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Distance education filling a need

BGSU's expanding distance education program is breaking new records this summer, according to *Continuing and Extended Education*.

More than 130 sections of over 90 distinct courses were scheduled for the six-week and eight-week sessions offered during the summer. This doubles the number of sections that were available last summer.

These classes represent coursework from nearly every BGSU college and discipline, and include courses in such varied areas as music appreciation, African literature, weather and climate, sport management, diet and nutrition, medical technology, psychology, recreation and tourism, and telecommunications.

Student response has been enthusiastic, and enrollments have exceeded expectations. Nearly every online undergraduate course is filled to capacity or beyond; graduate courses follow a similar pattern.

As of June 28, online enrollment stood at 1,797, already eclipsing last summer's total online enrollment of 999.

Summer course scheduling has been specifically targeted to serve those who are unable to commute to or stay in residence in Bowling Green during the summer due to job or internship assignments, but wish to pursue coursework that would enable them to graduate in a timely fashion.

The largest enrollment increases have occurred in College of Arts and Sciences departments. Popular culture, history, interpersonal communication and telecommunications have offered successful courses online for the first time, while English, geography and sociology have all generated popular and high-enrollment courses this summer.

The English department has led all other Arts and Sciences departments in the number of courses offered and enrollments generated, with 13 total sections and a total enrollment of 189.

Bruce Edwards appointed C.S. Lewis Fellow for 2004

After devoting much of his life to the study of author C.S. Lewis, Bruce Edwards has been chosen to live and work in Lewis's former home this summer. Edwards has been appointed a 2004 C. S. Lewis Fellow by the C.S. Lewis Foundation.

Edwards, associate dean for international programs and distance learning in Continuing and Extended Education, will be teaching two, one-week seminars this July and August in Oxford, England, on the life and work of the Anglo-Irish writer and world-renowned literary scholar, Christian apologist and author of the popular *Chronicles of Narnia*.

"The unique and most rewarding aspect of this appointment is that I get to be housed and teach my seminars at the 'Kiins,' which is Lewis's former home in Oxford," Edwards explained. "That is a special thrill."

There are eight students selected for each session who will be involved in an intensive study of Lewis' works under Edwards' direction. The participants will also be able to take guided tours of Oxford and Cambridge during the seminars and will visit locales where

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Lewis and friends like J.R.R. Tolkien met for mutual critique and encouragement in their creative writing.

"The announcement that Disney will be producing movies from the *Chronicles of Narnia* is simply going to increase the interest and popularity of Lewis," Edwards predicted.

Edwards, who has a joint appointment in English, has published two books on Lewis and wrote his doctoral dissertation at the University of Texas-Austin on the author. He also created and maintains a popular Web site on Lewis that has brought him many inquiries and dozens of speaking engagements around the world.

He has lectured and conducted workshops on Lewis's literary works on four continents, most recently in Nairobi, Kenya. He has just completed teaching a summer online undergraduate course on Lewis he created specifically for BGSU students.

The C. S. Lewis Foundation is a U.S.-based agency that promotes the study and appreciation of Lewis' work on both sides of the Atlantic and around the world.

Recording industry's loss is BGSU's gain

BGSU's Sound Recordings Archives will be receiving a windfall of 277 compact discs in July, according to the Ohio Attorney General's office. The recordings are part of a settlement in a lawsuit brought against major record producers.

The companies were found to have conspired to illegally raise the prices of compact discs, cassettes and vinyl albums by implementing minimum advertised price policies in violation of state and federal laws.

The attorneys general of 43 states brought the antitrust suit, which resulted in cash and noncash settlements, according to the Ohio Attorney General's office. As a result, in Ohio, public schools, libraries and 13 state colleges and universities will be receiving more than 222,000 compact discs, allocated by school enrollment and library circulation.

According to the attorney general's office, 10 genres of music were identified, and four were chosen for distribution to colleges and libraries. BGSU will receive selections from blues, classical, roots and jazz, after the proposed list from the record companies is approved by the antitrust division of the AG's office.

"We're happy to hear that, because we have plenty of the other kinds," said Bill Schurk, director of the archives.

Dutch professor to deliver this year's Hall Lectures

It may be a long way from home, flying across the Atlantic. But when Roeland J. M. Nolte, a professor of organic chemistry at the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands, mounts the podium to deliver this year's celebrated W. Heinlen Hall Lectures at the University, he will feel very much at home. From July 19-22, Professor Nolte will be speaking to his colleagues and the general University community on a number of topics relating to the molecule, ranging from mastering molecular matter and supramolecular polymers and bio-hybrid materials to supramolecular catalytic systems.

Professor Nolte will be treading a distinguished path. Since its humble beginnings in 1975, the Hall lectureship has drawn acclaimed scholars and leading research chemists from across the country and beyond—a fact that has made this summer event one that the chemistry department says "students and faculty eagerly anticipate." The excitement is justified, given the uncommon exposure of students and faculty to cutting-edge investigations at the frontiers chemistry research at these lectures.

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BGSU's chemistry department established the lectureship in honor of W. Heinlen Hall, who as a professor at the University from 1936-71—and as chair of the chemistry department through a period of extraordinary growth and expansion—took the department to new heights of excellence.

Professor Nolte comes fully equipped to do justice to the topics of this summer—and to the legacy of the series, say series organizers. Born in Bergh, the Netherlands, he received a Ph.D. in physical organic chemistry from the University of Utrecht in 1973. He became interested in the fields of host-guest chemistry and supramolecular chemistry during a post-doctoral stage in the group of Nobel laureate Donal J. Cram at the University of California at Los Angeles.

He was awarded the first Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Science Chair in Chemistry in 2003 and is the editor-in-chief of the RSC journal Chemical Communications and also a member of the Board of Reviewing Editors of the journal Science. His research interests span a broad range of topics at the interface of supramolecular, macromolecular and biomimetic chemistry, and he and his group have published roughly 425 scientific papers.

According to the chemistry department, there will be ample opportunities for faculty and students to interact with Professor Nolte in both individual and group settings, and this summer's series promises to be as exciting and illuminating as ever.

Quiet country weekend derailed in 'Hay Fever'

The Huron Playhouse will stage the Noel Coward comedy 'Hay Fever' Tuesday-Saturday (July 6-10).

The play deals with the unique predicament of the Bliss family, each of whom has independently invited a guest for a quiet rendezvous at their country house near Maidenhead, about 25 miles west of London. The promise of an idyllic and peaceful weekend "shared by two" is quickly trounced by the eccentricities of the family members and their guests.

Ticket prices for all Huron Playhouse productions are \$10 for students and seniors, \$11 for other adults and \$7 for children under 12. Curtain time is 8 p.m. nightly (Tuesday through Saturday). For reservations and further information, call the the playhouse at 419 433-4744. The box office at McCormick School, 325 Ohio St., is open Monday-Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Library lab to require BGSU domain log-on beginning July 9

The Library Lab, 122 Jerome Library, will require users to log on to the BGSU domain using their BGNet authentication username and password beginning Friday (July 9).

Also, beginning in the fall 2004 semester, users of Windows-based machines in ITS-supported labs will be required to log on to the BGSU domain. This change is being implemented to provide additional security and the opportunity to tailor the desktop based on the user.

Any questions may be directed to the Technology Support Center at tsc@bgnet.bgsu.edu, phone 2-0999.

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BG@100 scope document available

The BG@100 Executive Steering Committee has approved the project scope for Phase 1 of Human Capital Management implementation. A scope document has been created to outline this phase of the project as it relates to the PeopleSoft implementation of payroll, benefits and human resource applications.

The HCM Scope Phase 1 document is available for review on the BG@100 Web page under Project Related Documents at: <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/cio/page2856.html>.

Send questions or comments about the document to BGat100@bgsu.edu.

Monitor takes one-week holiday

Because of the shortened week following the Independence Day observance on Monday, Monitor will not be published July 12. However, the job postings and the calendar will be updated July 12.

CALENDAR

Monday, July 5

Independence Day observed, classes canceled, offices closed.

Tuesday, July 6

Summer Movie Series, "A Mighty Wind," 9 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by the Office of Campus Involvement.

Wednesday, July 7

Summer Movie Series, "A Mighty Wind," 9 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by the Office of Campus Involvement.

Thursday, July 8

Summer Movie Series, "A Mighty Wind," 9 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by the Office of Campus Involvement.

Monday, July 12

Summer Movie Series, "Legally Blonde," 9 p.m., Union Theater. Sponsored by the Office of Campus Involvement.

Continuing Events**July 6-10**

Musical Theater, "Hay Fever," 8 p.m. nightly, Huron Playhouse, McCormick School, Huron. Tickets are \$10 for students and seniors, \$11 for other adults, and \$7 for children under 12. For reservations, call the box office at 419-433-4744 from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

July 12-Aug. 13

Art Exhibit, drawings and paintings by Kevin Casto, Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

July 13-17

Musical Theater, "The Fantasticks," 8 p.m. nightly, Huron Playhouse, McCormick School, Huron. Tickets are \$10 for students and seniors, \$11 for other adults, and \$7 for children under 12. For reservations, call the box office at 419-433-4744 from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

July 19-22

W. Heinlen Hall Lecture Series, 3:30-4:30 p.m. daily, 123 Overman Hall, with Roeland J. M. Nolte, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Science and chair in chemistry at the University of Nijmegen. Nolte will discuss "Principles of Self-assembly" on Monday (July 19), "Molecular Materials by Self-assembly" on Tuesday (July 20), "Supramolecular Polymers and Bio-hybrid Materials" on Wednesday (July 21) and "Supramolecular Catalytic Systems" on Thursday (July 22). Hosted by the chemistry department.

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Finance. Assistant Professor. Call Daniel Klein, 2-8963. Deadline: Oct. 1.

Contact the Office of Human Resources at 419-372-8421 for information regarding classified and administrative positions. Position vacancy announcements may be viewed by visiting the HR Web site at www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr.

Employees wishing to apply for these positions must sign a "Request for Transfer" form and attach an updated resume or data sheet. This information must be turned in to Human Resources by the job deadline.

CLASSIFIED

View job descriptions at: http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/BGSU_only/

The deadline for employees to apply for the following positions is 1 p.m. Monday, July 12.

Account Clerk 2 (C-44-Re)—University Dining Services. Pay grade 6 (\$12.87 per hour). Twelve-month, part-time position.

Administrative Secretary 1 (C-45-Ve)—Office of Academic Enhancement. Pay grade 8. Twelve-month, full-time position.

Management Analyst 2 (C-46-Ve)—College of Business Administration. Pay grade 10. Twelve-month, full-time position.

Secretary 1 (C-47-Ve)—University Dining Services. Pay grade 6 (\$12.87 per hour). Twelve-month, full-time position.

The following positions are being advertised on and off campus. The deadline to apply is 1 p.m. Friday, July 9.

Library Associate 1 (C-34-Re and C-35 Re)—University Libraries (two positions). Pay grade 8 (\$14.20 per hour). Twelve-month, full-time, positions.

Library Associate 2 (C-36-Re)—University Libraries. Pay grade 9 (\$14.96 per hour). Twelve-month, full-time, position.

Secretary 1 (C-38-Ve)—Career Center. Pay grade 6. Full-time position.

The deadline to apply for the following position is 5 p.m. Friday, July 16.
Word Processing Specialist 1 (C-45-Re)—Instructional Services Office. Pay grade 5. Part-time, 12 hours per week, academic year only.

ADMINISTRATIVE

View job descriptions at: http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/adm_staff/

Applications Developer (V-053)—BG@100 Project. Administrative grade 16. Review of applications began July 2 and will continue until the position is filled.

Admissions Counselor or Admissions Counselor Trainee (V-051)—Office of Admissions. Administrative grade 12 or 11. Deadline: July 9.

Writing Specialist (V-061)—Academic Enhancement. Administrative grade 12. Deadline: July 9.

Academic Advising Coordinator (04-059NF)—BGSU Firelands Student Services. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: July 16.

Data Hub and Resource Center Manager (R-068)—Design and Construction (apply design, construction, AutoCAD and architectural skills). Administrative grade 13. Deadline: July 16.

Technology Support Specialist (V-065)—Information Technology Services (two positions). Administrative grade 13. Deadline: July 16.

Executive Sous-Chef—Residence Dining (V-069)—University Dining Services. Administrative grade 13. Deadline: July 23.

Residence Hall Director (V-018)—Office of Residence Life (three positions). Administrative grade 13. Review of applications will continue until all positions are filled.



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OBITUARIES

Howard Hamilton, 83, died June 23 in Indianapolis. A political science faculty member from 1965-70, he chaired the department from 1966-70.

Lois Wells, 87, died June 28 in Toledo. She retired in 1976 as assistant to the dean of the College of Business Administration.