Academic Affairs

Department of Military Science

We conducted a Change of Command Ceremony to bring in the new Professor of Military Science.

JSU ROTC organized and conducted a memorial ceremony for the University and community honoring the fallen victims of 9-11.

We have already commissioned 2 quality officers for fiscal year 2009.

JSU remains the leader in 6th Brigade and ranks in the top 15% of all ROTC programs in the nation.

The ROTC Department provided security, personnel to work the gates, and parking assistance during all of the JSU home football games.

CPT Mize was promoted to the rank of Major.

Our Color Guard Team has performed in over 15 details this fall including all home football games, Veterans Day Ceremonies, 9-11 Ceremony, Constitution Day, numerous parades, High Schools and other Centers of Influence.

JSY ROTC recruited for JSU at the Regional Boy Scout Jamboree at the Talladega Speedway.

LTC White was a guest speaker at Ohatchee High School.

JSU ROTC hosted an Alumni Dinner to welcome back all JSU ROTC Alumni.

JSU ROTC hosted a Nurse Career Day for prospective nurse cadets.

JSU ROTC conducted a 4 day Fall Field Training Exercise at Fort Pelham in which our cadets participated in numerous skill building activities.

Our cadets worked the gates at the Talladega Race to raise money for the Cadet Fund.

Our cadets worked the Mountain Echo Festival to increase community awareness.
JSU ROTC participated in the JSU Homecoming and Jacksonville Christmas Parade.

JSU ROTC Ranger Team participated in Ranger Challenge at Fort Benning, GA with over 40 colleges from five states and Puerto Rico.

**College of Arts and Sciences**

**Art Department**

Graduates from the Art Department:

The Art Department had 8 graduates in Fall 2008. All 8 graduated with honors.

**Art Department MFA**

The NISP (Notification of Intent to Submit a Proposal) was filed with ACHE for the new Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree in Visual Communication and Design. The art department is writing the proposal and curriculum for the new program. Jacksonville State University will be the only university in Alabama to offer the MFA in Visual Communication and Design.

**Art Department Faculty:**

Ms. Diana Cadwallader, Professor of Graphic Design, has work in *Drawing on Alabama*, an exhibition of 36 drawings by 33 artists from 17 communities in Alabama. Works were chosen by Juror Maura Lynch, from the Department of Drawing, Museum of Modern Art, New York. Biggin Gallery, Auburn University, Auburn, AL.

Mr. Doug Clark, Assistant Professor of Photography, was chosen to speak on the *Integrating Digital into the Curriculum* panel at the 2008 South Central Regional Conference of the Society for Photographic Education hosted by Memphis College of Art, The University of Memphis, and the University of Mississippi. He spoke of what he has accomplished in transitioning Jacksonville State University’s Art Department from a traditional wet lab based program to a digital based program that meets the changing needs of a contemporary photography curriculum. The presentation explored Doug’s personal experience in designing a new photography facility and curriculum, and addressed the issues of digital workflow, while still attending to the need and importance of film and alternative processes. Many issues, such as the use of digital SLRs verses film in introductory classes, creating a sustainable ink and paper
management system, designing new classrooms and labs, and the associated administrative duties required for a successful new facility were discussed.


Ms. Jauneth Skinner, Professor and Head of the Art Department, has a print on exhibit in the 2009 *Delta National Small Prints Exhibition*, Bradbury Gallery, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR; and has a print in the 32nd *Bradley International Print and Drawing Exhibition*, Bradley University, Peoria, IL. Of 1,700 works by almost 600 artists, only 120 were selected for the exhibition. *Winemaking with Rolando* will be published in the exhibition catalog. (2009) Skinner exhibited three digital prints in *Visual Creativity*, an online exhibition at The Artists Objective: The Place for the Creative Professional. The exhibition will also be at Melissa Wolf Fine Arts gallery for six months. Her print titled *Tempesta (Storm)* was published on the cover of *Seeing It Now: Haiku and Tanka* by Marjorie Buettner, Red Dragonfly Press, Red Wing, MN. (2008)

Ms. Anne Wedler, Assistant Professor of Painting and Drawing, joined the faculty this spring. She replaces Carter Osterbind.

Mr. Ron Baker, Instructor, won Second Place in the two-dimensional category at the Gadsden Art Association Exhibition.

Visual Arts Society

Save the Date: the Annual Mardi Gras Creole Dinner will be held on February 26 in the Gamecock Room in Stephenson Hall and the VAS Gala and Art Auction will be held May 8 at the Anniston Museum of Natural History.

Exhibitions in Hammond Hall Art Gallery:

January 13 - 23: Pink: A Study on Being Female, Libby Rowe

February 3 – 25: Student Exhibition

March 3 -27: 1,000 Lbs. of Alabama Clay (Kaleidoscope - Festival of the Arts)

April 7 - May: BA & BFA Graduating Senior Show

**Criminal Justice**

Ms. Gresha Thermond joined the Criminal Justice faculty in Fall 2008 and is teaching Forensic Investigations topics as an adjunct instructor for the department. Her credentials include extensive study and work in biology as well as a masters earned in criminal justice. She currently is employed by the Anniston public schools.

Ms. Kelly Jo Smith is joining the Criminal Justice faculty in Spring 2009 as a new adjunct instructor to teach undergraduate research methods. Ms. Kelly earned her MS in Criminal Justice at JSU and continues to take graduate courses in History at JSU. She has taught for the public schools in Alabama.

Dr. Wade C. Mackey will be leaving JSU in 2009 and moving to Iowa, closer to family. During his stay with JSU-CJ he has been the department’s foremost expert on research methods and statistical analysis. He has co-authored articles and conference papers with several of the JSU-CJ faculty and assisted others with statistical work in their articles and papers. In retirement, he anticipates continuing his collaboration with our JSU-CJ faculty. He will be missed.

The Criminal Justice Department awarded the $1,000 scholarship for custodial corrections sponsored by the Ernest Selig Foundation to Ms. Elizabeth Calhoun. Dr. Ronald Mellen chaired the selection committee. The Selig Custodial Corrections Scholarships are given annually.

At the Fall 2008 Homecoming the department presented $2,000 scholarships to Mr. Gary Price from the Calhoun-Cleburne Bar Association and Ms. Christie Gentleman from the JSU-CJ Alumni Association and the University.


Dr. Ron Mellen also was the author of “Brain Dysfunction Associated with Anti-Social and Violent Behavior,” which appeared in the September-October 2008 issue of Corrections Compendium.
Dr. Richard Davis was a featured speaker on “Community Policing” at the most recent Alabama Community Development Institute in October. The Institute was held at the Houston Cole Library.

Drs. Dean Buttram, Richards Davis, and Richard Kania are participating in the grant-funded CARRI project to develop a template for post-disaster recovery and to identify resilience indicators and measures for communities. The grant is directed by Dr. Jane Kushma in Emergency Management. Ms. Megan Wallace, a recent JSU-CJ graduate is a graduate assistant working with the grant team.

Dr. Vance McLaughlin serves as the Advisor to the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, and co-hosted its induction ceremony on December 3rd.

Dr. McLaughlin is continuing his research on a book about Harry F. Powers, a serial murderer executed in 1932.

Dr. McLaughlin and Dr. Wade C. Mackey have published a study of “Demographics of the Upward-Trending Murder Rate in Buffalo, New York: An Omen for the Future,” in Mankind Quarterly, Volume 49, # 1 (Fall 2008).

Dr. Wade C. Mackey also co-authored “A Test of the Trivers-Willard Hypothesis with Three Samples of High-Achieving Men: A Tenuous Fit for an Altricial, Fathering-Intensive Species” with Ronald Immerman of Case Western Reserve University, which has been accepted for publication in Winter 2008 issue of Mankind Quarterly.

Dr. Wade C. Mackey and Dr. Bonnie C Mackey of the University of Houston at Clear Lake have co-authored “The Presence of the U.S. Father as an Enhancement for his Children’s Reading Achievement: Masculine Influence or a Second Parent?” which has been accepted for publication in Reading Improvement.

Anderson Publishing of the Lexis/Nexis Group released Managing Criminal Justice Organizations: An Introduction to Theory and Practice, by Dr. Kania in November 2008. The event was noted in a feature news story on Dr. Kania in the Anniston Star.


Dr. Wood contributed “Key Court Cases for Criminal Justice Managers” to the collection and Dr. Davis wrote “Assessment and Evaluation Materials for Managing Criminal Justice Organizations,”
Drs. Kania, Davis and Wood edited and contributed additional materials, including “Sexual Harassment Guidelines,” a glossary, power-points and exercises for the Resource Guide.

Dr. Richard Kania attended the Southern Criminal Justice Association’s annual meeting in New Orleans in October, presenting a paper on “Belarus and Human Trafficking: Apparent Success of a Get-Tough Policy,” co-authored with Belarusian colleagues Ms. Lyuba Pervushina of the Minsk State Linguistics University and Dr. Alena Korshuk of the Belarusian State University. He also chaired the panel at which his paper was presented.

The Faculty Of Letters of the ‘Dunarea de Jos’ University Of Galati in Romania has invited Dr. Richard Kania to serve as a scientific referee for their journal, Language, Literature and Translation Studies, published by the Research Centre of the English Department. In October 2008 Dr. Kania was co-author with Ms. Antoanela Dumitrascu of "Collocations of American Crime Writing." Ms. Dumitrascu is on the faculty of the 'Dunarea de Jos' University Of Galati, where the paper was presented.

Dr. Kania also presented a paper in Kaunas, Lithuania in October, on “The 1932 Z. Smith Reynolds Homicide Case: A Celebrity "Crime of The Century" from North Carolina.”

Department of Drama

JSU Drama Department’s 2008-2009 season continues with a production of the musical thriller, **Sweeney Todd**, February 19-22 and 26-March 1. The cast of 22 has begun rehearsals under the direction of Mr. Eric Traynor. Mrs. Teresa Stricklin is be working as vocal coach, Mr. Jeremy Stovall is the orchestral conductor. Mr. Freddy Clements is designing both costumes and sets for this production.

JSU Drama’s second show of the spring, **Lost in Yonkers**, a comic/drama by Neil Simon will be having auditions soon. This student produced, Alpha Psi Omega Scholarship production, will run April 2-5 on the mainstage of Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center and will be directed by drama student, Dee Bradbury-Shaw.

Mr. Carlton Ward, Mr. Freddy Clements, and a number of drama students will be attending the Southeastern Theatre Conference Screening Auditions in February. These are to be held in Birmingham.

JSU Drama was pleased to be able to award approximately twenty scholarships for the spring term. The following students received academic awards for their high GPAs: Adam Fulmer, Savannah Cahill, and Gatlin Alldredge. Jimmy Ebert was awarded the Larry Miles scholarship.
History and Foreign Languages

Dr. Russel Lemmons’ article manuscript “‘Germany’s Eternal Son’: The Genesis of the Ernst Thälman Myth, 1930-1950” was accepted by the German Studies Review.

Dr. Russel Lemmons was appointed to membership on the Membership Committee of the European History Section of the Southern Historical Association for the coming year.

Dr. Paul Beezley presented “Got A Light?: Advertising, Cigarettes, and the Creation of Imagined Communities in Interwar America” at the American Historical Association Annual Meeting in New York City on January 5, 2009.

Dr. Gordon Harvey was appointed to a second three-year term to the Board of Editors of the Alabama Review

On December 2, 2008, the Department of History & Foreign Languages was honored to host Dr. Anthony Lappin, former head of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese and current senior lecturer at the University of Manchester in England, who gave a public lecture (and several informal and formal talks to students) on Christian/Muslim Relations in Medieval Spain.

David L. Walters Department of Music

During the reporting period of October, November and December 2008, the David L. Walters Department of Music, its students, faculty and guest performers participated in the following activities:

JSU ensembles within the Department continued to present regular concerts for the campus and for community citizens. The following ensembles presented programs during this quarter:

Jazz I - 1 October 2008 - Directed by Dr. Chip Crotts

A Cappella Choir/Civic Chorale - 16 November 2008 - Presented “Messiah” by G. F. Handel -Directed by Dr. Patricia Corbin
With soloists including Dr. Nathan Wight and members of the Alabama Symphony orchestra

JSU Gospel Choir - 16 November 2008 - Directed by Dr. Mrytice Collins

JSU Chamber Winds - 18 November 2008 - Directed by Mr. Clint Gillespie

JSU Percussion Ensemble - 19 November 2008 - Directed by Mr. Tracy Tyler

Encore: Vocal Ensemble - 20 November 2008 - Directed by Dr. Renee Baptiste

Symphonic Band - 23 November 2008 - Directed by Mr. Jeremy Stovall

Jazz I Concert - 5 December 2008 - Directed by Dr. Chip Crotts

Chamber Singers and A Cappella Choir - 5 & 6 December 2008

Annual Madrigal Dinner - JSU Community Orchestra - 7 December 2008
Directed by Mr. Chris Hosmer

Octubafest Festival presented a series of concerts featuring the tuba and the euphonium. The series began with a Faculty Recital on 12 October 2008 by Mr. Chris Hosmer, Tuba assisted by Dr. Legare McIntosh, Piano. On 15 October 2008 internationally renown Guest Artist Øystein Baadsvik, Tuba presented a concert. The next day, 16 October 2008, Mr. Baadsvik presented a masterclass for JSU students and invited students from neighboring universities and high schools. The low brass studio presented studio recitals on 20 October 2008 and on 24 October 2008. A Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble Concert was presented on 28 October 2008 to conclude the series.

The woodwind studios of Mr. Mark Brandon, Clarinet, Mrs. Kelly Crotts, Flute and Ms. Erin Oft, Bassoon presented a combined Studio Concert on 8 December 2008.

The JSU Music Preparatory Program presented a student recital on 13 December 2008. the Program is directed by Dr. Wendy Faughn.

Student organizations connected with the Department also presented musical programs during the period. On 8 October 2008 Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia presented a Probationary Members Recital. On 22 October 2008 Sigma Alpha Iota presented a Members-in-Training Recital.
The Department conducted four (4) Student Performance Hour performances during this period.

The following students presented degree recitals (solo recitals presented as part of their degree requirements for the BA in Music):

Juliet Jackson, Soprano
Pamela Lawrence, Soprano
Mickey Summerville, Trumpet
Matthew Lody, Trombone
Brennan Young, Trombone

Graduate Student, Steven diBlasi appeared as piano soloist on the Chamber winds concert of 18 November 2008.

The following students in the Department received undergraduate degrees at spring graduation exercises in December 2008:

Joshua Brandon
Melanie Carter
Kristina Dubuisson
Thomas Duke
Alisha Fisher

English

Dr. Robert Felgar's essay, "From Native Son to Eight Men: Wright's Optics as Recursive Symbols in His Post-Exilic Short Fiction," will appear in a collection entitled Richard Wright's Fiction of the Exile Years, 1947-1960, which will be published by the University Press of Mississippi.

Dr. Steve Whitton would like to announce that the Southern Playwrights Competition ON THE BRINK will take place on March 28, 2009.

Klopp, New York: Bordighera Press, 2008. On January 8, 2009, he gave a lecture on Hamlet and the Culture of Travel and Discovery to a group for retirees at UAB. Their organization is called New Horizons.


Dr. John Jones presented a paper entitled "The Work of Reading the Multiple Copies of Blake's Illuminated Books" at the William Blake session of the International Conference on Romanticism on 17 October 2008 in Rochester, MI. He also chaired the session.

Dr. Larry A. Gray, Assistant Professor of English, will be delivering a paper at the First International Conference of The European Society of Jamesian Studies, April 3-5, 2009, in Paris. Dr. Gray's article, "Cheever’s Seaside Houses as a Remodeling of James’s ‘The Jolly Corner’", will appear in the May 2009 issue of Notes on Contemporary Literature.

Dr. Andrea Porter will present a paper at the 40th Annual College English Association conference in Pittsburgh this March. Four of her graduate students from EH 501 also have put together a panel for the conference which was accepted.

Dr. Raina Kostova, in Spring 2009, is scheduled to present at two conferences, one regional and one national:

1. Northeast Modern Language Association (NEMLA), Boston University, Boston, MA, February 26- March 1

Paper Title: “Wallace Stevens’ Essays and Diaries on the Significance of Collecting Artifacts”

2. American Comparative Literature Association (ACLA), Harvard University, Boston, MA, March 26-29

Paper Title: “Aesthetics of Bad Writing: Barthes in Rescue of Poe”

Institute for Emergency Preparedness
The Institute for Emergency Preparedness (IEP) continues to provide a leadership role in emergency management education and serve the region through contractual emergency planning services and community and scholarly activities.

Academic Programs:

The MS-Emergency Management program continues to exceed Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) viability standards in both enrollment and program completion projections. The post-implementation report, due February 1, 2009, will show that all program projection goals and graduate employment standards have been met. Enrollment, program completion and employment conditions were all exceeded.

Through fall 2008, to-date graduation totals for emergency management programs are as follows: 110 MS Emergency Management, 95 MPA with a Concentration in Emergency Management, and 106 BS Emergency Management. There have also been 87 recipients of the Graduate Certificate in Emergency Management to-date.

JSU has formed an Advisory Group for the Institute and related degree programs. The 10-member group is made up of senior officials from federal agencies including FEMA, the American Red Cross, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Centers for Disease Control as well as the Directors of the Alabama Emergency Management Agency and Alabama Department of Homeland Security and two JSU alumni representatives. The first meeting was held in December 2008 and focused on the proposed doctoral program in emergency management.

IEP Faculty and Staff Contractual Services:

During this reporting time-frame, the IEP has 3 active contracts totaling $396,324.05.

Active contract(s) include:

- Medical Coordinator for Alabama CSEPP, ADPH (FY08). IEP will continue to work with ADPH to provide medical planning and guidance for the six CSEPP counties in Alabama with this contract totaling $191,500.00.

- Southeast Regional Research Initiative, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Community and Regional Resilience Initiative (CARRI) Project. JSU was awarded a contract to study community resilience in Alabama. Using a cross-disciplinary approach, the project team will develop a resilience baseline assessment and other practical tools communities can use to evaluate and build
their capacity to respond and recover from disaster and other emergencies. Dr. Jane Kushma is the principal investigator and project manager. The contract totals $189,404.05.

- Center for the Study of High Consequence Event Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Johns Hopkins University Consortium. IEP will continue to work on this project with the consortium in development of emergency preparedness awareness courses during the second year. JSU’s contract for the third year is $15,420.00.

Scholarly and Community Activities of Faculty:

Dr. A. Barry Cox:


Dr. Bill Lowe:


Mathematical, Computing, and Information Sciences Department


Dr. Andrew Ciganek presented “Camtasia Fantasia: Software to Improve Instruction” at the Education Technology Showcase, sponsored by the Office of Distance Education, October 2008.

The National Information Assurance Education and Training Program (NIETP), which is administered by the National Security Agency (NSA), has certified JSU’s CS and CIS courseware to meet all of the elements of the Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS) National Training Standards for: Information Systems Security (INFOSEC) Professionals, NSTISSI No. 4011; System Administrators (SA), CNSSI No. 4013 Entry Level. This certification adds a tremendous value to JSU’s undergraduate CS and CIS degrees in that an NSA certificate can now be given to each graduate who completes
the set of courseware. In addition, it brings JSU one step closer to being designated as a national Center of Excellence in Information Assurance Education. JSU becomes one of only four institutions of higher education to be certified in the state of Alabama. These institutions include Auburn, Tuskegee, and UAH. The course mapping work was performed during the summer months by Drs. Guillermo Francia, III, Monica Trifas, and Aaron Garrett of the MCIS Department – October 2008.

Dr. Ming Yang, Ms. Rhonda Kilgo, and Mr. Gaus Alam made a recruitment trip to Holly Pond High School, Holly Pond, AL to showcase the programs offered through the MCIS department – November 2008.

Dr. Tom Leathrum was named the editor of *Loci*, the online publication of the Mathematical Sciences Digital Library.

Dr. Ming Yang attended the National Science Foundation (NSF) Grant Workshop in Huntsville, AL, October 2008.

Dr. J. Fred Kelley attended the American Mathematical Society Committee on Education meeting in Washington, DC, October 2008.

Physical & Earth Sciences

Dr. Kelly Gregg presented a paper at the Southeastern division of the Association of American Geographers annual meeting "Establishing a date for the construction of a mid-19th century cotton gin-carder". November 2008

He was also a discussant for a research paper and a Judge for the Geography Bowl final competition.

Dr. Jonathan Herbert presented “Climate change in Southeastern National Parks” at the Southeastern Division of the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting in Greensboro, N.C. He was also published in the Journal of the Alabama Academy of Science “Twentieth century climate change in Alabama”. 79 (3-4):181 -189.

Dr. David Steffy, in collaboration with Dr. Al Nichols, Dr. Thomas Baucom and Mr. Ron LaGrone, presented an abstract at the American Geophysical Union Annual Conference in San Francisco “The impact of sustained drought conditions on a ground water pollutant: Relating the rise in trichloroethylene concentrations in ground water to diminished flow. Eos Trans., Am. Geophysical Union, 89(53) in December 2008, Abstract H11D-0789.

Dr. Zettili’s grant, IMPACTSEED VII (Improving Physics and Chemistry Teaching in Secondary Education) was approved for funding by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education on December 18, 2008. Implementation period: March 2009-July 2010. External Budget approved: $165,000.00.

**Department of Sociology and Social Work**

Dr. Tina Deshotels had the following presentations: Mid-South Sociological Association (October 22-25, 2008), Huntsville, Alabama (1) with Joshua Scott, “Practicing What We Preach: The Importance of Including Diverse Voices in Classical Theory;” (2) with Craig Forsyth, “Dancing with Power: An Analysis of Institutional Power in the World of Exotic Dance;” and (3) with Jennifer Healy, “Gender Differences in the Needs of College Students.” She helped plan and organize a one-day festival at JSU by WISE (Women’s Issues Support and Empowerment) which was designed to bring awareness to women’s issues (such as equal pay, sexual assault, and women’s participation in sex work) give support to women (such as workshops on stress reduction and assertiveness training) as well as celebrate women’s accomplishments in such diverse areas as literature, poetry, music, art, and history. She also made the following presentations at WISEfest Women’s Issues Support and Empowerment Festival, October 30, 2008; Jacksonville, Alabama: (1) “Examining Power in Exotic Dance;” and (2) “Assertiveness Training Workshop.”

Dr. Mark Fagan made the following presentations: (1) “Techniques for BSW Programs to Improve Licensure Exam Scores,” with Ms. Kim Womack; Alabama-Mississippi Social Work Education Conference; October 2, 2008; Auburn University, Alabama; and (2) “Retirement Development,” Alabama Community Development Institute, October 30, 2008; Jacksonville State University. He also wrote the following articles: (1) “How the Financial Meltdown Happened,” The Mobile (AL) Press-Register, October 5, 2008; and (2) “Housing Central to Financial Crisis,” The Montgomery (AL) Advertiser, September 29, 2008.

Dr. Nancy Francisco Stewart had the following presentations at the AL/MS Social Work Education Conference, Auburn University, Alabama, October 3, 2008: (1) “Making a Difference at Home: Community Resource Development through Service Learning,”
This presentation included 2 JSU students: Lisa Williams and Lottie Bearden; and (2) “Chewed Up about the Eyes of the World: Perspectives on Poverty,” This presentation included 2 JSU students: Lottie Bearden and Amy Vingers. She received the following Regional Award: “Best Practices” Community Resource Identification Award of the MidSouth Division (6 states: AL, MS, AK, TN, KY & LA), American Cancer Society, December 2, 2008, Birmingham, Alabama. She also received the following State Award: “Best Practices” Community Resource Identification Award for State of Alabama, American Cancer Society, December, 2, 2008, Birmingham, Alabama.

Ms. Dee Barclift worked with the Community and Regional Resilience Initiative (CARRI), providing research and analytical support to the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in the development of a community resilience model.

Dr. David LoConto had the following publications: Sociology and Its Discontents. 5th Edition. Introduction to Sociology textbook, with Laurence A. Basirico, Barbara G. Cashion, and J. Ross Eshleman, Horizon Publishing. He had the following presentations: (1) “Confessions of a Feminist Man.” Invited speaker to WiseFest. Sponsored by WISE (Women's Issues Support and Empowerment), a student organization at JSU, October 30, 2008; Jacksonville, Alabama and (2) “The Origins and Purpose of American Sociology: Can There Be a Christian Sociology?” with Jessica L. Sparks, Mid-South Sociological Association meeting, October 22-25, 2008, Huntsville, Alabama.

**College of Commerce and Business Administration**

Dr. William Fielding served as a member of the AACSB Peer Review Team for the College of Business at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, Kansas, October 5-7, 2008.

Congressman Mike Rogers spoke about the economy to a “standing room only” crowd in Merrill Hall on October 8, 2008.

The Annual Fall Career Fair was held in Merrill Hall on October 8, 2008.

Twelve people completed the Anniston Army Depot Leadership and Management Program and were recognized at the graduation that was held in Merrill Hall on November 19, 2008.

**Finance, Economics, and Accounting Department**

On October 10, 2008, a group of CCBA faculty presented the results of a recently completed study at a press conference hosted by the Gadsden and Etowah County
The study entitled “An Economic and Demographic Review of Etowah County. The study was prepared by CCBA faculty and done through the Center for Economic Development and Business Research. The faculty include: Dr. Doris Bennett, Dr. Brent Cunningham, Dr. Robert Landry, Mr. Gene Padgham, Dr. David Palmer, and Dr. William Scroggins. Also, on November 18, 2008, the study results were presented to the Leadership Etowah County class of 2009.

The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Southern Finance Association (SFA) was held at the Casa Marina Hotel in Key West, FL in November 2008. Dr. Ronnie Clayton serves as the Executive Director of the Association and is involved in all aspects of the planning and implementation of the meeting. Approximately 325 finance academicians and professionals attended the three-day period to present and discuss their latest research. Dr. Chris Westley and Ms. Taleah Collum also attended the meeting and assisted in different areas.

Dr. Clayton has been actively involved in site selection and meeting contract negotiations for future annual meetings of the Southern Finance Association. Contract negotiations have recently been completed for the SFA 2009 meeting on Captiva Island, Florida, the SFA 2010 meeting in Asheville, North Carolina and the SFA 2012 meeting in Charleston, South Carolina. Negotiations are nearing completion for the SFA 2011 meeting in Key West, Florida. Dr. Clayton selected the site for each of the meetings and, with the approval of the SFA Board of Directors, completed negotiations concerning the cost and structure of the meetings for the particular site with the hotel that will host the meetings.

Dr. Clayton is currently completing a paper entitled “Bears and Bulls: Greater Volatility without Ticks?” The paper examines changes in financial market volatility since the elimination of Rule 10a-1 by the Securities and Exchange Commission. This rule had historically controlled the circumstances that allowed investors to short-sell equity securities. This paper has been submitted for presentation to the Financial Management Association, Europe in Turino, Italy in June 2009.

Dr. Clayton continues to serve as the editor of the general interest finance journal, Financial Decisions. Dr. Clayton has reviewed numerous manuscripts and the resulting blind peer reviews of these manuscripts to select those that will be published. The Winter Issue of the journal is nearing completion, and will be posted on the website, www.financialdecisionsonline.org, during the first week of January 2009.

Dr. Clayton was interviewed by the Birmingham Business Journal concerning the impact of changing economic conditions on the publishing industry.

Dr. Chris Westley completed two monographs for the Northeast Alabama Economic Development Consortium through JSU’s Center for Economic Development: “Where
Will the Workers Go?” is an analysis of the labor force at the Anniston Chemical Weapons Facility's incinerator project, and "Northeast Alabama Occupational Projections through 2014” provides the results of a survey of Northeast Alabama's large manufacturing firms' expected hiring needs. Both reports were co-authored with Professor David Palmer.

Dr. Rob Landry was invited to speak to the Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference on December 11, 2008. Dr. Landry and U.S. Department of Justice Trial Attorney, Chris Steiskal, discussed Chapter 7 dismissals under the Bankruptcy Code.


Dr. Landry co-authored a paper with Keren Deal entitled "The Public Amusement Theme Park That Went Bankrupt in Alabama - Not So Amusing to the Taxpayers." The paper was presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management in Washington, DC during October 2008.

Dr. Landry co-authored a paper with Keren Deal entitled "Municipal Hospital Bankruptcies." The paper was presented at the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines 2008 Fall Conference in Memphis, TN during October 2008.

Dr. Keith Lowe and Dr. Ben Boozer had a manuscript entitled “The Role Of Financial Statement Variables: A Model Of Equity Pricing” accepted for presentation and publication in the conference proceedings for the 2009 International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines (IABPAD) Winter Conference in Orlando, FL.

Dr. Lowe attended the 2008 International Academy of Business and Economics (IABE) Annual Conference from October 19-22, 2008 in Las Vegas, NV. He presented a research paper entitled “Caveat Emptor: Sales Tax Holidays are Not Necessarily as Advertised”. Co-author of the paper was Dr. Ben Boozer. This manuscript will also appear in the Spring 2009 issue of the International Journal of Business Research.

Dr. Lowe was appointed to the Higher Education Partnership Board of Directors. He will serve as the faculty representative for JSU for a term of two years.
Department of Management and Marketing

Dr. Patricia Borstorff and Dr. Mark Hearn wrote a paper entitled Globalization: How We View It. This was presented to the Academy of Business Disciplines Conference, Ft. Myers, FL, Nov 5-8, 2008.

Dr. Patricia Borstorff and Scott Goble wrote a paper entitled Web-based Electronic Commerce Usage by Rural Micro-enterprises for International Market Expansion. This was presented to The Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship conference, Albuquerque, NM, October 8-10, 2008

Dr. Borstorff was a Leading Edge Institute Notable Women of East Alabama ‘Dear Dani’ project member

Dr. Borstorff made a presentation to the Calhoun County Society for Human Resource Management, November 2008 meeting. Topic: How to Use Diversity and Cultural Differences for a Competitive Advantage.

Dr. Borstorff was one of trainers in the Executive Development Training sessions for AAD in October and November, 2008.

Dr. Richard Cobb

Dr. Cobb is one of the primary coordinators of and was one of trainers in the Executive Development Training sessions for AAD in February and March, 2008.

Dr. Brent Cunningham

Dr. Cunningham served as the Faculty Senate President and Grand Marshal for the Summer 2008 and Winter 2008 graduation ceremonies

Dr. Cunningham served on the VP of Institutional Technology Search Committee

Dr. Cunningham completed Etowah County Economic Impact Study and presented it twice.

Dr. Cunningham received the CCBA Dean's awards for Excellence in Teaching and Excellence in Service

Dr. Cunningham represented the faculty at the Academic Council meetings
Dr. Cunningham served on the Advisory Council and serve as Treasurer for the JSU Baptist Campus Ministry

Dr. Cunningham was the Faculty Advisor for the JSU chapter of the American Marketing Association

Dr. Cunningham serves on 5 University Committees: Transportation Committee, Summer Schedule Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Athletic Council, Faculty Research Award Committee

Dr. Cunningham serves on 2 Faculty Awards Committees as an ex-officio member: Travel Grant Committee and Ringer Award Committee

Dr. Mark Hearn

Dr. Hearn was one of trainers in the Executive Development Training sessions for AAD in October and November, 2008.

Dr. David Palmer

Dr. Palmer was one of trainers in the Executive Development Training sessions for AAD in October and November, 2008.

Dr. Joann Williams

Dr. Joann Williams, in connection with Continue Education, presented a two day workshop on Personal Policy to the Alabama Association of County Administrators and Alabama Association of County Engineers in December.

Dr. Williams is the faculty advisor for the student chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management. They hosted a Holiday Party in December that was attended by members of Calhoun County Chapter of Society for Human Resource Management. This provided the students with an opportunity to network with these professionals and additional joint events are currently being planned.

Dr. Williams interviewed and arranged for seven students from the Management Department to be placed in internships with various companies in Calhoun County including Elbiet System, AOD Federal Credit Union and Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce.
Dr. Williams has been one of trainers in the Executive Development Training sessions for AAD in October and November, 2008.

Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CED) Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

JSU SBDC Counseling and Training

The JSU SBDC provided counseling to over 162 small businesses, and presented training to 202 individuals during this reporting quarter.

*JSU Economic Update*, July/August and September/October 2008 Issues

During this reporting quarter, the November/December 2008 issue of the *Update* was published and distributed to more than 8,100 subscribers.

Completion of Education and Training Needs Assessment Survey for Westinghouse.

In October 2008, the JSU CED completed an Education and Training Needs Assessment Survey for Westinghouse, Anniston.

National Association of Business Economists (NABE) Annual Meeting

Mr. Pat Shaddix, Director, JSU CED and Mr. Penn Wilson, JSU CED attended the 2008 NABE Annual Meeting, October 4 – 7, 2008. The meeting was held in Washington, DC.

Forum on Economic Outlook for Gadsden, Alabama

Dr. Ben Boozer served as a panel discussant for the “Economic Outlook for Gadsden and the Surrounding Area” on October 16, 2008 at The Chamber – Gadsden and Etowah County. Other panelists included Larry Means, State Senator 10th District, and Tom Todt, District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration. The Southern Development Council, Inc., a certified development company lender, sponsored the event.

Alabama Association of Regional Councils (AARC) Annual Meeting

Mr. Pat Shaddix, Director, JSU CED and Mr. Willard Butterworth, JSU CED attended the Annual Meeting of the AARC October 20 – 21 October, 2008. The meeting was conducted at the Perdido Conference Center, Orange Beach, Alabama.
Web Site Basics

JSU SBDC and the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce sponsored “Web Site Basics” on October 24, 2008 at the Calhoun Chamber location. The event addressed web site design and implementation as a marketing tool. There were 39 attendees.

Realize Your Potential Event

Ben Boozer addressed “Realize Your Potential” entrepreneurial training workshop on October 30, 2008. The event was part of a series of training exercises offered by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System in Talladega County.

Northeast Alabama Entrepreneurial Center (NEAES) Board Meeting

Mr. Pat Shaddix, Director, JSU CED, and Ms. Robbie Medders, Associate Director, JSU SBDC attended a Board Meeting of the NEAES on November 3, 2008. Mr. Shaddix serves as Vice-Chairman and Ms. Medders serves on the two committees of NEAES.

Business Planning Seminar

The JSU SBDC presented a seminar, Business Planning for Child Care Center Directors on November 5, 2008.

Director’s Meeting, Alabama Small Business Development Consortium (ASBDC)

Mr. Pat Shaddix, Director, JSU CED attended the Director’s Meeting of the ASBDC in Birmingham, Alabama on November 17, 2008.

Small Business Lending Sources

Ms. Robbie Medders, Associate Director, JSU SBDC, attended a small business lending workshop entitled, Partnering with Small Business Lending Sources, on November 18, 2008. The program delivered updates on the changes in the SBA 504 & 7(A) loan programs as well as the Revolving Loan Fund gap financing offered through the East Alabama Regional Planning Commission. Speakers included Tom Todt, SBA AL District Director; Roderick Perkins, SBA Lender Relations Specialist; and Angie Winter, VP of Alabama Small Business Capital in Montgomery.

Graduation Ceremony, Class 5, Anniston Army Depot Leadership and Management Program

JSU CED and SBDC personnel attended the above graduation ceremony in Merrill Hall on November 19, 2008. The JSU CED and SBDC coordinate the logistics of the program and manages the Internship with Industry week for the program. There were 12 graduates of the program.
Decision Sciences Institute

Mr. Pat Shaddix, Director, JSU CED attended a meeting of the Decision Sciences Institute. The meeting was held November 22 – 25, in Baltimore, Maryland.

JSU SBDC and Westinghouse Anniston Workshop

The JSU SBDC and the Westinghouse Anniston Chemical Demil Facility presented an informational workshop, *How to Do Business with Westinghouse*, on Tuesday December 9, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Anniston City Meeting Center. The sixty attendees interested in doing business with Westinghouse received information on bidding and quoting requirements for contracting opportunities.

College of Education & Professional Studies

Dean’s Office

Dr. John Hammett attended the DeKalb County Counselor Principal Luncheon – Rainsville.

Dr. John Hammett was interview for the JSU Today Show.

Dr. John Hammett participated in meeting to investigate the possibility of developing a Professional Development School partnership with Jacksonville City Schools.

Dr. John Hammett attended the state dean’s meet for Colleges and schools for teacher education in Montgomery.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the JSU Foundations Board meeting.

Dr. John Hammett provided opening remarks to the “Chapter 5” counselor’s regional conference.

Dr. John Hammett sponsored the fall meeting for the Superintendents Consortium.

Dr. John Hammett gave the keynote address at the Fall 2008 PDK Awards Ceremony.

Dr. John Hammett attended the Mid-South Education Research Association meeting in Knoxville, TN.

Dr. John Hammett collaborated with Mr. Earl Warren and Mr. Terry Marbut on the solicitation of grant funding from Alabama Power to sponsor training for area teacher dealing with the new engineering curriculum for public schools.
Dr. John Hammett worked with Oxford High School in the implementation of the dual enrollment course: Introduction to Teacher Education.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the Family and Consumer Sciences Fall Leadership Conference.

Dr. John Hammett served as a reviewer for Alabama Power New Teacher Grant Selection.

Dr. John Hammett visited the University of West Georgia to tour their fitness facility and to meet with program directors.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the Calhoun County Counselor Principal Luncheon

**Department Curriculum and Instruction**

Dr. Celia Hilber presented at the Alabama Mississippi Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages Conference in Birmingham, Alabama, September 24-27, 2008.

Mrs. Sandra Sudduth attended the SAEA student conference as the advisor of the JSU Chapter in Huntsville, Alabama, on September 26-27, 2008.

Dr. Melinda Staubs presented at the State Social Studies Conference in Montgomery, Alabama, on October 1, 2008.

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Dr. Dale Campbell presented at the National Science Teachers Association in Charlotte, N.C., on October 29 – November 1, 2008.

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Dr. Teresa Gardner presented at CEC-Teacher Education Division Conference in Dallas, TX, on November 5-7, 2008.

Dr. Melinda Staubs presented at the National Conference of the Social Studies National Convention in Houston, TX, on November 13-16, 2008.

Dr. Larry Beard and Dr. Teresa Gardner attended the Alabama Federation of the Council of Exceptional Children Executive Board meeting at Samford University on November 14, 2008.

Dr. Slenda Haynes presented the SE Regional IRA Conference in Nashville, TN, on December 7-10, 2008.

**Department of Communication**

Dr. Augustine Ihator has a paper accepted for presentation at the American Association of Behavioral Sciences in Las Vegas, Nevada in February of 2009. The title of presentation is Critical Review of PR Practice in English-speaking African Countries.

In November, 2008, Mr. Chris Waddle, our new Ayers chair, attended a conference at Harvard University on finding solutions to the crisis in Journalism. Mr. Waddle was one of the Niemann fellows invited to attend.

Dr. Kingsley O. Harbor, head of the Dept of Communication, presented a paper at the 2008 annual convention of the IntellectBase International Consortium in Atlanta Georgia on October 8, 2008. The paper was on the contradiction between globalization and John Milton’s Market-place-of Ideas.

Dr. Harbor has been invited to serve as a member of the 2009 Oxford Round Table at Oxford University, Oxford, England. He is among a group of scholars from across the world that was invited. In addition, he was also asked to present a paper at the Round Table on the subject of Ethics in the Mass Media.
Ms. Jessica Bloodworth, a summer 2008 Public Relations graduate, used her experience as a DJ for the campus radio station, WLJS-92J, to secure a job with Clear Channel Communications in Chattanooga, Tennessee. She works as the promotions director overseeing public relations for three FM radio stations owned by Clear Channel: Rock 105; 98.1 The Legend; and 103.7, The River.

Mr. Brandon Hollingsworth, another summer 2008 graduate, who served as the news director for the campus radio station WLJS-92-J, and briefly as news editor for the campus newspaper, *The Chanticleer*, secured a job with Alabama Public Radio in Tuscaloosa, immediately upon graduation.

Ms. Jamie Langley, a communication student and the 2007 Miss Alabama, has accepted a position as a news anchor for the CBS affiliate in Montgomery beginning January 2009, after completing her current internship. She will serve as the news anchor for WAKA Channel 8 television—5:00 p.m. news broadcast. Jamie plans to return to JSU to complete her bachelor’s degree in Communication—Broadcasting.

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Department of Educational Resources

Dr. Betty Morris presented at the MSERA Conference in Knoxville.

The title of the presentation was Principal Support of Media Specialists and Teacher Collaboration: A Research Study. Dr. Morris also presented two workshops at the Georgia Information Literacy Conference in Savannah. The title of the presentations were: Pairing Brain Research and Information Literacy Skills for Student Learning and Principals Who Support Information Literacy Collaboration Between Classroom Teachers and Media Specialists.

Dr. Isreal Eady attended the annual Association for the Study of African American Life and History conference in Birmingham at the request of Dr. Rebecca Turner. He also attended the Second Annual State-wide Diversity conference in Tuscaloosa at the request of Dr. Turner.

Drs. Gordon Nelson, Donna Herring and Jimmy Barnes presented at the MSERA Conference in Knoxville. The title of the presentation was How to Create a Faculty Website Using Live Text.
Dr. Melanie Wallace presented at the Southern Association of Counselor Education & Supervision Conference in Houston. She presented research findings on the topic of: *Counselor Supervision: Best & Worst Experiences of Supervisees.*

Dr. Nancy Fox presented at the MSERA Conference in Knoxville. The title of her presentations were: *Adolescent & Childhood Bullies: Cyberspace & Otherwise* and *Portfolio- Don’t Leave School Without It.*

Dr. William Kiser attended the Georgia Professional Standards Commission meeting in Atlanta. He also served on the Quality Assurance Review team for Decatur City Schools.

Drs. Mary Montgomery, William Kiser, Charlotte and Isreal Eady presented at the MSERA Conference in Knoxville. The title of the presentation was: *Taking Advantage of Assets: A Model of Program Improvement for Educational Leadership.*

Drs. Jerry Kiser & Tommy Turner presented at the Alabama Counseling Association conference in Huntsville. The title of the presentation was: *Uniting Spirituality and Sexual Counseling: Multicultural Considerations, Theology, Ethics, Preconditions, Practices and Products.*

Drs. Kathleen Friery, Nancy Fox, Melanie Wallace, Tommy Turner, Donna Herring and Mary Montgomery-Owens presented at the Alabama Counseling Association conference in Huntsville. The title of the presentation was: *Using Foreign Language to Enhance Multicultural Education.* Also, Drs. Kathleen Friery, Nancy Fox and Donna Herring presented: *Portfolio: Don’t Leave Home without It.*

Dr. Nancy Fox received an award for her Alabama School Counseling Association online newsletter.

All members of the counseling program faculty serve in leadership roles in the Alabama Counseling Association.

**Department of Family and Consumer Sciences**

Ms. Paula Napoli presented “Art & Discipline” to the Grace Church Preschool Friends Parent Program on September 15, 2008 and September 29, 2008.

Ms. Kim Townsel attended the Career and Technical Education Teacher Education Fall Meeting held in Montgomery on September 25, 2008.
On Monday, September 29, Kim Townsel presented “FCS Teaching Methods” to the dual enrollment class at Oxford High School. Dr. Debra Goodwin discussed the degrees, programs and concentrations in Family and Consumer Sciences at JSU.

The Family and Consumer Sciences Department submitted eleven applications for Fall 2008 Graduation.

The FCS Department continues to provide kitchen facilities for the Continuing Education cooking classes. Eleven classes are scheduled to be held in Fall 2008.

The Smart Classrooms in East Mason Hall are being used in the evenings by some of the Secondary Education professoors.

The second in a series of Budget Friendly Meals will be held on October 16, 2008 at The Bridge in Anniston. This is a joint effort between JSU Wellness-Anniston and Family and Consumer Sciences faculty and students.

Ms. Robbie Boggs will represent the College of Education and Professional Studies at JSU on October 16, 2008 at the Counselors and Principals Appreciation Luncheon in Montgomery.

Dr. Tim Roberts is now serving on the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate. The online concentration in Child Development is going well. There are currently 30 students enrolled in the program, and many more will be starting the program in the spring. Problems have been minimal and have mainly revolved around students developing familiarity with Blackboard (which was to be expected).

Dr. Tom Phillips has recently had the following publications:


Students enrolled in FCS 454, Administration and Supervision in Child Care Programs, will be visiting the Harris Early Learning Center in Birmingham on October 20. This is a multimillion dollar, state-of-the-art child development center.

Dr. Tom Phillips has taken the Administration and Supervision in Child Care Programs class on two field trips during October. The first was to visit the Kids First Daycare Center to experience a child development center that is exempt from state licensing standards. The second was to tour the Harris Early Learning Center in Birmingham to allow the students to experience a model child development facility.
Dr. Debra Goodwin and Ms. Paula Napoli presented “Positive Approaches in the Prevention of Childhood Obesity” at NSTA in Charlotte, NC. The conference was held October 29-November 1, 2008.


On November 6, 2008, Ms. Robbie Boggs attended a breakfast meeting of the Advisory Board at Bauder College in Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Tim Roberts attended a meeting of the Auburn University Learning Advisory Committee on November 10, 2008.

The Alabama Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Fall Leadership Conference was hosted by the student FCS club at JSU on November 13, 2008. The event was attended by faculty and students from Alabama A & M, Oakwood University and the University of Montevallo. Approximately seventy guests met at the Gamecock Center for a light breakfast, followed by presentations from guest speakers and a meeting of the student section of ALAFCS. The event concluded with lunch and door prizes.

On November 20, 2008, the FCS Department hosted a dedication service in honor of the renaming of the Child Development Center to the Dr. Cynthia H. Harper Child Study Center. The event was attended by current and former faculty and staff, as well as several of Dr. Harper’s family members. Dr. Rebecca Turner served as Mistress of Ceremonies. Dr. William Meehan and Dr. John Hammett also spoke, welcoming the guests and sharing personal insights on the appropriateness of the dedication. Dr. Cynthia Harper accepted the honor with a brief acceptance speech. Following the service, a reception was held in the living room and guests were encouraged to tour the Child Study Center.

Also on November 20th, the monthly Budget Friendly Meal was held at the Bridge. A cost effective and healthy Thanksgiving meal was served to the seventy five people attending. Dr. Goodwin and several student volunteers prepared and served the food as part of a partnership between the FCS Department and JSU Wellness Anniston.

Department of Health, Physical Education & Recreation
The Gamecock Gallop/Youth Run was held Saturday, October 25, 2008. We had a record number of attendees for both events.

The Adult Wellness Exercise Program has expanded to offer a second section of water aerobics for senior adults. The new class meets on MWF from 7-8 a.m.

JSU Campus Wellness has issued a “Walking Challenge” to encourage the formation of walking teams to promote fitness and wellness on campus. Contact Ms. Gina Mabrey, gmabrey@jsu.edu for details.

Dr. Ronnie Harris attended and participated in Fitness-Wellness Forum for Pearson Education in San Francisco, CA October 17-19, 2008.

Dr. Jeff Chandler attended the 6th International Conference on Strength Training October 30-November 2, 2008 in Colorado Springs, CO.

Ms. Gina Mabrey presented at the Kentucky Association for Health, Physical Education, & Recreation in Louisville, KY October 16-18, 2008. Her topic was Yoga for Sport.

Dr. Glenn Roswal conducted seminar on Special Olympics in the University Curriculum in conjunction with the Special Olympics Spain National Games in Castellon, Spain in October.

Dr. Glenn Roswal and his HPE 385 class traveled to Anderson, SC for a course practicum October 23-26, 2008.

JSU HPER students, coordinated by Ms. Gina Mabrey, won the “Most Spirit” award at the tailgate party to benefit the Big Oak Ranch at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL November 10, 2008.

Dr. Melinda Bolgar presented at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 11, 2008. Her topic was Using RPE to Evaluate the Intensity of Exercise.

Dr. Jeff Chandler attended the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 9 and November 11, 2008.

Dr. Jimmy Griffin presented at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 10, 2008. His topic was Active Learning in the College Classroom.

Dr. Kory Hill presented at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 9, 2008. His topic was Competition and Cooperation.

Dr. Kory Hill and JSU Graduate Students presented at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 11, 2008. Their topic was The Fuel-Preparing for Practicum Experiences.
Ms. Gina Mabrey made two presentations at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 10-11, 2008. Her topics were Sport Specific Yoga and Resistance Tubing Workout.

Dr. Glaucio Scremin presented at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 10, 2008. The topic was ASDE Sponsored Teacher Certification in Sport Management: Perceptions of School Administrators.

Student Research Poster on display at the ASAHPERD Conference in Birmingham, AL, November 11, 2008 – What Effect Will an Energy Drink have on Five Kilometer Run Performance? - Lesley Binning, Dr. Jeff Chandler, Dr. Glaucio Scremin.

Dr. Glenn Roswal presented at the Special Olympics University Conference & DEUAPA Program in Nanterre, France, December 1-6, 2008.

Department of Instructional Services

The Teaching/Learning Center has provided tutoring for 109 community children. 109 JSU students provided 1,810 hours of free tutoring

The Learning Resource Center is rearranging to accommodate more holdings.

Four LCD projectors in technology enriched classrooms have been replaced. Two copiers are provided at minimal cost for student use in210 RWH and 102 RWH. These replace two 12 year old copiers.

Department of Secondary Education

The Department of Secondary Education was awarded $233,975 to conduct the Tools for Educators NASA grant workshop series. Dr. Jan Wilson is the principal investigator for the grant. The first four of the ten scheduled workshops were held September 27, October 11, November 22 and December 6, titled “Space Based Astronomy”, “Make It & Take It”, “Engineering Design Challenges”, and “Basics of Rocketry”. There are 25 registered participants.

Dr. Sheila Anne Webb had the "Salmon Run" book chapter published in The River is a Strong Brown God, Iconic Places and Characters in 20th Century American Cultures, September 2008.
Dr. Sheila Anne Webb presented "Complementing Native American Science Intelligence with Scientific Literacy through a University, Community College, Business and Tribal Partnership", at the American Institute Of Higher Education, Atlantic City, NJ, September 25.


Dr. Jan Wilson presented an introduction and overview of secondary education and discussed leadership skills at Oxford High School's ED 101 dual enrollment class on September 22.

Dr. Linda Mitchell presented a combined social science and history activity to the Oxford High School ED 101 dual enrollment class on September 24.

Dr. Jan Wilson presented a session on classroom communication skills to the Oxford High School ED 101 dual enrollment class on September 30.

Mrs. Virginia Cole, representing general science and biology, and Ms. Sharon Padgett, representing mathematics, presented a session to the Oxford High School ED 101 dual enrollment class on October 1.

Dr. Linda Mitchell presented “What do I do with these inclusion students?” at the Social Studies Council of Alabama conference in Montgomery, on October 1.

Dr. Jan Wilson, Ms. Sharon Padgett and Ms. Virginia Cole attended the National Science Foundation grant writing workshop presented at the University of Alabama-Huntsville, on October 9.

Dr. Charlie Notar is serving as a reviewer for the Canadian Center of Science and Education’s printed and webpage journals.

Ms. Sharon Padgett represented the College of Education and Professional Studies for recruitment purposes at the Cullman superintendents and counselors meeting on October 27.

Dr. Jordan Barkley represented the College of Education and Professional Studies for recruitment purposes at the Huntsville superintendents and counselors meeting on October 29.

Dr. Jordan Barkley attended the Alabama Reading Initiative meeting at the University of Montevallo on November 4.
Dr. Charlie Notar attended and presented at the Mid-South Education Research Association annual meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, November 5-7. Topics presented were: “Classroom Management: Positioning and Routines”; “Organizing Instruction to Meet Instructional Goals”; and “Formative Assessment: Precursor of Good Test Results”.

Dr. Sheila Anne Webb presented “Tenure in Higher Education: Property Right or No Rights?” at the Mid-South Education Research Association annual meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 5.

Dr. Jan Wilson presented a poster session entitled “TIMES: Technological Integrations in Mathematical Environments”, at the Mid-South Education Research Association annual meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 5.

Dr. Jan Wilson attended and presented “TIMES: Technological Integrations in Mathematical Environments” at the 55th Annual Southeastern Regional Association of Teacher Educators in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on November 7-9.

Dr. Jordan Barkley attended the Alabama High School Graduation Examination reading remediation workshop at Gadsden City High School on November 13.

Ms. Sharon Padgett represented the College of Education and Professional Studies for recruitment purposes at the Rome, Georgia, counselors meeting on November 13.

Dr. Linda Mitchell presented “Choosing and using resources for students with diverse reading levels” at the National Council for the Social Studies conference in Houston, Texas, on November 15.

Dr. Sheila Anne Webb presented “A Place for Ethics and Intellect in Technological Curricula” at the European American University Forum and AAUA in Liverpool, England, November 17-20.


Dr. Charlie Notar, Dr. Jan Wilson, Dr. Jordan Barkley, and Dr. Carol Uline published “Pre-service Teacher Training in Computer Technology Integration for Classroom Instruction”, in the National Social Science Journal, Vol. 29, No. 2, 2008.
Department of the Teacher Service Center

Placed 155 student teachers in 5 Alabama Counties

Developed a Professional Development School relationship with Jacksonville City Schools.

Trained 155 students in the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI).

Department of Technology & Engineering

Dr. Noureddine Bekhouche presented at the NAIT (National Association of Industrial Technology) Annual Conference and Exposition in Nashville, TN on November 18-22, 2008. The title of the presentation was "Meeting the Need for Software Simulation Packages.

Dr. Jess Godbey presented at the NAIT (National Association of Industrial Technology) Annual Conference and Exposition in Nashville, TN on November 18-22, 2008. The title of the presentation was “Incorporating Health and Safety into a Senior Capstone Course: Critical Exposure for Future Industrial Leaders.”

Mr. Terry Marbut presented at the IAJC -IAJM International Conference (Joint International Conference on Engineering and Technology) in Nashville, TN on November 18-22, 2008. The title of the presentation was “Teaching Circuits to Multiple Disciplines: Hardware, Software, Both?”

The Department of Technology & Engineering has completed the fifth session of leadership training for the Anniston Army Depot. The next session will begin in the Spring 2009 semester.

Department of TV Services

Produced the fifth “Inside Gamecock Athletics” show of the season featuring JSU vs. Chattanooga.

Produced the commercial “Gamecock Huddle”. This spot promoted Coach Crowe’s radio call in show. The spot aired on TV24.

Produced the sixth “Inside Gamecock Athletics” show of the season featuring JSU vs. Eastern Illinois.
Taped an interview with Christopher Westley for “JSU Today”. Mr. Westley is a professor in the Finance, Economics and Accounting Department. He talked about the economy.

Interviewed baseball stand out Mr. Ben Tootle for our sports segment of “JSU Today”.

Produced the JSU vs. Southeast Missouri football broadcast. TV Services worked a 12 hour day.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” seventh show of the season featuring JSU vs. Southeast Missouri.

Produced a video for the JSU Foundation. This video featured seven students who received academic scholarships from Foundation funds. The video premiered at a stewardship luncheon on Thursday, October 23, 2008. Twenty DVD’s were made as well as two looping masters and an archival master.

Interviewed the new Dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies, John Hammett. This interview was done for “JSU Today”.

Interviewed Dr. Rebecca Turner, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs. Dr. Turner discussed JSU’s new record enrollment. This interview was done for “JSU Today”.

Interviewed Dr. Patricia Corbin of the Music Department concerning the upcoming concert on November 16, “Handel’s Messiah”. This interview was done for “JSU Today”.

Interviewed Mr. Earl Warren, Director of the Office of Institutional Development, concerning the Capital Campaign. This interview was done for “JSU Today”.

Interviewed Men’s Head Basketball Coach James Green who discussed practice sessions and the upcoming season. This was done for “JSU Today”.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” eight show of the season featuring JSU vs. Eastern Kentucky.

Interviewed Women’s Head Basketball Coach Becky Geyer who discussed practice sessions and the upcoming season. This was done for “JSU Today”.

J-Day activities were taped for inclusion in the “JSU Today” program.

Produced the JSU vs. Murray State football broadcast including all halftime activities. TV Services worked a 12 hour day.
Taped the homecoming parade. The homecoming parade will be shown on “JSU Today” as well as other recruitment videos.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” ninth show of the season featuring JSU vs. Murray State.

Taped Ms. Melissa McDowell teaching Mrs. Jackson’s first grade class at Kitty Stone Elementary. This taping was requested by Dale Campbell of Curriculum and Instruction and Co-Chair of the Standard 2 Committee. This taping was being done for NCATE evaluation purposes. Three DVD’s were made.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” tenth show of the season featuring JSU vs. UT-Martin.

Interviewed Mr. Opal Lovett for the history segment of “JSU Today”.

Videotaped interview with Rifle team coach Ron Frost and shot b-roll. This will be used in the sports segment of “JSU Today”.

Produced the JSU vs. Austin Peay football broadcast including halftime activities. TV Services worked a 12 hour day.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” eleventh show of the season featuring JSU vs. Austin Peay.

Taped Baseball Coach Jim Case interview for the sports segment of “JSU Today”.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” twelfth show of the season featuring JSU vs. Tennessee Tech.

Produced the JSU vs. Tennessee State football broadcast including halftime activities. TV Services worked a 12 hour day.

Taped the JSU A Cappella Choir, Calhoun County Civic Chorales’ presentation of Handel’s Messiah at The Church of St. Michael and All Angels in Anniston. This concert taping was requested by Dr. Corbin of the Music Department.

Taped an interview with Head Golf Coach James Hobbs. This interview was done for the sports segment of “JSU Today”.

Taped an interview with Dr. Lawson Veasey of the Political Science and Public Administration Department. The interview was a follow up on the election results. The interview will be seen on “JSU Today”.

Taped Ms. Kelli Lloyd teaching a ninth grade class at Jacksonville High School. This taping was requested by Dr. Dale Campbell of Curriculum and Instruction and Co-Chair
of the Standard 2 Committee. This taping was being done for NCATE evaluation purposes. Three DVD’s were made.

Dr. Rebecca O. Turner approved three new JSU commercials, “Why Attend JSU #1-#3”.

Videotaped the dedication ceremony for The Dr. Cynthia H. Harper Child Study Center.

Shot baseball drills for Assistant Baseball Coach Steve Gillispie. This video will be edited and then later shown at a NCAA baseball conference in January.

Videotaped “JSU in Lights” activities. B-roll from this event will be used during the news segment of “JSU Today”.

Taped a Christmas greetings from JSU commercial with the Meehans. This spot will run on local cable as well as TV24.

Taped an interview with Dr. Richard Kania, Department Head of Criminal Justice, concerning his self, crime, and his new text book that he authored. The interview will be seen on “JSU Today”.

Taped demolition work being done to make way for the housing/stadium expansion.

A new commercial for the Music Department, featuring Dr. Patricia Corbin, is approved.

Interviewed Hardy Jackson, Eminent Scholar in History, for our Person of the Week segment on “JSU Today”.

Interviewed Nathan Wight, Faculty member in the Music Department, for our Person of the Week segment on “JSU Today”.

Keith Thomas met with prospective Communication student Mr. BJ Cunningham and his father, JSU Alumni and Business Faculty person Mr. Brent Cunningham, and answered questions concerning the Communication Department and TV Services. He also conducted a tour of the facilities. BJ is interested in attending JSU starting in Fall 2009.

Taped numerous sound bites from College of Education and Professional Studies majors who had completed their course work including their internships. These clips will be edited and shown on the College’s website and possibly on YouTube.

Produced and broadcast the 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Fall Graduation Exercises live on TV24 and live over the Internet. The ceremonies were also rebroadcast at later dates and times. DVD copies of the ceremony are being sold through the Campus Bookstore.
JSU Wellness-Anniston held the first graduation for the Budget Friendly meals class.

Wellness-Anniston Director, Mr. Fred Smith was the guest speaker at the National Association of Social Workers December meeting. There where CEU’S given to all in attendance.

Wellness-Anniston Walkers club members turned in their miles for the second quarter.

Wellness-Anniston latest initiative is the implementation of the S.E.W. program. S.E.W. stands for the social unity, emotional stability, and wellness education.

Met with, work study student workers and office staff to discuss future programming for JSU Wellness-Anniston.

Prepared a program report about the first semester activities of JSU Wellness-Anniston program, the report was submitted to Dr. John Hammett Dean, College of Education and Professional Studies.

Attended the research and service committee meeting held at Wallace Hall.

Updated the website for JSU Wellness-Anniston

Met with, a representative from the National Social Work Association and Calhoun County Health Department.

JSU Wellness-Anniston held a community screening for Cable one staff.

Interviewed with WDNG to promote upcoming Health Fair

Interviewed with East Alabama Today to talk about the upcoming Health Fair

Attended Education Foundation meeting held in Anniston Alabama

Presented JSU Wellness-Anniston at Academe held at JSU

Attended Human Resource training in the basement of the library at JSU

Coordinated outreach opportunities for JSU Wellness-Anniston

Updated JSU Wellness-Anniston web site

Hosted second screening event at the bridge in partnership with the JSU Nursing Department

Hosted the first annual Calhoun County Community Health Fair
Spoke to some of our wellness walker’s team captains to schedule a meeting about the possibility of wellness walkers walking at the upcoming health fair.

Set up outreach opportunities for the JSU Nursing department and the family and consumer science department.

Office of Distance Education

Faculty/Staff Accomplishments:

Dr. Frank King, Associate Vice President for Distance Education, and Dr. Sherri Restauri, Director of Distance Education, authored a paper entitled, “Building Online Communities: Recruitment & Retention Of Male Minorities in Distance Education”, which Dr. Restauri presented at the 2008 Mid-South Educational Research Association conference in November 2008 in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Dr. Sherri Restauri co-authored an article with Dr. Charles Notar and Dr. Donna Herring, titled, “A web-based teaching aid for presenting the concepts of norm referenced and criterion referenced testing”. The article was published in the Fall 2008 edition of the journal, Education.

Ms. Carey Smouse, Research Assistant for the Office of Distance Education, attended one day training from the National Science Foundation on grant preparation at the University of Alabama in Huntsville on October 9, 2008.

Organizational items

The Office of Distance Education acquired three new Vista computers through the Computer Replacement Fund sponsored by the Division of Information Technology. These computers have been successfully installed into DE’s Instructional Technology and Design Lab, for use by faculty and staff in training and course design. Redesign of the ITDL was also undertaken to configure the space for accommodation of the new computers.

Online Programs

Seventeen complete online programs and certificates are currently offered through Jacksonville State University’s Distance Education program. These programs are advertised through the use of the http://myjsuonline.com website. The Bachelor of
Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences with a concentration in Child Development was the most recently added program, beginning in Fall 2008.

The following online degree programs are now offered:

**Arts and Sciences**

BS in Emergency Management with a minor in Homeland Security

BS in Emergency Management with a minor in Public Safety Telecommunications

Graduate Certificate in Emergency Management

MPA in Emergency Management

MS in Emergency Management

Graduate Certificate in Spatial Analysis and Management

MPA in Spatial Analysis and Management

MS in Computer Systems and Software Design

MPA in Athletic Administration

**Commerce and Business Administration**

Master of Business Administration

**Education and Professional Studies**

BS in Family & Consumer Sciences with a concentration in Child Development

MSEd in Physical Education

MS in Manufacturing Systems Technology

**Nursing and Health Sciences**

Graduate Certificate in Nursing Education

MSN in Nursing (in Community Health Nursing)

RN to BSN (STEP Program)

RN/BSN/MSN in Nursing (STEP Program)

New Initiatives
Work with the newly acquired Office of Distance Education educational island space in the virtual world of Second Life® (SL™) has progressed dramatically. The island, called JSU SLOnline Campus, now boasts recreations of Bibb Graves Hall, Houston Cole Library, Merrill Building, and a mock-up of the Paul Snow Stadium, along with an interactive virtual classroom. Collaboration with the Division of Information Technology allowed clearance for the roll out of this tool on-campus, and write-ups on this cutting edge educational tool occurred through the JSU NewsWire, the Jacksonville News, and in the Office of Distance Education's biannual newsletter, Eminus. Dr. Sherri Restauri also gave a brief presentation to the Faculty Senate in December 2008 to demonstrate this new tool to the faculty at JSU.

This tool will be used for advertising, marketing, and recruiting; synchronous and delayed virtual presentations via in-world educational technologies such as slideshows, video and audio streaming, podcasts, and demonstrations; and virtual simulations involving immersive learning experiences, among many other activities. Most recently, JSU was one of 37 well-known universities participating in a Second Life virtual world college fair in November 2008. The Office of Distance Education has developed a reference website to assist faculty, staff, and students in utilizing this tool, available at: http://www.jsu.edu/distance/knowledge_base/de_kb_0086.html

An additional 250GB on the Bb production server was authorized in November 2008, which will accommodate the overages from the substantial growth in use of the Bb system that have been faced throughout the past year and beyond. Work on removal of courses older than the 2-year cycle continued, with removal of the Summer 2006 Bb courses, allowing DE to manage the new level of virtual storage successfully.

During the Fall of 2008, the Office of Distance Education established a relationship with Kitty Stone Elementary, with plans to establish a portable videoconferencing unit into the school system to allow for pre-service teacher observations and interactions. This relationship, spurred by Dean Hammett from the College of Education and Professional Studies, provides an excellent demonstration of the many possibilities of use of the IVC system outside of the normal scope of academic credit coursework.

Along those lines, the IVC system was utilized throughout the Fall 2008 term to capture video for translation into podcast form, to be placed on JSU’s iTunes U server. The growing number of faculty seeking audio and video podcasts has begun to be matched during this Fall Term by the number of non-faculty, with interest from the SGA, television services, and many other areas across campus.

Webinar:
In October 2008, the Office of Distance Education sponsored a webinar by Seven Revolutions, titled “Scanning the World Out to 2025”, which explored the major trends that will shape our planet between now and 2025.

Advertising:

In October 2008, the 3rd Annual DE Educational Technology Showcase was held. This Showcase was redesigned to allow a longer period of time for each presenter. This Showcase featured DE faculty members presenting for approximately 25 minutes on topics pertinent to the field and to their peers in DE today. Presenters included Ms. Amanda Bonds of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Ms. Jennifer Foster of the Department of English, Dr. Andy Ciganek of the Department of Mathematical Computing and Informational Sciences, and Dr. Pat Borstorff of the Department of Management, Marketing, and Information Management. Their presentations addressed the following topics:

- Computerized examinations and the use of the Respondus LockDown Browser
- Use of YouTube in an online Oral Communication course
- Podcasting via iTunes U and the use of Camtasia software to create course content
- Online learning and the advantages of teacher preparation and frequent student-teacher interaction

An article including Distance Education was published in the Gem of the Hills for the Fall 2008 semester; as well, the Fall 2008 edition of the Office of Distance Education Newsletter, Eminus, was also completed.

Twenty-three new online courses were approved through the Alabama coordinator of the Southern Regional Electronic Campus for the Spring 2009 term, and these courses were then included in the SREC online database. Continued advertising of the MyJSU Online Distance Education initiative in areas such as the SREC is one free method through which the university can continue to ensure knowledge of these programs to students outside of the local area, thereby growing the DE program and overall student enrollment at JSU.

The MyJSU Online domain (http://myjsuonline.com) continued to receive student interest via internet hits during the last quarter of the year. The graph below indicates the unique visitors to the MyJSU Online website, along with the number of “hits” to the site from this calendar year. Student interest in programs indicates increased website usage of MyJSUOnline during advertising promotion times, such as prior to summer term enrollment, as indicated below.
Enrollment:

The number of distance education programs and courses continued to grow, aiding the University in reaching the highest enrollments in JSU history during the Fall 2008 semester. DE showed a 12% increase between Fall 2007 and Fall 2008 enrollments. Data from Fall 2008 for course sections and enrollments in DE classes is included in the tables below.

Fall 2008 Distance Education Course and Enrollment Data

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*Data provided by the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment.

Source: BANINST1_AS_STUDENT_REGISTRATION_DETAIL and BANINST1_AS_CATALOG_SCHEDULE from 09/04/2008

**Data provided by the Office of Distance Education.

Source: Blackboard Interface – 09/09/2008;
Houston Cole Library

Publications:


Presentations:

Mr. John-Bauer Graham presented “Mentoring for Success”. Kentucky/Southeastern Library Association Joint Conference. Louisville, KY (October 2, 2008).


Ms. Laurie Charnigo. Conducted training for 150 11th and 12th grade students from Weaver High School on the Alabama Virtual Library (December 4, 2008).

Mr. Harry Nuttall. Conducted training for 33 students from Spring Garden High School on the Alabama Virtual Library (November 18, 2008).

Grants:

Ms. Bethany Latham - University Travel Grant, $750.00
During the three month period, October 1 through December 31, 2008 the Office of Continuing Education conducted 75 classes. Service was provided to 565 students which generated 6,213 contact instructional hours.

Jacksonville State University’s Office of Continuing Education hosted the second annual Community Development Institute (CDI) in October. The CDI is committed to the non-exclusive training of individuals in the fields of community and economic development. The 38 participants came from a wide range of occupations and interests, from elected officials to volunteers at non-profit organizations.

UPACE, the University Partnership for Alabama Continuing Education, continues to offer certificate programs for the Association of County Administrators, Association of County Engineers, County Revenue Officers Association of Alabama, E911 Administrators and the Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police. Participating in the program at this time are 255 County Administrators, 136 County Engineers, 137 Revenue Officers, 135 E911 Administrators and 892 Police Chiefs.

In October, the UPACE Partnership held “Legislative and Governmental Relations” in Montgomery with 14 attending. “Communication and Media Relations” was held in Montgomery with 16 attendees, including county administrators, county engineers and 911 district directors. In December, “Personnel Management, Policies and Procedures” was conducted for the same groups in Birmingham with 30 attending.

Police Chiefs (33) from throughout the State of Alabama received training in “Effective Recruitment and Retention Techniques” in Dothan. These courses are credited toward the Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police Certified Law Enforcement Executive Certification Program.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company requested training for 18 employees on the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator and Understanding Team Dynamics. This training was conducted by Belinda Blackburn, Director of Continuing Education, and Jennifer Swafford, Assistant Director. Both are MBTI practitioners.

Belinda Blackburn and Earl Warren, Director of Institutional Development, visited Kennesaw State University’s Continuing Education Department and met with Dean Barbara Calhoun to discuss successful programs and potential grant opportunities.
Wellborn Cabinet had 13 employees to complete 76 hours of training and earn their JSU Certificate in Basic Supervisory Principles. This is the fifth year that Wellborn Cabinet has contracted with the Office of Continuing Education for customized training.

The second annual Coping With Aging Seminar was held at JSU McClellan on October 24 with 69 in attendance. Topics included Social Security; Medicare Part D; Identity Theft; Wills, Estates, Probate and Guardianship; Nutrition; Long Term Care, Home Health Care, and Assisted Living; and Arthritis.

Online noncredit courses continue to be popular. Twenty-one students completed various online courses including real estate, administrative medical specialist, computing, fitness, medical billing and coding, and medical terminology.

Sixty-five students attended courses within the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, and Front Page), Website Made Easy, and QuickBooks.

**AMSTI**

The Alabama Math, Science, and Technology Initiative at Jacksonville State University is currently serving approximately 500 science teachers and approximately 575 math teachers in our 7 county in-service region. Since August 2008, approximately 1,100 kits have been distributed to math and science teachers. The K – 8 science teachers received 340 science kits. Today we are serving over 800 math and science teachers. The first round of kindergarten through fifth grade kits were returned to the AMSTI site the second week of October. In December, kindergarten through eighth grade science kits were returned to our site to be restocked. Each rotation period in one – two weeks, our staff restocks over 300 kits and sends them out to different teachers to use for another 8 weeks. School systems will pick up their kits for rotation three January 12-15, 2008.

An AMSTI Session was held on November 13, 2008 at the JSU In-Service Center on McClellan. Twenty – four schools attended in order to learn more about AMSTI and to receive an AMSTI School Application for 2009. New AMSTI Schools will be chosen in February.

The AMSTI Summer Institute 2009 will be held July 6-17, 2009.

**In-Service Education Center**

The In-Service Education Center provided 75 training sessions for 990 participants during the period October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.
A series of sessions were provided in Etowah County and Calhoun County to provide training for every fourth grade teacher of reading in the JSU region. The sessions were designed to improve the teaching of Reading Comprehension for the fourth grade student.

A new series of workshops began in October and will continue through March, 2009 to assist teachers in the process of National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification. The initial meeting had 21 teachers who planned to go through the application process.

Monthly meetings were held in October and November, 2008 at JSU, McClellan for the School Improvement Specialist from the 15 school systems served by the JSU In-Service Center. Alabama Department of Education Staff conducted the continuous training for these Specialist and selected staff.

Eighteen on-site Technology sessions were conducted by the Technology in Motion Project for schools within the JSU In-Service Region during October and November, 2008.

On November 14, 2008, Alabama Science in Motion Chemistry offered training for Chemistry teachers who were unable to attend sessions during the summer training. This session trained in several labs that would certify teachers to immediately take advantage of the Chemistry equipment and labs.

The In-Service Education Center co-sponsored with the JSU Writing Project, “Teaching with Technology” on October 17, 2008 at JSU, McClellan. This session presented the latest technologies in learning academics and research applications for the Writing Project participants who were in attendance.

Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Dr. Shawn Wilson completed her Doctorate of Health Science degree at Nova Southeastern University in September 2008 and has been promoted to Assistant Professor.

Dr. Phyllis Waits participated at the SAACN and ACAPNEP Deans/Directors meetings in Montgomery, AL on October 2-3, 2008.

Career Day was held on October 27, 2008 in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Recruiters from approximately 28 health care agencies across the state and in northwest Georgia participated.
Ms. Betsy Gulledge wrote a chapter in the new psych text Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing: Evidence-Based Concepts, Skills, and Practices. This text is published by Wolters Kluwer/Lippincott Williams Wilkins.

Ms. Honey Holman, Dr. Shawn Wilson, Ms. Janel Crawford, and Ms. Laura Walker along with nursing student, Ms. Allison Cochran participated in the Wellness Fair sponsored by the JSU Wellness Center on November 15, 2008. Ms. Cindy Tubbs assisted in facilitation of reusable supply needs through the Nursing Arts Lab. Of the 200 overall participants greater than 70 individuals received blood pressure/blood sugar screenings.

Ms. Christie Shelton has been awarded an $11,150 grant for her dissertation “Predictors in Self-Reported Health Status in Exposed Individuals”. This grant provides funding for dissemination of her dissertation results.

Honors Ceremony for December graduates was held at the College of Nursing and Health Sciences on November 20, 2008. Sigma Theta Tau inductees, scholarship recipients, and special award recipients were announced.

Dr. Debbie Curry and Ms. Becky Bertalan presented to the Alabama Board of Nursing on November 20, 2008 a presentation on IV-push medication in response to survey of Alabama Schools of Nursing.

Dr. Phyllis Waits participated on a panel discussion at the Department of Post-Secondary on December 3, 2008. Participants included nurse educators from across Alabama and a representative from the Alabama Board of Nursing. Topics discussed were student retention and clinical scheduling software.

Ms. Betsy Gulledge has successfully completed both her written and oral comprehensive exams and been admitted to PhD candidacy at UAB.

Dr. Kay Williams-Prickett attended the ATI Educator Enrichment Conference in New Orleans, LA on December 4-5, 2008.

Student Enrollment. Enrollment in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences continues to be robust. JSU’s official census date is January 16; new admission and enrollment data will be reported after that date.

December 2008 Graduates. There were 104 graduates in nursing in December 2008. Of the 104 graduates, 43 were generic (traditional) students, 45 were RN to BSN (STEP) students, and 16 MSN students. These statistics reflect the largest total number of graduates in one semester and the largest number of STEP and MSN graduates in one semester.
Division of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Career Services

Ms. Rebecca Turner presented to CBA 100 classes, Resident Assistants, Accounting Students, SGA Executives, Pleasant Valley and Piedmont High School Seniors on Career Services, Business Etiquette Training, resume training. An information session was held at the Technology Department regarding the co-op program and employment opportunities.

Career Services hosted 36 companies at the Fall Career Fair held on October 8, 2008.

Walter Industries and ACIPCO conducted interviews on campus. Job offers were extended to five students. On-campus informational sessions were given by Walter Industries and Semester at Sea. Off-campus interviews were held at Consolidated Capital Management and offers have not been made at this time.

The Anniston Army Depot reviewed numerous applications for 25 co-op positions to be filled in Spring 2009.

The Admissions Office

Approximately 225 juniors from 75 high schools got a taste of college life courtesy of Jacksonville State University’s Emerging Leaders Day on November 6, 2008.

The event, in its ninth year at JSU, is an opportunity for the students to participate in leadership seminars, meet student leaders from other high schools as well as meet with JSU student leaders. High school counselors were asked to identify three juniors in their school who hold leadership roles and are interested in further developing leadership skills to attend the event.

At the end of the day, several students received door prizes as souvenirs of their day at JSU. Quila Jelks, a junior from Wellborn High School, walked away with the grand prize: a leadership scholarship worth one year’s tuition at JSU.

University Police
The number of cases sent forth for judicial hearings in the last year have more than doubled for student code of conduct violations. This is due to a more aggressive stance on part of the UPD. UPD is also sending violations forward for code of conduct violation committed off campus which contributes to the higher number of judicial hearings. The total numbers of reportable crimes at JSU are lower than in the past three years. This strategy in working closer with the department of University Housing, Student Activities and the Judicial Coordinator appears to be affective in using the static’s on reported crime for verification. The strategy of the UPD is to identify those who commit code of conduct violations and crimes, then send them for corrective actions both with the court system and with Departments within the University who have assets to influence behavior changes.

01/01/2006 to 12/19/2006 – 540 reports filed – 280 reportable offences
01/01/2007 to 12/19/2007 – 503 reports filed – 267 reportable offences
01/01/2008 to 12/19/2008 – 548 reports filed – 252 reportable offences

Officer Hill attended a 32 hour Incident Response to Terrorist Bombing course at New Mexico Tech December 8, thru December 11, 2008. The training and travel was paid for thru government funding. JSU expense was duty hours for her to attend.

Department of University Housing and Residence Life

Staff Report:

Mr. Naulbert Nolan, Residence Life Coordinator for Crow and Dixon Hall, is currently working on a recycling program in several of the residence halls.

Ms. Elpida Elia, Residence Life Coordinator for Sparkman and Daugette Halls, hired two Resident Assistants for Sparkman Hall. Currently, Ms. Elpida Elia is working on completing lobby, lounge, and computer lab projects for Sparkman and Daugette halls.

Mr. Wesley Todd, Residence Life Coordinator for Logan and Patterson Halls, currently has contractors upgrading the fire alarm system in Logan and Patterson Halls.

Ms. Shavonn Nowlin, Residence Life Coordinator for Fitzpatrick and Curtiss Halls, hired Stacey Allen as her Assistant Residence Life Coordinator.

Desk Assistant Recruitment and Training:

In an effort to maintain retention and effectively train our Desk Assistant student staff, the Department of University Housing and Residence Life is implementing a Blackboard
Training Module. The training module will be made available for the spring 2009 semester.

Resident Assistant Training and Recruitment:

Ms. Andrea Pruitt, Residence Life Coordinator for the Apartment Area, has concluded RA recruitment for the spring semester. Six new Resident Assistants were hired.

Residence Hall Association (RHA):

RHA completed a can food drive for the Holidays. Mr. Wesley Todd, Residence Life Coordinator for Logan and Patterson Halls, is currently working on ALURH registration for the spring semester. RHA is currently working on the new design for the upcoming RHA t-shirt.

Assistant Residence Life Coordinator Recruitment and Training:

Ms. Shavonn Nowlin is currently working on Assistant Residence Life Coordinator (ARLC) Training for the 2009-2010 academic-year.

Staff Recognition:

Ms. Elpida Elia continues to coordinate the acknowledgement of Birthday cards for the Resident Assistants. University Housing and Residence Life Student Employee of the Month is also recognized with a certificate each month.

Facilities Report:

Jax Apartments 102, 113, 115, and 201 are being renovated. These are the last four remaining units to be renovated at Jax Apartments.

The Colonial Arms Apartments located on Mountain Street were purchased by JSU for student housing. The facility consist of 24 units 16 (two bedrooms) and 8 (one bedroom) on 1.2 acres of land.

All University owned houses located on Mountain Street and Cole Drive were vacated and demolished for the new Stadium Housing project.

The fire alarm systems throughout the residence halls are being upgraded.

The following maintenance projects are being considered:

Fitzpatrick Hall: Mechanical Piping Replacement $910,000 (estimate)

Sparkman Hall: Exterior Improvement/Painting $525,728 (bid closed)

Colonial Arms Apartments: Renovate/Upgrade $300,000 (estimate)
Pannell Hall: Roof Replacement $400,000 (estimate)

Dixon Hall: Chiller Replacement ($50k-Housing) $128,000 (bid closed)

CCTV: $378,561.07 (bid closed)

Access Control: $248,801 (bid closed)

Programming:

Resident Assistants have been providing numerous programming opportunities for residents during the month of December. Approximately 26 RAs presented 8 programs on Christmas decorations for doors and lobbies, recycling, sex education, stress relief, Christmas around the world, and study breaks. In November, approximately 33 RAs presented 24 programs on topics such as voter transportation, bipolar disorder, self-esteem, suicide prevention, depression, money management, diabetes awareness, empowerment for young men, canned food drives and good cleaning habits. In October, approximately 30 RAs presented 16 programs on topics such as date rape, safe sex, alcohol awareness, domestic violence, face painting, election discussions, study skills, breast cancer awareness and Halloween themed events.

The Leadership House retreat was held on November 8 at the Alabama 4-H Center in Columbiana.

Alabama Association of Housing Officers will host the Southeastern Association of Housing Officers Conference February 23-27, 2009 in Birmingham, Alabama. Jacksonville State University and Auburn University Montgomery are working together serving on the host committee.

Occupancy Report:

Spring 2009

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**Student Health Center**

Mr. Robert Mills was the presenter to Ms. Paula Buchanan’s LS110 Orientation Class on the services of the Student Health Center at Merrill Hall.

Ms. Ester Morrison, Temporary Project Assistant (LPN) is filling in for Ms. Nancy Edge-Schmitz while she is out on medical leave.

The Student Health Center distributed pink lapel pins and pink butter mints to patients during the month of October in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness.

The Student Health Center provided Breast Cancer Awareness item to Ms. Letika Billingsley of Fitzpatrick Hall for Passive Program.

The Student Health Center provided educational materials to Ms. Keshia Smith, Ms. Meshia Smith and Ms. Christi Robinson for Ethics in Nursing Contraceptive Report.

The Student Health Center provided “Contraception: Choosing a Method” and “Sexually Transmitted Infection: What Everyone Should Know” pamphlets to Dr. Tommy Phillips to distribute to his Family Life Education Class - FCS355.

The Student Health Center provided Breast Cancer Awareness items to Dr. Charlotte King-Eady, Ed.D, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc (Beta Omega Chapter of Griffin, Georgia). There were approximately 1,000 individuals in attendance to concert and infomercial.

The Student Health Center provided promotional items for Red Ribbon Week to Kitty Stone Elementary School located in Jacksonville, Alabama, and Eura Brown Middle School located in Gadsden, Alabama.

The Student Health Center provided pamphlets and video on sexually transmitted diseases to Ms. Kaycie Phillips for presentation to Resident Assistants.

The Student Health Center distributed “Diabetes in Alabama” and “Alabama Diabetes Resource Directory” to patients in recognition of American Diabetes Month.

The Student Health Center provided the use of wheelchair to Mr. Earl Warren of Institutional Development for the JSU football game on November 15, 2008.
The Student Health Center distributed “The Cold Hard Facts about Dip” and “The Decision is Yours” pamphlets to patients in recognition of Great American Smoke Out.

The total number of client visits this quarter was 1,227. This includes 993 student visits and 234 faculty/staff visits. The primary care physicians and the gynecologist provided services at the Student Health Center 16 hours per week during the months of October – December 2008.

Student Life

Freshman Forum

The JSU Freshman Forum had a very successful fall 2008 semester. The forum completed a total of eleven weekly meetings. Three of the Freshman Forum Members were named JSU Freshman Forum “Elite One” of the month for the fall semester. To receive the “Elite One of the Month” member must have superior attendance and participation in meetings and outside community service activities. Those members that received this honor were:

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During the last part of the semester, forum members visited the local Jacksonville Nursing Home and gave out goodie bags to the elderly. In late September, the JSU Freshman Forum completed an on campus leadership retreat to enhance and build leadership within them and organization. Freshman Forum concluded their fall semester by attending JSU in Lights at the President's home, then finished the evening with fun and fellowship at their Holiday party.

Fraternity and Sorority Life

All Executive members of the Interfraternity Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and the Panhellenic Council attended a planning retreat on October 25 – 26, 2008. The Councils outlined goals for the entire community and their respective councils. Collaboration among councils was discussed and initiated.
On November 1, 2008, Fraternity and Sorority Life along with Student Government Association and Freshmen Forum held a tailgate for prospective students during the Fall Preview Day. Over 500 prospective students were able to interact and learn more about JSU from members of these organizations. Each organization provided a variety of giveaways which was given to the prospective students who attended.

Sixteen (16) out of twenty (20) chapters exceeded the All Undergraduate Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) of 2.55 during Fall 2008. Those chapters are Sigma Nu - 3.21; Alpha Kappa Alpha – 3.09; Alpha Omicron Pi – 3.00; Phi Mu – 2.99; Sigma Gamma Rho – 2.98; Alpha Phi Alpha – 2.97; Zeta Tau Alpha – 2.92; Delta Sigma Theta – 2.87; Zeta Phi Beta – 2.85; Kappa Alpha Psi – 2.83; Delta Chi – 2.68; Alpha Xi Delta – 2.67; Pi Kappa Phi – 2.67; Sigma Phi Epsilon – 2.67; Kappa Alpha Order – 2.64; and Delta Zeta – 2.63.

The largest accomplishment came from our NPHC fraternities and sororities, in which the overall NPHC G.P.A. increased by 0.26 this term alone.

Student Government Association/Multicultural Programming

September 24, 2008, SGA and International Student Organization co-sponsored a Latin Dance Party

October 1, 2008, SGA sponsored the Homecoming Pageant

October 2-5, 2008, Student Activities Committee Heads attended the National Association of Campus Activities Conference in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The following students were in attendance: Jacolby Parks, Terrence Heights, Mar’Sheala Brownlee, Jessica Younce and Jason Beasom.

October 9 and October 16, 2008 Homecoming Elections

October 18, 2008, Homecoming/Family Day

November 13, 2008, Native American Cultural Display

December 1, 2008, JSU in Lights at President’s Home

December 18, 2008, SGA Mid-Year Retreat (Houston Cole Library)

Disability Support Services (DSS)
Mrs. Jennifer Yocum and Mrs. Cindy Camp attended the regional “Celebrate the Future/Touch the Future/Transition and SERID (Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness) Conference and Expo 2008” held on October 22-25, 2008 in Atlanta, Georgia. On Friday October 24th, Mrs. Cindy Camp presented “Six Habits of Highly Successful Support Service Coordinators: Motivating Faculty” with co-presenter Mrs. Jennifer Yocum. The goal of this presentation was to provide Support Service Coordinators and Providers with tips to motivate faculty to enjoy working with deaf and hard of hearing students. Strategies were provided for informing, educating, networking, and involving faculty in the accommodations process. On Saturday October 25th, Mrs. Cindy Camp co-presented with Mr. Mark Camp of Distance Education on a presentation entitled “Talking Techie: Establishing Collaborative Efforts Between Disability Services and IT”.

On November 12th Mrs. Jennifer Yocum and Mrs. Cindy Camp provided C-Print captioning services for the Georgia/Florida PEPNet-SOUTH (Postsecondary Education Programs Network) “Georgia’s Statewide Transition Conference for Student Teachers and Other Professionals and Parents” Deaf Extreme Transition conference hosted by Georgia Highlands College, Georgia Perimeter College, University of Georgia and Valdosta State University held at Georgia Perimeter College in Clarkston, GA. This event is a free collaborative, statewide workshop for students in Georgia who are deaf or hard of hearing (ages 13-21 or 8th-12th grade), parents, teachers and other professionals.

Mrs. Cindy Camp attended the national LFD (Low Functioning Deaf) “Addressing the Needs of Students Labeled Deaf & Low Functioning, At-Risk or Deafblind” Region 4 Educated Solutions conference held in Houston, Texas from November 20 to 23. Mrs. Cindy Camp acted as PEPNet’s CEU coordinator.

For the Fall 2008 semester, Mrs. Katy Goodgame taught LS 104 Academic Success Skills exclusively for JSU/DSS freshman students (3 hr credit course) held in DSS.

Periodically throughout the Fall 2008 semester, Mrs. Katy Goodgame presented a program about JSU’s DSS program and services to CBA 100 class as the instructor requested.

International House
As the second semester of the 2008-2009 academic year begins, the students of the International House continue to pursue an active academic and community service agenda. Some recent highlights have included:

--Sponsorship of the Jacksonville Boys and Girls Club. International House students put on a pizza party and accompanied the students to the JSU—Reinhardt basketball game on December 13, 2008. Cooperation with the local club is an ongoing project of the International House Students.

--Ajibola Dawodu of Nigeria received the Dr. John R. Stewart Memorial Award in December.

--The United Nations Day Tea, celebrated on Homecoming Weekend, was an outstanding success.

--Upcoming events include: participation in the training for the Boy Scouts World Citizenship Badge at the Scout Jamboree later in January, visit to local clubs and organizations, and the International Week and Food Fair.