Semester Closing

As the semester comes to a close I would like to remind everyone that if you, or someone you know, is making a difference or has some exciting news to share, please e-mail me (ecdraper@indiana.edu) and I will add it to my list. Other items that might be included in the newsletter: Publications, dissertation information, nominations & awards, conferences, weddings, commitment ceremonies, babies, pets (yes pets) or other personal news, community events you are participating in (i.e. Race for a Cure), and other personal or professional news.

The HESA website now has a new format for HESA student profiles. Don’t forget to go online to update yours. The link is https://info.educ.indiana.edu/profile/AddEditProfile.aspx. Complete all fields to the best of your ability. For the “about me” section, please list your degree and minor you are seeking and when you started the program, degrees and schools attended, honors/achievements, previous and current work experience, research interests, hometown, and any other interesting facts you would like to share. Please, use my profile as an example http://site.educ.indiana.edu/ProfilePlaceHolder/tabid/6210/Default.aspx?u=ecdraper.

In Memory Of Fernando Alberto Tadeo Mercado III

1984-2008

Originally from Caracas, Venezuela, Fernando came to Indianapolis in 2001 and graduated from Arlington High School. He began his IUPUI career in the Spring of 2003. Fernando graduated from IUPUI in December of 2007 with a Bachelors degree from the School of Tourism, Convention, and Event Management. After graduation, Fernando was employed by an Indianapolis company, Ponce Publicidad, where he worked with the local Hispanic community. This August, he returned to IUPUI to pursue a graduate degree in the School of Education.

Fernando served in many roles as an undergraduate at IUPUI. He was an OTEAM leader and a student coordinator, a Learning Community Mentor, a Bepko Resource Mentor, a Residence Hall Assistant, and most recently, a Graduate Assistant in the Office of Campus and Community Life. His presence will be greatly missed by many at IUPUI.
News and Updates

Announcements

Future Student Affairs Professionals~ IUPUI held their first program for undergraduate students. It was titled Celebrate Careers in Student Affairs. They hosted a panel of Student Affairs Professionals and it was moderated by Vice Chancellor Whitney. Undergraduate students were able to listen to professionals’ stories about how they ended up in their positions, their advice, and then there was a Q&A time. It was a great event to introduce undergraduate students to Student Affairs.

Lactation Room in Education Building~ In order to provide an environment that is conducive to the needs of students, faculty, and staff the administration of the W. W. Wright Education building would like to announce that Room 4102, currently used as a lounge/break area, is now designated as a lactation room except during the lunch hour. The room can be locked from the inside, providing privacy. It also has a refrigerator should cold storage be necessary for expressed milk.

Where are they now~ Karen Parrish Baker’s husband, Winston Baker, resigned after 15 years tenure, as Director of Residence Services at Marshall University to start a new position as Director of Residence Life at Stephen F. Austin State University. Consequently they have relocated from Huntington WV to Nacogdoches TX in August. She is continuing to teach online in the adult and higher education masters program at Morehead State University until they can find a replacement for her.

Nominations for Student Orientation Staff~ The Office of First Year Experience Programs is currently recruiting a candidate pool for 2009 Orientation Student Staff. Please consider nominating outstanding students you work with by sending their name and email address to us at orient@indiana.edu by December 19, 2008. In addition, please feel free to pass this on to your colleagues who also work with amazing IU students! To help you fully understand the scope of responsibilities required of these students, we have updated and posted the position descriptions on our website at http://orientation.indiana.edu/studentjobs/. Please feel free to contact 855-4357 should you have further questions.
Personal Successes

Presentations

2008 ISAA conference
- Kelly Mielke
  Academic Advising Portal: A Way to Connect (with Nathan Byrer)
- Abby Stott, Jessica Blackerby, & Christy Moede
  Increasing Campus Safety: Guns on Campuses: Yes, No? (with Vice Chancellor Karen Whitney)

2008 Regional NACA conference
- Erin Beck
  Developing Leadership as a Team: The Social Change Model (with Diana Sims-Harris)

2008 Regional ACUI conference
- Erin Beck & Jarod Wilson
  Collaborating with Your Community

Research

- Jessica Blackerby
  received IRB approval for her research study Hardiness and Misaligned Perceptions: A Study of the High School to College Transition

Acknowledgements

2008 Regional ACUI conference
- Robert Stagni & Amelia Hogan
  took first place in the Case Study competition titled The Palm Reader

Awards

- National Bob Pierlioni
  Spirit of Professional and Organizational Development Award
- Indiana University
  IU Teaching Academy
  FACET
- IUPUI
  Joseph H. Taylor
  Award for Excellence in Diversity and learning

ELA Conference, San Antonio
- Suzanne Eckes
  elected to serve on the Education Law Association’s Board of Directors

Professional Development & Upcoming Conferences

NCAA Internship
For more information:
http://www.ncaa.org/wps/ncaa?ContentID=411
Deadline: December 5th

ACPA 2009 Convention
March 28-April 1, 2009,
Washington DC
http://convention.myacpa.org/

NASPA 2009 Conference
March 7-11, 2009,
Seattle, Washington
http://www.naspa.org/conference/
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Congratulations!

Upcoming Events

Thanksgiving Break
November 25-30

Finals Week
Beginning December 15th

Winter Break
Beginning December 22nd

Classes Resume
January 12th

HESA New Year Potluck
Friday January 23rd at Don Hossler’s Home. More information to come.

2009 Outreach

Doctoral Outreach
February 11 & 12

Master’s Outreach
February 12, 13, 19, & 20

GPSO News and Events

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