The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences has received written confirmation of continuing full accreditation of all programs within the department by the Council for Accreditation of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

After conducting a year-long self study and submitting a comprehensive report in 2007, the department was granted a site visit which was held during Fall 2007. Members of the site visit team were from prestigious universities throughout the country, including Cornell University. Accreditation is granted to university departments who have met or exceeded national standards of excellence.

“This is the successful culmination of an extensive, rigorous self-study process in which all programs in the department are carefully evaluated and where continuous improvement is the goal,” said Dr. Pat Pierson, department head.

“This recognition is a testament to the hard work of our faculty, students, and alumni. It validates on a national level what we have always known about the quality of our department and of Northwestern State University.”

—Dr. Pat Pierson

The Council for Accreditation praised NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affair Dr. Tom Hanson, Dean of the College of Science and Technology Dr. Austin Temple, and Pierson for the administrative leadership of the university and the Department of Family & Consumer Sciences.

“The FACS faculty members were noted for their commitment to excellence in teaching, their genuine interest in students, a particularly strong advising program, their enthusiasm, professionalism and personal development,” Pierson said.

Other strengths highlighted by the accrediting agency included the attractive, well designed learning environment, along with the department’s university service and community outreach. The accreditation status is maintained for a 10-year period.

Gail Kwak and Mary Linn Wernet of Watson Library attended meetings of the Louisiana Advisory Council to the State Documents Depository Program and the Louisiana Federal Depository Council held at the National Wetlands Research Center in Lafayette on May 16.

These councils work with librarians and other groups around the state to increase and improve the availability of state and federal government information to all Louisiana residents.

People

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## ECE NON-CREDIT SHORT COURSES
### JUNE CLASSES

**TO BE OFFERED IN SHREVEPORT**

### AAPC Certification Exam Prep Course
- **Date:** June 2-Aug. 11, Mon
- **Time:** 5:30-9:30 p.m.
- **Fee:** $800 + books (approx. $335)
- **Location:** NSU Nursing Education Center
- **Instructor:** Lynn Kimsey, CPC

### Birthing Naturally Intensive
- **Date:**
  - June 7, Sat-Sess. 1
  - July 12, Sat-Sess. 2
- **Time:**
  - 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- **Fee:** $49/couple
- **Location:** TBA
- **Instructor:** Erica Norris, a DONA trained doula

### Publishing with Pizzazz!
- **Date:**
  - June 7, Sat-Sess. 1
  - July 12, Sat-Sess. 2
- **Time:**
  - 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
- **Fee:** $45
- **Location:** Dodd Hall, Rm. 113
- **Instructor:** Gena Hatcher

### MS Powerpoint
- **Date:**
  - June 7, Sat-Sess. 1
  - July 12, Sat-Sess. 2
- **Time:**
  - 1-4 p.m.
- **Fee:** $45
- **Location:** Dodd Hall, Rm. 113
- **Instructor:** Gena Hatcher

### Basic Floral Design I
- **Date:** June 7-21, Sat
- **Time:** 1-4 p.m.
- **Fee:** $200 tuition + $100 supply fee
- **Location:** Russell Hall, Rm. 203 (Natchitoches Rm.)
- **Instructor:** Dawn Martin (LA State Licensed Florist, member of SAF & LSFA)
  Over 20 year’s floral experience

**LA Retail Florist Exam Prep Course**
- **Date:**
  - June 7 & 14, Sat., (classroom)-Sess.1
  - June 9-20, Mon.-Fri., (lab)
  - June 21 & 28, Sat., (classroom)-Sess.2
  - June 23-July 11, Mon.-Fri., (lab)
  - July 12 & 19, Sat., (classroom)-Sess.3
  - July 14-25, Mon.-Fri., (lab)
  - July 26 & Aug. 2, Sat., (classroom)-Sess.4
- **Time:**
  - 5:30-8:30 p.m. (classroom)
  - 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (lab)
- **Fee:** $749 + 899 textbook & material fee
  (mat. fee paid directly to instructor prior to start of class)
- **Location:** Russell Hall, Rm. 203 Natchitoches Rm. Kitchen (classroom)
- **Instructor:** Dawn Martin (LA State Licensed Florist, member of SAF & LSFA)
  Over 20 year’s floral experience

**Grant Writing Series I**
- **Date:** June 20 & 21, Fri. & Sat.
- **Time:**
  - 5:30-7:30 p.m.-Fri.
  - 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.-Sat.
- **Fee:** $99 + $32 book & mat. fee
  (mat. fee paid directly to instructor prior to start of class)
- **Location:** Russell Hall, Rm. 213
- **Instructor:** E. Jean Bush

**Birthing Naturally Series**
- **Date:** June 24-July 15, Tues.
- **Time:** 6-8:30 p.m.
- **Fee:** $79/couple
- **Location:** TBA
- **Instructor:** Erica Norris, a DONA trained doula

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER CALL**

800-376-2422 or 318-357-6355

See Non-Credit Page 3
Paper compares GPAs among students taking classes on-line versus traditional classrooms

A paper by Walter Creighton, Margaret Kilcoyne and Jennifer Videtto of Northwestern State University has been accepted for presentation at the Academic Business World International Conference later this month in Nashville, Tenn. The paper will also be published in the refereed journal associated with the conference.

Creighton is a professor of computer information systems. Kilcoyne is director of business programs and an associate professor. Videtto is director of Institutional Research.

The paper, “Grade Point Averages for College of Business Courses Offered Online Versus Face to Face,” compared grade point averages for 13 courses offered both online and face-to-face covering a period of four semesters in 2006 and 2007. No significant difference was found in the two groups as a whole. There were significant differences found in several individual courses, especially financial accounting and managerial accounting.

MLK Health Fair will be held June 12

The Department of Health and Human Performance will sponsor a health fair from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12 at the MLK Center on MLK Drive. All screenings will be free, including total lipid profile (overall cholesterol, LDL, HDL cholesterol, HDL/LDL risk ratio, and triglycerides). The test will also assess blood sugar.

“To date there are over 30 exhibitors attending, which is very exciting,” said Dr. Tara Gallien, HHP assistant professor.

Parents who wish to bring their kids can try out the rock wall, which will be located in the back. Life Share will have a blood donation bus at the event.

For more information, contact Gallien at 357-5199 or e-mail tarag@nsula.edu.

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WRITING WORKSHOPS

The Truth about Self-Publication
Date: June 25, Wed.
Time: 1-4 p.m.
Fee: $79
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: Michael Garrett, Author & Editor

Screenwriting for the Movies
Date: June 25, Wed.
Time: 6-9 p.m.
Fee: $79
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: Michael Garrett, Author & Editor

How to Become a Published Author
Date: June 26, Thurs.
Time: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fee: $79
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: Michael Garrett, Author & Editor

Creating Your Novel
Date: June 26, Thurs.
Time: 1-4 p.m.
Fee: $79
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: Michael Garrett, Author & Editor

Short Story and Novel Feedback
Date: June 26, Thurs.
Time: 6-9 p.m.
Fee: $79
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: Michael Garrett, Author & Editor

Grant Writing Series II
Date: June 27 & 28, Fri. & Sat.
Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.-Fri.
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.-Sat.
Fee: $99 + $32 book & mat. fee (mat. fee paid directly to instructor prior to start of class)
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 213
Instructor: E. Jean Bush
The Student Nurses Association on the Leesville campus, under the direction of faculty sponsors Deborah Hickman, MSN, RN, CNE, and Linda Nichols, MSN, RN, CNE, organized their efforts to create a Coffee and Tea basket which was donated to Beauregard Memorial Hospital to support their annual fund-raising efforts for the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life campaign. Nursing faculty stress to the nursing students the importance of giving back to the community. In front, holding the basket are Nancy McCullough and Krystal Gardner. On the second row are Tiffany McFatter, Jamie Perkins, Velvet Jeter, Rebecca Kiely and Barbara Davis. On the back row are Hickman, Assistant Professor Heather Nelson, Sarie Arthur, Jonathan Willis and Mila Johnson.

Mark your calendars for Summer Dinner Theatre dates

The Summer Dinner Theatre will present

“

You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown”

The production will be directed by Barry Stoneking. Musical director will be Michael Rorex. This musical comedy is based on the Charles M. Schulz comic strip, Peanuts.

Cost is $25 per person, which includes meal and show.
June 11-14 & June 18-21
Call 357-4483 to make reservations

“Sylvia”

The A.R. Gurney story about a dog, the couple who adopts her and the drama that results. This production will be directed by Wm. Perry Morgan.

Cost is $25 per person, which includes meal and show.
July 30-Aug. 2 and Aug. 6-9
Call 357-4483 to make reservations

These plays will be presented for children as matinees, minus the meal, for $4 per person.

“Dog Tales”

an original play for children by NSU Coordinator of Theatre Scott Burrell, will be presented July 31-Aug. 2 and Aug. 7-9 in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. Admission is $4 per person. Reservations are recommended for matinees and required for groups of 10 or more.

“Our theme this summer is Dog Days as all our shows focus on dogs,” said Jacki Giesey, CAPA administrative assistant. “We ask you to help us support the local animal shelter by bringing a donation of pet food for dogs or cats with you to drop in our collection box or make a monetary donation in the collection jar. Donations will be accepted at all shows this summer.”
Students present Festival of Cuisines and Cultures

Students in Dr. Lynn Woods’ Hospitality Management Global Tourism Class produced an exciting Festival of Cuisines and Cultures --complete with backdrops, costumes, entertainment and fun -- Thursday, April 24 on Front Street.

Participants were able to purchase coupons in Scotland (known for its golf and the legendary Loch Ness monster) and stroll from “country to country” enjoying culinary delicacies prepared by the students of Chef Todd Barrios in Advanced Catering and Special Events. Live music was performed in “Africa” and “USA Louisiana” booths, with “Italy” staging a gladiator fight. Children were able to enjoy designing their own boomerang in “Australia” and fishing for “catfish” in Louisiana as well as seeing the storybook characters of Hans Christian Andersen’s Little Mermaid and Vikings in “Scandinaavia.” For the adults there were henna tattoos in “India,” mimes in France, and superb wines in “Spain,” “Italy” and “New Zealand.”

All in all approximately 250-300 people attended the popular event, which takes place every even spring semester.

Proceeds from the event go to the NSU Hospitality Foundation and the Culinary Arts Foundation.

Demons announce summer baseball camps

**All Star Camp**
June 9-11
9 am - 12 noon
1st – 8th grade
$100.00
Register by 6/4

**Pitching Camp**
June 16-17
9 am – 12 noon
1st - 8th grade
$100.00
Register by 6/11

**Tee-Ball Camp**
June 18
9 am – 12 noon
Preschool – K5
$50
Register by 6/13

**Five Tool Player Camp**
June 23-25
9 am – 12 noon
1st – 8th grade
$100.00
Register by 6/18

**Fall High School Showcase**
August 6
9 am – 4 pm
9th – 12th grade
$100.00
Register by 8/1

Contact Kelly Spann @ 318-357-4488 or spannk@nsula.edu

* $25.00 Late Registration/ Walk up fee

* Sibling Discount - $25 off 2nd registration, $50 off 3rd registration

* Multiple Camp Discount - $25 off 2nd registration on multiple camps

* Camp Buddy Discount - $10.00 off each registration of two or more mailed in at same time

* Team Discounts available
CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. Steven Gruesbeck, Director of Service-Learning, received notification of an award of $1,750 from Louisiana Campus Compact, Ready & Response Service Team, for “Service Learning Train the Trainer Travel and Professional Development Grant.”

Dr. Tara Gallien, Department of Health and Human Performance, College of Science and Technology, received notification of an award of $14,200 from the Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco-Free Living of the Louisiana Public Health Institute for “Louisiana Tobacco-Free College Initiative.”

Dr. William Dickens, Department of Health and Human Performance, College of Science and Technology, received notification of an award of $16,600 from the Louisiana Campus Compact for “Ready Campus Course Integration grant.”

Mr. Jack Atherton, Department of Criminal Justice, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, received notification of an award of $5,000 from the Louisiana Campus Compact for “Ready Campus Integration Grant Program: Emergency Management Research and Analysis.” Ron Pedro and Bill Sexson are collaborators.

Dr. ElizaBeth Guin, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, received notification of an award of $5,000 from the U.S. Forest Service Heritage Program for “USFS Summer Internship: Drake Salt Lick.” Dr. Hiram Gregory is collaborator.

Dr. Hiram Gregory and Ms. Janet Colson, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, received notification of an award of $14,000 from the Cane River Creole National Historic Park/Lower Mississippi Delta Initiative for “Creole Heritage Center: Creole Language for Creole People.”

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Dr. Trey Cunningham, Department of Health and Human Performance, College of Science and Technology, submitted a proposal to the Louisiana Board of Regents, Louisiana Campus Compact, for “Mitigation and Preparedness Planning for Mass Gathering Athletic Facilities.” Dr. John Dollar is collaborator.

Mr. Jack Atherton, Criminal Justice Program, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, also submitted a proposal to the Louisiana Board of Regents, Louisiana Campus Compact, for “Ready Campus Integration Grant Program: Emergency Management Research and Analysis.”

For more information regarding funding opportunities, visit ORSP’s website at www.nsula.edu/orsp.

FOURTEEN PROPOSALS FUNDED FOR NEF AY 2007-08, ROUND 3

Fourteen proposals were funded in the third round of AY 2007-08 NSU Enrichment Fund Competitive Grant Programs.

Thirteen proposals were funded in the Professional Development program:

Paul Christopher—CAPA/Music—New Music for Low String Ensemble—$1,056

Galindo Rodriguez—CAPA/Music—Festival of Trumpets: International Trumpet Guild, Banff, Alberta, CANADA—$2,601

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Dennette McDermott—CAPA/Music—Trio de Llano Faculty Trio Performance Invitation in Conjunction with a Comparative Study of Cultural Influence on Pedagogical Techniques

James Crank—Language/Communication—The Restoration of James Agee’s A Death in the Family—$1,500

Shirley A. Stave—Scholars’ College—Time’s Double Cross: Ahdaf Soueif’s The Map of Love — $2,600

Malena McLaren—CAPA/Music—Vibraciones del Alma, opus 45: An Invitation to Perform a Lesser-Known Work—$3,598

Kathleen Smith—Social Sciences—“If He Can Fight Like He Can Love, Goodnight, Germany”: American Popular Music, The Committee on Public Information, and Propaganda in World War I-paper presentation at the 7th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences—$2,116

Christopher Gilliam—CAPA/Music—A study of the similarities and differences between the choral and solo singing and the resultant, perceived impact on vocal technique—$4,977

Julie Delabbio—Aquaculture Research Center—Participation and presentation at the Second International Meeting on Lepisosteids Research and Management (Sept. 23-26th, 2008)—$2,242

Walter A. Flomer—Chemistry/Physics—Biennial Conference on Chemical Education—$1,400

Keith Dromm—Scholars’ College—Conference and Research in Austria—$4,302

Massimo Bezoari—Scholars’ College—Creation of a Fiber-Optic Spectrometric Instrumentation Laboratory for Research and Education—$3,921

Richard B. Jensen—Scholars’ College—Anarchist Terrorism—$2,170

One proposal was funded in the Undergraduate Student Research program:

Malcolm T. Whitehead—Health & Human Performance—Physical Activity, Academic Performance, and Health Status in College Students—$2,500

Sympathy

NSU Floral Fund made a donation to the St. Jude’s Dream Day Foundation, P. O. Box 40247, Baton Rouge, LA 70835-0247, in memory of Jay Giblin, twin brother of Janay Giblin Matt, Alumni Affairs Office.

A spray was sent to the funeral service of Mrs. Celine Coutee, mother of Anthony Coutee, Mobile Equipment Operator II, Grounds Department.

Raymond Roquemore, father of Traci LaBom, career counselor, passed away May 14. Services were held May 28. A plant was sent to the service from the NSU Floral Fund.

Birth Announcement

Samantha Sullivan, instructor in the Department of Language and Communications gave birth to a baby boy, Finnegan Staton, on March 13.
FOR AGES 7-11 YEARS OLD
Session 1:  June 16-20, 1-5 PM
*The World of Mask Making*
Instructors: Christine Ferrell and Leslie Gruesbeck

Students will explore and create several types of masks and the use of masks throughout history and across cultures. Techniques explored will include plaster, papier mache, sculpting and polymer clays.

Limited enrollment: 20 students

Session 2:  June 23-27, 1-5PM
*Fiber Arts Fun*
Instructors: Christine Ferrell and Leslie Gruesbeck

Students will work exclusively with threads, straw, wire, felt and techniques for creating three dimensional art from fibers. The basics of sewing, weaving, and wrapping will allow students to explore their creativity.

Limited enrollment: 20 students

FOR AGES 12-17 YEARS OLD
Session 1:  July 7-11, 8:30-11 AM
*Expressive Painting/Drawing*
Instructor: Valerie Powell, MFA

Students will investigate traditional and non-traditional painting/drawing techniques while working on paper, canvas & panel supports. Experimenting with texture, mixing color, perspective and collaboration will give students the opportunity to create high quality art work. No previous experience making art is necessary. Sessions may be taking sequentially and students enrolled in both sessions will build on previous experiences.

Limited enrollment: 15 students per session

Session 3:  July 7-11, 1-3 PM
Session 4:  July 14-18, 1-3 PM
*Shrinky Dink Madness!!!!*
Instructor: Valerie Powell, MFA

Students will explore the wonderful world of Shrinkable plastic. Paint/draw on this amazing material that shrinks to 1/3 of its original size. Numerous approaches to jewelry, magnets, miniature paintings/drawings and object making will be investigated with this magical material. No previous experience making art is necessary. Sessions may be taking sequentially and students enrolled in both sessions will build on previous experiences.

Limited enrollment: 15 students per session

Tuition is $160.00 for each session and includes all supplies and a daily snack. All sessions will take place in CAPA room 109N. A sibling discount of $10 is available.

For further information: Contact Leslie Gruesbeck, 352-6974 or gruesbeckl@nsula.edu