Harvard sociologist William Wilson to visit

One of the country's foremost experts on the problems of welfare reform and race relations will make a series of visits to BGSU this spring. Noted Harvard sociologist William Julius Wilson has been named the President's First Visiting Scholar in Ethnic Studies.

"Wilson is at the epicenter of the debate about state relations and welfare reform in America," according to Michael Martin, chair of the ethnic studies department. "His work has had a palpable bearing on the formation of social policy: Having someone of his stature on campus will stimulate conversations across disciplines, enhance the research of individual faculty and contribute to the work of various departments and centers, including the centers for Family and Demographic Research and Policy Analysis and Public Service, at the University. Wilson, the Lewis P and Linda L. Geyser University Professor at Harvard University's Malcolm Wiener Center for Social Policy, received his master's degree in sociology from BG SU in 1961. He later earned his Ph.D. from Washington State University in sociology and anthropology. He has taught at Harvard since 1966, where he has also been the Malcolm Wiener Professor of Social Policy and served as director of the Joblessness and Urban Poverty Research Program.

A recent article in the Chronicle of Higher Education referred to Wilson as a member of Harvard's "Dream Team," in the "staggeringly informative and American studies department," which includes Henry Louis Gates Jr. and Cornel West.

Before moving to Harvard, Wilson spent most of his professional career at the University of Chicago. Wilson proposes a new type of national, multiracial coalition that would focus on the shared economic problems of people of all ethnic backgrounds, saying that only by groups working together can these issues begin to be addressed, a stand he detailed in his landmark 1978 book, The Declining Significance of Race: Blacks and Changing American Institutions.


During his initial visit to Bowling Green Feb. 7-8, he will deliver a public lecture titled "The Roots of Racial Tension: Urban Ethnic Neighborhoods." Hosted by the sociology department, the talk will be held from 7:30-9 p.m. Feb. 7 in 2028 Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Wilson will also give a graduate seminar and meet with the Task Force on Diversity and sociology faculty.

For a full listing of Wilson's activities and public events in which he will participate, see Monitor online.

Wilson's visits are sponsored by the Office of the President and the ethnic studies department, in conjunction with the sociology department and the American culture studies program, and the Office of Equity, Diversity and Immigration Services.

Call Sharon Morgart at 2-9233 for more information on any of the events.

University notes employees who have recently retired

Several administrative and classified staff members retired this fall after many years of service to Bowling Green. A list in their honor was held on Dec. 6 in Mileti Alumni Center. Following is a list of those who have left and the year they began at BGSU, beginning with classified staff members.

Sylvia Smith, College of Business Administration, retired in August. She joined the University in 1976.


November saw the retirement of Edward Taylor, Ice Arena, hired in 1980, and Steven Yates, facilities services, hired in 1971. In December, those retiring were Normann Jimison, intercol legiate athletics, hired in 1972, and Brenda Good, human resources, hired in 1983. Administrative staff retiring this fall included: Carolyn Agler, medical assistant, Student Health Service, and Suzanne Crawford, special assistant to the executive vice president.

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Alzheimer’s disease is focus of forum

Animal research into Alzheimer’s disease has suggested some promising new avenues of treatment. Kevin Pang, psychology, will discuss the role this type of research is playing in developing new ways of dealing with the disease in the next College of Arts & Sciences Forum, on Feb. 7. His talk will include a slide presentation.


dates
Tuesdays, 12:30-3 p.m. talk is free; the noon buffet is $6.95. Reservations must be made by Friday (Feb. 1). Call 2-2340 or email mjubert@bgsu.edu. Bursar cards may be used. The forum will be held in 201A Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Office items offered for sale

For sale to University departments or offices:

• Gigastor Copy Printer Digital Duplication, $1,000. Contact Tammy at 2-2294 for more information.

• Forty no. 12640 toner cartridges for Apple LaserWriter printers, $50 each or $45 each for three or more. Call Cheryl at 2-0252.

A faculty reminder from the health center

The Student Health Service does not routinely issue “sick slips.” Faculty and staff are urged not to advise students to visit the Health Center for the purpose of verifying illness.

In special cases, the health service staff will attempt to provide verification of illness if a written request is made and signed by a faculty or staff member. The written request should include the student’s name and identification number, and the dates for which verification is requested.

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campus calendar

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Monday, Jan. 28

Concert, “Musical Meaning in Beethoven: Further Extensions of the Theory,” presented by Robert Hanen, music theory faculty at Indiana University, 8 p.m., Kennedy Green Room, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Guest Lecture, “Penderecki’s Opera in the Context of Twentieth Century Opera,” presented by Robert Hanen, see above, 4 p.m., Kennedy Green Room, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Brown Bag Lunch, “Going from ‘What Did You Say?’ to ‘Everybody Needs to See This!’: The Vagina Monologues as a Pedagogical Possibility,” presented by Rebekah Sandlin, CAS/0; Nancy Kennedy, theatre and P&;A; Teresa Kasperkwick-Potstell, theatre and ETC&A.; and Jeanette Laddow, American culture studies, noon-1 p.m., 107 Hanna Hall.

Coen Brothers Film Series, “Blood Simple,” (1984) 7:15 p.m., Gus Film Theater, Hanna Hall. Faculty Artist Series, Penny Thompson Kruse, violin, and Robert Satterlee, piano, assisted by Steven Kruse, violin, 8 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Thursday, Jan. 31

Master Class, presented by duo guitarists Sergio and Odair Assad, 2:30-4 p.m., Bryan Recital Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Friday, Feb. 1


Saturday, Feb. 2

Annual Concert, Bowing Green Philharmonia, featuring three winners of the BGSU Competitions in Music Performance, 3 p.m., Kocabaker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center.

Monday, Feb. 4

Dinner Defense, “The Effect of Open Enrollment on High Gaining and High Losing Districts in Ohio,” by the Business School of leadership and public policy, 9-11 a.m., 444 Education Building.

Continuing Events

Jan. 31-Feb. 12

University Performing Dances Annual Concert, “Science, Paper, Rock!,” 8 p.m., Jan. 31-Feb. 3 and 2 p.m., Feb. 2, Eva Marie Saint Theatre, University Hall. Tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for students and senior citizens, available at the door. For information, call Tammy Metz, 2-8521.

Through Feb. 6

Art Exhibit, “Pink Onions: Reflections on the Nostalgic Tender­ ness and Raw Pungency of Youth,” national juried exhibition of work in all media, Willard Wankelman Gallery, Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; and 1-4 p.m. on Sundays.

Through March 6

Music Presentation, “Mars Quest,” Showings at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays. $1 donation suggested.

East/West gender, religion and empire in the 19th century is focus of talk

The Provost Lecture Series 2002 begins Tuesday (Feb. 5) with speaker Lydia Liu of the University of California, Berkeley. The theme of this year’s series, presented by the Institute for the Study of Culture and Society (ICIS), is “Collaborations across Disciplines.” Liu will speak on “Women and Sovereignty in the 19th Century.” Her lecture begins at 4 p.m. in 308 Bowen-Thompson Student Union. A reception will follow at 5:30 p.m., sponsored by the Chinese Students and Scholars Association.

Liu’s talk will focus on an interesting moment of gift exchange between China, Europe and North America that provides fascinating insight into the relationship between gender, religion, and empire in the 19th century.

Liu currently teaches at UC Berkeley, but will be taking a Distinguished Professorship at the University of Michigan this fall. She is widely published in the areas of Chinese literature, gender studies, global and popular culture, her books include “Trans­ linguistic Practice: Literature, National Culture, and Translated Modernity—China, 1900-1937,” published by Stanford University Press.

For more information on Liu’s talk or the series, call 2-0585.

The 2002 President’s Lecture Series

values, civic responsibility and the future of higher education

First in the series: “Common Fire: Lives of Commitment in a Complex World,” presented by Cheryl and James Kean, Antioch College. The lecture takes place at 3 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union Theatre.

job postings

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FACULTY

There were no openings posted this week.

Contact Human Resources at 372-8421 for information regarding the following:

CLASSIFIED

Employees wishing to apply for these positions may request a “Re­ quest for Transfer Form”.

The deadline to apply is 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28.

Secretary 1 (C-5-Sc)—Counsel­ ing Center. Pay grade 6 (grant funded).

The following position is listed on and off campus. The deadline to apply is 1 p.m., Friday, Feb. 8.

Custodian 1 (C-8-Sc)—University Dining Services, Academic year, part time. Pay grade 3.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, Administrative Services (S-117)—Student Affairs. Administrative grade 17. Review of applications will begin Jan. 25 and continue until the position is filled.

Assistant Director of Residence Life (residential neighborhoods) (S-091) Office of Residence Life. Administrative grade 18. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

Program Coordinator (S-01-069)—Bowen-Thompson Student Union (re-advertised). Administrative grade 14. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.


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