John Ropar, director of the JCU Counseling Center, whose talk was entitled "Counseling: It's Holy Work."

groups to help female students reduce math anxiety in order to broaden their career choices. Career Development Grants support women who hold a bachelor's degree and are preparing to advance their careers, change careers, or re-enter the work force. The AAUW Educational Foundation--the world's largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women--supports aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers and activists in local communities, women at critical stages of their careers, and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

### **On To Doctoral Studies**

Morgan Sprosty was recently admitted to the Argosy University Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology. Morgan, who has served as both President and Vice-President of Beta Chi, will begin her studies this fall.

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