President’s Corner

I am excited to announce that GSA has two new methods for accepting donations! For those who have donated, we appreciate your support. Your donations help us reach our goals of providing graduate programming, awarding and recognizing students and maintaining operations.

For faculty and students who would like to support our mission, there are two ways you can give. Any contribution is welcome.

• via our secure PayPal account using the ccigsa@gmail or
• by filling out a form on our website (coming soon).

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Information Sciences

PhD student Frank Aviles and PhD Candidate Rebecca Davis presented papers at the 6th Annual Mentoring Conference at the University of New Mexico.

Frank Aviles with Dr. Suzie Al-lard and Dr. Ed Cortez
“La SCALA development of a cross-cultural mentorship e-toolkit”

Rebecca Davis
“Black, brown and STEM: Issues in STEM and the use of academic library resources and services”

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Master’s student Mark Freeman presented a paper, “The Mount Vernon Midden Project – presenting archaeological collections 1/11/14”, at the Society for Historical Archaeology meeting in Quebec.

Mark also had a paper, “Models for presenting archaeological collections - The Mount Vernon Midden Project”, accepted for the Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology conference in Paris.

JEM

Journalism & Electronic Media

Denae D’Arcy defended her comprehensive exams and is officially ABD. Denae also presented the following papers:

“Caustic bleach of reality: Journalists’ coverage of conflict and war in their own words” (International Communication on Journalism and Mass Communications, Thailand, 2013)

“Stop the bleeding: How freelancers prepare and train for dangerous assignments” (National Communication Association, 2013)

“Oh man! Am I a woman?: An analysis of Danica Patrick’s presence in NASCAR” - This paper won a second place award and was written with communications studies doctoral students Katie Reno and Kyle Heuett.

Congratulations to Dr. Iveta Imre on successfully defending her dissertation “Assessing the impact of United States media on Croatian cultural identities”. Iveta was an active

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IS

Two PhD candidates presented at the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) conference in January.

Rebecca Davis
Poster presentation: “Educating college freshmen from under-represented groups in the STEM fields: A curriculum of library skills courses to teach during a summer program”

Paper presentation as part of the gender issues panel: “Women in STEM and human information behavior: Implications for LIS educators”

Todd Suomela
Poster presentation: “Citizen science: Framing the relationship between public and science”

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- **Elizabeth D. Dalton**
  “Building a framework and research agenda for health aliteracy and persuasion”
- **Richard Curry**
  “Reshaping fear: Effectively negotiating the “coming out” process through online social networking sites and applications”
  “A communicative ontology of ‘gay’: A description, history, critique, and expansion of ‘queer theory’”
- **Martijn Van Kelegom**
  “What do they say about my looks? Imagined interactions influence on body image”
- **Kyle B. Heuett**
  “Brainstorming doesn’t work!‘: Communication privacy management theory and idea generation techniques”
  “Reducing negative affect about intercultural interactions through inoculation”
- **Katie M. Reno** and **Stephen A. Spates**
  “The Twitter assignment: Social media as a learning tool”
- **Kyle B. Heuett** and **Katie Reno** with Dr. Kenneth J. Levine
  “A different approach to brainstorming: Increasing cohesion through topic involvement”

**CMST Communication Studies**

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**Upcoming Events**

- **Thursday, 03-13 @ 6:30pm**
  CCI GSA Social
  King Tut’s Grill
- **Sunday, 03-23 @ 7:30pm**
  CCI GSA Social - Trivia Night
  Sunspot
- **Thursday, 03-27 @ 6:30pm**
  CCI GSA Social
  Archer’s BBQ
- **Wednesday, 04-09 @ 5:30pm**
  CCI GSA Social
  Sunspot
- **Wednesday, 04-27 @ 2:00pm**
  CCI GSA End-of-Year Social
  The Cove
Michelle E. Garland with Dr. Kenneth J. Levine
“Summer study-abroad program as experiential learning: Examining similarities and differences in international communication”
Michelle E. Garland
“What about communication?: Extending identity theory to better understand the college student”
“A measure of college student identity”
Michelle E. Garland with Dr. Laura E. Miller “A demonstration of mastery and application”
Michelle E. Garland with Kevin Brown
“What happened to the glee in Glee?: An examination of the perceptions of couple dissolution in relation to heterosexual, gay, and lesbian relationships”

AD/PR

- Jinhee Lee will present a paper written with Dr. Haley on the effects of persuasion knowledge on consumer responses to green advertising at the American Academy of Advertising’s conference in March.

- Melissa Wooten-Graham and Sejin Park will present a paper with Dr. Elizabeth Avery at the International Communication Association’s conference in Seattle titled: “Exploring crisis type and effects of planning, magnitude, and citizen satisfaction on local government officials”.

- Danijela Radic successfully defended her comprehensive exams last semester.

GSA Exclusive

Congratulations to the following students who graduated in December with their Master of Science in Communication and Information. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors!
Kyle Blackburn, Abby Burton, Whitney Heins, Jodie McGroarty, Rachel Stowers, RenYi, Qiming Feng, Jinhee Lee, Sumin Shin and Ying Zheng

Jinhee Lee Ph.D. in Ad
Sejin Park Ph.D. in Ad

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