

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

**Graduate Student Notes #5
January 2014**

Dear Colleagues:

Happy New Year to all of you! I hope you have enjoyed some restful and enjoyable time with family and friends during these few weeks. 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, 2014. Congratulations to each of these students for a job well done and best wishes for their future endeavors:

Biology

Kimberly Thompson

Education

Maureen Joseph
Lisa Anderson
La'Verne Lynch
Mary Pelhan
Diane Wilkoff
Alissa Bendler
Courtney Horwat
Adam Kriwinsky
Karl Roshong
Christopher Laco
Georgana Fox
Heidi Levine-Shtern

Nonprofit Administration

Kerry Keyes
Caitlin McDermott
Tia Pearson
Richard Rozewski
Ann Weber

Communications Management

Chika Okoye
Kathryn Pusateri

Counseling

Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Molly Cingcade
Sarah Borgos
Christopher DeFranco
Anne Root
Samantha Sheppard
Wendy Weil

Community Counseling

Adrienne Chinni
Marisa Fatica
Kelsey Kenny
Laurie Price

School Counseling

Kathleen Eustace

GRADUATE STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Charmae Cotton (English; '13G) has been invited to share her research, "The Wife's Lament and the Sorrow of Mary Magdalene," at the Anglo-Saxon Womanhood Conference sponsored by the University of Manchester, England, in April 2014. Charmae is a Ph.D. candidate at Kent State University.

Heather (Thomas) Cox (Education/School-based Program, '04G) was honored by the White House as a "Champion of Change" for creatively using technology to enhance learning for students. Heather is a 4th grade teacher and grade

level chair in Milton Georgia. Over the past nine years she has spearheaded several technology initiatives for students and teachers.

Bridget Tichar (Communications Management) was featured in the December 8, 2013 edition of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* for her work in the “Fight Like Mike Program.”

Students in the School Psychology Ed. S. Program have had their research accepted by the National Association of School Psychologists for presentations at the organization’s annual conference to be held in Washington DC in February 2014. Congratulations to **Samantha Barsa, Colleen Bennett, Lindsey Brandel, Ellen Gustafson, Katheryn Hart, Bradley Paramore, Katherine Petzke, Whitney Poole, and Shannon Sullivan**. Their presentations will focus on a variety of perspectives related to School Psychologists’ Consultation Skills.

Carson Bay (Theology and Religious Studies) is presenting a paper titled “Leonine Imagery in John’s Revelation” at the Midwest Society of Biblical Literature Annual Conference in Bourbonnois, IL, in February 2014.

If you have any news of accomplishments, promotions, or research, and would like to share them with the CAS graduate student community, please send them to me and I will include them in February’s notes.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FACULTY

The following faculty who teach in our graduate programs have been awarded JCU Summer Research Fellowships. Congratulations to Drs. **Greg DiLisi** (ED), **Jeff Johansen** (BL), **Mike Martin** (BL), **George Bilgere** (EN), **Debby Rosenthal** (EN), **Jennifer Allen Catellier** (CO), and **Phil Metres** (EN).

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 April 8. The deadline for submission of proposals is March 4. Applications for submission can be found at the following website: <http://sites.jcu.edu/celebration/pages/information-for-applicants/>. 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 26 through January 31. 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/>.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

There are times when life happens during a semester and we find that we have to withdraw from a course or all of our courses for a semester or more. As we begin a new semester I want to remind you of John Carroll’s withdrawal policy and procedures. Should you find it necessary to withdraw please keep in mind the following:

- There are established deadlines for course withdrawal in order to receive tuition refunds. These deadlines are posted on the website and listed below under Important Dates.
- It is the student’s responsibility to withdraw from a course. If a student does not formally withdraw from a course, a grade of F or WF will be assigned by the instructor. Once submitted, such a grade cannot be changed in most cases.

- If a student has to withdraw from all courses in a given semester, there is a Complete Withdrawal Form that needs to be submitted to our office.
- If a student withdraws and does not re-enroll for more than two academic years, the student must follow the process for readmission to the university.

If you have any questions about course withdrawal, please do not hesitate to contact me.

IMPORTANT DATES

January 17	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with full refund
January 20	Martin Luther King Holiday; No classes
January 24	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with 67% refund
January 31	Last day to withdraw from spring courses with 33% refund
February 15	Application for Summer 2014 Graduation Due
March 1	Application for Graduate Assistantships for 2014-2015 due
March 4	Applications for <i>Celebration of Scholarship</i> due
April 8	Thesis/Essay/Project Deadline for Spring 2014 Graduation
April 15	Comprehensive Examination Deadline for Spring 2014 Graduation

BEST WISHES TO DEBORAH DRANE

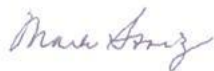
Many of you have gotten to know Deb Drane over the past 2 ½ years in her role as Records Management Assistant in our office. She assists students from the time they are accepted to the University through to the time they graduate. Deb has decided to leave her position, effective January 10, 2014, to complete her internship requirements for the degree and license in the Clinical Mental Health Counseling Program. I want to thank Deb for her hard work and the outstanding service she has provided our graduate students. Please join me in wishing Deb all the very best as she embarks on the next part of her life's journey.

AND WELCOME TO TERRY BRADLEY

I also want to welcome Ms. Terry Bradley who will be assuming the position of Records Management Assistant effective January 6, 2014. Terry is currently the administrative assistant for the Philosophy Department at JCU. We are grateful that Terry has decided to join our team, and I know she is looking forward to working with our graduate students. Welcome Terry!

I hope you have a successful and fulfilling spring semester. If I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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