

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

**Graduate Student Notes #3  
October 2013**

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**

From the English Department:

**Danny Caine** (English) has had a paper accepted to the annual Hemingway conference to be held in Venice Italy in June 2014. The title of the paper is *Beyond the Kissing Stage': How Four Major Hemingway Biographers Treat (and Mistreat) The Agnes Von Kurowsky Affair.*

From the Nonprofit Administration Program:

**Kerry Keyes** accepted the position of Match Support Specialist at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cleveland. **Caitlin McDermott** was promoted from Advancement Coordinator to Director of Annual Fund & Special Events at Saint Martin de Porres High School.

**Brendan Reynolds** is now Corporate & Foundation Relations Officer at Kent State University.

**Richard Rozewski** is now the Program Associate at the Center for Art and Community Partnerships at Massachusetts College of Art.

**Valerie Smart** accepted a new position as the Office Manager at Global Cleveland.

**Andre Calabretta ('08)** has returned to his alma mater as the Director of Major Gifts here at JCU.

**Helen Dumski ('08)** is now the Director of the Center for Bariatric Surgery at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center.

**Jessica Hagerty ('13)** was promoted from Research Assistant to Donor Engagement Coordinator at Playhouse Square.

**Liliana (Morales) Scales ('12)** accepted the position of Education Manger at Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund in Chicago.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

John Carroll University's graduate and undergraduate teacher education programs have earned reaccreditation through October 2019 from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Our counselor education programs, Clinical Mental Health and School Counseling, have earned reaccreditation through October 2020 from the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). Accreditation by these national organizations reflects the high quality of our programs, our faculty, and our students. Countless hours are spent preparing for reaccreditation. Congratulations and our sincere thanks to the faculty, students, and staff of our Department of Education and Allied Studies.

**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 appreciate you responding to this request.

- Go to [www.jcu.edu/bannerweb](http://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

### **THE 20TH ANNUAL WELLNESS CONFERENCE: BECOMING SPIRITUALLY COMPETENT**

On Friday November 15th from 9:00-1:00, the John Carroll University Counselor Education Program is sponsoring the 20th annual Wellness Conference. With Dr. Alice Graham, President of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors as the keynote speaker, the conference will also include a panel discussion about the interface of spirituality and counseling. Members of the panel will include Rabbi Enid Lader, Dr. Zeki Saritoprak and Sojun Diane Martin. The conference will be held in the Jardine Room. CEU's are available. JCU students and faculty are admitted free of charge, but should register by emailing Deanna DePenti at [ddepenti@jcu.edu](mailto:ddepenti@jcu.edu).

### **SPRING REGISTRATION**

Priority registration for graduate students for the Spring 2014 semester begins on Friday November 1, 2013. The Spring 2014 class schedule is now available on BannerWeb at [https://web4.jcu.edu:4459/PJCU/szqrterm.P\\_DispTerm](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.

### **GRADUATION INFORMATION**

#### **Application for Spring Graduation**

Students are responsible for submitting an application for graduation. Those students who plan on graduating in spring 2014, the application is due on or before November 25, 2013. The graduation application can be found on the Graduate Studies website at: <http://sites.jcu.edu/graduatestudies/pages/current-students-2/graduation/degree-application/>

#### **Graduation Evaluations**

If you submitted an application for winter graduation, you should have received or 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.

#### **Graduation Fee**

The graduation fee for spring 2014 has recently been raised to \$200.

### **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.

### **EDUCATION STUDENTS – WERTHEIM AWARD APPLICATION**

The Sally H. Wertheim Educational Leadership Scholarship applications are now available through the Department of Education & Allied Studies website. Here's the link to the Awards page: <http://sites.jcu.edu/education/pages/student-information/awards/>. This scholarship recognizes an outstanding graduate student who not only demonstrates leadership, 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 award must be a currently active student in a graduate degree program in education at John Carroll. Deadline for applications and supporting documentation is **Friday, November 15, 2013**. The winner of this scholarship receives up to \$5,000 towards JCU tuition and will be announced in December. The award will be available beginning Spring, 2014.

### **FINANCIAL AID CONSIDERATIONS**

Financial aid awards are based on enrollment status (full or part-time) for each term. Full time for financial aid purposes is defined as 9 credit hours per semester. If students are expecting to receive the maximum amount awarded for a semester, they must be taking 9 credits. Students who take less than 9 credits in a given term will have their financial aid award adjusted accordingly. Students should also be aware of the impact of enrollment

status on some medical/dental insurance plans, particularly if they are on their parents' insurance. Some plans require that students maintain full time status, again defined as nine credit hours per semester.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

November 1 Priority Registration for Spring 2014 begins for graduate students  
November 18 Deadline to submit Theses/Essays/Projects for Winter graduation  
November 25 Deadline to apply for Spring 2014 Graduation

Upcoming Events of interest:

October 26 Human Rights Film Festival, 1-6pm; AD 226  
October 31 East Asian Festival, 3-6pm; Dolan Center  
November 15 Wellness Conference, 9-1; Jardine Room

### **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 continued success this semester. 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.



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