

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

**Graduate Student Notes #8
April 2014**

Dear Colleagues:

It's finally spring! I hope you are enjoying the changing weather. As we approach the end of the semester I want to pass along the following information to you:

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

CONGRATULATIONS to the following graduate students in the college of Arts and Sciences:

Stacey Litam (Clinical Mental Health Counseling) has been awarded the 2014 Emerging Leader Award from the Association of Humanistic Counselors. This is a highly competitive, nationwide award given to one master's level student, one doctoral level student, and one new professional counselor. She recently received her award at the annual American Counselor Association's conference in Hawaii. In addition, Stacey has also been accepted into Kent State University's doctoral program in Counselor Education and Supervision.

Carson Bay (Theology and Religious Studies) presented a paper entitled "What is Monastic *Paideia*?" at the Eastern Great Lakes Biblical Association's Annual Meeting in Erie, PA. In addition, Carson has been accepted to Florida State's PhD. Program in Religions of Western Antiquity.

Danielle Simpson (School Psychology) is presenting a paper at the American Educational Research Association's Annual Meeting in Philadelphia in April. The title of her presentation is "E-books in the preschool literacy environment: Is there value-added for word learning."

Jenny Schmidt (School Psychology '13G) has been accepted into the doctoral program at Robert Morris University in School Psychology. Jenny is currently a school psychologist in the St. Clairsville-Richland City School District.

Cameron Eddy (Biology) has been awarded a \$500 grant from the Ohio Biological Survey to survey salamander populations on the Lake Erie Islands. Salamanders are incredibly important components of forest floor food webs—as both predators and as prey.

FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following faculty who teach graduate courses in the College of Arts and Sciences:

The following faculty has been awarded the Grauel Faculty Fellowship for 2014-2015 which supports faculty research:

George Bilgere (English)	Emily Butler (English)
Rebecca Drenovsky (Biology)	Jeanne Jenkins (School Psychology)
Ralph Saporito (Biology)	Paul Nietupski (Theology and Religious Studies)
Zeki Saritoprak (Theology and Religious Studies)	

The following faculty has been promoted in rank:

Christopher Sheil (Full Professor - Biology)
Zeki Saritoprak (Full Professor - Theology and Religious Studies)
Thomas Pace (Associate Professor – English)
Cecile Brennan (Associate Professor and Tenure – Clinical Mental Health Counseling)

CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

John Carroll University's *Celebration of Scholarship* is next week, April 7-10. You can find a complete list of events at: <http://sites.jcu.edu/celebration/pages/2014-schedule/>. Twenty-nine graduate students in the College will be presenting their research, including:

BIOLOGY: Cameron Eddy, Cory Gotowka, Alison Minerovic, Andrew Schafer, Julie Ziemba
COUNSELING: Sharon Schwam, Michelle Reynolds, Len Spacek, Christopher Petitti
ENGLISH: Renee Berkheimer, Daniel Caine, Darcy Egan, Lila Ibrahim, Erin Kelley, Katie Ours, Elizabeth Wells
NONPROFIT ADMINISTRATION: Lauren Halladay
SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY: Samantha Barsa, Colleen Bennett, Lindsay Brandel, Alicia Cornell, Emily Cox, Ellen Gustafson, Katie Hart, Bradley Paramore, Katherine Petzke, Whitney Poole, Shannon Sullivan
THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES: Carson Bay, Meagen Howe, Jenni Shelton

If time permits I hope you find some time to support our graduate students and the many others who are sharing their work with the JCU community.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2014

Summer classes begin on May 12. If you have not yet registered, there's still time. Please contact the Graduate Studies Office if you have questions or if we can assist you with the registration process.

FALL REGISTRATION

Registration for the fall semester began Monday, March 31. If you need assistance with registration, please contact the Office of Graduate Studies. You may also want to connect with your academic advisor to be sure you are on track to reach your professional and personal academic goals.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 7	Due Date for Theses/Essays/Projects for Spring Graduation
May 5	Final Exam Week begins
May 12	Summer Session I begins
	Spring Grades posted
May 18	Commencement

IN MEMORIAM

Last month, Dr. William Francis Ryan died at the age of 79. Dr. Ryan was a member of the JCU community since 1983 serving as Associate Professor of History, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and most recently Director of the Humanities Program, a position he held from 1988-2008.

During his time as director of the graduate Humanities Program, Bill was most known for his annual lecture series and summer institutes. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Ryan family.

Best wishes for a successful completion of the spring semester.

Sincerely,



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