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### Message from the Dean

The work of Public Administration has never been more varied or more valuable than it is today. At the same time, we know we have never faced more challenges in the work itself, as well as in finding the right people with the right training in the right numbers to get the job done.

As a result, it is especially exciting to serve as the Founding and Interim Dean of the new College of Public Service and Urban Affairs. Building on the important base of the graduate programs long a part of the Institute of Government, the new College has the potential to introduce a new generation of undergraduates to the importance of what we all do, at the same time preparing them to assume the responsibility for the success of our cities, states, and nation.

Within the next decade, half of the public sector workforce will be eligible for retirement. The students who are educated and trained in the undergraduate and graduate programs of our College should be prepared for the most important and most fulfilling work in a democracy. As we hire new faculty and staff in the weeks and months ahead, I hope you will encourage your best colleagues to apply for the positions and the programs that will be most useful for the College and the work of Public Administration. With your support this new College can become one of the outstanding centers of learning and research in our nation. I know you will let us know how we can make it so.

Bill Purcell

The Public Servant

The following three doctoral candidate successfully defended their dissertation this spring; **Madlyn Bonimy, Sharon Peters, and Ron Turner.** 

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Perceptions Towards the Impact of Tourism on the Environment in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee," Sharon Peters, "Public funded Historically Black Colleges and Universities: An Analysis of Performance from

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Ron Turner, "Religion in Prison: A Mixed Methods Analysis of the Impact of Religion on Inmates in Two

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### Minor Approved, Courses Drawing Interest Students registering for Certification

The Tennessee Board of Regents approved Tennessee State University's request for an undergraduate minor in Nonprofit Management and Leadership. This approval allows the College of Public Service and Urban Affairs to offer five servicelearning courses and a 300 hour internship.

The first two courses, offered this spring, had 10 students enrolled in each. In one course the students are providing direct services to clients of selected nonprofit organizations. In the other course each student is developing a fundraising plan for a



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nonprofit organization that he/ she selected. In both cases the students are working closely with the agency staff to support the organization's mission.

In the summer CPSUA will be offering one course – the Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations. In the fall it is anticipated that two courses will be offered. Anyone who wants more information about the minor should contact Diane Wilde, PhD, at 963-7255 or

dwilde@tnstate.edu. Several students are considering the benefits to working toward national certification through American Humanics (see related article). The courses in the minor are important to students by opening a variety of doors in Nashville. However, the certification is significant to those who plan to live and work outside of the immediate area. The certification will connect TSU students to potential employers nationwide.

# What is American Humanics?

American Humanics is a unique alliance that brings universities, nonprofit organizations, and community partners together to educate, prepare, and certify professionals to strengthen and lead nonprofit organizations. Some of the nonprofits which participate in this alliance include YMCA of the USA, National Urban League, Boy Scouts of America, American Red Cross, and United Way of America.

American Humanics has developed competencies, recommended by nonprofit leaders, which provide students with specialized training so that they are prepared to work in nonprofit organizations. The colleges and universities which are allied with American Humanics determine how they will incorporate the competencies into their curriculum. To qualify for American Humanics certification, students must take all five undergraduate, servicelearning courses and the internship offered by Tennessee State University; be active in leadership in extracurricular activities; attend the American Humanics Management Institute (AHMI), an intense learning symposium; and complete an undergraduate degree in the major of their choice.

# Master in Professional Studies Receives New Coordinator

Dr. Bruce Rogers has been named by Dean Bill Purcell as the new coordinator of the Master in Professional Studies (MPS) on-line degree program. Dr. Rogers will be working with students not only in Tennessee, but around the country, and possibly around the world. Also he will coordinate with officials of the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) and with the Office of Dis-

tance Learning of TSU.

Currently TSU has approximately 20 students actively taking classes toward the MPS. There are about 150 students taking courses, some of whom are applying the on-line classes to other degree programs. Anyone who wants more information about the MPS should contact Bruce Rogers, PhD, at 963-7248 or <u>brogers@tnstate.edu</u>.

This fully on-line degree has been offered for almost two years. Tennessee State University is one of the six TBR's universities participating in the delivering of the MPS courses.

## Fall 2008 Course Schedule

	Class	2008 Fall Course Schedule	Instructor	Time	Day
80051	PADM6110 80	Statistics for Public Administrators	Rogers	5:00 - 8:00	М
80053	PADM6130 80	Research Methods for Public Administrators	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	Т
80059	PADM6210 80	Seminar In Public Administration	Gibran	5:00 - 8:00	W
80060	PADM6210 81	Seminar In Public Administration	Kraus	ТВА	ТВА
80062	PADM6230 80	Seminar In Public Budgeting	Kraus	5:00 - 8:00	F
80653	PADM6330 95	Seminar in Public Management	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	М
80068	PADM6410 80	Seminar In Public Policy Analysis	Rogers	5:00 - 8:00	ТН
80656	PADM6440 80	Seminar in Urban Administration	Kraus	5:00 - 8:00	W
80070	PADM6490 95	Seminar in Politics of Administration	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	Т
80074	PADM6500 01	Internship in the Public Service*	Kraus	ТВА	ТВА
80075	PADM6520 80	U.S. Health Policy	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	F
80078	PADM6550 96	Epidemiology	Robinson	9:00 - 4:30	S
80079	PADM6600 01	Independent Readings In Pub Adm.*	Rizzo	ТВА	ТВА
80652	PADM6950 80	Introduction to Non-Profit Organizations**	Kraus	5:00 - 8:00	М
80083	PADM6970 95	Marketing for Non-Profit Organizations**	Rogers	5:00 - 8:00	Т
80654	PADM7000 80	Theory & Practice of Public Administration	Rizzo	5:00 - 8:00	ΤН
80655	PADM7130 80	Research Methods for Public Administrators	Stanley	5:00 - 8:00	W
80089	PADM8110 01	Dissertation Research*	Rizzo	ТВА	ТВА
80090	PADM8110 02	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	ТВА	ТВА
80001	PADM8110 35	Dissertation Research* (continued)	Rizzo/ Staplov	ТВА	ТВА
00031			Stanley	IDA	IDA
80054	PADM6150 95	Weekend, Off-Campus and On-Line Information Technology**	Halachmi	9:00 - 4:30	SU
	PADM6130 95	Seminar In Organization Theory (on-line)	Stanley	5:00 - 4:00 5:00 - 8:00	S
00004	FADIM0310 98	MPS Degree Program	Stanley	5.00 - 8.00	3
	PRST 5100R50	Issues and Ethics	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
	PRST 6310R50	Leadership In Organization	ТВА	ТВА	TBA
	PRST 5040R50	Human Resources Management	ТВА	ТВА	TBA
		Undergraduate Courses			
80657	URBS 1000	Orientation of Urban Studies	ТВА	5-6 pm	ТН
80658	URBS 2010	Intro to Urban Studies	ТВА	6:35 - 8:00 pm	T/R
	NPMN 2100	Introduction to Non-Profit Management	ТВА	3:00 - 3:55 pm	MWF
	NPMN 3100	Volunteer/Board Development	ТВА	2:40 - 4:05 pm	T-TH

Check Graduate School Calendar at www.tnstate.edu/wcalendar/wcalendar.htm for deadlines.

Program of Study and Advancement to Candidacy Form must be filed upon completion of 9 credit hours.

*Application for Graduation Form* must be filed and turned in to the Graduate School during the last semester student completes coursework.

**Declaration of Intent Form** students must file this form to sit for the MPA Comprehensive Exams. Doctoral students who completed all required courses and at least one elective course are eligible to take the PhD Preliminary Examinations.

*Internship Exemption Form* MPA students with work experience who qualify for internship exemption must complete this form during semester of graduation.

State Fee Waivers should be submitted to the Institute of Government Office two weeks prior to spring registration.



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### PhD Program Conducts

#### TBR Review

The Tennessee Board of Regents requested that Tennessee State University conduct a self-study on the PhD program to find ways to increase enrollment and improve the quality of the program's offerings. Started in the fall, 2007, the faculty of the Institute of Government held numerous work sessions to study other programs, to share ideas on the future of the program, and to draft a response.

This review culminated in the visit by Tom Vocino, of Auburn University, a leading scholar and administrator in the field. Dr. Vocino's comments will be included in the final report to TBR.

During this review process, current and former students have been actively involved. A fall retreat was held at Radnor Lake to obtain their feedback. They were also invited to meet and share their comments with Dr. Vocino so that the student perspective could be reflected in his report.

#### Student News

Agatha Nolen, doctorate student has an article, Bar-code Medication Administration System for Anesthetics: Effects on Documentation and Billing. Amer J Health-Syst Pharm, 65 (7):655-9. in the American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy. She also has a chapter in a book (pharmacy-related) that will come out later this year!

Alumni News

Call #	Class	Summer 2008 Course Schedule	Instructor	Time	Day
		Summer Session I (June 4-July 6, 2008)			
10755	PADM 6110 80	Statistics for Public Administrators	Rogers	5:00-8:55	T-R
11041	PADM 6210 80	Seminar in Public Administration	Wilde	5:00-8:55	M-W
10765	PADM 8110 01	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	TBA	ТВА
10761	PADM 6600 10	Independent Readings in Public Adm.*	Stanley	TBA	ТВА
		Summer Session II (July 9-August 10, 2008)			
11047	PADM6150 95	Information Technology**	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	M-W
10757	PADM6190 80	Fin. Mgt. for Health & Nonprofit Organizations	Robinson	5:00-8:55	T-R
10766	PADM 8110 02	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	ТВА	ТВА
10763	PADM 6600 30	Independent Readings in Public Adm.*	Stanley	TBA	ТВА
		All Summer Session (June 4-August 10, 2008			
11043	PADM 6270 80	Administrative Leadership	Kraus	5:00-8:55	W
10760	PADM 6500 10	Internship in Public Administration*	Kraus	TBA	ТВА
10767	PADM 8110 35	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	ТВА	ТВА
10762	PADM 6600 20	Independent Readings in Public Adm.*	Stanley	TBA	ТВА
11051	PADM7140 80	Applied Quantitative Techniques for PA	Stanley	5:00-7:00	M/R
11182	AGSC 65200 80	Avanced Spaitial Analysis	Harrison	TBA	
		MPS Degree Program:			
	PRST5100	Issues and Ethics	Wilde	Online	Online
		Undergraduate Course			
11045	NPMN 2100	Introduction to Nonprofit Organizations	TBA	3:00-3:55	TBA

# MPA Students Slated to Graduate

MPA students slated to graduate May 3, 2008 for spring commencement are Brittany Alfonso, Dongwen Cheapoo, Chad Johnson, Judith (Nwanjoku) Ohanaka , Erica Rothermich Nale, Destiny Thomas, Melissa Washington, Foster Williams, Jr., and Kun Zhao.

**Brittany Alfonso** is currently employed by Hands on Nashville as a Civic Engagement AmeriCorp Member. Her major responsibilities are creating educational community forums and new volunteer recognition event, and assisting with community wide projects. Ms. Alfonso also has attended Ball State University where she received a BA in Criminal Justice and Spanish. Her future goals consist of earning a PhD in political science or public policy.

**Dongwen Cheapoo**, received her BA in Psychology from the University of Tennessee and presently interns at the Tennessee Primary Care Association assisting the Policy Director. Her future plans are to work at the international level as a Program Director in the health field.

**Chad Johnson** works as a Annual Fundraiser and Marketing Manager at Martha O'Bryan Center. In his current position Mr. Johnson is over the center annual fundraising campaign and marketing and public relations. He attended Lipscomb University and earned a B.A. degree. After graduation Mr. Johnson's goals are to work with the federal government in non-profit administration.

**Judith (Nwanjoku) Ohanaka** received her B. A. degree in Archeology and History at the University of Nigeria. She currently works as a Probation and Parole Officer II supervising offenders for the Tennessee Board of Probation and Parole. When asked about her future goals, Mrs. Ohanaka plans to take a break and spend more time with her family.

**Erica R. Nale** current job title is Specialist/Faculty Recruiter at Middle Tennessee State University. Her job duties are advertising and hiring faculty and handling visa and immigration filing for faculty. She is an alumni of MTSU earning her degree in Business Administration. She plans to continue working in the public sector and learning more about Higher Education Administration.

**Destiny Thomas** has a B.A. degree in Political Science from Fisk University. She is employed by Proviso-Leyden Council for Community Action in Chicago as a Case Manager and Program Coordinator. Her major responsibilities are assisting in the development of programming partially funded by the Dept. of Education to encourage and enhance social and academic skill in "at-risk" youth through a wholastic mentoring program. Ms. Thomas plans to pursue a PhD in Public Administration and a JD in Public Interest Law. She also wants to advance in her current career.

**Melissa Washington** works for Nashville Prevention Partnership as a Community Outreach Coordinator. As a coordinator Ms. Washington serves on different committees that are partnered with NPP and work with Parent Teacher Organizations to various schools to empower parents with knowledge that affects youths and the community. Having earning a Bachelors of Science degree in Public Health, Ms. Washington plans to pursue a PhD in Public Health and work for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the Division of Prevention of STDs.

**Foster Williams, Jr.** holds a BS in Psychology for the University of Arkansas and his employed at Metro Public Health Department as a Bridges to Care Behavioral Health Provider Liaison. He is responsible for recruiting Mental Health and Substance Abuse Providers to promote pro bono services for the underinsured and uninsured, and program development and implementation. His future goals are to seek a PhD in Organizational Leadership and do organizational consulting.

**Kun Zhao**, employed at Vanderbilt University as a Research Assistant, does biological research management and biological education assistance. He has a Medical Degree from Henan Medical University in China. Mr. Zhao plans on earning a PhD degree and seeking work in the finance and statistic area.

> Graduation is only a concept. In real life every day you graduate. Graduation is a process that goes on until the last day of your life. If you can grasp that, you'll make a difference. ~**Arie Pencovici**

### College of Public Service and Urban Affair Searches for Two Professors

Dean Bill Purcell announced that The College of Public Service and Urban Affairs (CPSUA) is recruiting two full-time tenure track faculty members to teach in the new Urban Studies undergraduate program. Responsibilities for these two individuals include teaching undergraduate courses in Urban Studies and the minor in Nonprofit Management and Leadership. They will also teach in the Master of professional Studies and Ph.D. in Public Administration programs as their time permits. These appointments are scheduled to begin in the Fall Semester of 2008.

According to the Dean's office, candidates for these positions should have an earned Doctorate in Urban Studies, Public Administration, Public Policy, Nonprofit Management, or related social science field from an accredited university by August 2008. The college is looking for candidates who 1) can demonstrate a strong desire to excel in teaching, 2) provide ongoing support for student success both in and out of the classroom, and 3) build a sustainable program of research, scholarship, and service.

Dean Purcell commented, "This is an exciting opportunity to be among the first undergraduate faculty members within the new College of Public Service and Urban Affairs and to be directly involved in developing the College's programs and initiatives." For more information, potential candidates should contact the Tennessee State University Human Resources Department at (615) 963-5281 or email jobs@tnstate.edu.

