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CPSUA *state of the college*

A message from Dean Bruce Rogers

The fall semester has gotten off to a good start. We have the largest enrollments in the Masters in Public Administration, the Ph.D., and the Masters in Professional Studies programs that we have ever had. That speaks very well for the faculty and for our reputation in the community. We have done much work in recruiting and advertising our programs. Did our bus bench or in-bus advertisements influence any of you to inquire about the programs? Do you believe that the advertisements bring recognition to the College? Please let us know. We are considering whether we should continue our advertisement campaign. Please email me at brogers@tnstate.edu.

Dr. Stanley has assumed the role of Chair of the Department of Public Administration. Dr. Ann Marie Rizzo has been appointed as Chair of a University-wide Budget Advisory Committee charged with helping TSU emerge as

strongly as possible after all of the budget cuts that we have experienced.

Both Drs. Stanley and Rizzo have many challenges in their new positions.

In this issue of TPS you will read about some of the accomplishments of faculty, staff and students that contribute to management in the public and non-profit sectors. Please inform us about any changes in your positions, boards that you serve on or other important information.

Our undergraduate programs in urban studies and non-profit management are growing but we still need to attract many more students. This is a difficult environment in which to recruit new students from within the university so we would appreciate any help that you can give us in this regard.

I wish you a good semester. Please feel free to visit with me in my office.

C.A.R.E.S (Children are Restrained for Enhanced Safety) Dr. A. Dexter Samuels, Assistant Dean of CPSUA, provides an overview of C.A.R.E.S-

In an effort to educate adults and prevent injuries to child passengers, The College of Public Service and Urban Affairs at Tennessee State University (TSU) has been awarded the **C.A.R.E.S** project to develop and implement educational child passenger safety strategies throughout the Middle Tennessee region. This grant is funded by the Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office and is aimed at educating the

general public on seatbelt and child restraint usage. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has documented that in 2004 the leading cause of death for person ages 3-14 was motor vehicle traffic crashes. Also, the 14 and under age group accounted for 5% of all traffic fatalities in the United States. Statistics also show that Middle Tennessee residents rely on automobiles as their primary mode of transporta-

tion. The demographics of Davidson County residents reveal that 44% of residents are of childbearing age and 22% of families have at least 1 child in their household. In 2004, 60% of passenger vehicle occupant deaths over the age of 5 were unrestrained. CARES currently focuses its efforts in Cheatham, Davidson, Trousdale, and Sumner counties. For more information, please contact CPSUA at 615-963-7201.

EDUCATING FUTURE LEADERS IN THE PUBLIC,
PRIVATE, AND NONPROFIT SECTORS

student news



Above: MPA Student April Terrell with Nashville Mayor Karl Dean

MPA Student Served as Intern in Mayor's Office this Summer

MPA Student April Terrell was selected to participate in Nashville Mayor Karl Dean's Internship Program. During the internship, Ms. Terrell assisted with the coordination of the annual Office of Minority and Small Business Assistance Symposium. The symposium includes 80% of the small, minority and women-owned businesses in Nashville as well as many other established Nashville businesses and corporations. Ms. Terrell's intern duties included answering constituent calls, drafting proposals, clerical support, attending weekly intern meetings, appearances with the mayor and staff, as well as on occasion drafting Mayor Dean's speeches. While working as an intern, Ms. Terrell and other interns were fortunate enough to spend one-on-one time with Mayor Dean discussing public policy, budgeting, improvements to education, and mass transit. Ms. Terrell explained that she gained "...a better understanding of how the government works as well as inter-governmental relationships and a scope of what it takes to run and maintain city government. I believe that the Mayor's Internship Program provided me experiences that have brought my degree to life and I would suggest it to anyone who is looking to gain that same experience". For more information about internship opportunities, please contact Dr. Ann-Marie Rizzo at arizzo@tnstate.edu.

Raphael Smith's Summer Appointment with the U.S. Public Health Service

MPA Student Raphael B. Smith, (below), was appointed Ensign for the Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (JRCOSTEP) for the U.S. Public Health Service, a uniformed service of the US Dept of Health and Human Services. Mr. Smith's duty station was at the region IV Health Administrators Headquarters in Atlanta, GA.



During his internship, Mr. Smith participated in logistics for the first Oral Health Care Disparity Colloquium in Washington, D.C. He also reviewed congressional earmarked grant proposals and ensured that cooperative agreements and contracts were paid. Mr. Smith shadowed managers of the Office of Civil Rights, Administration on Children and Families, Health Resources and Services Administration, and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid, and attended Congressman John Lewis' town hall meeting on health insurance reform.

ADVANCING RESEARCH AND THE STUDY OF
PUBLIC SERVICE AND URBAN AFFAIRS

faculty *updates*



Of Special Note-

- Dr. Rodney Stanley, Department Chair, will be attending the Midyear ASPA Conference and the NASPAA Conference both being held in Washington, D.C., and the SECOPA Conference in Louisville, KY in the fall as the District III Representative for SECOPA to ASPA.
- Dr. Meg Streams gave a conference presentation entitled “Teacher career trajectories in urban and rural Kentucky: KERA impact” at American Education Finance Association 2009 national meeting, Nashville, TN. Dr. Streams is also a co-Principal Investigator of the “Teacher careers in rural schools” Spencer Foundation Grant, 2009-2011. The grant totals \$279,081, of which \$41,551 is awarded to TSU.
- Dr. Ann-Marie Rizzo will be moderating the Tennessee-ASPA symposium panel on the management of the ARRA (Federal Stimulus Funds) in Tennessee, on December 11th, 2009. Mike Morrow, Special Assistant to the Governor for Recovery Act Administration, will be the lead speaker.
- Dr. Halachmi and David Rosenbloom were the keynote speakers at the Renmin University Conference on the Risk Society. The Conference was geared to serve the research needs of the leading Chinese scholars on emergency and risk management. The highest number of MPA and PhD in Public Administration degrees in China are graduates of Renmin University.

CPSUA Faculty Member Organizes International Conference in Austria

Dr. Arie Halachmi, pictured at right, was one of the organizers of an international conference on accountability and governance at Linz University. Participants in the seminar represented more than a dozen countries from Europe, USA, Africa, and Asia.





EDUCATING AND PROMOTING
THE SERVICE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

community *focus*

CPSUA Faculty & Staff in Action

Serving the Community, TSU Service Day 2009



From left to right:
Mrs. Brenda Collier, Dr. Ann-Marie Rizzo, and Dean Bruce Rogers organizing donations at Bethlehem Center's The Shopping Bag, a community-supported thrift store.

Dr. Streams organized a TSU Service Day project for the CPSUA faculty and staff in August, 2009. Mrs. Brenda Collier (Coordinator, CPSUA Dean's Office), Dean Rogers, and Drs. Stanley, Rizzo, and Streams all pitched in for a morning of service at the Bethlehem Center of Nashville's thrift store, "The Shopping Bag".

CPSUA student Ms. Susan West (minor-Nonprofit Leadership), who served as Manager of the Shopping Bag since its grand re-opening in Spring 2009, directed the group in organizing racks of clothes, entering customer data, and generally helping out.

"It was a lot of fun to see the great work Susan has done here. Bethlehem Centers has been a wonderful community partner for our College, providing service learning and internship opportunities, and we are very happy to give back in a small way!" commented Streams.

BCN is a nonprofit which has provided community services in Nashville for over one hundred years. The Shopping Bag is located at 1417 Charlotte Avenue, close to the downtown campus (by Burger King), so stop in if you're looking to save on some great clothes!

JOIN NLA-TSU!

Nonprofit Leaders Association
of Tennessee State University

Nonprofit Leaders Association of Tennessee State University, (NLATSU) is a student organization designed to assist its members in achieving success in the nonprofit sector by providing valuable and relevant leadership experience, which complements their educational curriculum. NLATSU is open to students of all disciplines and levels who are interested in making a difference through nonprofit work, leadership and community service. NLATSU provides special opportunities for students to meet some of the certification requirements for American Humanics (AH) certification. AH is a unique alliance that brings universities, national nonprofit organizations, and community partners together to educate, prepare, and certify professionals to strengthen and lead nonprofit organizations. Membership to the NLATSU requires

participation in NLATSU sponsored community outreach and volunteer opportunities, attendance of online NLATSU meetings, and membership dues of \$10.00 each semester.



For more information about membership, upcoming events, and volunteer opportunities, please contact:
Jacqueline Meeks, NLATSU President- 615-586-8292 or via email at jacquelinemeeks@hotmail.com, or visit NLATSU's website, www.nlatsu.blogspot.com

NOTEWORTHY ACHIEVEMENTS OF
CPSUA STUDENTS & ALUMNI



of *mention*

Congratulations!
Summer 2009
CPSUA Graduates!

Sharita Woolfork
Mark Fulks
Michele Phillips
Brittany Irby
Tradia Vereen



MPA Students Selected As American Humanics Next Generation Leaders

MPA Students Jacqueline Meeks and Trenesse Michael were selected as recipients of the Summer 2009 American Humanics Next Generation Leaders Program. The AH Next Generation Nonprofit Leaders Program (NextGen) is a competitive internship scholarship/stipend program for students working towards American Humanics certification. NextGen is designed to help a racially and ethnically diverse group of students with demonstrated leadership potential complete their AH certification requirements, specifically the minimum 300-hour nonprofit internship. Both Ms. Meeks and Ms. Michael received a NextGen Leaders scholarship of \$4,500 from AH, along with access to and support from a network of nonprofit leaders who served as Career Coaches and Mentors. Ms. Meeks stated that, "As an AH Next Generation Leader, I was given the resources and support that I needed to complete an internship, which enriched my educational and professional pursuits. I would recommend that any student interested in the nonprofit sector work towards AH certification and apply for the Next Gen Program." For more information about AH Certification and opportunities, contact Dr. Joan Gibran, jgibran01@tnstate.edu.

TSU **Study Abroad Trip** **Dalian, China**

TSU undergraduates, MPA graduate students, and PhD students participated in the 2009 Summer Study Abroad program- "Sino-U.S. Comparative Public Administration & Public Policy" at Dongbei University of Finance & Economics, MPA Education Center in Dalian, China. The program was organized and led by Dr. Minzi Su, Associate Professor in CPSUA.



2010 Spring Course Schedule

CRN	Class	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Day
14298	PADM6110 98	Statistics for Public Administrators	Stanley		Online
14299	PADM6113 80	Research Methods in Public Administration	Su	5:00 - 8:00	T
13919	PADM6150 95	Information Technology**	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	M
14407	PADM6210 80	Seminar In Public Administration	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	W
14302	PADM6210 98	Seminar In Public Administration	Rizzo		Online
14404	PADM6220 95	Seminar in Administrative Law	Gibran	5:00 - 8:00	W
13920	PADM6230 98	Seminar In Public Budgeting	Streams		Online
14304	PADM 6240 80	Seminar in Staff Functions: Personnel	Rizzo	5:00 - 8:00	T
14305	PADM6410 80	Seminar In Public Policy Analysis	Su	5:00 - 8:00	M
14309	PADM6500 80	Internship in Public Service*	TBA	5:00 - 8:00	TBA
14427	PADM6515 01	Health Organization & Delivery Systems	Robinson	5:00 - 8:00	T
14310	PADM6600 01	Independent Readings In Pub Adm.*	Stanley	TBA	TBA
14426	PADM6930 01	Special Topics in Public Administration	TBA	TBA	TBA
13927	PADM6960 95	Resource Development for Non-Profit Organizations**	Scales	5:00 - 8:00	T
13928	PADM6980 95	Strategic Planning & Mgt. Issues for Non-Profits**	Halachmi	5:00 - 8:00	T
14425	PADM7130 80	Research Methods in Public Administration	Stanley	5:00 - 8:00	W
14410	PADM7000 80	Theory & Practice of Public Administration	Rizzo	5:00 - 8:00	TH
14316	PADM8110 01	Dissertation Research*	Rizzo	5:00 - 8:00	W
14411	PADM8110 02	Dissertation Research *	Stanley	TBA	TBA
13934	PADM8110 35	Dissertation Research (continued)*	R/S	TBA	TBA
		Spring, Weekend, Off Campus, & Online Courses			
14319	PADM6310 95	Seminar in Organization Theory	Gibran	5:00 - 8:00	M
13940	PADM6490 95	Seminar in Politics of Administration	Halachmi	9:00 - 4:30	SU
13938	PADM6530 80	Topics in Adm.of Health & Human Services Programs	Robinson	8:00 - 3:30	S
		MPS Degree Program			
	PRST 5040R50	Human Resources Management	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 5100R50	Issues and Ethics	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 5100R51	Issues and Ethics	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 5100R52	Issues and Ethics	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 53100R50	Leadership In Organization	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 53100R51	Leadership In Organization	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 5800R54	Organizational Skills & Development	TBA	TBA	TBA
	PRST 5998R52	Professional Project	TBA	TBA	TBA
	Undergraduate Program:				
13941	NPMN 4100 95	Finance and Management	Streams	5:00-8:00	R
13942	NPMN 4500 80	Marketing and Community Awareness	Gibran	5:00-8:00	T
	NPMN 4900 80	Internship in Non-Profit Management	Samuels	5:00-6:00	F
			Su	online	online
14409	URBS 4450 98	Non-Profit Management			
	URBS 4850	Urban Geography	Padgett	TBA	TBA
	URBS 3670	Urban History	TBA	TBA	TBA

Alumni Profiles

-MPA alumna Angela Clark contributed to SHARE– State Health Access Reform Evaluation, “Using Information from Income Tax Forms to Target Medicaid and CHIP Outreach: Preliminary Result of the Maryland Kids First Act.

-MPA alumnus Kye Printup accepted a position with the Government Accountability Office, (GAO), in Washington, D.C., after graduating from the MPA program May 2009.



- MPA alumna Paula Roberts is the Executive Director of the proposed Museum of African American Music, Art, and Culture. The museum is expected to open its doors in 2012.

-MPA alumnus Victor Lay was named as the Spring Hill city administrator in August. Victor has 14 years of city and utility management experience, and has served as the President of the Tennessee City Manager Association, chairman of the Wayne County Joint Economic and Community Development Board, chairman of the Workforce Employer Outreach Committee, and secretary of the board of directors of the Tennessee Energy Acquisition Corporation.

-Alumna Madlyn M. Bonimy, earned her Ph.D. in Public Administration at Tennessee State University. Ms. Bonimy’s new book, which is a revision of her doctoral dissertation, Environmental Impacts: Citizen's Views and Participation in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, is available on Amazon.com.

*Section numbers indicate the following: 80: normal class delivery; 95: HYBRID delivery (meets every other week on site, meets online in alternate weeks); 98: completely ONLINE; 96: WEEKEND course.

-You must seek advising before registering for any independent study, dissertation research, or internship credits.

-The two nonprofit certificate/MPA elective courses, PADM6950 and PADM 6970, are HYBRID courses: they meet on site on alternate Tuesdays. So you may register for both courses and come to campus one night a week; in the alternate week activities for the courses will be online.

-Epidemiology and Information Technology meet on alternate weekends; dates are forthcoming contact the department for more information.

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

-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 have 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.

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

-State Fee Waivers should be submitted to the CPSUA Office two weeks prior to first day of registration.

Farewell, Ms. Wanda Mays



*Thank you for your years of service.
All of the CPSUA faculty, staff, and
students sincerely wish you the best
in all of your future
endeavors!*

*Left: Ms. Mays is pictured with MPA
alumna Neosha Burns ('08).*



Pi Alpha Alpha



Opportunity for MPA & PhD Students

CPSUA has established the Tennessee State University chapter of the national Pi Alpha Alpha honorary society to recognize the outstanding academic achievements of its student body. The Pi Alpha Alpha honorarium is the National Association for Schools of Public Affairs award for students who have maintained a 3.7 grade point average and completed 30 hours of MPA courses for their academic work in public and nonprofit administration. This award can also apply toward Ph.D. and Graduate M.P.A. students who meet the 3.7 G.P.A. requirement. Roughly ten percent of the student body is eligible for this prestigious honor.

If you feel that you may meet the requirements,
please contact Dr. Rodney Stanley at rstanley@tnstate.edu.

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NEWS!**



Please send us your news, personal and professional. We encourage any and all submissions of accomplishments, awards, career changes, weddings, children or just a change of address. You can mail us your news, fax to (615) 963-7245, or email to arizzo@tnstate.edu. Please include:

Name/Degree/Year
New Home Address
New Organization Title
Work Address/Work Phone



Doctoral Student Roundtable November 13th

Navigating a PhD program is no easy enterprise as experienced students can relate. It can be a solitary and lonely adventure. In a non-traditional PhD program, how do we find that essential sense of community which assists progression through the program?

Every fall for the past fifteen years the Department of Public Administration has hosted a Doctoral Student Roundtable

which provides a step in that direction. The Roundtable is intended for prospective and enrolled students interested in advice, information and resources about this new venture in their lives. Through the Roundtable students can connect with peers in all phases from prospective students to program completers. Student community development, networking and socializing is

what we're about. As always, program alumni are especially invited to mentor, counsel and support those new to the Program.

Join us Friday, November 13th at 5:00 PM for pizza and beverages at Avon Williams Campus. As of this printing, the room is yet to be determined. Contact Dr. Rizzo (963-7250) or the Department (963-7241) for details and updates.