

*The
Dean's Corner*



Welcome to the first semester of the new millennium. In this issue of *The Graduate*, we highlight Student Orientation, Graduate English Competency Examination results, student presentations, and faculty development activities.

One of the initiatives for this semester will be the development of a set of templates for measuring student academic progress toward graduation. Another initiative will be updating the Graduate Student Rights and Responsibilities document. Volunteers are needed for each project. If interested, please notify the Graduate School.

Finally, thanks to each of you who worked untiringly during the recruitment cycle and registration period.

Spring Orientation



The Graduate School held Spring Orientation on January 12, 2000. Dr. J. Zubkowski conducted the event. The new graduate students were welcomed to JSU by Ms. D. Felton, President of the Graduate Student Association. Procedures for successful matriculation and graduate student financial awards were explained by Mr. Curtis Gore and Ms. Rosetta Pride respectively. For copies of the orientation manual and other useful items, please stop by the Office of the Graduate School or visit our website, <http://ccaix.jsums.edu/~gadmappl>.

Focus on.....



A. D. Macklin

Professor of Art

Currently on display in the Art Gallery of the F. D. Hall Music Center is a retrospective of the work of A. D. Macklin. This exhibit highlights the past twenty plus years of painting and pottery by the artist.

Dr. Macklin has been at Jackson State since 1988 and currently is the Chair of the Department of Art.



The exhibit will continue until Feb. 28, 2000. For information call 968-2040.

Fall, 1999 Graduate English Competency Examination

The Fall 1999 GECE was administered on November 6th in the Charles F. Moore Building and 123 students attempted the examination. We are happy to report that 93% of the students were successful.

Congratulations!!!!

Topics in Graduate Education

[From the Chronicle of Higher Education, November 12, 1999, Vol. XLVI, Number 12, pages A47-A49].

Two articles appear back-to-back in this issue of the Chronicle. The first is titled, "How to Proctor from a Distance". Tips on preventing cheating in courses offered on-line are discussed. The strengths and weaknesses of each presented.

Five tips for preventing cheating were offered.

1. Give proctored tests.
2. Require the use of cameras.
3. Request written work at the start of the course to serve as a style example.
4. Give random quizzes and assignments using chat software.
5. Use a web-based resource to determine if the suspected material is available on the Internet.

The second article is titled, "Web Services Help Professors Detect Plagiarism". This article discusses commercial resources available to professors for reviewing submitted papers. Costs vary by source-\$20.00 for the first 30 papers or \$4.95 per month for unlimited use. One company offers detection program to 'fingerprint' a student's style for \$300.

For more specific information, visit these websites:

-<http://chronicle.com/infotech>

-<http://www.integrityguard.com>

-<http://www.plagiarism.com>

**** Professional Development ****

[From the Chronicle of Higher Education, October 8, 1999, Vol. XLVI, Number 7, pages A18-A19].

The title of this article is "A University Decides That Its Ph.D.'s Should be Able to Talk to Average Joes" Offered through the Graduate School at the University of Texas-Austin are a series professional development courses and workshops. Topics include writing, teaching, ethics, and communication skills. The goal of the program is to enable doctoral graduate to communicate with the general public on their area of specialization.

For discussion of the pros and cons of this approach, read the article in the Chronicle. For more specific information from UT-Austin, visit the website at: <http://www.utexas.edu/ogs/grs/>.

Graduate Program News

The **School of Education** announced on December 7, 1999 Xerox Corporation donated funds to the Lottie W. Thornton Early Childhood Center for Christmas gifts for all of the children at the center. Gifts were presented by a special guest, Santa, during the Annual Christmas program held on December 10, 1999.

The **24th Annual Mississippi Summer School of Alcohol/Drug Studies** will be held June 4-7, 2000 at the Grand Casino Biloxi Resort (Bayview Hotel, 265 Beach Boulevard, Biloxi, MS). This activity is conducted by the Interdisciplinary Alcohol/Drug Studies Center. Call (601) 968-2350 for more information.

Professional Development Workshop for Support Staff

Tuesday, February 22

8:30-10:30 a.m.
Jacksonian Lounge
Campus Union, 3rd Floor

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Room 2-1
Universities Center

Topics

- Graduate Admissions
- Institutional Financial Aid
- Forms I, II, III and IV
- Graduate English Competency Examinations
- Graduate Area Comprehensive Examinations

Admission Numbers: Spring 2000

Degree Seeking: 217

Non Degree Seeking: 125

Top Five Programs

Public Health 26

Guidance & Counseling 25

Computer Science 23

Education Administration 19

Elementary Education 12

Graduate Student News

On Wednesday, November 17, **Ms. Daffney Felton**, President of the Graduate Student Association (GSA), and **Ms. Rosetta Pride**, Coordinator of Student Services, attended the 1999 National Association of Graduate- Professional Students (NAGPS) conference in Columbus, Ohio. Jackson State's GSA joined NAGPS in the Fall of 1999. JSU is the first HBCU to become a member of NAGPS since its establishment in 1986



Ms. Felton

according to the Southern Regional President for NAGPS. NAGPS is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of graduate and

professional student life. Founded on the Ohio State University campus, NAGPS represents nearly 90,000 graduate and professional students at over 165 universities.

Yevgeniy Podolyan, a doctoral student in



Chemistry, presented a poster at the Midwinter Symposium of Biotechnology sponsored by the

Mississippi Section of the American Chemical Society. His poster was entitled, "Ab Initio Post-Hartree-Fock Study on the Energetics of Nucleic Acid Bases Protonation and Their Proton Affinities" with Drs. L. Gorb and J. Leszczynski as co-authors. The meeting was held January 21 at Millsaps College.

Graduate Faculty News

Dr. Gloria Dansby-Giles, Associate Professor in the Department of Counseling and Human Resource Education has been selected as the JSU representative for the Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Excellence (HEADWAE) for 2000. She is the first faculty member from the School of Education to receive this award.

Dr. Dorris R. Robinson-Gardner, Professor of Education and Dean of the Graduate School, presided at the 2000 Martin Luther King Convocation held January 14th at the University Park Auditorium. The address was delivered by the Right Reverend Duncan Gray, Jr., Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi.

Dr. Paul B. Tchounwou, Associate Professor and Director of the Environmental Science Ph.D. Program has recently been appointed Adjunct Associate Professor at Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. In this capacity he will serve as an external examiner of research dissertations and participate in doctoral dissertation defenses. On special occasions, he will also serve as a distinguished lecturer on topics related to ecological and human health effects associated with exposure to natural and anthropogenic factors.



Dr. Tchounwou's recently published a paper entitled "Climate Change and its Potential Impacts on the Gulf Coast Region of the United States" published in the Reviews on Environmental Health (14(2):91-102, 1999). He is also the author of a book chapter entitled "Impact of Sugar Processing Effluents and Domestic Wastes on the Water Quality

of Mingoala River in Mbandjock, Cameroon" in Environmental Toxicology and Risk Assessment: Eighth Volume, STP 1364, D. S. Henshel et. al, Eds. (American Society for Testing and Materials, West Conshohocken, PA, pp. 447-460, 1999).

Dr. Gloria Dansby-Giles, Associate Professor in the Department of Counseling and Human Resource Education has been elected to serve as Southern Region Vice President of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) beginning July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002. She has previously served as Ethics Chair for two years with ASCA. In addition, Dr. Dansby-Giles has served as the President of the Mississippi School Counselor Association.

Dr. Moses Newsome, Jr. has joined the faculty of the Doctoral Program in Social Work as a Visiting Professor.

Dr. Dorris R. Robinson-Gardner, Professor of Education and Dean of the Graduate School, served as an evaluator for the Council of Southern Graduate Schools (GSGS) Master's Thesis Award 2000. Award presentations will be at the Annual GSGS Meeting in February, 2000.

Graduate School News

The Office of the Graduate School welcomes **Ms. Thornese Brooks** as our new secretary. Please stop by our office and meet her.



February

- 11- Form III (Application for Degree) Due for Spring Graduation
- 18-Application Deadline for Graduate English Competency Exam (GECE), 4 pm.
- 26-Application Deadline for Master, Specialist and Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations, 4 pm.

March

- 4-GECE, 8:00 am
- 4-Master, Specialist and Doctoral Comprehensive Examinations

April

- 13-Last Day to Submit Project, Thesis or Dissertation for Spring Graduation

May

- 4-Last Day to Submit Final Corrections for Project, Thesis or Dissertation for Spring Graduation
- 5-Last Day to Submit Form IV (Application for Clearance) for Spring Graduation
- 13-COMMENCEMENT!



The **Alliance for Graduate Education in Mississippi (AGEM)** comprises the state's four Ph.D.-granting institutions- UM (as the administrative lead), JSU, MSU, and USM - in partnership with several state and regional HBCUs and smaller colleges. AGEM is a comprehensive program designed

- Δ to enhance entry into and successful completion of underrepresented students in doctoral program in science, math, and engineering technology (SMET) fields
- Δ to increase the number of underrepresented minorities who will pursue academic careers
- Δ to bring about a systemic change in attitudes and practices of faculty, administrators, and students with regard to minority pipeline issues.

For more information about the AGEM program, a complete listing of academic programs and departmental contacts, financial aid, and application forms, contact Dr. Dorris Robinson-Gardner at 601-968-2455 or dgardner@ccaix.jsums.edu.

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Upcoming Dates for SACS and NCATE

February

22-23 **NCATE** (School of Education)
Previsit

25 **SACS-Functional Unit**
Revisions Due

April

15-19 **NCATE** Visit

28 **SACS-Principal Committee**
Final Report Due.



For more information on NCATE and

SACS accreditation activities please contact:

SACS: Self-Study Office at 968-2829

NCATE: School of Education at 968-2433.

Articles & Submissions are needed for the next issue of "*The Graduate*".

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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The School of Allied Health Sciences Open House
Where We Are



Dr. Thomas Dunaye, Dean,
 School of Allied Health Sciences

**SCHOOL OF
 ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES**

The School of Allied Health Sciences has master's programs in communicative disorders and public health. These departments track the school's mission of providing high quality graduate education, community systems and healthcare organization research, consultative and technical assistance statewide and in the Metro Jackson area. All programs are based in the state's urban capital and central medical complex with teaching locations at the Jackson Medical Mall and convenient evening community clinical sites.



West Entrance of the Jackson Medical Mall, the School offices are located on the third floor.

"WHERE WE ARE" now is at the Jackson Medical Mall for our school offices and 2 of 3 departments - - end of story. No this is just beginning our future!

WHERE WE WERE during most of the past year was in a trailer in the northeast corner of the campus next to Blackburn Middle School.

The "Medical Mall" (JMM) offered the best solution for present needs and future growth of the School. Classes were held at the new site as the fall semester opened even before faculty and staff could be officed. During the intervening months, a new department (the Master of Public Health program), faculty, staff, students and other school necessities were acquired to be based at JMM. As often is heard, "the rest is history" on which we will build our future contributions to Jackson State University and everyone it serves.

-From the Dean's open house theme.

 The School of Allied Health Sciences held an open house on December 1, 1999 at the Jackson Medical Mall.



Pictured at the head table to the left to right (above)-
 Dr. Aaron Shirley, Director of the Jackson Medical Mall Foundation
 Dr. James E. Lyons, Sr, former President.
 Dr. Thomas Dunaye.



Pictured at the head table to the left to right -
 Dr. D. S. Washington, Vice President for Academic Affairs (retired)
 Dr. L. Collier, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs
 Dr. L. Durant, Vice President for Student Affairs
 Dr. F. Okojie, Interim Vice President for Research and Development
 Mr. C. Johnson, President of the National Alumni Association



Left to right: Marlene Ernisse, Susan Tate, and Roberta Wiggins, (students in Communicative Disorders).



PHS 501 students

Below: The Faculty and Staff of the Departments of Communicative Disorders and Public Health



Seated, left to right:- Dr. R. Enwefa¹, Dr. S. Enwefa¹, Dr. T. Dunaye², Dr. I. Perkins² and Dr. D. Goldberg².
Standing, left to right - Ms. T. Hauser¹, Dr. L. Bland¹, Dr. Z. Bagli¹, Dr. M. Shahbazi², Dr. S. Leggett², and Dr. G. Hughes². (1 = Communicative Disorders, and 2 = Public Health).

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