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A 3-credit hour course on grant writing is going to be offered on campus this summer. The course number, should any readers wish to register for it, is IDS 493.01. It will be taught by Mark Fleisher (CJS). It will begin May 21 and continue for four weeks, meeting on Fridays from 8 am-12:50 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 am – 11:50 am. The meeting place is to be Schroeder 216. Contact Dr. Fleisher at 8-5968 or fleisher@ilstu.edu for specific information about readings and activities.

The course was offered for this first time last summer and was taught by Don Kachur (College of Education), and was well received. Class members could be university scholars, but also local staff of social service agencies and educational entities who find themselves called upon to write proposals for external funding.

The opportunity described above is different from the annual four-day workshop on grant-writing typically offered in May for new tenure-track faculty. Persons interested in the shorter, less comprehensive—but still useful—workshop should contact their department chairperson for information on application procedures. The workshop will be held on May 10-14. Mornings will be devoted to group instruction, while the focus of the afternoons will be individualized work on drafting a grant proposal. College Research Coordinators and the University Research Office sponsor this event.

Agriculture

Patrick O'Rourke attended the Annual ABSEL Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 17-19. ABSEL is the Association for Business Simulation and Experiential Learning.
Discussions were held with several persons/institutions who might collaborate in the development of web-based agribusiness simulations.

**Applied Computer Science**

**Dr. Tom Schambach** co-authored a paper in the quarterly journal *Computer Personnel*, a peer-reviewed journal of the Association of Computing Machinery special interest group on computer personnel research. The article is titled "Factors Affecting Professional Competence of Information Technology Professionals." The research examines factors involving nature of work, organizational climate, and individual characteristics and shows the impact of these antecedent factors on the maintained competency (or inversely obsolescence) of information technology professionals.

**Criminal Justice Sciences**

**Dr. Sesha Kethineni** and **Dr. Tricia Klosky** presented a paper titled, "Institutionalization of Juvenile Offenders in India," at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Orlando, Florida, on March 10, 1999. In the same conference, **Dr. Kethineni** served as the panel chair and discussant on the topic of Law and Justice Administration in the US/Europe/Commonwealth Countries. **Dr. Kethineni** was also selected as a Program Committee Member for the Year 2000 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference to be held in New Orleans. Recently she attended a workshop on Mediation and Family Violence sponsored by the Eleventh Judicial Family Violence Coordinating Council.

**Dr. Mark Fleisher** has recently published an article, Strategic Management in the Federal Bureau of Prisons, *Corrections Management Quarterly* 2(4), and a chapter, Gang Management in Corrections, in *Prison and Jail Administration*, Aspen Press. He was on the program committee for the 1999 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences conference, in March 1999.

**Beverly Smith** presented "Riots in Twentieth Century Fiction" at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Orlando, Florida.

**Frank Morn** presented "Robert McLaughry and the Rise of Criminal Identification System: Bertillon Fingerprinting 1880-1910," also at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences meeting. **Dr. Morn** also chaired the panel at which this paper was presented.

**Steven G. Cox**, Associate Professor, presented "Learning to Listen: The Key to Success for Criminal Justice Professionals" at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Orlando, Florida on March 10.

**Family and Consumer Science**

**Karen Stephens**, Director of Child Care Center, published "Primed for Learning: The Young Child's Mind" in the March/April 1999 issue of *Child Care Information Exchange*.

**Scott Brouette, Barb Gallick, Lisa Lee** and **Pam Morbitzer**, Child Care Center Head Teachers, co-authored "Plays Well With Others: Classroom Materials That Support Social Development" for the March/April 1999 issue of *Child Care Information Exchange*.

**Karen Stephens** published "Exploring Family Trees" in the January/February, 1999 issue of *First Teacher*.

**Health, Physical Education and Recreation**

**Douglas Michele Turco** had an article published in the latest issue of *Sport Marketing Quarterly*, titled, "The State of Tobacco Sponsorship in Sport."

**Dr. Steve McCaw** and former graduate student Don Melrose published the paper "Stance
width and bar load effects on leg muscle activity during the parallel squat." The paper was published in Medicine and Science and Sports and Exercise, the official journal of the American College of Sports Medicine.

Congratulations to Dr. Cindy Wachter on the arrival of her son, Philip Scot Wachter. Philip was born on Thursday, January 18 and weighed 4 lbs. 13 oz. and was 18.5 inches long.

Health Sciences

Drs. Chris Janicak and Greg Deal in the Occupational Safety program completed a 5-day OSHA Construction Outreach Trainer course at the OSHA Training Institute over the spring break. They are now authorized to conduct OSHA 10- and 30-hour Construction Safety courses.

Drs. Teresa Bellingar and Gary Erisman attended the day long Severe Weather seminar sponsored by State Farm Insurance, WMBD radio, and ESDA held at State Farm Regional Headquarters, March 6, 1999.

Frank Waterstraat will receive the Illinois Health Information Management Association's Personal Achievement Award for 1999 for contributions to the profession. It will be awarded at the annual meeting on April 9. The meeting will be held in Itasca, Illinois.

Dr. Chris Janicak received the 1998-99 J and H Marsh and McLennan Scrivener Editorial Award for outstanding technical writing. He will receive a $1,000 honorarium at the Professional Development Conference of ASSE on June 13 at Baltimore, Maryland. Also, one of the Safety Students, Kathy Mueller won 2nd place in the J and H Marsh and McLennan Student Paper Award. She will receive $750.00 at the same conference.

Drs. Teresa Bellingar, Gary Erisman and Mr. Paul Ronczkowski attended the American Society of Safety Engineers, Central Illinois Chapter's monthly meeting in Peoria to hear a presentation on electrical safety.

Industrial Technology


Richard Boser and Ken Stier attended the two-day University Professor's Masonry Workshop in Chicago on March 15 & 16.