Educational administration program focuses on preparing future leaders

The future is bright for the Department of Educational Administration and Supervision in the College of Education and Allied Professions, according to its new chair, Eugene Sanders, assistant professor of educational administration and supervision who assumed his position with the new academic year, is overseeing a series of projects designed to ensure that the programming is in place to prepare the next century of elementary and secondary school leaders while providing support for those currently in place.

The department has long had strong ties in the Ohio educational community, particularly in Northwest Ohio, Sanders said. "Of all the school superintendents in the state, more are from Bowling Green State University than any other institution."

Now the department is taking that link one step further by launching an annual event that will bring all Northwest Ohio school superintendents together in one place.

The first Fall Superintendent Leadership Luncheon, sponsored by EDAS, will be held at 11:30 a.m. Thursday (Oct. 17) at the Bowling Green Country Club.

One-hundred superintendents from the area are expected to attend the program titled "Leadership for Learning: Preparing Leaders for 21st Century Schools." Donald R. Thompson, president of the American Association of School Administrators, will provide the keynote speech.

Beginning with this event, Sanders hopes to explore and initiate other collaborative relationships with the schools in the area. "We are primarily looking at ways that we could build a better community together."

At the same time these linkages are being nurtured, the department is diligently working on a plan to restructure its doctoral program to serve the future needs of the state and nation.

The Ohio Board of Regents withdrew state subsidy for the doctoral program last spring partly because the University of Toledo offers the same kind of programs. However, the department has been allowed the opportunity to re-apply for funding when it presents a plan for restructuring.

A committee, comprising education professionals and faculty, have been working to develop a doctoral program that "is distinct from the University of Toledo," Sanders said.

The preliminary plan is to concentrate on the preparation of leaders for roles in the field of education as well as other areas, such as non-profit organizations, for example.

"There is a need for strong leaders in many areas today," Sanders said. "We are looking at this as an opportunity to be the premier leadership training program in the Midwest."

The committee hopes to have the final restructuring plan completed by December for presentation to the regents.

Special assistant to provost is creating corporate alliances for the University

The University can learn something from the automotive industry, according to Michael McKee, special assistant to the provost for technology.

Companies like Chrysler make use of a system where producers of auto parts, distributors and the company work in a collaborative arrangement which is sometimes referred to by the Japanese word "keiretsu."

"All work together to develop a final product and when it is completed, all own a piece of it," McKee explained.

Such a system can work at Bowling Green, he suggested. "Students need a chance to learn new technology, businesses need a place where they can learn about technology and a place to test products. The University can be the player in intellectual asset management."

McKee is in the position to make such a system work on campus, as the lead person in the newly defined "corporate alliances" area of the organization chart unveiled by President Sidney Ribeau at the beginning of the semester.

McKee, who joined the University in August, has been working closely with the president and provost on developing new corporate collaborations, particularly in the area of technology.

"He has expertise in computer technology and management with extensive experience in corporate, non-profit and University settings," said Charles Middleton, provost. "He talks and hears the language of the corporate world which makes him a valuable resource."

For the past four years McKee was the manager of whole systems engineering for US West corporate and information services in Denver Colo. His previous positions include marketing director for the State of Minnesota, a director at Control Data Corporation/Magnetic Peripherals, Inc. in Bloomington, Minn., a manager at General Mills and an associate director at the University of Minnesota Hospitals.

He holds a master of business administration (focusing on health care administration) and a master of education degree, both from the University of Chicago and a bachelor's degree in government and economics from Lake Forest College, Ill.

McKee said he sees himself as a "marriage maker" who can connect University and student needs with business needs and opportunities.

On a day-to-day basis, he is identifying and making contact with businesses in the area. Then he will begin building a database of the products, expertise needed, knowledge needed and number of employees needed by these businesses.

"Bowling Green has something of value to offer businesses and new ways of doing things. But by the same token we need the new technology and we can't afford it ourselves," he said. "With collaboration, businesses are more likely to achieve more. Most breakthroughs today in the sciences and technology use the team approach." Such a method ensures that there are more viewpoints, more ideas and more solutions, he noted.
Concentrated United Way effort designed to increase participation

The good news is the University raised more for United Way last year than it has in previous years. The bad news is Bowling Green still has a long way to go before it can compare to the generosity of other Northwest Ohio corporations.

The number of United Way donors among faculty and staff at the University, the largest employer in Wood County, is lower than all other top employers in the area.

Twenty-one percent of the faculty and staff elected to give to United Way last year, raising a total of $53,853.

This compares to 1995 participation figures of 79 percent at Cooper Tire, 80 percent at Huntington Bank, 100 percent at National City Bank, 55 percent at Marathon and 44 percent at the University of Toledo.

Strong participation in the United Way campaign is vital for an institution with a visible community presence as Bowling Green, said John Moore, interim vice president for University advancement. "People look to us to set an example," he said. It’s also important to show that the University does its part in giving back to the community first before seeking financial assistance from businesses and other external sources, he noted.

Some of the service agencies funded by United Way donations are the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and the Association for Retarded Citizens of Wood County.

Turning around Bowling Green's low involvement in United Way is the goal of a cross-campus committee which has been recently established. The committee is overseeing the current United Way campaign, which ends this month. The committee will continue the effort in the winter with a more visible program.

United Way committee chair is Stefanie Dennis, a reference librarian who joined the Jerome library staff last December. Those who wish to serve on the committee or would like a hand in organizing the campaign may contact Dennis at 2-7893 or sdennis@bgnet.bgsu.edu. Pledge cards will be sent out to faculty and staff this week and are due by Oct. 30.

Ellen Berry, English, presents lecture, workshops with Emory colleagues

A model of intercultural communication developed in Moscow intellectual circles in the 1980s will be the focus of three events sponsored by the Institute for the Study of Culture and Society (ICS) this week.

"Transculture," according to Mikhail Epstein, searches for new cultural forms which embrace differences between individuals.

Epstein is an associate professor in Emory University's Russian, Eurasian and East Asian Languages and Cultures department.

He will speak on the history of the transculture movement during a joint lecture with Ellen Berry, professor of English and director of women's studies, at 7 p.m. Friday (Oct. 18) in 223 Olscamp Hall.

On Saturday (Oct. 19) two improvisational sessions will attempt to put the strategies of the transculture movement into practice. The public is encouraged to join either of the sessions, which will feature brainstorming and freewriting experiments.

The first session, "Collective Improvisations: An Experiment in Transcultural Thinking," will begin at 10 a.m. in 114 College Park.

The second session, "Thinking Through Community," will begin at 1 p.m. in 2 College Park.

Those interested in participating should call ICS at 2-0585.

The events are part of a book which Epstein and Berry are co-authoring. They are also part of Berry's fellowship at ICS.

Each year, ICS offers fellowships to tenured Bowling Green faculty to allow time to pursue research projects by relieving them of teaching responsibilities for one semester.

Caught on camera

Louis Krueger, director of the School of Art, explains his photography during an opening of his show in the Kennedy Green Room of the Moore Musical Arts Center. The exhibition continues through Nov. 8. Hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Memos

Breakfast program

Features cartoonist Kirk Walters, editorial cartoonist for The Blade, will speak at the next "Breakfast in BG" program Oct. 25.

One of only 100 political cartoonists working in editorial cartooning today, Walters will offer a behind-the-scenes look at his job.

He will also discuss the moral and ethical issues of print media.

Breakfast in BG is sponsored by Bowling Green's Office of University Advancement.

Advance reservations are required and can be made by calling 2-0424 or e-mailingdboyce@bgnet.bgsu.edu by Oct. 21.

The cost of the breakfast is $6 per person.

Tap dancer to visit campus

Nationally renowned tap dancer, teacher and choreographer Troy Jansen will conduct master classes for both novice and adult tap dancers this Saturday (Oct. 19).

Beginning tap courses will be offered from 1-2:30 p.m. (participants can wear hard sole or tap shoes). Advanced tap lessons will be held from 3-4:30 p.m. (tap shoes are required). Both will be held in 222 Eppler North and are open to the public.

Jansen began his training when he was six and continued throughout college, where he studied tap, jazz and ballet at the Broadway Dance Center in New York City. He has performed with Frank Sinatra, Disney, BalletMet of Columbus, Opera Casual, the Florida Orchestra and JazzMet. He is co-director of Sound FX Tap Co., of Tampa, Fla.

A fee of $3 will charged for each lesson. A special $3 rate will be given to University Dance Alliance members. For more information call 2-0225.

E-mail list targets faculty

K.T. Rao, associate professor of sociology, has created an e-mail list, "bgsu-faculty," for discussion and information dissemination of issues concerning all full-time faculty members.

Initially, all faculty who have e-mail addresses have been included on the list. Those who have not received any e-mail about the list, may send subscription requests to kvr@bgsu.edu.

Events celebrate Hispanic heritage

A lecture by a Cuban-born writer, a multi-voiced performance and a masquerade ball are some of the events scheduled to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

This week, author Hemi'ce Novis will be giving a free lecture at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday (Oct. 16) in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom of the University Union.

Novis, the author of numerous fiction and non-fiction works, will be signing books starting at 6:30 p.m.

As a teenager living in Cuba, she wrote poetry which was published as Nobel Prize winner Camilo Jose Cela.

Novis fled Cuba with parents in 1960 and settled in New York City. Years later she translated her work as a newspaper and magazine editor for such publications as The New York Times, Connoisseur and The Christian Science Monitor.

Other events scheduled for the month include "Chicano: 500 Years of Struggle," a performance which combines music, drama, poetry and legend.

Co-sponsored by LSU and UAF, the free program begins at 7 p.m. Monday (Oct. 21) in the Lenhart Grand Ballroom.

A masquerade ball featuring the live megamix band "Voltage 2000" will be held at 9 p.m. Oct. 25 at 1129 South Main St. in Bowling Green. Costumes are optional and the public is invited. A $3 donation will be taken at the door.

The month's events conclude with two free films. The Milagro Spaield War will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 23 in 219 Olscamp Hall. Mall Fama will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 29 in 1007 Business Administration Building.

The celebration is co-sponsored by the Latino Student Union (LSU) and Undergraduate Activities Organization (UAO).

Monitor

Monitor is published weekly by the Office of Public Relations for students and faculty at Bowling Green State University. The deadline to submit material is 6 p.m. Tuesday, the week before publication.

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University faculty, staff, students are taking part in NCAA study

April 1, 1997, has been established as the target date for completion of the initial stage of the NCAA's athletics certification self-study currently underway at the University.

"This is a critical process that will benefit BGSU's athletic program and the University as a whole," said Peter Hutchinson, chair of the athletics certification steering committee.

"It will provide opportunity for an in-depth study of the activities of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics with the intent of determining the degree of conformity between Bowling Green's athletic program and a set of 19 operating principles established by the National Collegiate Athletic Association in 1993."

The success of the self-study is partially dependent upon the degree of involvement by various segments of the University community, Hutchinson said.

Philosophy Documentation Center teams up to produce online database

Bowling Green's Philosophy Documentation Center has a new office in Harshman Quadrangle and has embarked on a new project to offer subscription-based access to participating philosophy journals on the World Wide Web.

The project, called Poiesis: Philosophy Online Serials, should be up and running by early next year, according to Lori Fells, marketing manager at the center. It will be the only service of its kind in the area of philosophy.

"Poiesis is a Greek word that refers to an activity associated with the creation of a product."

By calling up Poiesis' website at http://www.aix.com/reference/journals.html users can view a pilot for the project. Use the user name "poiesis" and the password "JFR" to activate the database.

The project will begin with current issues of a small number of philosophy journals but eventually will expand to include complete coverage of the entire contents of all participating journals from volume 1 to the present. Journals will be fully indexed and searchable by topic.

One of the first series of journals Poiesis will publish is The Review of Metaphysics, including the June 1996 issue which devoted an entire issue to Bowling Green's Social Philosophy and Policy Center Executive Director Fred Miller's latest book, Nature, Justice, and Rights in Aristotle's "Politics." The book was reviewed in a recent issue of the journal.

"The market for this is vast. It's the only way to search journal literature by term. And we plan to make it very affordable," Fells said.

The center had been interested in doing something like this for some time, she noted. "We saw (similar databases being formed) in other fields, especially science and engineering, so we knew it was coming. The problem was no one had the money to do it for philosophy."

Then last year after attending a conference, the center staff was approached by representatives of InteLex, a corporation specializing in highly accurate text conversion that has been leading the industry in the creation of high-quality full-text databases for philosophers since 1989. Its Past Masters series represents the largest collection of electronic texts in philosophy in the world.

"This is a true joint venture. They are a for-profit company which knew we had the contact with journals and, as a non-profit group, the possibility to apply for grants. We knew they had the technical expertise we needed," Fells said.

"By drawing on our training experience, we can establish a service to the philosophical community whose long-term value can scarcely be overestimated," said Philosophy Documentation Center Director George Leaman.

At first the service will be available only to libraries in order to protect the privacy of passwords, but later, when policy is finalized, the center hopes to make it available to individuals.

New faculty

Scott Hightouse, assistant professor of industrial/organizational psychology, comes to the University from Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis where he spent four years as an assistant professor of psychology.

His interest is in applicant recruitment and selection, managerial decision-making and strategic issues, and risk management.

He received his doctorate in industrial/organizational psychology from the University of Missouri at St. Louis.

This semester Hightouse is teaching a graduate course on managerial decision-making.

Douglas Forsyth, assistant professor of history, taught at Princeton University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is an affiliate at the Center for European Studies at Harvard University in addition to his teaching duties at Bowling Green.

Forsyth has focused his scholarly work on two aspects of contemporary Europe: conditions in the 1914-45 era surrounding the descent into international war and the post-1945 economic stabilization and recovery.

He holds master's and doctoral degrees from Princeton University.

This fall, Forsyth is teaching a graduate seminar on recent, significant work on the history of modern Europe and an undergraduate survey course, "The History of the Modern World."

In the spring and fall semesters in 1997, he has received a German Marshall fellowship and will be on leave from Bowling Green as an affiliate with the Juan March Institute in Madrid.

Karen Kimmel, assistant professor of special education, comes to Bowling Green from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology. During her tenure she taught language and literature, co-founded the first women's center and established the first on-campus placement cousin for students in a deaf residential high school which was offered via distance learning.

Kimmel's research targets the application of technology in teaching language and literacy to deaf and hard of hearing learners and the influence of the interactions of parents on their deaf child's language acquisition.

Kimmel earned her doctorate in English education from the State University of New York at Buffalo, her master's degree in technology education and her bachelor's degree in English language arts from West Virginia University.

This semester she is teaching "Selection and Development of Instructional Strategies and Methods for the Deaf Learner" and "Language Development of Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing."

Leslie Cochran is also an assistant professor in the department of special education. This semester she is teaching an introductory course in exceptionalities and working with deaf children. She comes to Bowling Green from Pennsylvania State University.

In addition to teaching in higher education, Cochran has more than 14 years of teaching experience in classes for the developmentally disabled in the public schools.

She received her doctorate in special education and applied behavior analysis from The Ohio State University, her master's degree in elementary education from Bowling Green State University and her bachelor's degrees in elementary and special education from Kent State University.

Her research has focused on the effects of prenatal drug and alcohol exposure on young children, particularly in language development and on behavior management and social skills combined with multicultural issues.

Vincent Benitez is an assistant professor of music composition and history. This semester he is teaching courses on the elements of music, Western art music theory andural skills.

He holds a doctorate in solo organ performance from Arizona State University and is currently finishing up a second doctorate in music theory from Indiana University. He also has a master's degree in theory and composition from Arizona State University and in organ performance from the University of North Texas.

Benitez comes to Bowling Green from Indiana State University.

He has extensive teaching, performing and speaking experience and is currently editor of the Indiana Theory Review.

Benitez's research interests center on French composer and organist Olivier Messiaen, the history of music theory in the 17th and 18th centuries and analysis of 19th century music.

BGSU World Wide Web site boasts new features

Users of the World Wide Web should note some changes and additions to the University's website in recent months.

The page the webmasters encourage as a startup page is www.bgsu.edu/explorer/. From there, the campus community can access such information as the new organizational charts and other current documents.

Some features change monthly and this month highlight the inauguration website and President Riebau's television show. To see a complete list of developments, including the clickable campus map, go to www.bgsu.edu/welcome/whatsnew.html. To correct any misinformation found on the website, email webmaster@bgsu.
Sunday, Oct. 20
Theatre production. American Buffalo, 2 p.m., Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets are $3 each and can be reserved by calling the box office at 2-2719 or purchased at the door beginning one hour before curtain time.

Musical performance, Concert Band and Fall Wind Ensemble, 3 p.m., Kobacker Hall. Free.

Planetarium presentation, "They Found a World of Ice and Beauty," 7:30 p.m., planetarium. $1 donation.

Saturday, Oct. 19
College Bowl Competition, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Business Administration Building. Preview Day, 9 a.m., Lenhart Grand Ballroom. Over 80 booths representing all aspects of campus to prospective students.


Collective improvisation, "Thinking Through Community," 1 p.m., 2 College Park. Sponsored by the Institute for the Study of Culture and Society. Call 2-0585 to participate.

Football hosts Ball State, 1 p.m., Doty Perry Stadium.

Hockey hosts Boston College, 7 p.m., ice arena.

Films, Angels in the Outfield, 7:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free. Disney and Other Family Movies event.

Film, The Cutting Edge, 8 and 11 p.m., 111 Olescamp Hall. Admission $2.

Theatre production, American Buffalo, 8 p.m., Joe E. Brown Theatre. Tickets are $3 each and can be reserved by calling the box office at 2-2719 or purchased at the door beginning one hour before curtain time.

Tap dance master classes, Troy Jansen, tap teacher, dancer and choreographer, 1-2:30 p.m. (beginners) and 3-4:30 p.m. (advanced). Whitney Studio, 222.

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Government Information," 9:30 a.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bignet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Business and Legal Databases," 1:30 p.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bignet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Social Sciences Databases," 3:30 p.m., IBM lab, Hayes Hall. Register at jknims@bignet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Social Sciences Databases," 7 p.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bignet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Guest artist performance, Annalesa Place, violist, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

Concert, Robert Hoyt, folk musician, 8 p.m., 1007 Business Administration Building. Free.