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Welcome!

The Graduate School welcomes :

Cynthia Pumphrey, Administrative Specialist, Graduate School; and Keri Uravich, Admissions Officer, Graduate Admissions.

View the full staff directory:

<http://www.grad.usf.edu/staff.asp>

Upcoming Events!

Jan 28	Challenge Grant Presentations
Feb 3	ETD Bootcamp
Feb 4	ETD Registration deadline
Feb 25	ETD Bootcamp
Mar 24	ETD Workshop
Mar 25	ETD Bootcamp
Apr 1	Final thesis submission deadline
Apr 4-9	GPSC Student Appreciation Week
Apr 8	ETD Bootcamp
Apr 15	Final dissertation submission deadline
May 7	Commencement

Previously published newsletters may be viewed on the Graduate School web site:
www.grad.usf.edu/newsletter

Welcome to Students from the Graduate Dean, Dr. Karen Liller



Dr. Karen Liller

I would like to personally welcome all new and continuing students to the University of South Florida for the Spring 2011 semester. We are very pleased you have decided that USF is your choice for graduate education. In the Graduate School, we continue to offer professional development workshops, opportunities for research, electronic thesis and dissertation boot camps, teaching and research workshops, social events, and more. I ask that you continue to monitor our web site at www.grad.usf.edu to learn of these and other activities and programs that will enhance your academic program and prepare you for global leadership. I wish for you a very productive and academically-enriched semester and look forward to seeing you on campus!

Graduate School Celebrates 30th Anniversary During 2010-2011 Academic Year



Chief Kerlikowske

As part of the Graduate School's 30th Anniversary Celebration, the Graduate School established the *Graduate School Celebratory Alumni Award*, honoring outstanding graduate alumni in various fields. The first recipient was Chief Gil Kerlikowske, who



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National Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week

During the week of April 4-9, 2011, the Graduate and Professional Student Council, in conjunction with the Postdoctoral Scholars Association, will be celebrating the National Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week. The week-long celebration recognizes the

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2011-12 Graduate Student Research Challenge Grants

The Graduate School is pleased to announce the winning teams of the 2011-2012 Graduate Student Research Challenge Grant program. Special thanks to the Office of the Provost and the Office of Research & Innovation for funding these very important awards for students, and members of the Graduate Council who reviewed and scored the projects. The research proposals submitted were very eclectic and each team is interdisciplinary – a

requirement of the program. The funded proposals are:

A System Dynamics Approach to Water and Energy Resources Management in Hillsborough County-Yilin Zhuang (EN), Haiping Yin (EN), Edward DiMarco (BA/AS), Keshay Pokhrel (AS).

Efficient Supply Chain and Alliance Network Structures and the Impact on Innovativeness of Florida's High Tech Industries-Fethullah Caliskan

(EN), Ozan Ozcan (EN), David Zeller (AS), Berna Colak (BA).

Enteroparasitosis in Children of an Indigenous Community in the Central Andes Region of Ecuador: Can Undernutrition and Micronutrient Deficiencies of Selenium Affect the Pathogenic Process?-Natalia Vargas (PH), Rebecca Nupp (AS), Frances Rivera (AS), Sharad Malavade (PH), Charlotte Noble (AS).

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KUDOS!

Research Excellence Award Winners!

On October 10, 2010, the Graduate School, the office of Research and Innovation and the GPSC hosted the 3rd Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium. More than 100 students participated in the symposium and presented posters and oral presentations of their current research projects. Dr. Paul Sandberg (USF Health) delivered the keynote address "Translating Research to Invention for the Entrepreneurial Student: A Personal Perspective." The Graduate School congratulates all students who participated in the event. The 2010 Research Excellence Award recipients are:

Doctoral

Mimi Li, SLAIT, Education. Title: *Wiki-Mediated Collaborative Writing: Students' Interactions and Perceptions*

Heather Harper, Applied Physics, Art & Sciences. Title: *Controlling Collagen Elasticity for Tissue Engineering*

Mersedeh Akhoondan, Civil & Environmental Eng., Engineering. Title: *Catholic Behavior of ~9% Cr Steel Reinforcement in Concrete*

Masters

Lindsay Morton, Epidemiology & Communicable Diseases, Public Health. Title: *Breaking the Ice: Searching for New Antimalarial Compounds in Antarctic and Other Microbes*



Jose Hasemann, Applied Anthropology, Arts & Sciences. Title: *Abrogating an Arbovirus: Dengue Fever Prevention in Tegucigalpa, Honduras*

Holly Rolls, Marine Assessment Resources, Marine Science. Title: *Defining Fish Nursery Habitats: An Application of Otolith Elemental Fingerprinting in Tampa Bay, Florida*

For more information visit: www.grad.usf.edu/research-symposium.asp

First USF Ph.D. History Students Published!

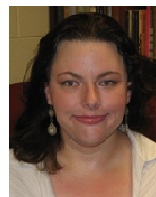
Brittany Vosler and Deborah Bauer, admitted to the History Ph.D. program in 2009, are already making the university proud of their great success! Both second year Ph.D. students have recently had accepted for publication articles in prominent scholarly journals. This represents a 100% success rate in publication for the first class of the PhD program in History at USF!

Ms. Vosler's article, "Making his way to the heart of India: British Missionaries, Indian Nationalism, and the Religious Belonging in Post-World War I India" was accepted for publication by the journal *British Scholar*, and appeared in the September 2010 issue (Vol. 3, Issue 1). Ms. Vosler's article discusses the period following the First World War, when the British Empire faced growing obstacles as anti-colonial nationalist movements became more vocal worldwide. In her article, she examined British missionaries in India during this period as they grappled with their competing religious and imperial missions in the face of the growing *swaraj* movement. Their efforts to win the hearts and minds of the Indian peasantry revealed both internal tensions over the meanings of Britishness following the war as well as how non-state imperial agents imagined and articulated their mission in the face of anti-colonial nationalism.



Brittany Vosler

Deborah L. Bauer's article entitled "...in a strange place...": The Experiences of British Women during the Colonization of East and West Florida" will be featured in the Fall 2010 edition of the *Florida Historical Quarterly* (Vol. 89, Number 2). In her study, Ms. Bauer discusses the period between 1763 and 1784, when colonial society in East and West Florida birthed a new microcosm of British colonial society. The rise and fall of British social and cultural norms in Florida represent a heretofore untapped resource that may help scholars of colonial America, imperial Britain, and the larger Atlantic world further understand the nature of life in British North America before the American Revolution. The historiography of colonial Florida has typically ignored the study of the social experiences of women who lived there and other gender issues for two reasons. In the past, historians have overlooked the dominion of the British in the history of East and West Florida either due to an assessment that appropriate primary source materials remain scarce or an evaluation that the British era in the Floridas was too short in duration to merit significant study and consideration. In this study of the experiences of women who lived in the British Floridas, Ms. Bauer challenges these notions.



Deborah L. Bauer

Global Sustainability Students Complete First Semester!

Congratulations to the first cohort of students in the M.A. Program in the School of Global Sustainability who have successfully completed their first semester!

The administrative offices for the School of Global Sustainability are now located in the Patel Center for Global Solutions.

For more information about USF's School of Global Sustainability and the Master of Arts program visit: sgs.usf.edu, or contact James at

jamesargarpao@grad.usf.edu, or phone 974-9694.



2011-2012 Funded Challenge Grant Proposals

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Formaldehyde in the Tampa Area: Predicting Health Impacts on a Local Level-Daniel Santiago (AS), Shabnam Mehra (PH), Ashley Mullen (EN), Haofei Yu (PH).

International Biobanking: A Feasibility Study in Securing a Sustainable Investment into Cancer Research and Epigenetics-F. Alejandro Montiel-Ishino (PH/AS), Ashley Gallentine (PH/AS), Kara McGinnis (PH/AS), Robert Eugene Cowherd (PH/AS), Kyle Dalton (ME).

Large Scale Energy-Efficient Data Management-Zi-Chen Xu (EN), Peyman Behzadnia (EN), Wei Yuan (EN), Xian-Qi Li (AS).

Perceptions of Fathers' Involvement during Pregnancy in a Black Community: Identifying Contextual and Culturally Relevant Language-Natalie Rella (PH), Erica Coates (AS), Jamila Seation (PH), Adejoke Ogunrinde (PH).

Strong Ties in Sustainable Supply Chains: Interdisciplinary Research

Integrating Social, Environmental, and Economic Dimensions of Inter-Firm Relationships-Ozan Ozcan (EN), Fethullah Caliskan (EN), Denis Ozcan (AS), Brenda Mason (AS).

For further information and to read the abstracts for each award team, please go to www.grad.usf.edu/funding-challenge-grants.asp.

College Acronyms:
AS-Arts & Sciences, EN-Engineering,
BA-Business, ME-Medicine, PH-Public Health

Alumni Receive Graduate School Awards

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currently serves as the Director for Drug Policy and Control for the Obama Administration and is a graduate alumnus from the Criminal Justice Administration. Chief Kerlikowske received his award in May 2010.

Mrs. Sonja Garcia, graduate alumnus from



Mrs. Sonja Garcia

Library and Information Science and former USF librarian and BOT member received her award September 9, 2010.



Dr. Rony Francois

October 29, 2010.

Dr. Chad Dickey, faculty at the Byrd

Alzheimer's Institute was recognized on January 13, 2011.

The Graduate School will recognize additional outstanding graduate alumni throughout this semester, culminating on our official anniversary date of March 4, 2011, honoring Tampa Mayor Pam Iorio.



Dr. Chad Dickey

To read more about the honorees, visit www.grad.usf.edu/30years.asp.

Students 2010-11 Challenge Grant Final Presentations

The Graduate School is pleased to announce that the final presentations of the 2010-2011 Graduate Student Research Challenge Grant awardees will take place on January 28, 2011, in the Marshall Student Center-Oak Room-MS-C 3707, from 10 a.m.—12 p.m. Students are awarded challenge Grant funds on behalf of the Graduate School through the Provost and Dr. Holbrook from the Office of Research and Innovation.

Reading Gender: Feminine and Masculine Expressions in the Literary Arts-Jennifer Earles (AS), Eva Earles (AS), Kelly Wagner (AS), Elaine Taylor (AS), Karianne Nixon (ED).

A Multidisciplinary Community Nutritional Needs Assessment in Rural Swaziland: Mapping Vulnerability, Food

Insecurity and Malnutrition, and Assessing Feasibility of Moringa oleifera Proliferation-Bryan Booth (AS), Elizabeth Helfert (PH), Charlotte Noble (AS/PH), Jennifer Peregoy (PH), Lisa Strange (ED).

Photo-Novellas: A Novel Approach to Address Health Disparities and Sustainability-F. Alejandro Montiel-Ishino (AS/PH), Maisha Kambon (AS), Miranda Holloway (PH), Kara McGinnis (AS/PH), Christopher Otten (TA).

The Study of the Effect of Increase of the Sodium (Na)/Potassium (K) Pumping Rate on Glucose Transport and Metabolism-Claussell Mathis (AS), Rudraskandan Ratnadurai (EN), Mandek Richardson (EN).

Pediatricians and Secondary Prevention of Depression in Youth with Type I and Type II Diabetes: A Stage of Change Approach-Alessandra Giannini (ME), Jessica Fox (BC), Christine Spiker (PH), Jinghua Lin (NU).

Novel Data Collection Strategies for Pandemic Surveillance: An Interdisciplinary Design and Evaluation-Diana M. Prieto (EN), Alfredo Santana Reynoso (EN), Sharad Malavade (PH).

The Optimal Design of Water Supply Systems for Energy Efficiency in Tampa Bay Area-Qingwei Li (EN), Weiwei Mo (EN), John Korecki (EN), Bryan Booth (AS).

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AS-Arts & Sciences, BC-Behavioral & Community Sciences, ED-Education, EN-Engineering, BA-Business, ME-Medicine, PH-Public Health, TA-The Arts

GPSC Student Appreciation Week

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contributions and efforts of USF graduate and professional students. Events include promotions and workshops. See full schedule of events below. For updates and more information, please visit the Graduate and Professional Student Council web site at www.gpsc.usf.edu, or contact Keara Dotson at madotson@mail.usf.edu.

Events:

- **Monday, April 4, 2011**
Graduate Student Appreciation Breakfast
10:00-11:30 a. m., BEH 318
- **Wednesday, April 6, 2011**
GPSC General Assembly Meeting & Workshop—
Balancing Graduate Life and Careers
3:00-5:00 p. m., Location TBD
- **Thursday, April 7, 2011**
Graduate Student Social at Peabody's
5:00-8:00 p. m., Peabody's Billiards
- **Friday, April 8, 2011**
Graduate Student Awards Banquet
6:00-9:00 p. m., Location TBD
- **Saturday, April 9, 2011**
Family Appreciation Day and Graduate Student
Tournament
10:00 a. m.-3:00 p. m., Riverfront Park

Graduate School Division News

Admissions/Academics Farewells

The Graduate School bids a fond farewell. Nancy Moening, Admissions Officer, began her career at the Graduate School in 1990; and Gloria Farmer, Graduate School Liaison for Graduate Appeals. They will be missed but we hope they enjoy their well-deserved retirements.

Graduate Student Success

Electronic Thesis/Dissertation Update-

Need help formatting and submitting your electronic thesis or dissertation? See the ETD Resource Center web page at grad.usf.edu/thesis.asp for formatting tutorials/bootcamps and workshops.

Fellowships-

The Graduate School is accepting applications for the 2011 **Doctoral Dissertation Completion** and **USF Signature Research Doctoral Fellowships**. The application deadline for the fellowships is Friday, March 25, 2011. Eligibility criteria, funding amount, duration and other details about these and other Graduate School Fellowships may be found on the Scholarship and fellowships website, grad.usf.edu/grants.asp.

Graduate School Calendar of Events/Meeting Schedule

Graduate Student Success

30th Anniversary Celebratory Alumni Award Events (http://www.grad.usf.edu/30years.asp)	Feb 18
30th Anniversary Faculty Culminating Event	Mar 4
Graduate Faculty Mentor Award Presentation	Mar 4
ETD & Graduation Deadlines —Spring Semester (http://www.grad.usf.edu/ETD-deadlines.asp)	
Final Thesis Submission (Grad School)	Apr 1
Final Dissertation Submission (Grad School)	Apr 15

Professional Development Workshops (<http://www.grad.usf.edu/workshops.asp>)

USF Library Workshops	1/20 & 2/16
Navigating and Succeeding in Graduate School	1/20
Writing for Success	1/27
Finding a Faculty Mentor/Tips for Choosing a Research Topic	2/2
Finding Funding for Your Research	2/2
Demystifying the Publication Process	2/15
Understanding ETD Process & Formatting (required for graduate students)	3/24

Postdoctoral Workshops (see website: <http://www.grad.usf.edu/postdocworkshops.asp>)

Graduate Executive Coordination Committee (GECC)

Jan 25 Apr 26	Feb 22 May 24	Mar 22 Jun 28
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USF Tampa Graduate Council

1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, time as noted, BEH 318
<http://www.grad.usf.edu/graduate-council.asp>

<u>Policy (9-11 a.m.)</u> <u>Curriculum (1-3 p.m.)</u>	<u>Full Council</u> <u>(1-3 p.m.)</u>
Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 7 Apr 4, May 2, June 6	Jan 24, Feb 21, Mar 21 Apr 18, May 16, June 20

Graduate Associate Deans & Representatives (GADR)

Jan 26 Apr 27	Feb 23 May 25	Mar 23 June 22
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Graduate Enrollment Management (GEM)

3rd Tuesday of each month, 9-10:00 a.m., BEH 318

Jan 24 Apr 18 July 18	Feb 21 May 16	Mar 21 June 20
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Graduate Program Coordinators Brown Bag Spring 2011 Schedule

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., TECO Room, Anchin Center
<http://www.grad.usf.edu/graduate-directors.asp>

Jan 13	Feb 16	Mar 24	Apr 20
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