John Carroll University College of Arts and Sciences

GRADUATE STUDIES NOTES #3 November 2011

Dear Colleagues:

A few notes to pass along to you:

CONGRATULATIONS ALPHA SIGMA NU INDUCTEES

Several graduate students were recently inducted into the Jesuit Honor Society, Alpha Sigma Nu. Congratulations to

Kayla Cierniak (BL) John Hagerty (NPA) Sana Loue (RS) Kate Ritchie (ED) Kyle Sobh (NPA) Nikol Stepfanos (CG) Angela Weimer (CM).

Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society of Jesuit institutions of higher education, recognizes those students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty, and service. ASN encourages its members to a lifetime pursuit of intellectual development, deepening Ignatian spirituality, service to others, and a commitment to the core principles of Jesuit education. For more information regarding the Jesuit Honor Society and how you might be selected, contact Fr. William Bichel, S.J., moderator (<u>bichl@jcu.edu</u>).

LAST DAY TO DROP CLASSES

Today, November 22, 2011, is the final day to drop fall classes. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Ms. Deborah Sample in the Office of Graduate Studies (216-397-1925).

CHANGE IN STAFFORD LOANS

Beginning July 1, 2012, Graduate and Professional students will no longer qualify for Federal Direct subsidized loans. This is not a major change. Students will still be eligible for the unsubsidized loans and for the same total amount of award. Students will also continue to have the option to roll over the interest payments until after graduation. If you have questions about this change, contact Vivienne Porter (vporter@jcu.edu) in the Office of Gradute Studies or Claudia Wenzel in Financial Aid (cwenzel@jcu.edu).

GRADUATE CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

You continue to have the opportunity to participate in the Graduate Christian Life Community on Mondays at 9:15 p.m. in BR32

Do you have the desire to grow in your faith or do you simply want to meet other grad students focused on spirituality? Grad students of every faith background are welcome to attend this weekly fellowship. We typically read a Biblical passage or spiritual article and discuss how it relates to our lives as busy professionals. Prayer is also incorporated into the fellowship.

For more information, contact Angela Weimer (aweimer13@jcu.edu)

REGISTRATION

Spring registration is in full swing. If you have any questions, or if you need assistance in registering for spring 2012 classes, please contact Ms. Deborah Sample in the Office of Graduate Studies (dsample@jcu.edu).

At this time of year I am grateful to all of our graduate students for the contribution they make to teaching, scholarship, and service in the John Carroll community. On behalf of the staff of the College of Arts and Sciences Office of Graduate Studies, I wish you and your family a very happy Thanksgiving and a successful end to the fall semester. If I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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