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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 in 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 representative 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 United Way representative to speak to their group should 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 colleague

A model of interculture 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 of communication 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.
University faculty, staff, students are taking part in NCAAC study

April 1, 1997, has been established as the target date for completion of the initial stage of the NCAAC’s accreditation 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.

The self-study process includes representatives from University faculty, staff, students and alumni. According to Ron Zwierlein, director of intercollegiate athletics, “the NCAAC requires broad University participation in the self-study process.”

Hutchinson stressed that members of the University community are encouraged to provide input through four working committees assigned to oversee aspects of the process.

The four committees and their chairs are: Governance and Rules Compliance — Don Boren, chair, legal studies; Academic Integrity - Clyde Willis, dean, health and human services; Fiscal - Chris Dalton, senior vice president for finance; and Commitment to Equity - Jill Carr, associate dean of students. Ronald Russell, professor emeritus, is the NCAAC campus liaison.

The chairs may be contacted for copies of the NCAAC operating principles. Copies are also available on the steering committee’s website at http://www.bgsu.edu/organizations/ncaac/ and on reserve in Jerome Library.

The first stage of the process will result in a first draft of the self-study report.

Stage II involves the submission of a final report with supporting documentation to a site-review team that will on campus during the month of November 1997. In the final stage of the self-study the site-review team makes recommendations to NCAAC’s Athletics Certification Board which determines if the athletic program is “certified, certified with conditions, or not certified.”

All NCAAC Division 1 institutions are required to go through the self-study certification process.

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 the creative process that results in 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 title, author, and subject.

One of the first series of journals Poiesis will publish is The Review of Metaphysics, including the June 1996 issue which was devoted to Bowling Green’s Social Philosophy and Polyclay 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 Center Director George Leaman. At first the site will be available only to libraries in order to protect the privacy of passwords, but later, when protection is no longer necessary, the center hopes to make it available to individuals.

Thirty-seven new tenure-track faculty began working at the University this academic year. To introduce them to the campus community, Monitor will run a series of capsule profiles about each faculty member.

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.

His interest is in applicant recruitment and selection, managerial decision-making and strategic-issue 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.” During 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 adult education placement course 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 literature 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.”

Lesse Cochran is also an assistant professor in the department of special education. This semester she is teaching an introductory course in exceptionsality and autism and behavior problems.

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 degree 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 and aural skills.

He holds a doctorate in solo 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.

Special features change monthly and this month highlight the inauguration website and President Riebeau’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@bgnet.
Monday, Oct. 14

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "OhioLINK, Gopher, Lynx and Netscape," 9:30 a.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Film, Nobody Loves Me, 8 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free. International Film Series event.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

Dissertation defense, "Graduate Student Needs and the Function of Graduate Student Governments as Reported by Presidents of Graduate Student Governments by David C. Vail," 2-2:30 p.m., 444 Education Building.


Classified Staff Council meeting, 9 a.m. - noon, Taft Room, University Union.

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

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Social Sciences Databases," 1:30 p.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Film, La Cea (in French, no English subtitles), 7 p.m., La Maison Francaise.

Film, Je Tu Et Elle, 7:30 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free. Women Directors of the World event.

Guest artist performance, Jeffrey Zook, flutist, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Free.

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

Please contact the Office of Human Resources (2-8421) for information regarding the following listings:

CLASSIFIED STAFF:


ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:
Assistant athletic director for recreational sports (M-081) - Student Recreation Center operations. Deadline: Nov. 15.


FACULTY:


Assistant professor - interpersonal communication. Full-time, tenure-track position. Call 2-2823.

Assistant professor - English, Full-time, probationary position. Call 2-7543. Review of applications will begin Nov. 4.

Planetarium presentation, "They Found a World of Ice and Beauty," 8 p.m., planetarium. $1 donation.

Wednesday, Oct. 16

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

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

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Education Databases," 3:30 p.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

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


Coffee Conversation, participate in conversation in French and enjoy free coffee and cookies, 3-5 p.m., La Maison Francaise, along sorcery row on Ridge St.

Hispanic Heritage Month event, "Celebrating Latin History and Contributions of Latinas Women," presented by Hispanic Novas, motivational speaker and author, 7:30 p.m., Lehnert Grand Ballroom. Free. Book signing will begin at 6:30 p.m. (books may be purchased at the event). Free.

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.

Friiday, Oct. 18

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "OhioLINK, Gopher, Lynx and Netscape," 9:30 a.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Health Sciences Databases," 1:30 p.m., Jerome Library conference lab. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

Women's tennis hosts Youngstown State, 3 p.m., Koehl Courts.

Economics Colloquium, "Full Information Accounts of Well-Being," David Sobej, philosophy, 3:30 p.m., 3000 Business Administration Building. Free.

Film, Snowboard, 9 p.m., Gish Film theater. Free. Lehnert Classic American Film Series event.

The weekly talk show, "President Ribeau & Company" continues at 8 p.m. each Thursday on WBGU-TV. On the debut show Oct. 3, Ribeau and student co-hosts Marc Hathaway, telecommunications, and Deanna Strand, journalism, spoke with guest Milton Hakel, Ohio Board of Regents eminent scholar and professor of psychology at the University.

Thursday, Oct. 17

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

Ninety Minute Computer Seminar, "Math and Science Databases," 3:30 p.m., IBM lab, Hayes Hall. Register at jknims@bgnet.bgsu.edu or 2-2362.

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

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

WBGU-TV program, "President Ribeau and Company," 8 p.m., WBGU-TV.

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. Free.

Film, Snowboard, 9 p.m., Gish Film Theater. Free. Lehnert Classic American Film Series event.

Saturday, Oct. 19

College Bowl Competition, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Business Administration Building.

Preview Day, 9 a.m., Lehnert Grand Ballroom. Over 80 booths representing all aspects of campus to prospective students.


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

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

Film, "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 O'Connell 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, 1:30-3:30 p.m. (beginners) and 3:45-4:30 p.m. (advanced). Whitney Studio, 522.

Ensemble registration, $9 per class. Call 2-0225.

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.