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*"The Fellows"*

by Dudley Ford

They came each morning; greeting, hugging, preparing to take pen, paper and write about hard questions, challenging view points and provocative statements.

They answered, offered, agreed and disputed, but they came to write.

They brought each day food, drink, the best in hospitality and friendship; sharing a meal, with ideas, faults, failures, and dreams.

Sharing laughter, pain, successes, and often tears.

They came for the sake of the children; these used-to-be strangers who became family, soul-mates, community.

Bound by the love of the children, the desire to prepare, to make ready young minds to change the world.

So they sit, think, listen, write, always to write.

They are not alone; led, nurtured, by family like themselves; more experienced; with a broader vision for where this will all lead.

Other experiences and direction came from afar, yet it led to the written word, always to write.

One day, they see and realize it is almost over.

They came, alone, unsure, burdened and fearful.

Each morning, greeting, hugging, preparing to take pen, paper and write, always to write.

To answer questions, to unload their hearts.

To offer solutions, to write, and for who, for why.

Not for themselves, never, it was for the children.

Their concern - - the children must read.

They must write.

They must not fail - - to change the world.

So they came, pen, paper, to write, always to write.

They came, the Fellows.

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**Orientation Schedule for New Graduate Students**

All graduate students, staff and faculty are invited to attend. Start the new school year off with us.

**Sept. 1, Wednesday.** Office of the Graduate School, First Floor of the Administration Tower. 4:30 - 5:45 p.m.

**Sept. 2, Thursday.** Room 4-1, Universities Center. 4:30 - 5:45 p.m.

**New Program Highlight.....**

This Fall the School of Science and Technology adds the Ph.D. in Chemistry. The degree program in chemistry requires the existence of high quality scientific research and teaching in the department. It covers all modern areas of chemistry including analytical, biochemistry, computational, organic, inorganic, and physical. For more information contact:

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Pictured is Dr. J. Watts conducting research with a student in the Army High Performance Computing Center.

## Summer Commencement

### Candidates for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree

#### Educational Administration

**Betty Ramsey Graves**, B. A., Millsaps College; M.B.A., Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "A Profile of the Chief Executive Officers of Historically Black Colleges and Universities Relative to Personal Characteristics, Job Responsibilities, and Decision-Making Behavior"

Advisor: Dr. Carrine H. Bishop

**Maggie L. Bang Griffin**, B.A., University of Southern Mississippi; M.S., Ed.S. Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "Public and Private School Principals Perceived Influence on Selected Educational Policy Issues"

Advisor: Dr. Louise J. Jones

**Nina L. Richmond**, Ed.S. Jackson State University

Dissertation: "Administrators Perceptions of Alternative and Traditional Certification of Teachers in An Urban School District"

Advisor: Dr. Felix Okojie

**B. Wayne Robinson**, Ed.S. Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "The Effectiveness of Secondary Alternative Schools on Influencing Students' Social and Academic Behavior"

Advisor: Dr. Ernestine Holloway

**Ingrad Cox Smith**, B.A., M. S., Florida International University.

Dissertation: "Principals Perception of Class VI Behaviors in Secondary Schools"

Advisor: Dr. Ernestine Holloway

**Earl Watkins**, M.S., Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "A Study of Priority Training Needs for Entry Level School Administrators"

Advisor: Dr. Ernestine Holloway

#### Environmental Science

**Margarette D. Champion Butler**, M.S. Southern University.

Dissertation: "The Relationship of Soil-Lead to House Dust-Lead in Two Inner City Neighborhoods in Jackson, Mississippi (Pathways of Lead Contamination)"

Advisor: Dr. Charles Rhyne

#### Public Policy

**Carolyn Higgins**, M.S. Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "Bureaucratic Role in Policymaking and Program Implementation in Jackson and Vicksburg, Mississippi, 1993-1998"

Advisor: Dr. Bennet Odunsi.

### Candidates for the Doctor of Education Degree

#### Early Childhood Education

**Brenda Kay Anderson**, M.A., Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "An Assessment of Affective Education Domains Found in Primary Curriculum"

Advisor: Dr. Anita H. Hall

**Pamela Harris**, M.S. Mississippi College

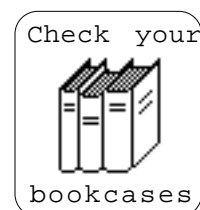
Dissertation: "An Empirical Analysis of Teachers' Perceptions of Staff Development Needs, Programs and Practices in K-5 Grades"

Advisor: Dr. Bettye Coleman

**G. Sakinah Ali Abdur-Rashied**, M.S. Jackson State University.

Dissertation: "An Investigation of Foreign Language Students' Beliefs of Long-Range Effects of Foreign Language in Elementary School"

Advisor: Dr. Ruth Searcy



#### Graduate Students and Graduate Advisors

The following publications are available from the Graduate School. Each item should occupy a prominent spot in your bookcase.

- The "1998-1999 Graduate Catalog"
- "Masters & Specialist Orientation Packet"
- "Doctoral Orientation Packet"
- "The Graduate Student: A how to guide".
- "The Guide to Successful Matriculation"
- "The Graduate Advisor"
- Forms I, II, III, and IV.
- Forms A, B, and C.

Coming Soon.... "The 1999-2001 Graduate Catalog".

## Recent Publications

submitted to The Graduate School

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**Dr. Mark G. Hardy** (Associate Professor and Chair of Biology), **Dr. Sophia Sanders-Leggett** (Assistant Professor of Healthcare and Ph.D. from JSU, 1998), and **Dr. Gregorio B. Begonia** (Associate Professor of Biology) were co-authors of "The Effect of NaCl and MgCl<sub>2</sub> on Algal Physiology and Accumulation of Organic Solutes in *Chlorella pyrenoidosa* L." published in the *Journal of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences*, Volume 44, No. 3, 1999.

**Lamar Reed** (M.S. Student, Environmental Science) and Dr. P. Tchounwou (Associate Professor of Biology) were co-authors of "Assessment of Lead Toxicity to Marine Bacterium, *Vibrio fisheri*, and to a Heterogenous Population of Microorganisms Derived from the Pearl River in Jackson, Mississippi, USA" published in *Review on Environmental Health*, Volume 14, No. 2, 1999.

**Dr. Celestine Jefferson** (Associate Professor of Special Education) and **Dr. Jodet-Marie Harris** (Assistant Professor of Special Education) co-authored "Ethical Considerations in the Education of Culturally Diverse Exceptional Learners" published in *Advances in Special Education*, Volume 12, 1999.

**Dr. Jeffrey Zubkowski** (Professor of Chemistry), K. M. Carlson-Day, Dr. J. L. Eglin (Mississippi State University) and Dr. E. J. Valente (Mississippi College) published "Synthesis of a Dinuclear Tungsten Complex, W<sub>2</sub>(u-H)(u-OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(u-CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)(n<sup>1</sup>-OC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>12</sub>((n<sup>2</sup>-P, P'-dppp) where dppp is 1,3 bis(diphenylphosphino) propane" in *Inorganica Chimica Acta*, Volume 284, 1999.

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## Summer, 1999 Graduate English Competency Examination

The Summer 1999 the GECE was administered on July 8<sup>th</sup> in the Charles F. Moore Building. A total of 63 students attempted the examination. We are happy to report that 85.7% of the students were successful.

*Congratulations!!!!*

## Dates and Deadlines

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### Fall Semester 1999

#### August

19-20	Thurs-Fri	Registration for Readmitted and Returning Students
19-20	Thurs-Fri	Evening and Graduate Registration Only, 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
23	Monday	<b>Classes Begin for All Students</b>
23	Monday	Late Registration Fee of \$50 Begins
26	Thursday	Late Registration Fee of \$75 Begins
31	Tuesday	Last Day to Complete Registration and Payment of Fees
31	Tuesday	Late Registration Fee of \$100 Begins
31	Tuesday	Last Day to Add a Course

#### September

1	Wed.	Graduate Student Orientation, 4:30 p.m., Sampson Library
2	Thursday	Graduate Student Orientation, 4:30 p.m., Universities Center.
6	Monday	HOLIDAY - Labor Day, 7:00 a.m.
30	Friday	Last Day a Course May be Dropped with No Grade
30	Friday	Last Day to Receive a Percentage Refund

#### October

11-16	Mon-Sat	<b>Mid Semester Examinations</b>
18	Monday	Last Day to Drop a Class with "W" Grade
22	Friday	Founders' Day Activities
22	Friday	Application Deadline for the Graduate English Competency Examination, 4:00 p.m.
29	Friday	Application Deadline for Graduate Area Comprehensive Examination, 4:00 p.m.
29	Friday	Application Deadline for Doctoral Comprehensive Examination, 4:00 p.m.

#### November

6	Saturday	Graduate English Competency Examination, 8:00 a.m.
13	Saturday	Graduate Area & Doctoral Comprehensive Examination, 8:00 a.m.
Nov 15 - Dec 10		Early Registration and Payment of Thanksgiving Recess Begins, 10:00 p.m.
24	Wed.	
29	Monday	Classes Resume, 7:00 a.m.

#### December

6	Monday	Last Day to Withdraw from the University
13-18	Mon-Sat	<b>Final Examinations</b>
18	Saturday	<b>Fall Semester Ends, 12:00 noon</b>
18	Saturday	Holiday Recess Begins

## **New JSU Supercard.....**

The New Super Card is here. You will need to obtain a new ID Card. The current ID card will be in use until after Labor Day. The exact switch over date will be announced after Labor Day. For more information call the ID Center at 968-2407.

### **Recording Schedule**

- Aug. 2-12      Student Affairs Building,  
Rm. 202  
(Admin., Faculty & Staff)
- Aug. 15-25     Sports Hall of Fame Room,  
Athletic & Assembly Center  
(Students Only)
- Aug. 26-Sept. 3   West TV Lounge, Campus Union  
(Everyone)
- Sept. 7-         Student Affairs Building, Rm.  
202 (Everyone)

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## **Articles & Submissions welcomed....**

Information is needed for the next issue of *The Graduate*. Please submit items on the following topics to the appropriate person.

Graduate School Alumni News: Dr. J. Zubkowski

Graduate Student News: Ms. R. Pride

Graduate Faculty News: Dr. D. R. Robinson-Gardner

Graduate Program Staff News: Ms. S. Foote

Graduate Programs- News & Events: Dr. J. Zubkowski

Editors: Dr. Dorris R. Robinson-Gardner and  
Dr. J. Zubkowski

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