

**John Carroll University
College of Arts and Sciences**

**GRADUATE STUDIES NOTES #5
January 2012**

Dear Colleagues:

Happy New Year to all of you! As we get ready to begin a new semester I want to pass along some important information to you.

CONGRATULATIONS WINTER GRADUATES

The following students have successfully completed their degree requirements and will be awarded their diplomas on January 15, 2012. Congratulations to each of these students for a job well done and best wishes for their future endeavors:

Biology

Donella Bolen
Hilary Collins
Angela Stuczka

Communications Management

Rachel Ball

Education

Paul Conn
Elizabeth Eganhouse
Aaron Noon
Kristine Frelich
Ryan Haley
Jonathan Justice
Kimberly Kastens
Alexander Kimmel
Patrice Morley
Rachel Morse
Jennifer Ryan
Robert Schleper
Rachel Scott
Julie White

Counseling

Katherine Detwiler
Erin Formica
Stephanie Kelly
Meagan Kittrick
Dean Malec
Phillip Palmison
Deonna Whitfield
Lena Willner
Lora Zoller

Humanities

Jean Armstrong

Nonprofit Administration

Jennifer Lynch-McKinney
Samantha Mealy

School Psychology

Haley Bishop
Lindsey Brandel
Emily Gray
Jena Leber
Kristen Marvinney
Jennifer Murphy
Michelle O'Donnell
Robert Richardson
Jenny Schmidt

Theology and Religious Studies

Michele Feyhauf

NEW FINANCIAL AID POLICY

Graduate students receiving financial aid funded by the federal (Stafford, TEACH, PLUS loans) or state governments as well as all JCU funding must conform to the university's standards for progress in order to maintain financial aid. Graduate and post-baccalaureate students must successfully complete a minimum of half (50%) of credit hours attempted each period of enrollment. In addition, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 and must successfully complete all coursework as defined by the Graduate Studies Bulletin. Students seeking a teaching license must receive a grade of C or higher in courses (undergraduate or graduate) they are taking for their teaching content areas. For the entire policy go to the JCU Financial Aid website:

http://webmedia.jcu.edu.s3.amazonaws.com/pdf/SAPpolicy2011_final.pdf or contact the Office of Financial Aid.

EDUCATION AWARDS

Applications are now being accepted in the Department of Education and Allied Studies for the Wertheim and Hoffman Awards. *The Wertheim Scholarship* recognizes an outstanding graduate student in one of the Education programs who not only demonstrates scholarship, character, and commitment to others—qualities steeped in the Jesuit mission—but who also seeks to enhance, and shows promise, for improving, the educational experiences of children and youth. Candidates for the \$5000 award must be enrolled in a graduate degree program in education at John Carroll. *The Hoffman Scholarship* is a memorial tribute to Dr. William P. Hoffman who was a professor in the John Carroll University Department of Education and Allied Studies. The purpose of this \$1000 scholarship is to recognize and support an outstanding graduate student in the Educational Administration Program in anticipation of the contributions which the recipient will make as a future school administrator. Applications for the awards can be picked up in AD 301 or 310 or can be found on the department's website. Contact Mr. Michael Kimmel (mkimmel@jcu.edu; 397-4333) if you have questions. Deadline for application is February 24, 2012.

POSITION AVAILABLE WITH THE CENTER FOR SERVICE AND SOCIAL ACTION

The CSSA is looking for a coordinator for the *Civic Engagement Student Speakers Bureau* (CESSB). The Student Coordinator is responsible for the recruitment and training of new student speakers, CESSB publicity/outreach to FSAs and the coordination of student panels with support from the Director of the Center for Service and Social Action. Student Coordinators are paid \$8.50/hr and are expected to commit up to 10-12 hours per week. For more information contact Maryellen Callanan at 397-2022 or email her at mcallanan@jcu.edu

CLEVELAND CLINIC INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The purpose of the Cleveland Clinic Office of Civic Education Initiatives Graduate Innovative Learning Fellowship (the Cleveland Clinic OCEI Fellowship) is to recognize outstanding achievements of degree candidates in selected graduate programs (**sciences, mathematics, teacher education and leadership preparation in K-12 administration and communications/information technologies**) that promote bringing their scholarship to benefit K through 12 education programming offered by the Cleveland Clinic Office of Civic Education Initiatives (OCEI) to the greater Northeast Ohio community. The Fellowship is designed to prepare outstanding graduate degree candidates in developing, implementing and evaluating innovative approaches to teaching and learning that connect and leverage the vast array of scientific and health care resources of the Cleveland Clinic to K-12 classroom settings and to teacher preparation. This is a 15 month, full-time fellowship, with a stipend of \$40,000. If you would like more information, send Dr. Mark Storz an email and he will send more detailed information. You may also contact Rosiland Strickland at the Cleveland Clinic's Office of Civic Education directly (216-297-8301; STRICKR@ccf.org).

CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVID YOUNG – English Department

David Young, a Graduate Assistant in the English Department, recently had a paper accepted to the Popular Culture Association of America Conference. The conference will be held in Boston this April. His paper is titled: "Debasing the Shoah: Sex, Violence, and Historicity in Independent Holocaust Film."

CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

Each year the JCU community comes together to celebrate the scholarship of its faculty, staff, and students. The campus-wide *Celebration* for students, faculty, and other University community members features workshops, panel discussions, poster sessions, paper presentations, and other activities. This year *Celebration* takes place the week of March 26. The deadline for submission of proposals is February 13. Applications for submission can be found at the following website:

<http://www.jcu.edu/celebration/applications.htm>. Graduate students are strongly encouraged to share their scholarship with the wider JCU community.

IGNATIAN HERITAGE WEEK

Ignatian Heritage Week provides the university community the opportunity to celebrate our Ignatian and Jesuit tradition. This year the celebration is taking place January 29 through February 3. Information about the various events planned for that week can be found at the following website:

<http://sites.jcu.edu/mission/pages/ignatian-heritage-week/>.

SPRING REGISTRATION

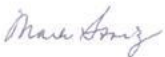
The Spring 2012 semester begins on Tuesday, January 17. Registration for the spring semester is still open. If you have not registered for the semester, and you need help or have questions, please contact Deb Sample in the Office of Graduate Studies (dsample@jcu.edu; 397-1925) or Vivienne Porter (397-4902; vporter@jcu.edu).

IMPORTANT DATES

January 23	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with full refund
January 27	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with 67% refund
February 3	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with 33% refund
February 15	Application for Summer 2012 Graduation Due
March 1	Application for Graduate Assistantships for 2012-2013 Due
April 10	Thesis/Essay/Project Deadline for Spring 2012 Graduation
April 16	Comprehensive Examination Deadline for Spring 2012 Graduation

Please take advantage of all John Carroll has to offer you. There continue to be a variety of spiritual, service, intellectual, and social events for all of our students, including graduate students. If you have questions about these opportunities, or if there is anything we can do for you in the Office of Graduate Studies, please do not hesitate to contact us (Pat Pitingolo – 397-4204; ppitingolo@jcu.edu; Deb Sample – 397-1925; dsample@jcu.edu; Vivienne Porter – 397-4902; vporter@jcu.edu; Mark Storz – 397-3070; mstorz@jcu.edu) or stop by our office (AD 125). If you are taking classes this spring semester, best wishes for a successful and challenging learning experience. If you are taking the semester off, enjoy the break – we'll look forward to your return.

Sincerely,



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