# John Carroll University College of Arts and Sciences

# **GRADUATE STUDIES NOTES #3**October 2012

Dear Colleagues:

Fall is upon us and we are already at the midterm of the semester. I trust your coursework continues to be challenging and meaningful for you. This month I want to share the following information with you.

#### STUDENT NEWS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**David Young** (English) is presenting a paper titled "Framing the Unfilmable: Harold Pinter's Adaptation of *The French Lieutenant's Woman*" at the Mid Atlantic Popular American Culture Association conference in Pittsburg in November. Congratulations David!

### NEW INDUCTEES INTO THE JESUIT HONOR SOCIETY – ALPHA SIGMA NU

Alpha Sigma Nu is the honor society for Jesuit institutions of higher education. This society honors undergraduate and graduate students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty, and service and encourages those so honored to understand, appreciate, and promote the ideas of Jesuit education. Congratulations to the following **graduate** students who will be inducted this fall:

Jennifer Murphy (Biology)

Jennifer Hayek (Communications Management)
Elessa Young (Communications Management)

Ashley Simpson (Counselor Education) Natalie Grabowski (Counselor Education) Lily Moore-Coll (Counselor Education) Coreen Schaefer (Counselor Education)

Jennifer Easley (Education)
Emily Eddings (Education)
Katherine LeSueur (Education)
Matthew McHam (Education)
Diane Wilkoff (Education)

Rachel Hoag (English)
David Young (English)

David Wakefield (History)

Ross Carbone (Nonprofit Administration)
Chantel Davis (Nonprofit Administration)
Ruth Rachel Przybojewski (Nonprofit Administration)
Sara Thomas (Nonprofit Administration)
Lavinia Tighe (Nonprofit Administration)

### CONGRATULATIONS DR. PHIL METRES

*Dr. Phil Metres* (English) is this year's recipient of the Lucrezia Culicchia Excellence in Teaching Award. This award is presented to a faculty member in the College of Arts and Sciences who has made a distinct difference in the teaching climate of the college. Through the generosity of an alumnus, Anthony N. Culicchia ('64), the award continues in the honor of his mother, a former teacher. Dr. Jeanne Colleran, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, presented the award to Dr. Metres at the College's fall faculty meeting.

# FROM THE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

<u>Service Project:</u> Please join GSA on **December 1, 2012 from 6:30-9:30PM** for a one time service project. We will be assisting Quantum LEAP with the holiday dance. Quantum Leap's mission is to advance a society of equal opportunity for all persons, regardless of disability. We are in need of at least 10 volunteers. Please contact Ruth Rachel Przybojewski for more details rprzybojewski14@jcu.edu.

<u>T-Shirts:</u> Are you a Grad? Show your support for Graduate Student Association at John Carroll University by purchasing a t-shirt. Shirts will be sold for \$15.00 each. For more information and to see the design please contact Ruth Rachel Przybojewski at <u>rprzybojewski14@jcu.edu</u>. <u>Meetings:</u> Monthly **general meeting** will be held on <u>November 7, 2012</u> in the Graduate Student Lounge in Grasselli Library at <u>5:10PM.</u> Learn about upcoming GSA events and enjoy food and refreshments. Monthly Grad Gab session will be held on <u>November 14, 2012</u> in the Graduate Student Lounge in Grasselli Library at <u>5:10PM.</u> Grad Gab is a time for graduate students to mingle and enjoy some appetizers before class. For more information please contact Stephani Darr at <u>sdarr14@jcu.edu</u>. <u>Thank You:</u> Thank you to Erin McGrath, Ashley Simpson, and Laura Weichel for helping and representing Graduate Student Association on Saturday October 6, 2012 at JCU's Homecoming Block Party. GSA sponsored a ring toss game at the block party, while increasing graduate student visibility on campus.

For more information feel free to email either Stephanie (<u>sdarr14@jcu.edu</u>) or Ruth Rachel (<u>rprzybojewski14@jcu.edu</u>).

# **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

We are attempting to update and add emergency contact information on all of our graduate students in Banner. Sometimes situations arise and it is important for us to be able to contact a family member or friend if we are not able to contact you, or if some situation arises with you while on campus and we need to notify a family member or friend. May I please ask that you take a few moments, if you have not done so already, and add your emergency contact information in Banner using the following procedure. We greatly appreicate you responding to this request.

- Go to www.jcu.edu/bannerweb
- Enter Secure Area with Banner User ID and Pin
- Click on **Personal Information**
- Click on **View Emergency Contacts** to determine if any are available
- Click on **Update Emergency Contacts** and follow the directions at the top of the screen; this option will allow you to edit any contacts that are present or add new contacts

## NEW NONPROFIT ADMINISTRATION AWARD

The Nonprofit Administration program is excited to announce the *Nonprofit Leader of Tomorrow Award* which will recognize a graduating student who has demonstrated academic excellence, leadership, and service throughout their graduate education. In order to qualify for the award, students must have completed 24 or more credit hours in the program and achieved at least a 3.4 GPA. Students can choose to self-nominate or be nominated for the award. Nominations are due by February 1, 2013 and applications are due by February 15, 2013. More information about the award is available at <a href="http://sites.jcu.edu/nonprofit/nonprofit-leader-of-tomorrow-award/">http://sites.jcu.edu/nonprofit/nonprofit-leader-of-tomorrow-award/</a>

### **SPRING REGISTRATION**

Priority registration for graduate students for the Spring 2013 semester begins on Friday November 2, 2012. The Spring 2013 class schedule is now available on BannerWeb at

https://web4.jcu.edu:4459/PJCU/szqrterm.P\_DispTerm. If you have any questions about registration, please contact either Vivienne Porter or Deborah Drane. Registration will continue through the first week of classes in January.

#### APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION

Students are responsible for submitting an application for graduation. Those students who plan on graduating in spring 2013, the application is due on or before November 26, 2012. The graduation application can be found on the Graduate Studies website at: <a href="http://sites.jcu.edu/graduatestudies/pages/current-students-2/graduation/degree-application/">http://sites.jcu.edu/graduatestudies/pages/current-students-2/graduation/degree-application/</a>

#### GRADUATION EVALUATIONS

If you submitted an application for winter graduation, you will be receiving via email an audit of your program of study. If you have any questions about this evaluation, please contact Deb Drane.

### SUBMITTING THE THESIS/ESSAY

When submitting your thesis/essay/creative project to the Office of Graduate Studies it is recommended that you wait to print your work on the required paper until after you have received approval from your advisor and dean. You may submit it on regular paper along with the appropriate signatures.

#### **JCU RANKED IN TOP 10**

The 2013 "Best Colleges" edition of *U.S. News & World Report ranks* John Carroll University #7 among universities in the Midwest offering master's programs. This marks the 24<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the University has been named as one of the top 10 regional institutions.

# PUBLIC FORUM TO BE HELD AT JCU

Cleveland Housing Solutions will be holding their annual conference at JCU on Thursday, October 25 in the Dolan Center from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. The title of this year's meeting is "Foreclosures and the Student: The Effect of Family Instability on Education." Participants will recognize the impact of housing loss on families with school age children, including educational consequences and emotional health. Keynote speakers are Eric Gordon, CEO of the Cleveland Municipal School District and Bill Kitson, President and CEO of United Way of Greater Cleveland. The forum is free and open to the public. For more information visit their website: http://commhousingsolutions.org/conference-family-stability-initiative/.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

October 18	Memorial Mass for Dr. Chris Roark (5:05pm; St. Francis Chapel)
November 2	Priority Registration for Spring 2013 begins for graduate students
November 19	Deadline to submit Theses/Essays/Projects for Winter graduation
November 26	Deadline to apply for Spring 2013 Graduation

#### RECRUITMENT

Current students and graduates of our programs are the best recruiters for new students. When we ask prospective students how they heard about graduate studies at JCU, the most common answer is a family member, friend, or colleague. Your support of our programs is very much appreciated. If you are so inclined, please suggest to your family and friends thinking about graduate school that they contact our office and learn about our many graduate programs.

Best wishes for a wonderful fall. If you have any accomplishments you wish to share with the JCU graduate community, please send them to me. If there is anything that I or my staff can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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