



## IOG STUDENT NAMED CEO OF MATTHEW WALKER COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE



Jeff McKissack, an Institute of Government student currently earning his Healthcare Administration certificate, was named CEO of the Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Center in December of 2005. Mr. McKissack had previously served as the Center's interim CEO since April of 2005. Mr. McKissack has been with MWCHC since 1997 when he became its Chief Financial Officer. He later would take over as the Center's chief of operations in 2004. "Jeff has demonstrated that he is uniquely prepared to manage Matthew Walker as it meets the challenges of serving thousands of medically underserved and uninsured people who come here to receive care," stated Dr. Eric Carter, chairman of MWCHC's Board of Directors.

"The Board looks forward to continuing to work with Jeff."

Located at the corner of Jefferson street and 14th Avenue in North Nashville, Matthew Walker provides health care, dental and diagnostic services to more than 22,000 people each year. It was established in 1968.

**The Institute of Government will be temporarily moving its offices to Suite 330 beginning April 4. We will be returning to Suite F1 in August. Our mailing address and phone numbers will remain the same during this temporary relocation.**

## STUDENT APPOINTED TO POSITION WITH BOPP



Dave Fairfax, currently an MPA student in the Institute of Government, has been recently appointed Personnel Manager for the Tennessee Board of Probation & Parole. In this position, Mr. Fairfax will be responsible for the day-to-day personnel operations with the BOPP and will work directly with the Personnel Director, Bill Evans. Dave will begin this position on April 3.

Mr. Fairfax is also involved in lobbying local legislators on behalf of home owners in the vicinity of the New Sounds stadium construction zone. The blasting from the ground preparation for the stadium is causing the foundations of many nearby homes to fail. Due to Mr. Fairfax's efforts, there seems to be progress in the drafting of legislation to provide some relief to these homeowners. The TPS will give an update on this issue in the next edition.

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# THOMAS DEFENDS DISSERTATION

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On March 20th, Carlos Thomas successfully defended his dissertation — a program evaluation of academic advisement programs for student athletes. Dr. Alex Sekwat, Associate Dean of the Graduate School and Professor of Public Administration, chaired his committee.

Carlos is originally from Memphis and now lives in Baton Rouge. He is an instructor at Louisiana State University and an IT auditor-consultant. Congratulations, Dr. Thomas!

## UPCOMING INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLIC LECTURES

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### Thursday, April 6 5:00 to 6:30 PM AWC 353

Dr. Dietmar Braeunig lectures on “Accounting and Accountability.” Dr. Braeunig is Senior Professor of Management and Human Resource Management at the 400 year-old Justus-Liebig University in Giessen, Germany where he studies the efficient management of public organizations as well as public sector accounting and accountability issues. This event is co-sponsored by the Tennessee Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration and co-hosted with the TSU Department of Accounting. Refreshments will be provided. This event is free and open to the public.

### Tuesday, April 18th 5:00 to 6:30 PM AWC 320

Dr. Byron Price of Rutgers University lectures on prison privatization in the U.S. Dr. Price’s book *Merchandising Prisoners: Who Really Pays for Prison Privatization* was published this spring by Praeger Press. Dr. Price believes that private prisons are lucrative businesses profiting from incarceration with less incentive for rehabilitation services.

The Institute is co-sponsoring this event with the Tennessee State Employees Association. This event is free and open to the public.

## FACULTY NEWS

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### Halachmi to be Honored in April

The *Public Administration Review* has awarded **Institute of Government** Professor **Dr. Arie Halachmi** the Editors’ Choice Award for 2005, in recognition of his contributions as a board member. It will be presented in April at the American Society for Public Administration’s annual conference in Denver, Colorado. At that time, he will also be presented the Society’s Wholly Distinguished Scholarship on Performance Measurement Award, in recognition of articles published in the *International Review of Administrative Sciences* and the *International Review of Productivity and Performance Management*.

Additionally, Dr. Halachmi and **Vicki Montgomery**, who earned her Ph.D. in public administration at TSU in 2001 have been recognized by Sage Publication for their article, “Best Value and Accountability: Issues and observations.” It was ranked 15 out of 50 articles most referenced since 1990. Sage published the article in *Administrative Sciences* in 2000.

### Stanley Petition for Tenure Approved By Provost

Coordinator of Graduate Studies, **Dr. Rodney Stanley**, received word on March 16 that his petition for promotion and tenure was approved by the Vice President for Academic Affairs. If approved by the President and the Tennessee Board of Regents, Dr. Stanley will become a tenured associate professor. Congratulations, Dr. Stanley!

Also, Dr. Stanley’s chapter on “The Financial Implications of Casino Gambling on State & Local Education Policy in Mississippi” appeared in March in *Resorting to Casinos*, Denise von Herrmann (editor), University Press of Mississippi.

## SUMMER 2006 COURSE SCHEDULE

Call #	Class	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Day	Bldg	Room
<b>Summer Session I (June 5-July 7, 2006)</b>							
10690	PADM 6110 80	Statistics for Public Administrators	Rogers	5:00 - 8:55 PM	M-W	HEN	203
10691	PADM 6150 95	Information Technology**	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:55 PM	T-R	HEN	103
10697	PADM 8110 01	Dissertation Research*	TBA	TBA	TBA		
<b>Summer Session II (July 10-August 11, 2006)</b>							
11047	PADM 6210 80	Seminar in Public Administration	Robinson	5:00 - 8:55 PM	M-W	HEN	118
10927	PADM 6470 80	Seminar in Tennessee State Govt.	Wilde	5:00 - 8:55 PM	T-R	HEN	103
10928	PADM 8110 02	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	TBA	TBA		
<b>All Summer Session (June 5-August 11, 2006)</b>							
10956	PADM 6130 80	Seminar In Research Methods	Wilde	5:00 - 8:55 PM	W	HEN	103
10694	PADM 6500 10	Internship in Public Administration*	Rizzo	TBA	TBA		
10695	PADM 6600 10	Independent Readings in Public Adm.*	Stanley	TBA	TBA		
10954	PADM 8110 35	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	TBA	TBA		

HEN denotes the Home Economics and Nursing Building also known as Humphries Hall (adjacent to the President's Residence on the MAIN CAMPUS)

\*Course requires advance approval of instructor.

\*\*Hybrid courses are taught one class online, one class on campus.

## FALL 2006 COURSE SCHEDULE

Call #	Class	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Day
12436	PADM6130 80	Research Methods in Public Administration	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	M
12437	PADM6150 95	Information Technology**	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	T
12439	PADM6210 80	Seminar In Public Administration	Wilde	5:00 - 8:00	W
12440	PADM6210 81	Seminar In Public Administration	TBA	5:00 - 8:00	TBA
12441	PADM6230 80	Seminar In Public Budgeting	Wilde	5:00 - 8:00	M
12446	PADM6410 80	Seminar In Public Policy Analysis	Rogers	5:00 - 8:00	R
12929	PADM6490 95	Seminar in Politics of Administration	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	M
12448	PADM6500 01	Internship in the Public Service*	Rizzo	TBA	NA
12449	PADM6520 80	U.S. Health Policy	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	T
12452	PADM6600 01	Independent Readings In Pub Adm.*	Rizzo	TBA	N/A
12454	PADM6950 95	Introduction to Non-Profit Organizations**	Wilde	5:00 - 8:00	TBA
12455	PADM6970 95	Marketing for Non-Profit Organizations**	Rogers	5:00 - 8:00	T
12930	PADM7230 80	Public Budgeting II	TBA	5:00 - 8:00	M
12933	PADM7130 80	Research Methods for Public Administration	Stanley	5:00 - 8:00	T
12459	PADM8110 01	Dissertation Research*	Rizzo	TBA	N/A
12931	PADM8110 02	Dissertation Research*	Stanley	TBA	N/A
12932	PADM8110 35	Dissertation Research* (continued)	Rizzo/Stanley	TBA	N/A
<b>Fall Weekend, Off-Campus and On-line Courses</b>					
13287	PADM6210 96	Seminar In Public Administration	Wilde	9:00 - 4:30	S
13241	PADM6310 98	Organization Theory	TBA	5:00 - 8:00	W
12934	PADM6320 96	Seminar In Organizational Analysis	Halachmi	9:00 - 4:30	U
12445	PADM6390 80	Ethics and Values In the Public Service	Stanley	5:00 - 8:00	R
12451	PADM6550 96	Epidemiology	Robinson	9:00 - 4:30	S

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\*\*Hybrid courses are taught one week online, one week on campus.

# ASPA

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The Tennessee Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration is hosting a variety of activities this spring. The Brown Bag Lunch Series includes:

**March 30** Jan Sylvis, Chief of Accounts, Department of Finance and Administration, will discuss "Benchmarking in the State of Tennessee" Ms. Sylvis will talk about Tennessee's participation in a national pilot program to improve finance, payroll, and human resource systems. The presentation will be at noon in Room 31 of the Legislative Plaza.

**Mid-May (tentative)** An ASPA member and MPA student, Alicia Williams, will discuss GIS system and how public administrators can use this system in their jobs.

Other events hosted this semester include:

**June 29** Annual New Year's Eve party, event celebrating the new fiscal year for the state. Location to be announced.

For more information about any of these events or for information about joining ASPA, contact Dr. Diane Wilde at 963-7255.

## PI ALPHA ALPHA

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Pi Alpha Alpha, along with the Institute of Government and the ASPA, will host its annual luncheon on Friday, April 28 at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel from 12 Noon to 2 pm. Inductees for this year are listed as follows: **Alicia Rovey, Debra Holmes, Jennifer Gardner, Elise Kieffer, Hope Collins, Sarah Tanksley, Tracey Carter, Lynda McDonald, Shannon Hoyt, Rachel Freeze, Celeste Lindsey, Mary Worthy, and Kimberly Reese.**

ASPA will also be making two awards. The first award is the "Lifetime Achievement Award." This award will go to someone who is retiring or nearing retirement, who has been an outstanding administrator or scholar during his/her career, who has brought positive attention to the profession of public administration (although he/she might not have a degree in PA) and to government, and who deserves the recognition of his/her colleagues and associates for a lifetime of excellence. The second award will be "ASPA Administrator of the Year." This award will go to someone who is bringing positive attention to the profession of public administration (although he/she might not have a degree in PA) and to government this year, and who deserves the recognition of his/her colleagues and associates for this year's achievements. In the past we have honored individuals who have been well known and have appeared in the press in positive ways. Students are welcome to attend. Reservations can be obtained by contacting **Dr. Rodney Stanley** at **963-7249**.

## PROSPECTIVE SPRING 2006 GRADUATES

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Jennifer Gardner  
Jamal Hutchinson  
Brian Ricketts  
Heather Watson  
Angela Clark  
Rachel Freeze  
Tom Riss



Marcia Fugh  
Tunu Kinebrew  
Celeste Lindsey  
Onekki Smith  
Mary Worthy  
Kimberly Reese  
Charles Davis