

John Carroll University
College of Arts and Sciences

GRADUATE STUDIES NOTES #1
August 2012

Dear Colleagues:

I hope you are each enjoying a wonderful summer. It's hard to believe that we are getting ready for another academic year. With the beginning of the semester only a few weeks away, I want to share this information with you.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS

I want to first welcome all of you who are new to the John Carroll community this fall. At the writing of these notes we have over 145 newly accepted and registered graduate students in the College of Arts and Sciences. You are joining a long tradition of Jesuit education (over 450 years! And 125 years here at JCU) that promotes academic excellence, honors and seeks to educate the whole person, and is committed to bringing about a more just society locally and in the world around us. We are pleased that you have chosen John Carroll as the institution of higher learning to pursue your graduate studies. We hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities the University provides you, not only academically, but also spiritually, socially, and physically.

CONGRATULATIONS SPRING GRADUATES

And as I welcome one group of students, I want to highlight those who completed their degree requirements and graduated in spring 2012. Eighty students completed all of the requirements for the master's degree which was conferred in May. Please join me in congratulating the following graduates:

Biology (M.Sc./M.A.)

Bradley Bartelme Sean Harrington
Kadie Ondrus

Communications Management (M.A.)

Paul Perozeni Kerianne Senderak

Education (M.Ed.)

Katelyn Koliha Tahlor Flanagan
Cara Duncan John Garber
Loriann Ace Natalie Turek
Ester Yeh Deborah Riley
Kate Ritchie Latoya Washington
Kaelyne Keresman Kennan Killeen
John Strmac Rashad Wright
Melissa Babb-Renta Holly Doak
Kathleen Feran Lela Gascoigne
Chelsea O'Neill David Ravida

School Counseling (M.A.)

Shalesha Andrews Jenna Archibald
Sarah Ball Julionne Brown
Stephanie Edelstein Jaclyn Fien
Sara Hall Alysia Hamilton-Beeler
Robin McWilliams-Cleveland

Clinical Mental Health Counseling (M.A.)

Dana Bickel Carmen Carbone
Amanda Fillbach Jessica Hyla
Kimberly Ironmonger Melissa Leonhardt
Lindsey Maurer Brittini Scott
Jessica Taylor Cheryl Wilson
Katrice Cain

Gina Young Harry Christner
Jennifer Habel Patrick Manning
Anna Conboy Michael Ford
Jacquelyn Le-Mon Eric Meyer
Lauren Yutzy Caitlin Hittie
Laurel Gibson Emily Koesters
Michael Nettling

School Psychology (M.Ed)

Jennifer Lewis Kirstyn Lowery

English (M.A.)

Jessica Grimes Jeanne Kidera
Jacob King Claire McBroom

Willilam Rand
Rekyta Carr

Nikol Stefanos
Allison Grant

Lauren McIntyre
Jennifer Stutzman

Laura Miller

History (M.A.)

Lisa Hinnerichs

Humanities (M.A.)

Nicole Garner

Maryanne Petkac

Mathematics (M.Sc.)

Benjamin Scott

Theology and Religious Studies (M.A.)

Shannon Edwards

Jared Ward

Nonprofit Administration (M.A.)

Lisa Bostick

Kyle Sobh

Liliana Scales

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

Congratulations are in order to the following students for a job very well done:

- **Nicole Huzl** (School Psychology) presented at McGill University in Montreal, Canada at the International School Psychology Association on July 10th, 2012. The title of her presentation was: A Comparison of Teacher and School Psychologists' Views of Effective Consultation Skills to Increase Intervention Integrity.
- Three Biology students presented at the joint meeting of the Botanical Society of America and the Canadian Botanical Society in Columbus Ohio this summer.
 - **Albina Khasanova** presented a paper titled Impacts of drought on physiology and growth in grasses of the Intermountain West. Albina won the Best Poster Award from the Physiological Section (this means that she has won this award 2 years in a row!),
 - **Jennifer Murphy** presented a paper titled Early life history traits in globally invasive and non-invasive *Rosa* congeners. Jennifer won the Best Graduate Student poster Award from the Ecological Section.
 - **Jeff Walker** presented a paper titled Biomass allocation and nitrogen cycling during the first year of growth for two perennial bunchgrass species.

NEW GRADUATE STUDENT ORIENTATION

Orientation sessions for new graduate students are being held on Monday, August 27 and Tuesday, August 28 in the Administration Building, room 226, 5:00-6:00pm. Vivienne Porter and I will present on important policies and University procedures that will help you navigate your time at JCU. Please RSVP to Vivienne Porter at vporter@jcu.edu.

NEW GRADUATE ASSISTANT ORIENTATION

An orientation meeting for all new graduate assistants is scheduled for Wednesday, August 22, in the Dolan Center, rooms 202-203. A light lunch will be available at 12:30 with the meeting to begin at 1:00. University administrators and personnel from our various service departments will be on hand to share important information on your role as a GA and the services that are available to you. Human resources will be on hand to help you complete all of the important paperwork. A picnic for all graduate assistants, sponsored by the Graduate Student Association, will be held immediately following the orientation (4:00-6:00). Please RSVP to Pat Pitingolo at your earliest convenience (ppitingolo@jcu.edu; 397-4284).

FALL REGISTRATION

If you have not yet registered for fall, there is still time! Fall classes begin on Monday, August 27. If you need assistance with registration, please feel free to contact Vivienne Porter, Deb Drane, or me.

KEEP UP WITH NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES

Each month I include a section in Student Notes that outlines dates that are important to graduate students (i.e. graduation deadlines) as well as a section on student accomplishments. This same information can also be found on the Graduate Studies website (<http://sites.jcu.edu/graduatestudies/>). Please keep yourself up to date with this information. Deadlines are firm. Also, if you present at a conference, get accepted to doctoral programs, or secure new positions, please share this information with me so that I am able to share it with the wider graduate student community at John Carroll.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS/CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship is an essential part of graduate education and central to our Jesuit identity as an institution of higher learning. We encourage students to engage in scholarship and share their research with the wider community. Monies are available for conference registrations for students who have had papers/posters accepted for presentation. Please email me for more information. John Carroll's Annual *Celebration of Scholarship* is a venue on our own campus in which to share your scholarship. Consider presenting at *Celebration* in spring 2013. All students who receive monies for conference presentations are expected to present at this event.

MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

A rich aspect of the Jesuit tradition is to inaugurate each academic year with a "Mass of the Holy Spirit," an occasion for convening the community for the purpose of a shared, spiritual celebration of the challenging semesters ahead. This celebration takes place on all Jesuit high school, college and university campuses across the United States, as well as at numerous other Catholic and Jesuit educational institutions worldwide. While the John Carroll community represents many faith traditions, this celebration unites us in one communal quest for the gift of wisdom and compassion for our faculty, staff and students. The "Celebrate the Spirit" tradition is enriched at John Carroll by making the time of the Mass convenient and by adding a luncheon to the celebration immediately following the liturgy. In Fall 2012 "Celebrate the Spirit" will occur at noon on Thursday, September 13. Mass will be in Gesu Church located on Miramar Blvd., across from Rodman Hall. The luncheon will be served from the Schott Dining hall with seating in the dining hall, the Underground, the Inn-Between and upstairs in the LSC Conference Room and Murphy Room. Please consider attending this university-wide event.

PARKING PERMITS

Parking permits for the fall semester are now available for purchase. The evening permit (valid from 3pm-3am) is \$85. There is an option for the academic year for the evening permit for \$145. The all-day permit (valid from 7am to 3am) is \$175. The permit for the entire all-day for the academic year is \$325. Applications for the parking permit can be found at the following link: <http://sites.jcu.edu/parking/pages/purchase-your-permit/>

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

August 22	New Graduate Assistant Orientation (12:30-4:00, Dolan 203/203) Graduate Assistant Picnic (4:00-6:00, Dolan Reading Room)
August 27	First day of fall semester; New Student Orientation (5:00-6:00pm, AD 226)
August 28	New Student Orientation (5:00-6:00pm, AD 226)
August 31	Last Day to withdraw from classes for full refund
September 3	Labor Day – No classes
September 13	Mass of the Holy Spirit (12:00pm; lunch to follow)
November 25	Application for Spring 2013 Graduation due in Office of Graduate Studies

For other important dates, please check the John Carroll University website:

<http://www.jcu.edu/events/keydates.html>

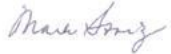
A LOSS TO THE JCU COMMUNITY

This summer a beloved member of the John Carroll University faculty passed away suddenly. Dr. Chris Roark, a faculty member in the Department of English since 1990, died on June 15, 2012. Dr. Roark was an outstanding

teacher and scholar who contributed greatly to the John Carroll community in a myriad of ways, but most importantly to our graduate and undergraduate students. He will be greatly missed by all of us. Please join me in offering our condolences to his family and to the Department of English.

On behalf of our Dean, Dr. Jeanne Colleran, I wish you success in the new academic year ahead. If I, or any of the staff in the Office of Graduate Studies can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us (Pat Pitingolo [Administrative Assistant; ppitingolo@jcu.edu; 397-4204:], Deborah Drane [Record Management; ddrane@jcu.edu; 397-1925], Vivienne Porter, [Admissions Counselor, vporter@jcu.edu; 297-4902]).

Sincerely,



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