

What's New?

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FSU and U.S. Army Medical Command Enter into Cooperative Research and Development Agreement

FSU has signed a master Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the Clinical and Translational Research Program Office of the U.S. Army Medical Command for performing medical Research, Development, Testing, and/or Evaluation (RDTE) work. The purpose of this Agreement is to expedite the transfer of federal technology from the Federal Laboratory to the private sector (represented by the Collaborating Party) through the sharing of resources and information towards the successful completion of the RDTE project. The initial participating parties are the Clinical and Translational Research Program Office of the U. S. Army Medical Command and the Research and Technology Transfer of the Fayetteville State University. The contact for this CRADA is Dr. Daryush ILA, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Technology Transfer. Dr. ILA stated, "This CRADA will expand the research and development partnership among the U.S. Army Medical Command with FSU programs, such as Nursing, Health Care Management, Biology, Psychology, Forensic Science, Chemistry/Physics, Social Work, Criminal Justice, and enhance community engagement.

FSU Online MBA Program Ranked by U.S. News and World Report

The FSU Online Master of Business Administration program has been ranked #72 nationwide in U.S. News and World Report's "best online master's degree programs in business administration, based on factors such as admissions selectivity, reputation for excellence among peer institutions and academic and career support services offered to students." FSU's MBA program is noted for being accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), "the gold standard of business school accreditation" and for being "an award winning program, with significant individualized faculty support, designed for working adults." The MBA Program is led by Dr. Stephan Phelan in the FSU School of Business and Economics.

FSU Selected as Member of Carnegie Project on the Educational Doctorate (CPED) Consortium

The Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED) has accepted FSU's Educational Leadership program, specifically the Doctor of Education (EdD) program, as one of 22 graduate schools recently invited to be members of the CPED Consortium. The prestigious Consortium is a model of professional development for redesigning professional practice preparation in education for the improvement of Pre-K through 20 education and the organizations that support this effort. Drs. Simon Elias and Linda Wilson-Jones will spearhead FSU's involvement and undertake a critical examination of

(cont.) the EdD through dialog, experimentation, critical feedback, and evaluation with members of the consortium.

Academic Affairs 2017-18 Administrative Fellows

The *inaugural* 2017-18 Class of Academic Affairs Administrative Fellows has been named: Dr. Jeremy Fiebig (Performing and Fine Arts) and Dr. Peter Eley (Middle Grades, Secondary, and Specialized Subjects) will work in the University College; Dr. Zhenlu Cui (Mathematics and Computer Science) will support student-faculty research in the Honors Program; Dr. Hideki Morooka (Sociology) will assist in the Office of Institutional Research; Dr. Pius Nyutu (Psychology) will work with the Office of Faculty Development and Online Education in administering the COACHE survey; and Dr. Kelli Walsh (Government and History) will work with the Office of Academic Affairs to support faculty development. The Administrative Fellows Program is designed for tenured faculty members who seek experience in higher education administration. Administrative Fellows will increase their understanding of factors that influence higher education policies and practices at the national, state, and institutional levels and will gain first-hand experience in working with faculty, staff, and other administrators in implementing specific institutional projects. Congratulate your colleagues for accepting these important administrative projects!

Sign Up for Student Financial Liaison Certification Program: *Become certified to assist students with understanding how to address increasingly complex financial obligations.*

If interested, register today to become a certified Student Financial Liaison. A workshop hosted by the Office of Financial Aid and Office of Student Accounts will be held **Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm in the Science & Technology Building, Rooms 237 and 238.** Participants will be paid a \$100 stipend upon successfully completing both the workshop and assessment. To register, go to: <http://financial-liaison-cert-4-29-17.eventzilla.net/> or contact Mrs. Kamesia House, ext. 1712.

FSU Faculty/Students/Alumni on the Move

- Two FSU theatre program alumni--**Deon Lee ('14)** and **Lydia Williamson ('15)**—will perform in the lead rolls of *Romeo & Juliet* this summer at Hoosier Shakes, a theatre company in Indiana. **Dr. Jeremy Fiebig, FSU Associate Professor of theatre**, will direct the production. Lydia and Deon will also be in another production (*Much Ado About Nothing*) for this company. Lee is a dancer/actor. Some of his most recent credits include: *The Little Mermaid*, *The Bluest Eye*, *The Wiz* (Cape Fear Regional Theater), *A Few Good Men* (Theater Raleigh), and the New York Premier of *Asylum* (Only Child Aerial Theater). Williamson's most recent work includes Actors Theatre of Charlotte's *Booty Candy* (Various), Cape Fear Regional Theatre's *The Three Musketeers* (Constance), *The Bluest Eye* (Claudia), and *The Piano Lesson* (Grace). Visit: <http://hoosiershakes.com>
- School of Education faculty and students attended the NC Association of Educators Spring Conference in Raleigh (NC). **Amber Cephas, Damira Vaughn and Don'Nisha Ambrose**, student members of the Future Educators' Club attended sessions on Education Law, Bullying & Harassment, Degrees Not Debt, and College & Career Ready Standards. They were accompanied by **Mr. Lee Howell and Dr. Marilyn Lanier**, advisor to the student NCAE/FEC.
- **Mr. Jonathan Chesnut**, Professor of Visual Arts in the Department of Performing and Fine Arts, has been selected to participate in the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) 2nd class of Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). The ELP program is for mid-career professional staff and faculty. This 2nd class of Emerging Leaders will begin in summer 2017 and be assigned a project/initiative. Thereafter, quarterly meetings will be held with the ELP Coordinator and mentor.
- **Chibu Umerah**, a graduating senior majoring in Chemistry with a minor in Materials Science, has excelled in proposal writing, receiving grant awards, presenting and publishing, and conducting innovative research that has resulted in technology transfer and economic development. Her many accomplishments include being the President and Founder of the Fayetteville State Chapter of the Materials Research Society (co-founded with Dr. Carla Padilla, Compliance and Export Control Officer in the FSU Office of Sponsored Research and Programs); winning the Innovation Funds NC grant for Medical Device marketing; winning 3rd place at the International Materials Innovations Awards competing with students from Johns Hopkins University (1st place), Harvard University (2nd place), and Duke University (4th place); winning a competitive outreach grant award of over \$1,000 from Materials Research Science HQ; obtaining funds for external speakers for the Departments of Biological Sciences and Chemistry & Physics; receiving the National Science Foundation IGERT Fellowship Award that includes a five-year full scholarship toward a PhD degree in Materials Science and Engineering, stipend, and travel allowance valued at \$350,000 from Tuskegee University; being invited to apply for another full scholarship toward a PhD degree and professional position upon completion from the Department of Defense S.T.A.R.s program; being invited to apply for a summer program at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory; as well as having two papers accepted for presentation at the International Advanced Materials (ICAM) and two more at the International Conference on Ion Beam Modification of Materials. Ms. Umerah is an exceptional student that FSU Academic Affairs is proud to salute and recognize for all of these outstanding accomplishments.
- **FSU Forensic Biology Students' Careers on the Move:**
 - Congratulations to **Amy Barrett ('16)** for being hired as a Research Assistant I in the Biomedical Sciences department at Mercer University Savannah, GA.
 - Congratulations to **Whitney Griffin ('16)** for being hired at Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department as a Crime Scene Investigator.
 - Congratulations to **D-Jon-Nique Devone**, graduating senior (May 2017), for being accepted into the Master of Science in Forensic Science program at Buffalo State University of New York (SUNY).

School of Education in the Community

- **Dr. Marion Gillis-Olson**, Dean of the FSU School of Education provided an update to the Cumberland County Schools Board of Education on March 30th. She emphasized FSU's historical commitment to the community through its ongoing preparation of qualified teacher education graduates and administrators. She also responded to specific questions about the pipeline of teachers in mathematics and science.
- **FSU Elementary Education**
 - A "Reading Round About" event was held at the North Fayetteville Branch of the Cumberland County Library on March 1st. The focus of the event was the military child. Brave Like Me by Barbara Kerley was read to 20 Pre-K to 3rd grade children. Each child was given a mini-US flag and a book in which to write their own story at home.
 - In March, two elementary education candidates, **Leacer Powell and Brianna Crisp**, presented at the *International Literacy Association Annual Conference* in Raleigh about their field experience at Fergusen Elementary School where they tutored 3rd graders in reading as part of a teacher education course taught in a dedicated classroom for FSU at the school.
- **Dr. Linda Wilson-Jones**, Educational Leadership, and **Mr. Lee Howell**, SOEARRC, presented information on teaching as a career at two Cumberland County elementary schools' career fairs.

Kellogg Foundation Renews Funding for Teacher Recruitment

The Kellogg Foundation accepted the SOE's first annual report on the Black Men Teaching recruitment initiative at Westover High School. Funding for the second year of operation has been approved.

Spring Open House 2017 held on March 25th had the largest number of prospective student attendees in FSU history — 675 (up 23% from last year). The total attendees, including 647 other guests was 1,318. This success was the result of campus-wide collaboration, including Admissions, Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Institutional Advancement, Campus Police, Athletics, and Facilities Management.

Got a question about FSU? Get answers...Check out the **FSU Enrollment Services Center "All FAQs" web page** that has links to approximately 20 different campus-wide FAQ pages in one place. <http://www.uncfsu.edu/esc/frequently-asked-questions>

REMINDER: Pre-Registration Campaign for Fall and Summer School 2017 Terms Begins

Monday, April 10th: Don't forget to remind your students to pre-register for Fall 2017 or register for Summer School 2017. Students must obtain Alternate Pins from their advisor, have completed their 2017-2018 FAFSA, and not have holds on their student records.

Upcoming Events – *Note: Intersession, Summer School, Bronco Kickoff, and Fall Dates*

- **April 3-7:** Financial Literacy Week hosted by Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid
- **April 10:** Pre-Registration for Fall 2017 and Summer School 2017 begins
- **April 20:** Founders Day, 2:00 pm, Seabrook Auditorium
- **April 30:** CIR Faculty Reports Due
- **May 13:** Spring Commencement 2017
- **May 16:** Academic Affairs Year-End Luncheon, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, Student Center
- **May 17 – June 2:** Intersession Term
- **June 5 to June 30:** Summer I Term
- **June 5 to August 1:** Eight Week Summer 2017 Term
- **July 5 to August 1:** Summer II Term
- **August 7-11:** Bronco Kickoff Week – Fall 2017
- **August 10:** Fall 2017 Registration begins
- **August 15:** First Day of Class – Fall 2017