

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Academic Affairs

Department of Academic Enhancement & Tutoring Services

The Department of Academic Enhancement & Tutoring Services is pleased to welcome Sonquez Williams and Stephanie Henry to our department. Sonquez was hired as the Coordinator of Student-Athlete Development & Support Programming. Sonquez will be directing our efforts to provide specific support programs that address many of the unique demands on our student-athletes. Stephanie has been hired as the departmental secretary to serve the students, tutors, and many staff members that use the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE)

Already this semester, we have scheduled 692 weekly peer tutoring sessions serving 432 students. This is a 10% increase in the number of tutoring sessions scheduled at this time last year. We currently have 48 students working as peer tutors and hope to hire a few more in the near future in order to meet the continued demand for tutoring. Additionally, the ACE staff and Graduate Assistants have held 58 weekly academic mentoring sessions and monitored study hall for 21 organizations on campus.

The academic workshop series is underway with Laurie Charnigo, one of our library specialists, conducting 5 Library and Research Skills workshops. Janet Moore will be conducting two workshops, College Reading Comprehension Strategies & Technology Tools for Learning, during the months of October and November.

JSU Gadsden

The **FUSION!** partnership with Gadsden State Community College continues into the Fall semester 2012. We are pleased with the number of participating students and now we look forward to these students becoming fulltime JSU students in the future. There are 33 GSCC students enrolled with over 60 applications of students awaiting their opportunity to attend a **FUSION!** Orientation. The partnership seeks to identify GSCC students early in their college experience who are likely to transfer to Jacksonville State.

JSU-Gadsden Director Ralph Burke and Technology and Engineering Department Head Terry Marbut, recently met with Gadsden State Technology Division Dean Tim Greene. The topic of discussion was developing a partnership to offer at least two baccalaureate degrees in Gadsden from the Department of Engineering and Technology. A test course was introduced in Gadsden this Fall and well received. Ongoing discussions are in progress to explore expansion of programs.

In early Summer, JSU-Gadsden Director Ralph Burke, Criminal Justice Department Head Dr. Rick Davis, and Criminal Justice Assistant Professor Dr. Dean Buttram, met with Gadsden State Business Chair Angela Waits and Criminal Justice Instructor Brandy Pearson. A discussion was initiated about a future partnership in Criminal Justice. Ms. Waits and Ms. Pearson have administered a survey to GSCC Criminal Justice students about transfer options and the results are being analyzed.

Office of Continuing Education:

As of September 30, 2012, the Office of Continuing Education conducted 264 classes beginning October 1, 2011. Service was provided to 6,656 students and 39,477 contact hours were generated.

Between July and September 2012, a total of 60 classes/camps were offered through Continuing Education. Professionals in Law Enforcement, Human Resources, Healthcare, Counselors, Social Workers, Accountants and County Revenue Officers were among those who attended the classes and high school students from across the state came to our JSU campus to participate in various summer camps.

“Crime Scene Equipment” was offered on July 10, 2012 as part of our Crime Scene Investigator Certificate Program. We had eight Law Enforcement personnel in attendance. Also, as part of the Certificate program, “Indoor Crime Scene Practical” was offered August 14, 2012, with ten Law Enforcement personnel in attendance and “Outdoor Crime Scene Practical” was offered on September 11, 2012 with nine Law Enforcement personnel attending. These classes were taught by Mark Hopwood with the Calhoun/Cleburne County Drug and Violent Crime Task Force. The officers attending were from across the state such as Auburn, Red Bay, Childersburg, Gordo, Leesburg, Pine Hill and locally from Jacksonville State University. Six of these law enforcement personnel completed the certification program and were presented with a plaque on September 11, 2012.

The Office of Continuing Education provided training to eighteen County Revenue Officers on the topic of “How to Safely Perform Revenue Field Work” at our JSU McClellan Center July 11-13, 2012. This program is part of our CROAA Program (County Revenue Officer’s Association of Alabama).

Continuing Education just completed another National Counseling Examination (NCE) Preparation Course, July 23, 2012 for thirteen students in cooperation with Dr. Tommy Turner and faculty of the Educational Resources Department. Registrations are expected to grow with the offering of this 12-hour course twice a year to counselors at large preparing for the NCE and will particularly target JSU's students who will sit for the exam.

The Office of Continuing Education along with the Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police hosted yet another AACOP conference in Gulf Shores, Alabama beginning July 30 – August 1, 2012. Retired Chief Bob Paudert spoke on the Sovereign Citizen's Movement with 294 law enforcement personnel in attendance and Deputy Director, Drake Jones of the APOSTC Law Enforcement Academy in Tuscaloosa and Robert Riegle, CEO of StratCorp, spoke on the Immigration Laws in the State of Alabama with 301 law enforcement personnel in attendance.

The Office of Continuing Education offered the "American Heart Association Basic Life Support" class for the healthcare provider on August 2, 2012 with thirteen participants, August 8, 2012 with sixteen participants and August 9, 2012 with thirteen participants. This class is beneficial to our participants as nursing students are required to have basic life support for the healthcare provider as part of their nursing curriculum.

The Office of Continuing Education hosted for the first time, a Human Resource Management Seminar in Gulf Shores, Alabama, August 20-24, 2012 at the Island House Hotel. This seminar covered six modules approved as exam preparation for the human resource professional wanting to take the PHR/SPHR/GPHR examination. David Parshley, SPHR instructed the training for thirteen human resource professionals.

On Saturday, September 15, 2012, Continuing Education hosted a class entitled "Compensation and Benefits." This class is one of six courses required for the JSU Certificate in Human Resource Management. The course materials are approved as exam preparation for the certification examination for human resource professionals. There were a total of eight participants in this class. This class was taught by David Parshley, SPHR.

The Office of Continuing Education continues to partner with the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission in offering courses to area business men and women. "Managing Generational Differences in the Workplace" was offered on April 25, 2012 with twenty-one participants. The training was held at the Anniston City Meeting Center.

On August 24, 2012, Continuing Education provided training to twenty professionals in OCBOA Guidance. This course was instructed by Dr. Steve Grice for practical guidance on OCBOA statements. This course meets Alabama CPA and public accountant annual A&A requirement.

Also, on August 24, 2012, Continuing Education provided training to seventeen professionals in "Responding to Fraud Incidents." This training was provided by Tommie Singleton and meets Alabama CPA and public accountant annual A&A requirement.

One of Continuing Education's all-time favorite instructors, Prudence Hillburn, hosted another cooking class entitled "Fall Comfort: Soup, Salad and Dessert." This class was held at Mason Hall with ten students participating.

The Office of Continuing Education hosted another workshop in the H.O.P.E. Workshop Series entitled "Dealing with Survivorship." The H.O.P.E. WORKSHOP SERIES (Helping Our Professionals Excel) is designed to meet the continuing education needs of area nurses, counselors and social workers. There were a total of forty-three professionals that attended the class scheduled September 14, 2012 at the JSU McClellan Center.

Between July and September 2012, the Office of Continuing Education has offered computer classes such as QuickBooks, and Microsoft Excel-Advanced serving eleven participants.

Online courses are becoming more and more popular. Participants took online classes such as The Keys to Effective Editing, Writeriffic: Creativity Training, Mobile Marketing, Video Marketing, and Improving Email Promotions. We also had six participants to complete their 60-Hour Alabama Salesperson Prelicense examination.

The Office of Continuing Education provided administrative support for twelve Athletic camps between July and September 2012. We had 980 students to come to campus to participate in camps for softball, volleyball, basketball, football, baseball, and soccer.

Also, the Office of Continuing Education provided administrative support to three high schools with a total of 324 students. These campus included housing on the JSU campus. High schools such as Gordon Lee High School, Vestavia Hills High School Football, and Pell City High School Football were among those who attended.

Department of Military Science

11 quality officers were commissioned in fiscal year 2012.

11 Cadets were sent to the Leadership Development course at Fort Lewis, Washington.

5 Cadets were sent to the Leadership Training Course at Fort Knox, KY.

2 Cadets were sent to Airborne School at Fort Benning, GA.

3 Cadets were sent to Air Assault School at Fort Campbell, KY.

The 2nd Annual Gamecock Challenge was held on 12 MAY 2012. 5 High schools participated in this competition. The JROTC cadets compete in five events that are designed to challenge them physically, militarily and intellectually. Awards were presented to individuals and teams, and all participants were exposed to the JSU campus and facilities.

JSU ROTC recognized the achievements of many outstanding cadets during the Spring Awards Ceremony.

JSU ROTC participated in numerous High School visits in Jacksonville, Oxford, Pleasant Valley, Columbia, Alexandria, Douglas County, and Jacksonville Christian Academy. These visits resulted in over 35 contacts and over 100 leads.

LTC Shawn Corey came in as the new PMS

Greg Pass returned from a one year combat tour in Afghanistan and is now teaching the MS IV's.

Paul Thiessen, an alumnus of the JSU ROTC department joined us and is now teaching the MS III's

CPT Sawdy joined us the Active Guard Reserve Officer and is now teaching the MS II's.

CPT Colley is our National Guard Officer and is now teaching the MS I's.

SFC Clanton joined us and is serving as our new Training Non-Commissioned Officer.

JSU ROTC Department continues to teach 100 students through First Aid, Basic Rifle Marksmanship and Survival.

College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Biology

Grants

Hamissou, M. (Principal) Request for sponsorship to attend the 2012 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCCMS) for recruitment: \$10,746.64, funded

Meade, M. E (Co-Principal), Nichols, A. (Co-Principal), Jandebour, T.

(Principal), "OrganochL.de toxicity to banded pygmy sunfish, *Elassoma zonatum.*," Sponsored by USFW Southeast Region Flex Fund, Jacksonville State University, \$500.00.

Tolley-Jordan, L. (Principal), Triplett, J. K. (Co-Principal), Meade, M. E (Co-Principal), Murdock, C.A. (Co-Principal), "Active Science for Active Minds: Hands-on Science in the AL Outdoors," Sponsored by Legacy, Inc. Partners in Environmental Education, Private, \$7,000.00. (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013). Funded.

Triplett, J. K. (Principal), "CSBR: Natural History Collections: A Hidden Treasure in Northeastern Alabama - Revitalizing the Jacksonville State University Herbarium," Sponsored by National Science Foundation, Federal, \$392,384.00. (June 1, 2012 - May 31, 2015).

Triplett, J. (Co-Principal), Trifas, M. (Co-Principal), Case, J. (Co-Principal). "Reconstructing Phylogeny in the Wake of Polyploidy: The Curious Case of the Allopolyploid Bamboos," Sponsored by the Computing Research Association: Collaborative Research Experience for Undergraduates (CREU), Private, \$21,800.00. (September 2012 – August 2013). Funded

Service

Blair, B. 1). Interim Dept Head; 2). President University Faculty Senate and
3). Executive secretary for the Southeastern Branch American Society for Microbiology.

Cline, G. R. 1). Board of Governors, Southeastern Naturalist and 2). Committee Member, Alabama Non-Game Wildlife Review Committee, Auburn, Alabama.

Debro, L. H. 1). Reviewer, Ad Hoc Reviewer, National Science Foundation-MCB, Arlington, VA. And 2). Member of Test Development Committee, College Board, Princeton, NJ.

Meade, M. E. 1). Southern Appalachian Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit, Knoxville, Tennessee. 2). Committee Chair, Choccolocoo Creek Watershed Alliance, Oxford, Alabama and 3). Collaborating with science instructor, Shane Bivin, Oxford High School, Oxford, AL.

Rayburn, J. R. 1). Officer, Vice President, Southeastern Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry. 2). Guest Speaker, Mountains to the Gulf Legacy

Sauterer, R. A. 1). Officer, President/Elect/Past, Southeast SETAC and 2). Organize 2013 conference, interact with SETAC National officers

Tolley-Jordan, L. 1). Reviewer, Journal Article, Aquatic Invasions 2). Program Organizer, Southeastern Entomologists Club Workshop and 3). Journal Editor, Southeastern Naturalist.

Triplett II, J. K. 1). Editor, Journal Editor, Southern Appalachian Botanical Society and 2). Ad hoc editor for the American Journal of botany, Castanea and Systemic Botany.

Refereed Journal Articles

Blair, B. G., Meade, M. E. (2012). A survey of bacterial associates within the GI tract of the Coosa Darter (*Etheostoma coosae*). In Vincent Calhoun (Ed.), DNA Gene Sequences (pp. 50 pages). Washington DC: GenBank JQ918375-JQ918431. www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Genbank/

Direct sequences of bacterial microflora data. Blair, B. G., Murdock, C. A., Watson, C., Fields, D. M. W., Meade, M. E. Microbial library of gut microflora from coosa darters. National Institute of Health: GenBank pyrosequencing database. gb-admin@ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

Shurette, G. R., Carter, R. E., Cline, G. R. The effect of forest midstory reduction on breeding bird populations in montane longleaf pine stands of the Talladega National Forest, Alabama. *Journal of the Alabama Academy of Science*, 78(3-4), 221-230.

Blair, B. G., Willis, D., Murdock, C. A., Carter, R. E. (in press). The relationship between habitat type, fire frequency, and *Amblyomma americanum* populations in east central Alabama. To appear in *Journal of Vector Ecology*. [onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1948-7134](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1948-7134)

Sauterer, R. A., Rayburn, J. R. (2012). Introducing environmental toxicology in instructional labs: The use of a modified amphibian developmental toxicity assay to support inquiry-based student projects. *The American Biology Teacher*, 74(7), 496-502.

Meade, M. E (Author), Kelly, J. (Author & Presenter), Blair, B. (Author), Murdock, C.A., 2012 SICB Annual Meeting and Exhibition, "Elevated growth rate and hepatic IGF-1 expression in *Oreochromis niloticus* (Nile tilapia), the case for *Eubacterium cellulosolvens* 5494 as a possible aquaculture probiont," Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology, Charleston, South Carolina.

Meade, M. E (Author & Presenter), Cordle, M. (Author), Nichols, A. (Author), 2012 SICB Annual Meeting and Exhibition, "Metabolic physiology of the stream minnow, *Campostoma oligolepis*, inhabiting a polluted stream." Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology, Charleston, South Carolina.

Meade, M. E (Author & Presenter), Romano, F. (Author), Sewell, S., 2012 SICB Annual Meeting and Exhibition, "Metabolic rates of an aquatic tardigrade, *Dactylobiotus* nuovo species.," Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology, Charleston, South Carolina.

Triplett, J. K. (Author & Presenter), Clark, L. (Author), Wen, J. (Author), Botany 2012, "Three nuclear loci resolve the polyploid history of the bamboos," Botanical Society of America, Columbus, OH. (July 11, 2012).

Bennetzen, J.L., J. Schmutz, H. Wang, R. Percifield, J. Hawkins, A. Clara Pontaroli, M. Estep, L. Feng, J. Grimwood, J. Jenkins, K. Barry, E. Lindquist, U. Hellsten, S. Deshpande, X. Wang, X. Wu, T. Mitros, J. Triplett, X. Yang, C.-Y. Ye, M. Mauro-Herrera, L. Wang, P. Li, M. Sharma, R. Sharma, P.C. Ronald, O. Panaud, E.A. Kellogg, T. Brutnell, A.N. Doust, G.A. Tuskan, D. Rokhsar, and K.M. Devos (2012). Reference genome sequence of the model plant *Setaria*. Nature Biotechnology 30: 555–561.

Lampley, J. (Author), Hutchinson, F. (Author), Triplett, J.K. (Author & Presenter), Botany 2012, "A Hidden Treasure in Northeastern Alabama: Revitalizing the Jacksonville State University Herbarium." Botanical Society of America, Columbus, OH. (July 11, 2012).

Department of Criminal Justice

Dr. Dean Buttram co-authored two articles:

Mackey, W.C. and Buttram, H. D. (2012) "Father Presence in a Community and Levels of Violent Crime: A Dynamic Beyond the Long Arm of the Law." Journal of Social and Political and Economic Studies, 37 (2), pp. 222-248.

Buttram, H.D. & Mackey, W.C. (2012) "Students' Perceived Value of an Internship Program in Pursuing a Criminal Justice Degree: the Nexus of Theory, Experience and Occupation", Law Enforcement Executive Forum, 12 (2), 95-103.

Dr. Rick Davis completed a course in "Developing Leadership for Supervisors in Law Enforcement," instructed by Harry Dolan, Police Chief for Raleigh, North Carolina and sponsored by the Public Agency Training Council.

Dr. Richard Kania presented *Veterans in Criminal Justice: Issues for Managers* at the Southern Criminal Justice Association meeting Atlantic Beach, Florida, September 2012.

Ron Mellen and Nancy Mellen presented *Examining Some of the Relationships of Biological Predispositions to Offender Behavior* at the Southern Criminal Justice Association, Atlantic Beach, Florida. September 2012.

Dr. Ronald Mellen also co-authored Ronald R. Mellen Ph.D. and Allison Yancey B.S. (2012) "Childhood Abuse: A Precursor to Adult Criminal Behavior." Southern Concourse, Summer 2012, pp. 51-52.

Department of Drama

The JSU Drama Department has announced the following productions of the 2012-2013 season: *The Shape of Things* By Neil Labute October 11-14 and 18-21; *The Illusion*

by Tony Kushner, freely adapted from Pierre Corneille's, *L'Illusion Comique*

November 15-18; *Brigadoon*, book and lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner and music by Frederick Loewe. February 21-24 and 28-March 3; *Blithe Spirit* By Noel Coward May 15-19; *A Tennessee Walk* (winner of the 2012 Southern Playwrights Contest) By Robb Winn Anderson June 19-23.

The Drama Department produced "Cinderella's Big Dream" with touring company Storybook Theatre, written and directed by faculty member Eric Traynor and featuring JSU graduates Kayleigh Smith, Autumn Brown, Heather Ross and current JSU Drama major Katie Daniels.

The Drama Department hosted a Child's Drama Camp taught by faculty member Eric Traynor. The camp was attended by 28 area children.

Several recent graduates and current students were engaged in professional theatre this summer as actors, designers and technicians. Cory Buffaloe, Lavonne Horn and Alexandra Bates: *Trumpet in the Land* New Philadelphia, OH; Jacob Cummings: *Legally Blonde* Red Mountain Theatre Company, Birmingham, AL; Cody Hunt: *Unto These Hills* Cherokee, NC; Alexandra Hooper: *Texas Canyon*, TX; Michael Wayne Turner: *Stage Door Manor* Loch Sheldrake, New York.

The department sponsored the workshop "Acting and Auditioning for the Camera" taught by guest artist Eric Reis. In addition, Mr. Reis guest lectured in our Introduction to Film classes and taught a Saturday workshop in camera acting for area high school students.

The minor in Film technology continues to grow, led by Guest Artist in Residence Jeffrey Nichols. Students are working with various entities such as Potts Marketing and Kevin Wayne Film Studios.

Recent graduates Justin Thomas, Kayleigh Smith and Autumn Brown are currently touring with the professional theater company Birmingham Children's Theatre.

Assistant Professor Dr. Ellen Peck:

Attended the International Theatre Festival in Sibiu, Romania .
Presented “American Ruritania: Idyllic Utopias in American Operetta” at Song, Stage and Screen in Groningen, Netherlands.

Professor Freddy Clements:

Recently exhibited a costume designed for the February 2011 JSU Drama production of Elton John’s *Aida* at the Dragoncon convention held in Atlanta, GA. In addition, he contributed to workshops and panels including Patterning Design Concepts, Fabrics: Proper Choices and Embellishments, and Wigs: From Triage to Surgery.

Assistant Professor Eric Traynor:

Served as musical director of the CAST production of *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*.

Is contracted to direct his original musical *How the Buckner Family Saved Christmas* at The Barn Theatre in Greensboro, NC.

Associate Professor Susan McCain:

Taught ACTING in SINGING with ArsNova, Huntsville. Summer, 2012.

Department of Emergency Management/Institute for Emergency Preparedness

The Department of Emergency Management/Institute for Emergency Preparedness continues to provide a leadership role in emergency management education and serve the region through community outreach and scholarly activities.

Academic Programs:

The faculty convened a committee that selected 12 students from among its 29 applicants for admission to its 2012 cohort of the Doctor of Science Emergency Management program. We conducted an integrative seminar for both the 2011 and 2012 cohorts of our DSc program from 5 to 11 August. The event was very successful; attended by 22 students and the entire faculty of the Department of Emergency Management. In addition, we had several notable guest speakers that came to us from the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Scholarly and Community Activities of Faculty:

Dr. Jeff Ryan:

Accompanied VP Dr. Charles Lewis on August 21st to meet with EMA Director and County Commissioner for Shelby County, Alabama to discuss possible collaborations.

Participated in Alabama Ready Day on September 6th and was presented with a check for \$500 from the Center for Domestic Preparedness Employees Association for a special scholarship fund for JSU EM students in the name of Derek Jensen, a former employee at CDP who was tragically killed in a cycling accident.

Dr. Barry Cox:

Represented the Department at 2012 APCO National Conference in Minneapolis, MN August 18-23 for student recruitment.

Dr. Jane Kushma:

“The national dialogue on community resilience: The social work voice.” Presentation at the 2012 National Association of Social Work Conference, July 24, in Washington, DC.

Participated in a FEMA Focus Group meeting to consider the emergency management disciplinary purview and core research questions, September 10-11, in Emmitsburg, MD

Dr. William Lowe:

Publications:

“Active Shooter Response: Reacting to the Screams and Gunfire!” International Association of Emergency Managers’ Bulletin. July 2012.

“Sit Down & Prepare to Defend Yourself!” Law Officer Magazine. July 2012

Presentations:

“Mitigating, Preventing, Responding, and Recovering from Active Shooters Incidents.” Georgia Association of Law Enforcement Firearms Instructors Conference. Carrollton, Georgia. August 8, 2012.

Dr. Stacey Mann:

Publications:

Mann, S. (Re-submitted). "Human Resources and Emergency Planning: Preparing Local Governments for Times of Crisis." *Public Administration Quarterly*.

Neaves, T., Mann, S., Myers, L., & Cosby, A. (Resubmitted, Sept. 2012). "To Evacuate or Not to Evacuate? An Analysis of the Use of Reverse 911 During the 2007 San Diego County Wildfires." Submitted December 2011. *Emergency Management Review*.

Department of History and Foreign Languages

Dr. Harvey Jackson presented several book talks around the Southeast on his new book. Dr. Jackson had an excerpt of it published in the *Alabama Review* in July.

Dr. Alexandra Martinez presented a paper on "The Negotiation of Space by Women in Brazilian Cinema."

Dr. George Lauderbaugh traveled to Ecuador to speak with the public about his recently published *History of Ecuador*.

Department of Learning Skills

The 2012 ExSEL program had 19 students enrolled, and 18 students successfully completed the program. 17/18 students, who completed the program, are currently enrolled in fall 2012 courses. During ExSEL, students completed Service Learning projects in addition to their regular curriculum. Students assisted the director of the Anniston Soup Bowl by preparing and serving lunches. They hosted a car wash fund raiser to raise money for the Ben Tomlinson Fund; they raised over \$400. Finally, the students and staff conducted a "JSU Day" where they hosted the junior high and high school aged students from the Glenn Addie Boys and Girls club for a day of classroom and on-campus activities, including presentations prepared by the ExSEL students themselves. ExSEL students completed in-class assignments based on their service, including journals and essays.

During the ExSEL program, Learning Skills faculty and staff partnered with the Psychology Department again to offer practicum experience for graduate students interested in gaining experience in behavioral approaches to teaching and learning. This year, Ms. Ashton Hamner, worked on research projects and data collection throughout the summer. Data collected from this research and research conducted by Mr. Scott

Beckett and Mr. John Brown has been accepted to be presented at the 25th international Precision Teaching Conference in Chicago, IL December 2012.

In an effort to improve basic writing skills, fluency practice, and student achievement, Mr. John Brown completed a new edition his basic writing skills textbook, *Write Away V*. This edition was available to the summer 2012 ExSEL students.

Mrs. Courtney Peppers-Owen and Mr. Scott Beckett are collaborating with Dr. Steven Stout and Ms. Carrie Kirk of the Psychology department as well as Dr. Jan Case from MCIS on research in best practices in teaching and learning. Meetings regarding research variables and design have been conducted, and the project is set to begin in 2013. Increasing pass rates for LS 098 and MS 100 is the overall goal of the research.

Department of Mathematical, Computing, and Information Sciences

Dr. David Dempsey

September 14-15, 2012: Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southeastern Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA-SE); I am an ex officio member due to my position as Alabama MAA State Director.

October 1, 2012: Promotion to Full Professor becomes official.

Dr. Guillermo Francia

Dr. Guillermo Francia, III, Professor of Computer Science, published a paper titled "Virtualization for a Cyber-Security Laboratory," in the Proceedings of the 2012 International Conference on Frontiers in Education: Computer Science and Computer Engineering (FECS'12): pp. 508-514. Co-authors are Dr. Aaron Garrett and Thomas Brookshire, Jr. (July 2012)

Dr. Guillermo Francia, III, Professor of Computer Science, published a paper titled "Security Best Practices and Risk Assessment of SCADA and Industrial Control Systems," in the Proceedings of the 2012 International Conference on Security and Management (SAM'12): pp. 352-358. Co-authors are Dr. David Thornton and Joshua Dawson. (July 2012)

Dr. Guillermo Francia, III, Professor of Computer Science, received a Capacity Building Grant award from the Department of Defense-National Security Agency (DoD-NSA). The grant provides \$50,308 for the game-based Information

Assurance Awareness Training for technology teachers in community colleges and secondary schools. Project co-PIs are Drs. David Thornton and Monica Trifas. (September 2012)

The Center for Information Security and Assurance (CISA) at JSU hosted visitors from SMU and LockheedMartin Corporation in September. The discussions with Stephen Papa and William Casper, prominent researchers in SCADA security, are primarily focused on research collaborations, utilization of the Critical Infrastructure Security and Assessment Laboratory, and grant proposal development. (September, 2012)

The Center for Information Security and Assurance (CISA) at JSU will host visiting research fellows from China and Korea in August-December 2012. Dr. Shenxi Zhou is an Associate Professor of Computer Science at Anhui University of Finance and Economics. Mr. Byung Oh Ahn is an Associate Research Fellow at the Defense Information Division, Center for Defense Acquisition, Korea Institute for Defense Analyses. (September, 2012).

Dr. Amy Franklin

Presented “Freshman Level Mathematics Courses Online: The Perceptions of College Students” at the 2012 Hawaii University International Conferences on Mathematics and Engineering Technology. (July 31 – August 2, 2012)

Dr. Linda Plotnick

Linda Plotnick was a co-author on a journal paper: Yang, L., S.H. Yang, and L. Plotnick (2012) How the internet of things technology enhances emergency response operations, *Technology Forecasting and Social Change*, Elsevier, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2012.07.011>

David L. Walters Department of Music

During the reporting period of July, August and September 2012, the David L. Walters Department of Music, its students, faculty and guest performers participated in the following activities:

MUSICAL ACTIVITIES

The Department continued to present regular concerts for the campus and for community citizens featuring guest artists, JSU students and activities sponsored by Department ensembles. The following programs were presented during this quarter:

The Clarinet Quartet of the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve

Mason Hall Performance Center5 September 2012

Band Day

8 September 2012

Sponsored by University Bands and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

Featuring over 1200 visiting high school band students

The Marching Southerners premiered their new season field show "I'll Fly away" for home audiences on 8 September 2011. This year the Southerners have 402 performing members, the largest field complement in the history of the JSU band program.

Jacksonville Opera Theater

14 – 16 September 2012

"The Fish, the Fisher and the Wife" by Bruce Trinkley

Directed by Dr. Nathan Wight

Mason Hall Performance Center

The Marching Southerners traveled to Arkansas to perform at halftime in the JSU vs. Arkansas football game on 1 September 2012.

FACULTY

Dr. Jeremy Benson, Assistant Professor of Music in Flute Studies has released his first album, "Pure Hymnations", available at his website jeremybensonflute.com

Dr. Thomas McCutchen presented percussion masterclasses and appeared as a solo performer at locations throughout Argentina in late August and early September. This continues his engagement with Latin American music first begun when he served as Fulbright Fellow in Brazil.

Department of Physical and Earth Sciences

Workshops, Conference, Invited Presentations, and Meetings:

Dr. Nixon Mwebi, Associate Professor of Chemistry, with Mr. Calvin Joshua Scott, an undergraduate student, gave the oral presentation "Rapid screening of shallow and deep water sediments for hydrocarbon signature," at the 244th National Meeting of the American Chemical Society Meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on 19-23 August, 2012.

Dr. Nouredine Zettili, Professor of Physics, presented "Guided Inquiry in Teaching Physics," a contributed paper presented at the 2012 World Conference on Physics Education, Istanbul, Turkey, 1-6 July, 2012.

Dr. Zettili presented "Improving Physics Teaching Through Technology," Contributed poster presented at the 2012 World Conference on Physics Education, Istanbul, Turkey, 1-6 July, 2012.

Dr. Lou Reinisch, Professor of Physics, presented "Laser Physics in the Art of Medicine," to the Department of Dermatology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN on 21 September, 2012.

Other:

Dr. Reinisch presented "Rethinking the Classroom" to visitors from Metropolitan State University in Denver, Colorado to JSU on 18 September, 2012.

Department of Political Science and Public Administration

Dr. Bill Lester – Awarded Fulbright to Moscow at the National Research University-Higher School of Economics

Dr. Manabu Saeki – Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*.

Manuscript "The Myth of the Elite Cue: Influence of Voters' Preferences on the U.S. Congress" was accepted by the *Public Opinion Quarterly* for publication.

Department of Psychology

Service

Dr. Todd McKerchar was appointed Program Chair for the American Psychological Association, Division 25-Behavior Analysis.

Dr. Paige McKerchar was appointed Executive Director of the Alabama Association for Behavior Analysis.

Department of Sociology and Social Work

Dr. Erin Rider attended the following conference: "American Democracy Project." Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX; June 7-9, 2012. She also served as an American Democracy Project Committee Member Participant for "Constitution Day" on September 17, 2012. Finally, she was appointed as Committee Member for the JSU Support Services for Athletes' Committee; August 29, 2012.

Dr. Nancy Francisco Stewart had the following presentations: (1) "Social witness and Poverty" presented to First Presbyterian Church, Jacksonville, AL; September 9, 2012 and (2) "Homelessness in the Anniston/Gadsden Area," with Dr. Richard Simon of JSU, to the Homeless Coalition of Northeast Alabama, Gadsden, AL; September 20, 2012. She was cited by Kendra Carter, Staff Writer, Gadsden Times in "More Northeast Alabama women report being homeless," September 20, 2012. She was also elected as board member to the National Association of Social Workers, Alabama Chapter, for the term beginning September, 2012 and she will represent North Central Alabama, Coosa region. Finally, she served with Ms. Robyn Snider, Mr. Jonathan Adams and 37 social work students from JSU, for a day of service to the homeless, an activity of the Homeless Coalition of Northeast Alabama held at the Gadsden Family Success Center.

Ms. Kim Womack assisted in the coordination and planning for the annual Alabama-Mississippi Social Work Education Conference in Huntsville, AL in October 2012.

Dr. Maureen Newton had the following presentation: Licensed Practical Nurses Association of Alabama Workshop, "Serving Senior Citizens in the Future," Regional Medical Center; Anniston, AL; September 20, 2012.

College of Commerce and Business Administration

Dr. William T. Fielding attended the Business Council of Alabama meeting in Point Clear, Alabama, August 10-12, 2012.

Dr. William Fielding, along with Dr. Ronnie Clayton and Mr. Lem Davis, had the article "Roth vs Traditional IRA" accepted for publication in the *Journal of Personal Finance*. Publication date will be announced later.

Dr. William Fielding completed a Legacy Impact Study. The analysis shows that JSU's graduates as a group earn income (above that earned by high school graduates) of at least \$762 million per year. These same students pay taxes to the Special Education Trust Fund of at least \$100 million per year. JSU's appropriation from the Legislature was approximately \$35 million in FY 2012. It is apparent that JSU is providing a very substantial return to the public. The investment in JSU is a legacy that is returned to the state in the form of higher incomes and a substantial increase in tax revenue.

Dr. William Fielding completed an Economic Impact Study of Out-of-State and International College Students on the State of Alabama's Economy, September 2012.

Dr. William Fielding, along with CED staff, completed a Civilian Marksmanship Economic Impact Study, July 2012.

Finance, Economics, and Accounting Department

Dr. Bill Scroggins, Dr. Bill Fielding and Mr. David Thompson published the results of a major national study of university physical plant operations. The study shows the best case scenario for physical plant operations under severe budget constraints. The study also presents the implications of the "green footprint" of a university. Co-authors include Dr. Bill Scroggins, Professor of Finance and Head, Finance, Economics and Accounting Department, Dr. Bill Fielding, Professor of Economics and Dean, CCBA and David Thompson, MBA, JSU Assistant Director Physical Plant. The study is published in *B>Quest*, a university journal of applied topics in business and economics and can be viewed at: <http://www.westga.edu/~bquest/2012/maintenance2012.pdf>.

Dr. Ronnie Clayton is completing work on a project entitled "Traditional to Roth Conversion: Implications of Paying Taxes From the Traditional IRA" with William Fielding and Lemuel Davis. This is a practitioner oriented paper to be submitted to a journal with significant financial planning and accounting readership. The manuscript is in draft stage and is being revised with the results to be submitted for publication as soon as possible.

Research is ongoing for Dr. Clayton's paper entitled "The Financial Implications of Draft Position in Major League Baseball." The paper will be completed and submitted for presentation/publication in the Winter/Spring 2013.

Dr. Clayton serves in a continuing role as Editor of the online finance journal, *Financial Decisions*. The most recent issue of the journal (the Summer 2012 issue) has been published. The manuscripts for the Winter 2012 issue have been selected and the selection of manuscripts for the Summer 2013 issue is almost complete. Preparation

for the Winter 2012 issue is progressing to the preparation of proof pages for the authors to provide their final comments and corrections. Continuing activities for the journal include soliciting manuscripts, evaluating manuscripts, assigning manuscripts to the appropriate reviewers, evaluating reviews and working with authors to finalize manuscripts. Approximately 40 manuscripts are received each year for evaluation and 8-10 of those manuscripts will ultimately be published in *Financial Decisions*. Work is progressing toward manuscript evaluation for the Winter 2013 issue.

The planning for the Annual Meeting of the Southern Finance Association to be held in November 2012 at the Charleston Place Hotel in Charleston, SC is almost complete. Dr. Clayton serves as the Executive Director of the Association and is involved in all aspects of the planning and implementation of the meeting. More than 150 papers have been received to consider for presentation and approximately 250 finance academicians and professionals from the United States and various international locations will attend the three-day conference to present and discuss their latest research. Additionally, Dr. Clayton will be presenting a paper entitled "Converting a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA: Breakeven Analysis" at the meeting. This paper is co-authored with Lemuel Davis and William Fielding and has been accepted for publication by the *Journal of Personal Finance*. It is scheduled for publication in the Fall 2012 issue. Dr. Clayton will also serve as session chairperson for three paper sessions at the meeting and will participate in the Southern Finance Association Board of Directors meeting during the annual meeting.

The Legal Representatives of Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc. have retained Dr. Ronnie Clayton in their 2008 bankruptcy filing. Dr. Clayton continues to consult on the valuation and disposition of approximately \$400 million face value of securities related to mortgage-backed securities. The Lehman Brothers filing represents the largest bankruptcy filing in U.S. history.

Dr. Clayton served as an external reviewer for a manuscript entitled "Short-Sell Moratorium Effects on Regional Bank Performance" for the *Journal of Financial Economic Policy* during August 2012. In addition, Dr. Clayton was selected as "Outstanding Reviewer" for the *Journal* for 2012.

A feasibility study is in progress to gauge the potential for a JSU satellite location in Blount County. Dr. Ben Boozer, through the JSU Center for Economic Development, is conducting the analysis. The analysis will be completed during the fourth quarter.

The manuscript "Measurement of the Homestead Exemption Utilizing Home Values" by Dr. Rob Landry, Dr. Ben Boozer, and Dr. Keith Lowe was accepted for presentation at the International Academy of Business and Economics Annual Conference in Las

Vegas, NV in October 2012. The manuscript has also been accepted by the *Journal of International Finance Studies* and is forthcoming.

Dr. Landry co-authored a paper with Keren H. Deal and Jan Richard Heier "The Origins, Remedies and Continuing Problems of Municipal Bankruptcy in America." The paper was presented at the American Accounting Association Annual Meeting on August 4, 2012 in Washington, DC.

Dr. Landry presented a paper he co-authored with Dr. Ben Boozer and Dr. Keith Lowe. "Measuring the "Value" of the Homestead Exemption" was presented at the Academy of Legal Studies in Business Annual Conference on August 11, 2012 in Kansas City, Mo.

On August 12, 2012, Dr. Rob Landry, Associate Professor of Finance in the College of Commerce and Business Administration, was appointed Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Legal Studies Education*. Dr. Landry replaces Tonia Hap Murphy of the University of Notre Dame. He will serve in this position for two years and lead a staff of 65 editors and reviewers. Dr. Landry is responsible for all aspects of publishing two issues of the Journal per year. The *Journal of Legal Studies Education* is one of two journals published by the Academy of Legal Studies in Business. The Journal is a highly selective double-blind, peer-reviewed publication focusing on pedagogical issues within the business legal studies field. It currently has an acceptance rate of 20%. JSU will be the Journal's home over the next two years.

Dr. Landry was appointed to the Executive Committee of the Academy of Legal Studies in Business on August 12, 2012.

Dr. Jeff Zanzig's paper "Internal Controls and Change Management" has been accepted for presentation at the Association for Global Business conference in Washington, D.C. in November 2012

Dr. Doris Bennett, Dr. Shawn Carter and Dr. Cynthia McCarty's paper "Teaching Introductory Microeconomics: Online vs Traditional Classroom Instruction," will be published in October in the Proceedings of the SOBIE (Society of Business, Industry, and Economics) meeting which was in April of this year.

Department of Management & Marketing

Dr. Patricia Borstorff

This summer Dr. Borstorff spent several weeks at the British Studies Program, sponsored by University of Southern Mississippi as an observer for JSU. Her travels included France, England, Belgium and the Netherlands. JSU is anticipating offering

this opportunity to students for the summer of 2013 where they can earn six credit hours of coursework on the undergraduate or graduate level.

Dr. Borstorff has the following articles published or accepted for publication in the 3rd quarter period:

Newton, S. & Borstorff, P. September, 2012. Is the Grass Greener on the Other Side of the Fence? *Independent Contractors, Journal of International Academy of Case Studies*, 18(5), 59-64; 18(6), 45-50.

Sithemsetti, N. & Borstorff, P. 2012. Dixie Electronics: A Match made in Heaven? *Journal of the International Academy for Case Studies*, 18, IN PRESS.

Borstorff, Featherstone, Yamamoto, Arlington. International Virtual Teams: A Student Experiment. Accepted by Association for Global Business for presentation at their international conference in November 2012 in Washington D.C.

Mayfield, H. & Borstorff, P. 2012. Workplace Homicides: Why the South Leads the Way. *Journal of the International Academy for Case Studies*, 18, (3). 135-146; 18(4), 91-95.

Dr. Brent Cunningham

Dr. Cunningham had the following articles published or accepted for publication:

Borstorff, Patricia C., Brent J. Cunningham and Louise J. Clark (2012). "The Communication and Practice of Religious Accommodation: Employee Perceptions," *The Journal of Applied Management and Entrepreneurship*, 17(4), Oct., pp 24-37.

Borstorff, P. C. and Brent J. Cunningham (2012). Communicating Religious Accommodation Policies to the Internal Customer: How Important to Retention and Litigation?, *Association of Marketing Theory and Practice 2012 Conference*, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (March).

Borstorff, P. C. and Brent J. Cunningham (2012). Communicating Religious Accommodation Policies to the Internal Customer: How Important to Retention and Litigation?, *Proceeding of the Association of Marketing Theory and Practice 2012 Conference*, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (March).

Textbook Reviewer for Dhruv Grewal and Michael Levy, *Marketing*, 3rd ed.(NY, NY: McGraw-Hill Irwin, 2012)

Dr. Mike Featherstone

Dr. Featherstone had the following article accepted for presentation:

Borstorff, Featherstone, Yamamoto, Arlington. International Virtual Teams: A Student Experiment. Accepted by Association for Global Business for presentation at their international conference in November 2012 in Washington D.C.

Dr. Mark Hearn

Hearn, W. Mark, Thomas, Jim, Cobb, R. (2012) University Outreach Programs: Service to the Surrounding Communities while Developing Faculty. *Research in Higher Education Journal*. Volume 16, July, p. 140-148.

Mr. Hill Mayfield

Mr. Mayfield had the following article published:

Mayfield, H. & Borstorff, P. 2012. Workplace Homicides: Why the South Leads the Way. *Journal of the International Academy for Case Studies*, 18, (3). 135-146; 18(4), 91-95.

Mr. Mayfield is Facilitating six (6) internships during the Fall Semester 2012.

Mr. Mayfield has advised 31 Management Majors during the 3rd Quarter 2012.

Mr. Mayfield is the faculty advisor for the Society For Human Resource Management – JSU Student Chapter 5305.

Mr. Mayfield participated in Calhoun County SHRM monthly meetings representing JSU recruiting Internship opportunities, meeting with other HR Managers, and networking.

Mr. Stan Newton

Mr. Newton was a co-author on the following article:

Newton, S. & Borstorff, P. September, 2012. Is the Grass Greener on the Other Side of the Fence? Independent Contractors, *Journal of International Academy of Case Studies*, 18(5), 59-64; 18(6), 45-50.

Mr. Jeffrey Parker

Mr Parker was featured heavily on the PBS Frontline documentary, "Dollars for Dentists" which originally aired nationally on June 26.

Mr. Parker has been invited to address the Pew Center in Washington DC on September 18 as a "national expert" on our nation's dental healthcare crisis for children.

Mr. Parker wrote a 2000 word cover story for the Kentucky Dental Association's KDA Today magazine, entitled "Sarrell Dental: Beyond the Operatory."

Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CED)

The July/August issue of the *Economic Update* was published and distributed to more than 8,700 subscribers. The *Economic Update* is also available online on the CED website: www.jsu.edu/ced.

The JSU CED completed the following projects:

- Civilian Marksmanship Program – Economic Impact Study

The JSU CED is in the process of conducting the following projects:

- Anniston Water Works – Customer Satisfaction Survey (On Hold per request of client)
- Pioneer Green Energy - Wind Energy Economic Impact Study
- Jacksonville State University – Feasibility Study for a Blount County JSU Extension location
- Jacksonville State University – Economic Impact Study

Dr. William Fielding, Jennifer Swafford and Jeff Hooie met with executives on July 20, 2012 at the Civilian Marksmanship Program in Anniston to present the results of their Economic Impact Study of the CMP on Calhoun County, Alabama.

Jennifer Swafford attended the CLEAR Plan 2030 Economic Competitiveness Livability Resource Team (LRT) meeting in Childersburg on July 25, 2012 and in Anniston at the offices of the East Alabama Planning Commission on August 23, 2012. The Community Livability for the East Alabama Region (CLEAR Plan 2030) is a HUD grant-funded initiative being led by the East Alabama Regional Planning Commission. The project encompasses a 10-county region in East Alabama. Ms. Swafford will be serving as a representative on the Economic Competitiveness Livability resource team which is one of six teams (Transportation Livability, Housing Livability, Community Engagement Policy Livability, Health Livability and Education Livability).

Pat Shaddix represented JSU's SBDC/CED by attending the Business Council of Alabama's (BCA) Governmental Affairs Conference, August 10-12, 2012, in Point Clear, AL.

Pat Shaddix attended the Association of Small Business Development Center's Annual Meeting September 10-14, 2012, in New Orleans, LA.

Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

The JSU SBDC provided counseling to over 46 small businesses, and conducted 4 training events providing training to 31 individuals.

The JSU SBDC continues to be a leading institution in the Alabama Small Business Development Center (ASBDC) Network. The Center exceeds all categories of deliverables including long term cases, extended cases, capital infusion, new business creations, initial cases, training attendees, and contract dollars awarded to clients. Michael Brooks, Associate Director of the ASBDC Network stated, "The Jacksonville State University Small Business Development Center's productivity, professionalism and dedication to entrepreneurship have allowed the SBDC at JSU to remain as a 'Model of Excellence' for other Centers in the state. Their performance and impact have been noted by the community, clients, resources partners, and many others who have worked with the JSU SBDC team over the last thirty years."

Carolyn Minerich, owner of Carmin Industries in Jacksonville, AL, notified our Center that Carmin Industries is one of the twelve winners of a \$250,000 grant from JPMorganChase Bank and LivingSocial to expand and improve their small business. She stated that they are very grateful for the support received from Jacksonville State University's Small Business Development Center. Carolyn said, "Every small business needs a great start and we couldn't have grown without their guidance." The JSU SBDC has had the honor of working with Carolyn in the start-up phase of opening Carmin Industries and has observed her entrepreneurial talent used to grow a business in tough economic times and in a field occupied by few women. The JSU SBDC congratulates Carolyn and her talented team.

Raymond Hembree, Deputy Director; and Teresa Wilson, Business Development Officer; with the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) Alabama District Office, visited the JSU SBDC on July 10, 2012, to conduct a programmatic audit. Mr. Hembree stated that the **programmatic review** indicated that the JSU SBDC continues to provide a valuable service to the small business community, is consistent in exceeding goals established by the SBA, and is a demonstrated friend to the SBA Alabama District Office. He expressed appreciation for all the Center does to help Alabama's small business community.

Robbie Medders and Amy Anderson serve on the Small Business Committee of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. They attended scheduled meetings at the Chamber.

Robbie Medders and Suzi Donaldson attended Financial Grant Management Training at the Bryant Conference Center in Tuscaloosa on August 16, 2012.

Joe Grimes attended the Chamber of Gadsden/Etowah County's Strategic Planning meeting on July 25, 2012.

Ken Grissom represented JSU's SBDC by attending the Business Council of Alabama's (BCA) Governmental Affairs Conference, August 10-12, 2012, in Point Clear, AL.

Ken Grissom represented JSU's SBDC at the Anniston Army Depot's Change of Command Ceremony on August 16, 2012. The ceremony, presided over by Maj. Gen. Michael Terry, commanding general of TACOM Life Cycle Management Command, the Depot's colors passed from Col. Timothy Sullivan to Col. Brent Bolander, the 33rd Depot commander.

Robbie Medders, Ken Grissom, Joe Grimes and Amy Anderson attended the Association of Small Business Development Center's (ASBDC) Annual Meeting September 10-14, 2012, in New Orleans, LA. Ken Grissom was recognized by the Alabama Small Business Network for his counseling resulting in the highest number of new business creations in the Alabama for the previous fiscal year (October 1, 2011-September 30, 2012). The ASBDC was founded in 1979 and provides a vehicle for continuous improvement of the Small Business Development Center program, exchange of information among members, world class training for counselors, and advocacy of America's small business community. Over 1500 attendees participated in the Conference.

The JSU SBDC maintains strong partnerships with area Chambers of Commerce to provide business services to the small business community. JSU SBDC staff members, on a fixed schedule, visit the Chambers to make SBDC services readily available. The counseling is free and confidential. Following is a list of the JSU SBDC Chamber of Commerce Resource Centers:

Blount County- Oneonta Chamber of Commerce

Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce

Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce

Childersburg Chamber of Commerce

Cleburne County Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Gadsden/Etowah Chamber of Commerce

Pell City Chamber of Commerce

Talladega Chamber of Commerce

Sylacauga Chamber of Commerce

The JSU CED/SBDC provides outreach and service across Alabama. Staff members are involved with a variety of area organizations through serving on board of directors, professional memberships, participation in conferences, annual or regular meetings, providing presentations, and affiliations as requested.

College of Education and Professional Studies

Dean's Office

Dr. John Hammett serves as the President of the Alabama Association of College for Teacher Education. The ALACTE quarterly meeting was held at AUM in July 2012.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the Co-Teaching workshop held at JSU-McClellan. The event kicked off a new initiative to improve the preparation of teachers.

Dr. John Hammett presented at the July American Association of State Colleges and Universities conference in San Francisco. He co-presented with Provost Turner, Dr. Alicia Simmons, Dr. Nina King, Ms. Ronda Ray, and Mr. Matt Akin.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the program review for JSU's TV Services. TV Services is part of the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Dr. John Hammett coordinated a meeting between the ALACTE Executive Committee and Dr. Tommy Bice, State Superintendent of Alabama.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the second Co-Teaching workshop held at JSU in August 2012.

Dr. John Hammett participated in the initial induction ceremony for the new education fraternity, Alpha Omicron Omega.

Dr. John Hammett attended the American Diploma Project meeting in Alexandria, Virginia as a member of the Alabama state team. The purpose of the meeting was to bring states together to share process for implementation of the College and Career Readiness and Common Core State Standards.

Dr. John Hammett hosted a member of the education faculty at Metropolitan State University in Denver. The team from MSU-D came to JSU to develop an insight into how technology initiatives at JSU were implemented.

Dr. John Hammett attended an Apple Executive Briefing in Cupertino, CA with President Meehan, Provost Turner, BOT member Senator Figures, Dr. Alicia Simmons, Mr. Vincent Houston, Mr. Mark Camp, Mr. Matt Akin, and Dr. Jon Paul Campbell.

Department Curriculum and Instruction

Dr. Roben Taylor presented at BbWorld 2012 in New Orleans, LA, on July 10, 2012. The title of her presentation was Social Media: Impact and Direction in Higher Education.

Dr. Nina King presented at AASCU in San Francisco, CA, on July 24-29, 2012. The title of her presentation was From Big Ideas to a Comprehensive Partnership: Transforming Education in K-12, Teacher Education, and Higher Education in Alabama.

Department of Communication

Newsweek Asia, the edition of Newsweek that caters to the Asiatic region of the world, selected the Communication Department at JSU as among, in its own words, “The Best of USA’s Journalism and Communications Programs,” and invited us to publish our profile in its July 2 special edition with a readership of more than 900,000 across Asia, Australia, and New Zealand. The selection of JSU’s communication program was based on national accreditation status. The news was well received by the department although we were unable to respond to the offer because of cost factor—\$4,150 for 1/6th of a page. The potential return would, however, be well worth the cost, had we the fund to participate.

Every semester, we look at our students’ job placement record to try to learn something about what we are doing. Below are the data for 2012 so far.

Spring 2012 Graduating Communication Students’ Job Statistics

- Number of Communication graduates = 14
- Percentage of students with pre-graduation job offer in communication = 57%
- Among those without pre-graduation job offer
 - 17% was accepted and went to graduate school
 - 17% reported 100 percent likelihood of a job offer in six months
 - 33% reported 80% likelihood of a job offer in six months
 - 33% reported 60% likelihood of a job offer in six months

Summer 2012 Graduating Communication Students’ Job Statistics

- Number of Communication graduates = 13
- Percentage with pre-graduation job offer in communication = 62%

- Among those without pre-graduation job offer:
 - 40% reported 100 percent likelihood of a job offer in six months
 - 40% reported 80 percent likelihood of a job offer in six months
 - 20% reported 60 percent likelihood of a job offer in six months

While this is a limited data given the short period of time the data covered, we, however, view this generally as positive and encouraging for two reasons: (1) the high percentage of pre-graduation job offer, and (2) the level of confidence our graduates exude regarding their employability. We anticipate that the analysis of a longer period of time will provide us with a more useful trend data.

Dr. J. Patrick McGrail, Assistant professor of Broadcasting in the Department of Communication, presented a paper at the 2012 annual conference of the International Communication Association (ICA). The title is, “Digitality: How a Sea Change in Technology Has Led to Obsolescence in Current Copyright Law.” His paper was the runner-up for top faculty paper in the Communication Law and Policy Division of ICA.

Two faculty members from the Department of Communication—Dr. J. Patrick McGrail and Dr. Kingsley O. Harbor, head of the Communication Department—received the 2012 Faculty Research Certificate by Jacksonville State University.

Dr. Augustine Ihator, Professor of Public Relations in the Communication Department, received a ten-year pin from JSU for his ten years of service to Jacksonville State University.

Department of Educational Resources

Instructional Leadership faculty members: Drs. Linda Allen, Mary Montgomery-Owens, and William Kiser presented at Cleburne County Schools in-service on graduate programs in administration, August 2012

Drs. Jimmy Barnes, faculty in Instructional Media and Melanie Wallace, faculty in Counselor Education, will make application for tenure and promotion this fall to Associate Professor. Dr. Donna Herring, faculty in Instructional Media will seek promotion to Full Professor.

Dr. Melanie Wallace, Counselor Education faculty member, served as a reviewer on a CACREP Review Team at Indiana State University, September, 2012

Instructional Leadership faculty, Drs. William Kiser, Linda Allen and Mary Montgomery-Owens presented at the Southern Regional Council on Educational Administration

Conference in New Orleans. The title of their presentation was – The Power of Professional Learning Communities for School Improvement: Four Case Studies.

The Counselor Education faculty – Drs. Tommy Turner, Jerry Kiser, Melanie Wallace, Priscilla Wilson and Todd McGahey made themselves available for counseling to International House students impacted by the accidental drowning of a fellow JSU International House student, September 2012.

Dr. William Kiser, Instructional Leadership, completed training as an external reviewer for School Team Chairs for SACS/CASI Accreditation, July 2012.

Dr. Priscilla Wilson attended the Alabama Counseling Association committee meeting in Montgomery, AL, June 2012.

Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

The search committees for the positions of FCS Generalist and Child Center Director narrowed their search and brought in candidates for presentations on Tuesday, July 17th, Thursday, July 19th, and Thursday, July 26th. After careful consideration, Ms. Jeannie Frazier was recommended for the Generalist position and Ms. Jill Marsh was recommended for the Child Center Director.

There were eight FCS graduates participating in Summer Commencement.

The Family and Consumer Sciences Department has 911 students enrolled in Fall 2012 classes.

On August 10, 2012, Ms. Robbie Boggs and Ms. Jeannie Frazier attended the Alabama Family and Consumer Sciences (ALAFCS) board meeting in Clanton, Alabama. Ms. Boggs is Vice President of Operations for the organization. Ms. Frazier serves as coordinator for Research in Universities/Colleges.

The FCS department is preparing for two upcoming site visits. The first will be an initial accreditation visit from the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) from October 6-9. The second will be a re-accreditation visit from the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND). This visit will be from November 4-6, 2012.

Ms. Jeannie Frazier received ServSafe certification through the Alabama Cooperative Extension.

The Family and Consumer Sciences department continues preparations for accreditation site visits from AAFCS and ACEND.

Department of Health, Physical Education & Recreation

Dr. Roland Thornburg presented at 2012 LiveText Conference in Chicago, IL July 2012. His topic was Closing the Loop with Technology.

In-Service Education Center

The In-Service Education Center hosted 104 sessions during the period July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 for 1,967 participants.

The In-Service Center participated with The University of North Alabama and the Department of Justice to present a Bullying Prevention session for select fifth grade teachers in the JSU Region. Participants received instructions, interdisciplinary materials and activities that better help them understand students who are being recruited into gangs. The program will continue in the classrooms during the school year.

The In-Service Center participated with the JSU Writing Project to provide the 21st Century Conference in July. The keynote speaker was children's author, Lester Laminick.

In July, the In-Service Center provided a study tour of Boston and New York City. The tour began with a walking tour of the Freedom Trail in Boston and the narration of the beginnings of our country's fight for freedom, and concluded with a tour of the 911 Memorial and the symbol of freedom, the Statue of Liberty in New York City. There were 30 teachers who participated in the tour.

Several Global Scholar trainings were offered in cooperation with the Alabama Department of Education during September. It was a train-the-trainer model for the installation of a new assessment system that will be available in the 15 school systems served by JSU. Trainers from each of the 15 school systems attended this training.

In August, the In-Service Center assisted with the Alabama Reading Initiative Training for teachers who will be employed in area school systems in the new school year.

In September, the In-Service Center cooperated with the Alabama Department of Education to provide College and Career Ready Standards training for school district implementation teams. The Standards have been adopted by the State School Board

for implementation in the Math and Language Arts Classrooms.

Technology in Motion provided 54 sessions during the period July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 for 852 participants.

Department of Instructional Services

The T/LC is in its 30th year of service to the College of Education and Professional Studies and the surrounding community.

Starting Tutors and Hours Fall 2011

Tutors

T/LC Tutors

	Tutors	Hours
ESE305	43	860
ESE510	7	140
FCS 353	32	320
FCS 353 - Gadsden	3	30
Total All Tutors	85	1350

Outside Tutors

	Tutors	Hours
EPY430	5	100
ESE305	1	20
ESE510	4	80
FCS 353	1	10
FCS 353 - Gadsden	15	150
Total All Tutors	26	360

Tutees

T/LC Tutees 68 students

Outside 26 students

Totals

Tutors 111 students

Tutees 94 students

Hours 1710 hours

Department of Secondary Education

Dr. Sheila Anne Webb presented “Cultural Effects on Jury of Your Peers” at the National Social Science Association Summer Seminar, July 30, at Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Dr. Webb also served as session chair for “Society and Literature Examined”.

Dr. Joseph Akpan co-presented “Technology Integrated Secondary Education Mathematics: Interactions Between Teacher and Students in Classroom”, August 1, at the Hawaii University International Conference on Mathematics and Engineering Technology, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Department of the Teacher Service Center

Dr. Kelly Ryan served as State Chair for NCATE.

Dr. Kelly Ryan conducted a pre-visit for NCATE

The Teacher Service Center served over 250 student by providing evaluations, graduation checks, and certification processing.

The Teacher Service Center continues to maintain extended office hour to assist commuter students.

Department of Technology & Engineering

Dr. Jess Godbey, Dr. Dana Ingalsbe, and Mr. Terry Marbut submitted a paper for the Association of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering National Conference that was selected as the best paper in the administrative track.

Dr. Nouredine Bekhouche and Mr. Terry Marbut are working with JSU computer science faculty and faculty from Southern Methodist University in a research effort to develop enhanced security for critical infrastructure control systems.

Dr. Ed Bellman is teaching a course at JSU Gadsden. This course is the initial offering in a partnership intended to increase the number of Gadsden State students that

continue their education through one of the programs offered through Technology and Engineering at JSU.

Department of TV Services

Completed "Gospel Music Southern Style Refresh" #11.

Produced "JSU Today," #190. Our Person of the Week was Mr. Jason Sumner (SGA President). Sports featured Mr. Warren Koegel.

Completed "Gospel Music Southern Style Refresh" #12.

Completed a project for the College of Education & Professional Studies that was presented in San Francisco, CA. This video consisted of student testimonials from the College of Education & Professional Studies ECE 305 Section 1 spring class as well as segments from the same class demonstrating the classroom uses of the iPad at a Trustees presentation.

Completed "Gospel Music Southern Style Refresh" #13.

Mr. Bobby Mikel and Mr. Keith Thomas met with the Health & Wellness Committee to discuss collaborative efforts to provide resources, guidance, accountability, and recommendations to make students aware of healthy behaviors and choices. Television Services will create videos that will be posted on-line as a part of the Student Health Services website.

Produced "JSU Today," #191. Our Person of the Week was Ms. Courtney Peppers Owen, Director of Learning Services. Sports featured Ms. Julie Davis Carlson & soccer player Ms. Katie Manns.

Completed "Gospel Music Southern Style Refresh" #14.

Taped the "Mentoring Teacher Candidates Through Co-Teaching" workshop at McClellan. This workshop was edited and duplicated to use as a training tool for JSU and area teachers.

Produced "JSU Today" #192 featuring Mr. Randal Blades, new Director for the Drama Department, as our Person of the Week and Mr. Adam Ross, football camps, in our Sports segment.

Mr. Mike Hathcock, Mr. Keith Thomas, and Mr. Ted White attended NewTek's Tricaster training in Nashville, Tennessee. The training was sponsored by the OVC.

Mr. Mike Hathcock, Ms. Stephanie Morgan, and Mr. Keith Thomas attended the Compliance Assist Prism training offered by JSU.

Produced “JSU Today” #193 featuring Ms. Kara Coleman, Chief Editor of the Chanticleer, as our Person of the Week and Head Volleyball Coach, Joe Goodson, in our Sports segment.

TV Services met with Program Review team.

Taped Football Media Day.

Produced “JSU Today” #194 featuring Dr. William Carr, Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education, as our Person of the Week and Football Media Day in our Sports segment.

Produced and broadcast the Summer Graduation Exercises live on TV24 and the Internet. The ceremony was also rebroadcast at later dates and times. DVD copies are being sold through the Campus Bookstore.

Taped Dr. William Meehan welcoming fans to the five home football games. These welcomes will air on the video board before each game.

Taped the annual football “Fan Day” event.

Produced “JSU Today” #195 featuring Dr. Pete Conroy and Mr. Jay Worrall as our Persons of the Week and Football Fan Day in the sports segment.

Taped Soccer promos for use on the video board during home football games.

Taped head shots of the entire football team. These head shots will be used during home football games to introduce starting line-ups on the video board.

Taped an introduction for the “Get Healthy JSU” series. This spoof of crime/spy thrillers will be shown on September 14th at a “Get Healthy JSU” rally at Leone Cole.

Taped the football press conference.

Produced “JSU Today” #196 featuring Mr. Ken Bodiford as our Person of the Week and the football press conference in the sports segment.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” #105 featuring Head Football Coach Jack Crowe and Head Soccer Coach Julie Davis Carlson.

Produced “JSU Today” #197 featuring Dr. Charles Notar as our Person of the Week.

The introduction video for the “Get Healthy JSU” series is approved. This spoof of crime/spy thrillers will be shown on September 14th at a “Get Healthy JSU” rally at Leone Cole. The video will also be seen on the new “Get Healthy JSU” website.

Taped Volleyball promos for use on the video board during home football games.

Broadcast the JSU/Chattanooga football game. The game was carried live state-wide over the Alabama Cable Network and also broadcast on a tape delayed basis over TV24, TV47 - Sylacauga, TV29 – Huntsville, and Farmers Telecommunications cable system in DeKalb and Jackson counties. The game was also streamed by the OVC Network.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” #106 featuring Coach Crowe, Mr. Griffin Thomas, and Mr. Hamish MacInnes.

Taped “Gamecock Huddle.” This show is heard live over WLJS 92-J and videotaped by TV Services. Mr. Mike Parris, Coach Crowe and other JSU coaches discuss past and upcoming football games. This show will be taped every Monday night and broadcast during the week.

Produced “JSU Today” #198 featuring Dr. Charles Notar and Ms. Carol Maner-Cleghorn as our Persons of the Week. Sports featured Coaches Crowe and Whiddon.

Met with Ms. Becca Turner, Director of Career Services, and Mr. Terry Marbut, Director of Technology and Engineering, to discuss a recruiting video for the Department of Technology and Engineering.

Videotaped the Memorial Service of Haitian international student, Mr. Maucler Charles, who drowned in a tragic accident on Saturday, September 8th, while on the annual retreat to Horns Creek Resort on the Ocoee River Cleveland, Tennessee. Copies of the service were distributed to family members who were unable to attend.

The intro video done for the “Get Healthy JSU” campaign was played before an estimated 80 students involved in this collaboration. All students (from nutrition, opera/voice, and HPER) met on Friday, September 14th in the Performance Auditorium at Mason to kick off this event. TV services visually documented the event for use in continuing “Get Healthy JSU” promotions.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” #107 featuring Coach Crowe and Coach Carlson.

Taped “Gamecock Huddle.” This show is heard live over WLJS 92-J and videotaped by TV Services. Mr. Mike Parris, Coach Crowe and other JSU coaches discuss past and upcoming football games. This show will be taped every Monday night and broadcast during the week.

Produced “JSU Today” #199 featuring Ms. Kara Coleman, Editor of the Chanticleer, as our Person of the Week. Event of the Week featured the Marching Southerners in the 09/08/12 Halftime Show. Sports featured Mr. Davern Williams.

Produced “Gospel Music Southern Style” #157 featuring the ten songs nominated for song of the year.

Completed the duplication of 75 DVD’s of the 1992 National Championship Football Game that JSU won while still in Division II and 75 DVD’s of the highlights of the 1992 football season. These DVD’s were produced for Alumni Relations and will be presented to the 1992 Football Team during their reunion on the weekend of September 29th.

Produced “Inside Gamecock Athletics” #108 featuring Coach Crowe and Coach Goodson.

Taped “Gamecock Huddle.” This show is heard live over WLJS 92-J and videotaped by TV Services. Mr. Mike Parris, Coach Crowe and other JSU coaches discuss past and upcoming football games. This show will be taped every Monday night and broadcast during the week.

Produced “JSU Today” #200 featuring Ms. Amanda Bonds, Director of the Student Health Center, as our Person of the Week. Sports featured Mr. Max Thurmond.

Shot footage of Co-Teaching Workshop “Pairs Workshop” for Cooperating Teachers and Teacher Candidates. This footage will be used in future displays or advertisements of the College of Education’s Co-Teaching Workshops.

Broadcast the JSU/Southeast Missouri State football game. The game was carried live state-wide over the Alabama Cable Network and also broadcast on a tape delayed basis over TV24, TV47 - Sylacauga, TV29 – Huntsville, and Farmers Telecommunications cable system in DeKalb and Jackson counties.

Office of Distance Education

Accomplishments, Recognition, Conferences Attended and Presentations:

Chris Casey, Gina Glass, and Dr. Frank King attended a workshop, "Compliance Assist Training", on July 6, 2012.

Chris Casey and Carey Smouse attended a webinar, "Impact of SP8 upgrade to Existing Themes", on July 17, 2012.

Kerri Reese attended BbWorld 2012 in July 2012 in New Orleans, LA and presented two sessions: “The 411 @ JSU: Delivering a More Immediate & Personal Experience for Mobile Students” – addressing how JSU has improved teaching, learning and campus life experiences through forward-thinking mobile and communication strategies and

“Mobility and Course Communications” – exploring how Bb Connect for Learn can help improve faculty efficiency, student engagement and retention.

Carey Smouse conducted two presentations –“Building ‘Ocho’ – How SP8 was impacted by over 600 clients and what that experience meant at two institutions” panel presentation and “Increasing Course Quality and Blackboard Adoption through Exemplary Course Review Process” presentation – at BbWorld 2012 in July 2012 in New Orleans, LA.

Carey Smouse attended the PalmettoBUG (regional Blackboard user group) Fall 2012 meeting on September 21, 2012 at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC.

Ms. Kerri Reese was selected as the Employee of the Month for August 2012 and Ms. Gina Glass was selected as the Employee of the Month for September 2012.

Dr. Franklin L. King and others published “Student Learning Through Social Media” in The Journal of Sociological Research.

Educational Technology Initiatives:

The following upgrades to Blackboard and related educational technologies were completed during this quarter:

- Blackboard Learn 9.1, Service Pack 8 on May 2, 2012
- Blackboard Learn 9.1, Service Pack 9 on August 2, 2012
- Latest version of Respondus LockDown Browser on August 2, 2012
- Latest version of Respondus 4 test creation software in August 2012

The following building blocks were added to Blackboard:

- Pearson’s MyLab/Mastering Building Block provides direct access to Pearson’s MyLab/Mastering courses within Blackboard Learn, including single sign-on, direct links to content, and gradebook transfer.
- The WileyPLUS Building Block, built by Blackboard, is designed to meet varying levels of digital usage, including single sign-on, gradebook synchronization, and seamless access to WileyPLUS content.

The Office of Distance Education began participation in two beta programs – Blackboard Learn 9.1, Service Pack 10 and Respondus Monitor – which will provide early access to upcoming releases of Blackboard and Respondus LockDown Browser and allow us to better prepare for changes in Blackboard and integrated educational technologies.

Blackboard Collaborate 12 was made available during Summer 2012, bringing faculty and students new capabilities and a better overall experience. This version includes:

- Echo cancellation
- Mobile access to Collaborate sessions for students using iPhone and iPad devices
- Grade Center and Calendar integration
- Other tweaks to improve the web conferencing experience

Faculty Professional Development Opportunities:

Training sessions were conducted to assist those faculty in the College of Commerce and Business Administration and the College of Education and Professional Studies who recently received an iPad. Two different types of sessions were offered: one geared toward first time iPad users and focused on setting up iTunes accounts, setup of email, downloading apps, using iCloud and using Apple TV, desktops, and projectors in the classroom and the other focused on apps and solutions for using the iPad to create and share content with students or others. More sessions are planned for the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Nursing.

Individual and small group Blackboard Collaborate web conferencing training sessions were held in August and September 2012 for faculty in the College of Nursing and the College of Education and Professional Studies.

The Office of Distance Education also hosted Apple on August 27, 2012 for an in-depth look at the new features in iTunes U and the new iTunes U App. Apple representatives explored Course Manager, the browser-based digital course creation tool, created a sample course, and discussed classroom integration including the use of public and private courses.

Podcasting:

The JSU iTunes U site continues to show strong numbers with 15,133 total downloads since July 1, 2012. This brings our yearly total to well over 56,000 downloads. New subscriptions rose by over 1,500 since July and the JSU public content on iTunes U is starting to show great international appeal. The U.S. accounts for only 51.9% of the public downloads, the other 48.1% are divided between Canada, UK, Australia, China, France, Brazil, United Arab Emirates, Germany, India, and others.

Enrollment:

Fall 2012 Distance Education enrollment is as follows:

Format	Course Sections	Enrollments
All Online (Bb, Other, STEP)*	370 (278 courses) 437 sections offered	7,131 (3825 unique students)
Bb Supplements**	715 (675 Bb courses)	16,822 (6491 unique students)
Videoconferencing*	4 (3 courses) 8 sections offered	10 (10 unique students)
All distance formats*	374 (281 courses) 445 sections offered	7,141 (3827 unique students)
All formats and supplements**	1,089 sections	23,963 enrollments

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

Source: BANINST1_AS_STUDENT_REGISTRATION_DETAIL and BANINST1_AS_CATALOG_SCHEDULE from 09/4/2012

***Data provided by the Office of Distance Education.*

Source: SQL Queries run against Blackboard Advanced System Reporting (ASR) Database – 09/17/2012;

Data entered based on information provided by the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment.

Support:

Students and faculty continue to make great use of the 24/7 Blackboard support services. Usage data is as follows:

	July	August	September (MTD)
Total Number of Phone Calls Received	46	114	93

Average Speed of Answer (min:sec)	:37	3:43	3:18
Total Number of Tickets Submitted	2	18	12
Total Number of Chats Escalated to a Ticket	0	1	0
Total Number of Chats where Issue was Resolved in the Chat	20	115	20
Total Number of Portal Page Views	24,320	23,650	13,966
Total Number of Knowledge Base Articles Viewed	6,777	6,761	4,745
Total Number of Knowledge Base Searches Performed	15	32	16
Total Number of Portal Visits	23,278	21,309	11,740
Average percentage of phone calls received and chats and tickets submitted outside of Office of Distance Education Business hours	39%	34%	37%

Miscellaneous:

Chris Casey, Mark Camp, and Kerri Reese worked with TV Services to produce a TV spot to promote JSU Mobile.

Office of Distance Education staff members interacted with students and parents at the Distance Education booth at Summer Orientation during June and July 2012.

The Office of Distance Education assisted with the technical aspects of a JSU webinar sponsored by the JSU English Department. The webinar focused on the new E-Thology (online anthology) and was overseen and presented by Gena Christopher, Rodney Bailey, and Jennifer Foster.

College of Graduate Studies

Through various meeting forums, the College of Graduate Studies continues to communicate with the academic colleges to provide information to help faculty serve as active recruiters for potential graduate students.

The associate dean and two admissions staff members of the graduate office will travel to Athens, Georgia to participate in the Georgia graduate program circuit. Dr. Pugliese and the graduate staff will showcase the graduate programs at JSU and will meet with the graduate staff at the University of Georgia to discuss streamlining the graduate

application/admission process. The staff in the graduate office at University of Georgia and the graduate dean won an award at the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools in February 2010 for innovation in graduate education. The associate dean is scheduled to attend two to three additional graduate program open houses during the month of October that are part of the Georgia circuit.

The JSU College of Graduate Studies hosted its first graduate program open house in conjunction with preview day at JSU on Saturday, September 29, 2012. The open house was located in Room 213 Stephenson Hall.

The College of Graduate Studies will actively participate in the Homecoming/Family Day activities on October 27, 2012 and will showcase JSU graduate programs on the front lawn of TMB prior to the football game.

The College of Graduate Studies is in the process of completing an online mandatory orientation for all graduate students. The new orientation will take effect in January 2013.

The associate dean, in conjunction with key administrators from the academic colleges, is in the process of drafting a strategic enrollment management plan for graduate students at JSU. Once completed, anticipated December 2012, the proposed plan will be circulated through JSU to receive internal approval and begin implementation.

All available social media at JSU, i.e., the JSU home page, the College of Graduate Studies website and the College of Graduate Studies facebook page, concerning graduate programs at JSU have been updated and are user friendly for anyone who wishes to inquire about graduate studies.

Staff from the College of Graduate Studies attended the Academic Majors and Minors Fair on September 20, 2012.

Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Student Enrollment: The College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS) continues to experience growth. Fall 2012 data reflect BSN enrollment at 229, STEP enrollment at 340, and the MSN Program enrollment at 97. Of the 97 graduate students in nursing, 64 are JSU master's students and 33 are University of North Alabama (UNA) transient MSN students. The following table illustrates patterns of growth.

Fall 2008	Fall 2009	Fall 2010	Fall 2011	Fall 2012
BSN: 240	BSN: 196	BSN: 204	BSN: 225	BSN: 229

STEP: 187	STEP: 205	STEP: 269	STEP: 334	STEP: 340
MSN: 61	MSN: 56	MSN: 76	MSN: 70	MSN: 64
UNA MSN	UNA MSN	UNA MSN	UNA MSN	UNA MSN
Transient: 29	Transient: 26	Transient: 31	Transient: 33	Transient: 33
Total: 517	Total: 483	Total: 580	Total: 662	Total: 666

There were 141 graduates in nursing in August 2012. Of the 141 graduates, 59 were traditional BSN students and 82 were RN to BSN (STEP) students. The Honors Day Ceremony for our August graduates was held August 2nd in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences building.

Associate Professors, Dr. Phyllis Waits and Dr. Rebecca Peinhardt along with Associate Dean Dr. Christie Shelton attended a workshop on the Integrating Emergency Management in Your Institution, September 26-29 in Emmitsburg, MD. The training was sponsored by the National Emergency Training Center, a part of Homeland Security.

On September 21st, community health nursing students, along with Instructors Ms. Katie Robinson and Ms. Vicki Hill and Associate Professor Dr. Phyllis Waits, participated in the ICE Event, a large scale mock disaster drill at the Center for Domestic Preparedness. This event involved JSU nursing students taking on the roles of disaster victims and protesters. First responders from all over the United States were there to experience the mock disaster drill. JSU nursing students played the roles of victim, health care provider, or bystander.

Dr. Christie Shelton, Dr. Rebecca Peinhardt, and Dr. Kim Helms presented at the National League for Nursing (NLN) Education Summit 2012 in Anaheim, CA, September 19-22, 2012. Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Becky Turner, sponsored the faculty's participation at this international event.

On Friday, September 14, Instructors Ms. Vicki Hill and Ms. Katie Robinson, Associate Professor, Dr. Phyllis Waits and 20 Community Health students participated in the first annual Homeless Health Fair in Gadsden at the Family Center. The event served 58 clients.

An article co-written by Assistant Professor, Dr. Leigh Ann Keith, "Improving Influenza Immunization Rates Through a Specialized Clinic Review" has been published in the Journal of Community Health Nursing, Volume 20, Number 3, July-September 2012.

Instructors, Ms. Jennifer Acker, Ms. Oye Akisanya, Ms. Lori Hill, and Ms. Belinda McGrady joined our faculty in August 2012.

Team leaders for the group of faculty and staff who prepared the QEP proposal were notified by the SACS Reaffirmation Executive Committee that their topic has been approved as JSU's Quality Enhancement Plan for SACS reaffirmation in 2014. The proposal focuses on the development of Professional Development Centers at JSU to facilitate a student centered learning environment. Dr. Kimberly Helms, Dr. Laura Walker, and Ms. Peggy Benson were nursing faculty who participated in the development of the proposal and have been appointed by Dr. Meehan to serve on the QEP University Committee for SACS Reaffirmation.

Assistant Professor, Dr. Betsy Gullede and Associate Dean, Dr. Christie Shelton were certified as a Certified Nurse Educators through the National League for Nursing (NLN) in September 2012.

Dr. Christie Shelton attended the HERS Denver Summer Institute, July 21-August 6, in Denver, CO. HERS is the Higher Education Resource Services, University of Denver. Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Becky Turner, sponsored Dr. Shelton's participation in this competitive acceptance, national level institute.

Dr. Laura Walker and Dr. Kim Helms attended the SimChart "Train the Trainer" workshop in St. Lewis, MO on July 30-31, sponsored by Elsevier. Expenses for the workshop were paid by Elsevier.

Assistant Professor, Dr. Betsy Gullede was selected to be a part of the 2012-13 class of the UAB Geriatric Education Center's Faculty Scholars Program (UAB GEC FSP). The interdisciplinary training program provides participants with tools to enhance the training related to chronic and advanced illness in older adults and gives participants a chance to meet other outstanding faculty from all over the State of Alabama. The two-day orientation was held July 26-27 in Birmingham.

Drs. Christie Shelton and Betsy Gullede, Ms. Shawna Leong and Ms. Cindy Tubbs participated in a May Day Senior Celebration in Talladega, AL on May 31st. Over thirty students also attended this event. Students provided blood pressure screenings to over 200 senior citizens and assisted with entertainment and meals. The event, sponsored

by the Area Agency on Aging, Senior Resource Center, attracts over 1,500 senior citizens from Talladega and surrounding counties.

On May 18th, Healthy Living Body and Soul, a health fair was held at the First Baptist Church of Williams with 52 nursing students from NU 340 course and 4 MSN students participating. The students conducted health screenings: vision, hearing, height/weight/BMI, assessed eyes, ears, nose and throat, vital signs, and heart and lung sounds, explained health educational information on smoking cessation, drug abuse, healthy eating, diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, stroke, skin cancer, breast cancer and participates were able to use models to learn self-breast exam and self-testicular exam skills, as well as, information on breast and testicular cancer, prostate cancer, colon cancer, sexually transmitted diseases, the effects of alcohol on perception, stress, and memory testing. Jacksonville Medical Center, Regional Medical Center, Sarrell Dental Clinic and the Alabama Department of Health provided services. The event was planned and organized by Associate Professor, Dr. Kay Prickett, RN, CDE. Other CNHS faculty and staff who participated include: Rainer Haspel, Ms. Cindy Tubbs, Ms. Annette Daugherty, Ms. Kim Craven, Ms. Jennifer Frank, Ms. Katie Robinson, and Dr. Windon Edge. Dr. William Curry, Associate Dean UAB College of Primary and Rural Health and two colleagues came to evaluate the any abnormalities along with two residents from the rural health residency program in Tuscaloosa. The event ran from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with the nursing students come in two shifts of 26 each time. The event provided screenings to approximately 55 people from the community and was part of the outreach to the community following the tornado on April 27th.

Janet Cherobon-Bawcom, a nursing student, competed in the women's 10,000-meter run as a member of the USA Track and Field Olympic team. Cherobon-Bawcom, a native of Kapsabet, Kenya is completing her BSN through the online STEP program.

Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Office of Admissions

The Admissions Office is excited to have a record setting average ACT for first-time freshman enrolled for the fall 2012 semester (22.3). The Admissions Counselors (Tracy Phillips, Shelley Kaler, Allison Ortiz, Whit McGhee, Kayla McCay) spent countless days and nights traveling throughout the Southeast to meet with high school and community college students interested in furthering their education. We know these new students were attracted to this learning-centered institution by the outstanding academic programs and support services provided by JSU. The academic caliber of these new

students indicates the university is attracting academically engaged students with a desire to learn.

Our momentum of enrolling these high achieving students carried over to Fall Preview Day on Saturday, September 19, 2012. This day was a tremendous success with more than 600 prospective students and their families visiting campus. The increased number of participants dovetailed with the game day atmosphere required some changes for Fall Preview Day. Most notably, students had the opportunity to be welcomed as a group by President Dr. Meehan in Leone Cole Auditorium. We wish to thank everyone involved in the planning and execution of Fall Preview Day. Your support and effort had a tremendous impact on our guests and we know these students experienced JSU at its very best.

In preparation for the fall of 2013 class and beyond, there have been more than 140 visits to high schools and college fairs in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and Tennessee since August 27 of this year.

We are excited to announce JSU alumna Lacey Kinsey joined the Admissions Staff in August and will be traveling Central and South Alabama.

Career Services

Career Services partnered with JSU's National Alumni Association to create a mentor program for JSU students. A new webpage was launched to reflect the new program.

Career Services and the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce invested in a partnership with Internships.com.

Career Services hosted a Diversity Training Workshop conducted by Wal-Mart on September 25, 2012.

The following companies have employed 16 co-op students for fall 2012: Choice Fabricator, GSA, US Army Corp of Engineers, CVG, Honda, M & H Valve, Piedmont City Schools, Parker Hannifin, Nobel Bank & Trust, and Anniston Army Depot. Additionally, Career Services posted 124 unique job postings.

Student Health Center

The Student Health Center assisted 584 clients from July 2 – September 28, 2012. The number of prescriptions dispensed by the Student Health Center was 131 for the same time period.

The Student Health Center encounters from July 2 – September 28, 2012, indicated 72% (421/584) of clients served had some type of health insurance.

Ms. Allison Trammell, Master of Science in Nursing student, accepted an internship in Student Health for the Summer 2012 and Fall 2012 terms.

Kevin Ward (Voice/Opera), Ashley Cofield (Health, Physical Education, and Recreation), and Morgan Cox (Dietetics) met with Student Health and developed and created, in collaboration with TV Services, an introduction video to the get Healthy Pilot Project.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, is teaching 64 students in STU 101.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, assisted in sickle cell testing blood draws for incoming student-athletes.

The Student Health Center implemented mandatory health, immunization and tuberculosis screening forms.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, presented “Healthy Relationships” at Resident Assistant Training on August 16, 2012.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, presented to the English Language Institute to raise awareness and answer questions regarding mandatory health, immunization, and tuberculosis screening forms on September 7, 2012.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, attended Athletics Head Coaches meeting to raise awareness of mandatory health, immunization, and tuberculosis screening forms on September 12, 2012.

Student Health participated in the Annual Campus Health Fair on September 18, 2012.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, interviewed and taped a segment for JSU Today on September 21, 2012.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, has been selected to serve on the national Healthy Campus 2020 Communication Subcommittee.

Ms. Amanda Bonds, RN, MSN, met with International House students to raise awareness of mandatory health, immunization, and tuberculosis screening forms on September 28, 2012.

University Police

All university officers attended Calhoun County Legal Updates presented by Brian McVeigh of the District Attorney's Office at JSU McClellan on August 3, 2012.

Sgt. Schaffer and Sgt. Mann escorted CALEA inspectors from the Birmingham Airport to JSU. The inspectors were here to inspect UPD records and interview UPD personnel. The open hearing was held at Wallace Hall on August 6th. The inspection was completed on August 7, 2012. UPD was recommended for reaccreditation by the inspectors but will be required to appear November 17, 2012 in Florida before the Commission. UPD had its best ever reaccreditation inspection with only one Addressable Desecration. This was a file maintenance issue adding a due date for memo inspections.

UPD conducted training to university employees on Police Services and Policies on August 21, 2012.

UPD and Alabama Game and Fish conducted a hunter's education class for area youth in Merrill Hall on August 27-29, 2012. The class is required for Alabama citizens born after 1977 to purchase an Alabama hunting license.

UPD partnered with Ready Alabama to promote emergency awareness to Alabama citizens on September 6, 2012.

UPD provided two PowerPoint training sessions of UPD services and policies for new JSU employees on September 12, 2012.

Officer Roper began training in k-9 for Explosives and Firearm Detection Certification on September 17, 2012.

UPD partnered with Counseling Services to conduct JSU Pedestrian Safety Awareness Day on September 25, 2012. Officers and JSU Peer Educators distributed safety awareness material at the Hwy 21 crosswalk, Brewer Hall. Seat belt checks were also conducted at the Trustee and University Circle intersection.

Student Life

Orientation

Gamecock Orientation had 10 sessions this summer with 1,390 students in attendance. The theme was “JSU: Where Everyone is a Star.” The new students had the red carpet rolled out for them as the Gamecock Orientation team introduced them to life at JSU. Throughout the day, students and their guests learned how to utilize JSU services such as tutoring services, financial aid and the student health center. They also learned all about living, eating and playing on campus. This is the second year that Gamecock Orientation has been required for all incoming freshman.

Freshman Forum

The 2012-2013 Freshman Forum were selected from 195 applicants. The purpose of Freshman Forum is to mentor incoming freshman who have shown leadership abilities and to produce campus leaders. Each applicant was selected through an interview process.

Seventy-two members were chosen and are as follows:

Erica Adams	Heflin
Stephanie Alcott	Chicago, IL
Reece Anderson	Piedmont
Blaire Blackmon	Helena
Kaley Bomian	Centre
Tyler Brown	Beulah
Chandler Burgess	Pleasant Valley
Savannah Bush	Millbrook
Joie Byrd	Marietta, GA
Mallory Cain	Albertville
Pre’Knechia Carter-Stokes	Birmingham
Chance Cassidy	Glencoe
Tiffany Champion	Trussville

Amanda Chandler	Fort Payne
Alex Christensen	Marietta, GA
Chirag Chunibhai	Oneonta
Ashley Conn	Harvest
Courtney Curtis	Huntsville
Lauryn Dawkins	Decatur, GA
Sara Beth Drake	Cullman
Kristen Fargason	Anniston
Mirah Flowers	Marietta, GA
Diamond Ford	Birmingham
Tracy Freeman	Piedmont
Allysa Gentry	Auburn
Keaton Glass	Leeds
Christian Golson	Wetumpka
Katy Hall	Cedar Bluff
Noryetta Hall	Tuscaloosa
Lindzee Hamel	Susan Moore
Angie Higgins	West Point, GA
Destin Hubbard	Cleveland
Darius Hunter	Birmingham
Gezekia Ivey	Douglasville, GA
Samuel Johnson	Glencoe

Philipa' Johnson	Birmingham
Madeline Jorges	Summerville, GA
Hannah Keeling	Southside
Samuel Kellett	Southside
Dylan Kelley	Sardis
Angelique Killebrew	Huntsville
Emily Knight	Pleasant Valley
Kelly Manley	Oxford
Monique McKinney	Birmingham
Hannah Meadows	Collinsville
Hallie Miller	Hartselle
Addie Minton	Piedmont
Anusha Momin	Rome, GA
Brittany Moore	Birmingham
Becca Nash	Flowery Branch, GA
Amber Owens	Lithonia, GA
Kristin Ray	Sand Rock
David Rickless	Anniston
Kristen Roberts	Dothan
Hailey Scott	Boaz
Raven Scott	Stevenson
Brittnei Scott	Montgomery

Keri Jo Shaw	Harpersville
Alex Smith	Clay
Elizabeth Spoon	Spring Garden
Sara Steinken	Kennesaw, GA
Matthew Stitts	Piedmont
Rachel Taylor	Cleveland
JaQuetta Thomas	Columbus, GA
Cassie Tims	Anniston
Brianna Tucker	Decatur, AL
Matthew Vincent	Huntsville
Joseph White	Grant
Caleb Williams	Boaz
Nakesha Willis	Birmingham
Cayla Willis	Colombiana
Halle Witcher	Gardendale

SGA/Multicultural Programming

SGA executive officers attended the American Student Government Association New Officer Training Conference, July 12-15, 2012, in Orlando, Florida. The conference offered a collection of concepts designed to move the SGA and Student Senate forward in a positive and effective manner. There were 6 officers in attendance at conference.

August 2-3, 2012, the SGA Senate retreat was held for newly elected senators at Shocco Springs Baptist Conference Center in Talladega, Alabama. There were 40 participants in attendance.

August 5-7, 2012, three SGA executive officers and SGA Senator Brett Johnson attended the STARS Leadership and University Advocates Conference in Destin, Florida. Students in attendance gained valuable knowledge of higher education and advocacy for the state of Alabama.

Welcome Week began with Freshman Convocation and Get On Board Day on August 27, 2012. The participation level of approximately 2000 freshman and returning student organizations for the event was consistent with the attendance of the previous year.

September 4, 2012, 4:00-5:30 p.m., the first Organizational Council meeting was held at President Meehan's home welcoming all new and returning campus organizations back to school.

September 6, 2012, SGA sponsored a campus and community wide pep rally at Burgess-Snow Field. The event afforded the community and JSU campus the opportunity to work together on a joint venture fostering pride in the city of Jacksonville. The event was a huge success.

SGA sponsored the first tailgate of the season on Dillon Field on September 8. The attendance of 400 for the first home game season opener was comparable to the 2011 season opener.

SGA sponsored a Voter Registration Drive on September 17-19, 2012 to engage and prepare the student body for the presidential election scheduled for November 6, 2012.

The SGA celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month on September 19, 2012 with a Latin Dance Party at the Alumni House.

University Housing and Residence Life

Facilities Report:

In conjunction with the Physical Plant, the Department of University Housing and Residence Life scheduled several projects for the department. These projects are carefully organized in order to continue enhancing the quality of living within our facilities. Please note the following projects that were completed this summer:

Campus Inn – 1 Bedroom: Interior renovation is completed.

Pannell Apartments: Roof replacement project is completed.

Crow Hall: The chiller was replaced.

Colonial Arms Apartments: The back doors were replaced.

Campus Inn – Efficiencies: The ceiling tiles were replaced.

The new door access system upgrade project is completely installed, programmed, and successfully working.

In conjunction with the IT Department, all resident halls, Stadium Tower, and Pannell Apartments are equipped with wireless internet.

Miscellaneous:

The Department of University Housing and Residence Life welcomed students back on August 24, 2012, with our 2nd Annual Cocky Days. Cocky Days is full of weekend activities and programs welcoming our residents to JSU Housing. The move-in process was greatly improved and streamlined with the integration of Apple IPADs at each residence hall's check-in desk. In addition, Student Affairs team members and local volunteers helped students unload their cars and move items into their rooms. Our Housing Parent Committee welcomed parents with refreshments and free t-shirts. The Residence Life Coordinator (RLC) and their staff held their first hall meeting immediately following check-in and the weekend concluded with the following:

Friday Night: Hypnotist Brian Imbus

Saturday Morning: The Red Run/Walk

Saturday Night: The Cocky Carnival

Sunday Night: A Movie on the Quad

Occupancy Report:

Please see the attached fall 2012 Occupancy Report.