This year, the College of Arts and Sciences continued to excel in teaching, scholarship, creative activity, and professional and community service. I was named Dean after an internal search process in the late fall, and I am honored to serve in this capacity with such an inspiring group of colleagues and students. This report documents the many achievements of our faculty and students during the academic year 2009-2010, and I am pleased to present it to you.

Some highlights:

Record numbers of students registered in the fall semester. A prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship was awarded to Kaila Mattson, Chemistry major, who studied and conducted chemistry research in Germany this summer. Judge Gordon B. and Martha Kahn donated a multimedia instructional room to the Visual Arts department, and a Chemistry room was named in honor of the late Thomas “T. G.” Jackson, Emeritus Professor of Chemistry. The Visual Arts Department completed construction on its Glass Building, which will introduce students to the study of glass this fall. Exhibit construction for the Archaeology Museum continues in the Delchamps Center for Archaeology, and the College looks forward to the opening of the Museum in 2011.

Dr. Susan McCready received the Dean’s Lecturer award for her research in the field of foreign languages, and Dr. Richard Sykora received a Faculty Research award. Teaching awardees for the year are Drs. Murlene Clark (Earth Sciences) and Richard Rogers (Chemistry). Dr. Doug Haywick of Earth Sciences received the Outstanding Service award. Carolyn Haines of the English Department was named recipient of the Harper Lee Award as Alabama’s Distinguished Writer of the Year.

The College of Arts and Sciences faculty had a productive year of scholarship, research, and creative activity. The following books were published by faculty members:


**J. Steven Picou.** *Hurricane Katrina: Long-term patterns of community recovery.* Interim Report submitted to the Social Science Research Council.


**John Shelley-Tremblay.** *Fibromyalgia Syndrome and Carbohydrates.* Berlin: Springer-Verlag, VDM.

**Marsha Hamilton.** *Social and Economic Networks in Early Massachusetts: Atlantic Connections.* University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press.

**Mara Kozelsky.** *Christianizing Crimea: Shaping Sacred Space in the Russian Empire and Beyond.* DeKalb, IL: Northern Illinois University Press.
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**Sue Walker.** *She Said*. Tallahassee: River’s Edge Publishers.

**Carolyn Haines.** *Greedy Bones* (hardcover). New York: St. Martin’s Minotaur.


Additionally, A&S faculty edited more than 29 publications, wrote more than 199 peer-reviewed journal articles, and produced more than 100 abstracts.

Faculty participation in sponsored research was at an all-time high, with faculty competitive grants totaling over 3.5 million dollars. Over 320 students participated in research with faculty, resulting in published papers, poster presentations, and presentations to regional and national meetings. Our faculty presented at international, national, and regional conferences, and music faculty and students performed at international, national, and regional venues. The College donated over 13,500 hours of community service and outreach to programs such as Alabama Coastal Cleanup, Museum of Mobile, Mobile Senior Bowl, American Radio Relay League, NASA, the Historical Society, a Nicaraguan orphanage, the National Organization of Women, and the Association on Higher Education and Disability.

The faculty embraced a challenge to redesign several large-section course offerings and participated in redesign workshops. The Freshman Seminar program had its largest enrollment with a focus on academic success. Our first Ph.D. students in Clinical and Counseling Psychology began their studies in this academic year.

During its Spring meeting, the Dean’s Leadership Council welcomed new members: Sarah “Sally” Caldwell, Rickie Voit, Jerry Friedlander, Max Morey, Bill Oppenheimer, and Carolyn Haines. The College added new scholarships and had a solid year of fundraising overall.
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Mission Statement

The College of Arts and Sciences is the intellectual center of the University of South Alabama and is the foundation for establishing and building the quality of the University’s academic programs. In the College of Arts and Sciences, students receive broad exposure to all areas of academic inquiry, as well as in-depth knowledge in their chosen field of study. The College provides all undergraduate students at the University, regardless of major, with the fundamentals of a liberal arts education to enhance their knowledge and create an atmosphere in which they develop their own critical thinking, communication skills, and the tools with which to carry out independent inquiry. Such an education promotes a heightened sense of intellectual curiosity, an appreciation of the values and accomplishments of the sciences, arts, and humanities, and a sense of awareness and responsibility for the well-being of their society.

In achieving these educational goals, the College of Arts and Sciences will:

- offer a full range of subjects in the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, mathematics, and the natural sciences,
- encourage breadth of learning and training in the fundamentals of scholarship,
- create and apply knowledge in the arts and sciences through dedicated research, teaching, scholarship, and creative works,
- foster educational exchange within the University, the Mobile community, and society as a whole,
- maintain a community of teachers and scholars devoted to the preservation and discovery of knowledge and its transmission to students and to the public,
- promote an intellectual climate that encourages lifelong learning and open and free inquiry,
- encourage and support the application of knowledge in service to the University, the Mobile metropolitan area, and the wider society,
- promote diversity, tolerance, and mutual understanding among all members of the University community and society as a whole,
- emphasize the regional uniqueness of southwest Alabama, including its cultural heritage, its natural environment, and its strategic location as a port city on the Gulf of Mexico,
- prepare students to participate in the larger world beyond the region by giving them an awareness of the complexity of global issues and contexts, and
- prepare students for meaningful and productive careers and contribute to the development of an educated work force responsive to the needs of the region.
The College of Arts and Sciences is the intellectual foundation of the academic enterprise at the University of South Alabama. With more than 350 full and part time faculty, and 3500 undergraduate majors, and over 200 graduate students, the College is by far the largest academic unit within the university. More importantly, through the liberal arts general education curriculum, the College plays an integral role in the education of every undergraduate student at USA.

Research and scholarship are essential to the teaching mission of the College. As the University has evolved since its origin in 1963, its mission has expanded to include an emphasis not only on teaching and service but also significant research. The faculty have responded to the challenge to engage in research, and as the University has grown and new faculty have joined its ranks, research has become increasingly important in defining the University of South Alabama and in distinguishing it from other colleges and universities in the Gulf Coast region and the state of Alabama.

The College of Arts and Sciences has played an integral role in sustaining the new direction for the University. Faculty members in Arts and Sciences have demonstrated increasing success in their research and scholarly pursuits. The faculty in Arts and Sciences is second only to the Medical School in the level of extramural funding received, but that is only one measure of the scholarship that has become an expected part of every faculty member’s professional responsibility. Much of the research, scholarship, and creative work of the faculty receive little or no extramural funding, yet it contributes significantly to the intellectual climate and to the growing reputation of the University of South Alabama as a leading research institution in the Southeastern United States. The College of Arts and Sciences’ rich intellectual climate is driven by a vision of continued excellence, a vision shared by our students, faculty, and administrators alike. This vision of integrating research and scholarship with teaching and service fosters not only further improvements in classroom instruction but also improvements in the quality of life in our community.
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Mr. Christopher Lee, Chair

Chris Lee is presently the Director of the J. L. Bedsole Foundation. He was born in Los Angeles, California, and received an undergraduate degree in Business Administration from Washington University. In 1974 he was commissioned in the Navy and completed Navy Flight Training. Chris had a 22 year career with the Navy and Coast Guard, where he flew both rotary wing and fixed wing aircraft, and he also served as Director of Aviation Plans and Programs in Washington, DC. Following retirement from the Coast Guard in 1994, Chris served in the Dow administration as Executive Director of Administrative Services for the City of Mobile for over 11 years. During this time he was also an adjunct faculty member for the University of South Alabama in the Department of Criminal Justice and Public Administration. Chris holds a Masters in Management and Human Relations from Webster University and a Masters in Public Administration from Harvard University. Chris’s hobbies include cycling, sailing, reading and gardening. He is married to Sandra, and he has two step daughters and four grandchildren, all living here in Mobile.

Ms. Gigi Armbrecht

Gigi Armbrecht is AT&T’s regional director in southwest Alabama. She currently serves as immediate past Chair of the Board of Directors of Girl Scouts of the Deep South Council, the Mobile Area Education Foundation and the United Way of Southwest Alabama. Gigi has a BS degree from the University of Alabama and two MAs from the University of South Alabama. She is a graduate of Leadership Mobile, Leadership Alabama and the WK Kellogg National Leadership Program, Class V. Gigi is a member of the Rotary Club of Mobile – Sunrise and is on the Board of Advisors for the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce and the Advisory Board for Envision Coastal Alabama. Armbrecht has served on a number of community boards and commissions. At present, she sits on the boards of the Mobile Area Education Foundation, United Way of Southwest Alabama and the University of South Alabama National Alumni Association. She is a past chair of Envision Coastal Alabama and sits on the Building Authority for the Alabama School of Mathematics.

Ms. Sarah (Sally) D. Caldwell

Sarah (Sally) D. Caldwell is an educational consultant, working with school districts and state educational agencies. She is the evaluator on federally funded research and development projects in character education in Missouri, Illinois, Alabama and South Dakota. She earned her B.A. degree in history from the University of Alabama, her MEd from University of Hawaii, and her doctorate in school administration from the University of Missouri – St. Louis. She is the daughter-in-law of the late James F. Caldwell one of the founding executives of USA.

Mrs. Patsy Busby Dow

Patsy Dow is a former Assistant US Attorney and Former Assistant District Attorney. She is the co-author of “Winning the Day Trading Game” published in 2005 by John Wiley and Sons and the co-author of the upcoming “The Markets Never Sleep” to be published by John Wiley and Sons in February 2007. Patsy is active as a staff writer and in Volunteers of America. She holds three degrees from the University of South Alabama: a B.A. in History, an M.A. in History, and a M.Ed. Early Childhood. She graduated with honors from Tulane School of Law and enjoys traveling and real estate. She has been married for 36 years to Mike Dow.

Mr. Gerald Friedlander

Mr. Friedlander is a University of South Alabama alumnus, earning his Certificate in Gerontology in 2008. In the Mobile area for the past three decades, he has been very active in civic and commercial organizations, serving as Board Chair for the United Way of Southwest Alabama, as a business owner and member of the Board of Directors for the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, and as president of the Mobile Association of Retarded Citizens, MARC. He was co-owner and served as president of Mobile Rug and Shade Company, Inc., from 1980 to 2002. He owned the company from 2003 until August 2006 when he sold the business. Prior to coming to Mobile, Mr. Friedlander served as an attorney in Atlanta, Georgia, from 1964 to 1980, focusing primarily on business and commercial litigation, bankruptcy, and creditors rights.
He received his law degree from Harvard, attended the Wharton School of Economics at the University of Pennsylvania, where he received his B.S. in Economics, and he also attended Georgia Tech prior to the University of Pennsylvania.

Ms. Carolyn Haines

Carolyn Haines’s latest novel, *Bone Appetit*, is the 10th in the Sarah Booth Delaney mystery series, which is set in the Mississippi Delta. She is the 2010 recipient of the Harper Lee Distinguished Alabama Writing Award, and in 2009 she was awarded a Richard Wright Literary Excellence Award. She has received critical acclaim for her mystery series as well as her stand-alone titles, which have hit regional and national bestseller lists. *Fever Moon*, a historical thriller released in 2007, was a Book Sense notable book, and *Penumbra*, set in 1952 Mississippi, was named one of the top five mysteries of 2006 by Library Journal, a distinction given to *Hallowed Bones* in 2004. Her short story, “The Wish,” was included in the anthology, *Many Bloody Returns*, which hit the *New York Times* bestseller list last fall. She is the author of *Ham Bones, Bones to Pick, Hallowed Bones, Crossed Bones, Splintered Bones, Buried Bones*, and *Them Bones* in the Sarah Booth Delaney series. *Touched and Summer of the Redeemers*, two general fiction novels, have been reissued in trade paperback. Her first non-fiction book, *My Mother’s Witness: The Peggy Morgan Story* (River City Publishing), tells the story of a woman who testified against Byron Dela Beckwith, a white supremacist who murdered civil rights worker Medgar Evers. Along with Rebecca Barrett, Haines edited a collection of memories about Mobile author Eugene Walter titled *Moments with Eugene*, and she is currently editing a collection of short stories set around the Mississippi Delta Blues and a crime/noir element for Bleak House. The author was awarded a 2009 writing fellowship from the Alabama State Arts Council. Her books have been translated into more than a dozen languages. She has published short fiction in journals and magazines. Haines is a native of Lucedale, Mississippi, but she makes her home in Semmes, Alabama and teaches the graduate and undergraduate fiction writing classes at the University of South Alabama, where she is an assistant professor. She is an animal activist and works to help educate the public about the need to spay and neuter pets.

Ms. Patricia McCrory

Patricia McCrory graduated from Davidson High School in Mobile in 1970 and the University of South Alabama in 1974 with a BA in Political Science and a minor in English. She worked for the Merchants National Bank (now Regions) for 7 years in customer service and commercial loans. After a brief stay at home with her daughter, she went to work at Kiker Corporation, a commercial roofing and sheet metal contracting company owned by her husband R. Bruce McCrory and his brother, both USA alumni. This was to be a temporary, part-time job. She is now in her 26th year and serves as Controller, handling all of the financial operations of the company. Patricia is a member of Christ United Methodist Church and has served on the Administrative Board, Chairman of the Worship Committee and volunteered in many areas of the children’s ministry.

Mr. Max Morey

Mr. Max Morey owns and operates the Crescent Theater in downtown Mobile. Until recently, he was a marketing executive in the casino industry. For 23 years he worked in Atlantic City, Las Vegas, and Biloxi. For the last 6 years, he has been involved with real estate development in Mobile, which includes building the Crescent Theater and now owning and operating it. In October 2010, the Crescent will have been open for two years. Morey has always had an interest in the arts—whether collecting art, creating it, or displaying it. He looks forward to working with the Dean’s Leadership Council and hopes to be productive in that regard.

Mr. William Oppenheimer

William W. Oppenheimer is CEO of Enveloc, Inc., a software development company which specializes in backup and restoration software and services. His previous business experience includes an export management company, specializing in agricultural machinery, founded in 1977. Oppenheimer Exports, Inc., grew to include two overseas sales offices and dealers in over sixty countries. He merged this company with the original family business, OPICO, in 1988, and continues to serve as an officer and board member. His present and past civic involvements
include the Mobile Rotary Club (past president and Paul Harris Fellow), Family Counseling Center (past president), Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Habitat for Humanity, Dumas Wesley Community Center, Coastal Conservation Association, and the National Wild Turkey Federation. An elder at Spring Hill Presbyterian Church, he is also an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoys playing blues piano. Oppenheimer, a native of Mobile, received a B.A. degree from Yale University in 1975. He and his wife Nancy have two grown children, Nancy and Harris, and reside in Mobile.

Mr. Danny Patterson

Danny Patterson is the Senior Location Executive for IBM’s Mobile and Pensacola locations and is a native of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. He has a BA degree in Economics from Carleton College. He has been with IBM for 26 years and was recognized with the IBM Chairman’s Award for his leadership with the Mercedes-Benz first US-based assembly plant in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He established the Lighthouse Community Development Corporation in 2002 to assist the underserved residents of Southwest Mobile County and has served as Chairman of this non-profit organization. He is active with the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, the Women’s Business Center, United Way, Leadership Mobile, and Mobile Rotary.

Dr. Richard Rogers

Dr. Richard Rogers worked in design and synthesis for the Dow Chemical Company for 31 years, including roles as Global Director and Development Manager. He has been actively involved in mentoring young scientists and achieved the rank of Fellow which is the highest scientific level in Dow AgroSciences, and his research resulted in the publication of several patents. Dr. Rogers brought his enthusiasm and energy to the University of South Alabama Chemistry Department first in 2001 and has been a popular professor since then. Dr. Rogers holds the Ph.D. from the University of Alabama, the Master’s from University of Wisconsin and a Bachelor’s Degree from Tulane. He did post-doctoral work at Indiana University. He and his wife reside in Mobile in a restored 150 year old home.

Mr. Scott Speck

Scott Speck is the Director of the Mobile Symphony. With recent performances in London, Paris, Moscow, Beijing, San Francisco and Washington, Scott Speck has inspired international acclaim as a conductor of passion, intelligence and winning personality. He has led numerous performances with the symphony orchestras of Baltimore, Houston, Paris, Moscow, Shanghai, Beijing, Buffalo, Columbus (OH), Honolulu, Louisville, New Orleans, Oregon, Rochester, Florida, and Virginia, among many others. Previously he held positions as Conductor of the San Francisco Ballet (1998 to 2002), Music Advisor and Conductor of the Honolulu Symphony; and Associate Conductor of the Los Angeles Opera. During a recent tour of Asia he was named Principal Guest Conductor of the China Film Philharmonic in Beijing. In addition, Scott Speck is the co-author of two of the world’s best-selling books on classical music for a popular audience, Classical Music for Dummies and Opera for Dummies. His third book in the series, Ballet for Dummies, was released in September 2003. Born in Boston, Scott Speck graduated summa cum laude from Yale University. He received his Master’s Degree with highest honors from the University of Southern California, served as a Conducting Fellow at the Aspen School of Music, and studied at the Tanglewood Music Center.

Mrs. Angelia Stokes

Ms. Stokes holds the Bachelor’s Degree in Management with a minor in Economics from USA. She is a certified grant writer from Troy University and has volunteered as PTO President of Dothan High School, the Educational Foundation for the Future of Dothan City Schools on the Allocation Committee and has served as secretary. She is a docent at Wiregrass Art Museum and a member of Covenant United Methodist Church in Dothan. Ms. Stokes and her husband Dr. Steven H. Stokes fund creative writing scholarships in the English Department at the University of South Alabama.
Mr. Al Stokes

City Government's resident academician, Al (as he is commonly referred to), has been visiting scholar, guest lecturer, instructor, and assistant professor at University of Illinois, University of South Alabama and Xavier University in L.A. Twelve years ago, this native Mobilian descended from the Ivory Tower to become the executive assistant to the Mayor of New Orleans, where he was known as "the glue" that kept the administration and council together on key issues. After receiving an associate degree at Mobile's Bishop State Community College, Al earned a B.S. from Dallas College and a Master's in Public Administration from the University of Illinois, where he was a doctoral candidate. As Mayor Jones' "Chief of Staff." Al is in charge of "anything the Mayor says he's in charge of". The executive directors report to him, and he is responsible for inter- as well as intra-governmental relations.

Ms. Rickie Voit

Born October 29, 1949 in Williamson, West Virginia, Rickie Voit attended Ohio University and graduated from the University of Alabama in 1972 with a B.A. in Education. She is a former teacher of 23 years for the Tuscaloosa, Alabama and Mobile County, Alabama, public schools. She is married to Lawrence B. Voit, an attorney with Silver, Voit, and Thompson in Mobile. They have three adult children and two grandchildren. She is active in, or a board member of, the following organizations: Ahavas Chesed Synagogue, Mobile Area Jewish Federation, Jewish Family Services of Mobile, Alabama State Holocaust Commission, Gulf Coast Center for Holocaust and Human Rights Education, Mobile Jewish Film Festival, Christian-Jewish Dialogue, Hillel at UA, Mobile Chamber Music Society, and South Alabama United Way Emergency Food & Shelter Committee.
Faculty Announcements & Awards

New Faculty

Faculty Member  Department
David Andrew Murray  Earth Sciences

Promotions

Faculty Member  Department  New Title
Juan Mata  Biology  Associate Professor
Patricia Mark  Communication  Associate Professor
Zoya Khan  Foreign Languages & Literatures  Associate Professor
Jeannette Fresne  Music  Associate Professor
Mark Yates  Psychology  Associate Professor
Anne Boettcher  Biology  Professor
John McCreadie  Biology  Professor
Smoot Major  Biology  Senior Instructor
Systske Kimball  Earth Sciences  Senior Instructor
Alice Kracke  English  Senior Instructor
Robert Faust  History  Senior Instructor

Tenured

Faculty Member  Department
Matthew Johnson  Visual Arts
Juan Mata  Biology
Patricia Mark  Communication
Kern Jackson  English
Zoya Khan  Foreign Languages & Literatures
Jeannette Fresne  Music
Mark Yates  Psychology

Emeritus

Faculty Member  Department
Dr. Jerrold L. Downey  Associate Professor Emeritus of Psychology
Thomas G. Jackson  Posthumous Professor Emeritus of Chemistry
Aaron Williams  Associate Professor Emeritus of Earth Sciences

2010 Sabbaticals

Faculty Member  Department
Jorg Feldvoss  Mathematics & Statistics
W. David Gartman  Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work
Marsha Hamilton  History
Ellen Harrington  English
Cristopher V. Hollingsworth  English
Bin Wang  Mathematics & Statistics
## Faculty Announcements & Awards

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Student Scholarships

Arts & Sciences Scholarships

Earl P. Andrews Scholarship  
Jeanna Jordan

Frederick Palmer Whiddon Scholarships  
Heather Rimes

Albert Schweitzer Memorial Scholarship  
Sharon Beech

Chemistry

Shauna Charlton  
Hijrah El-Sabee  
Deric Hester  
Kaila Mattson

T. G. Jackson Endowed Scholarship  
Tabitha Ely

Wierzbicki-Salter Endowed Scholarship  
Kaila Mattson

Communication

Michael S. Hanna Endowed Communication Scholarship  
Kendra Day

Dramatic Arts

Laidlaw Performing Scholarships  
Penny Endicott  
Lauren Fussell  
Christopher Hill  
Caitlin Jennings  
Ravyn Otis  
Evan Wilson  
Matthew Brewer  
Kayleigh Smith  
Psacoya Guinn  
Benjamin Haas

National Theatre Owners of Alabama  
Juliana Osburn

Earth Sciences

Geography awards

Eugene Wilson Award in Geography  
Samantha Warren

Victoria L. Rivizzigno Award  
Hugh Dowling

Glenn Sebastian Award  
Sherall Cornwell  
Vincent Walker

Geography Atlas Awards  
Forrest Coffman  
Hugh Dowling  
Andrew Keith  
Stephen Madden  
Yolette Matthews  
James Moone  
Ernest Perkins  
Joshua Pritchard  
Paul Roberts  
Samantha Warren

Meteorology awards

ExxonMobil Outstanding Senior in Meteorology  
Meghan Mee

ExxonMobil Outstanding Junior in Meteorology  
Rebecca Lanier

Dr. Bill Williams Scholarship in Meteorology  
Amanda Billiot  
Vanna Chmielewski  
Arthur Eiserloh  
Amanda Mundell
Student Scholarships

Coastal Weather Research Center Outstanding Student Award
Jaclyn Tisdale
Dennis Wallace

Synoptic Meteorology Top Forecaster
Robert Frye

Geology Awards
Freshman Hammer Awards
Patrick Glass
William Gray
Shane Traylor
Daniel Urban

Denmark - Isphording Award
Tiia Carraway

Sedimentology Book Award
Nicole Nobles

Wiggs Paleontology Award
Ashley Turton

Desk and Derrick Award
Kelly Jones

K. Elliott Hagler Award
Aaron Summerfield

Mobile Rock and Gem Society Field School Award
J. Hunter Phillips

John Faggard Memorial Award
Michele Johnson

Eco-Systems, Inc. Environmental Geology/Hydrogeology Award
Victoria Cunningham

George Lamb Award
Ashley Turton

English

Endowed Scholarship
Shannon Howard

Best Graduate Essay Prize
Shannon Howard

Bobby Holmes Scholarship
Michael Cooper

Freshman Composition Contest
Jaqueline Parks
Jonathan Deluca
Ryane Buck
John M. Thibeault

Foreign Languages & Literatures

Patricia L. Dyess Scholarship
Ayesha Jaleel
Colleen Schmitz

Margaret Pol Stock Scholarship
William Young Jr.

Graciella Blanco Scholarship
Travis Roth

Jacqueline Quinn Grey Scholarship
Michelle Constantine
Anna Dewitt

Ervin W. Goessling Scholarship
Colleen Schmitz

Felicia Cooley Scholarship
Richard Ellisor
Student Scholarships

History

Macy Wims Reid Endowed Scholarship
Katie Vadakin

Montgomery Carlton Stallworth Scholarship
Cecilia Newsome

Minnie Lee Wilkins Stallworth Scholarship
Carol Sherrod

Mathematics & Statistics

Christopher Nash Scholarship
First: Lin Zhong
Second: Edward Anderson
Third: David Mullens

Sushila Mishra Memorial Scholarship
Monica Whatley

Victorino S. Blanco Award
Megumi Inaba

Departmental Scholarships
Lin Zhong
Kevin Nguyen

Music

Marching Band Awards
Rachael Thomas
James Thompson
Garrett Torbert
Kurt (Trey) Trampel
Arie Van DeWaa
Carlos Vizoso
Kristen Walker
Vincet Walker
Erica Washington
Adrian Ian Weaver

Jennifer Weiss
Chase West
Morgan Wilkins
Sylvester Williams
Samantha Wilson
Jeffrey Windham
Damen Wood

New Instrumental Scholarships
Heather Caylor
Chase Davidson
Courtney Day
Josh Diercks
Julia Faison
Jonathan Faust
Rose Gooding
Robert Hammon
Carl Head
Danielle Heil
Lee (LT) Hughes
Donty’e Johnson
Jonathan Jones
Ryan Lambright
Gregory Lewis
Daniel McBride
Rachel Moody
Zennie Moulton
Christopher Mullenix
Ernest (Dennis) Parker
Austin Platt
Terrell Pruitt
Robert Rockwell
Nathaniel Shadix
Brianna Smith
Kevin Smith
Catherine Stephens
Taelor Tankersley
James Thompson
Kristen Walker
Jeffrey Windham
**Student Scholarships**

**New Vocal Scholarship Awards**
Emily Muncaster
Tyler Peterson
Adrian Ian Weaver
JaLeesa Gibbs
Brandon Caten
Erica Washington
Gabriela Merz
Samantha Wilson

**Returning Scholarship Awards**
Jessica Alexander
Thomas Alidor
Emily Allen
Katie Bandy
Candace Blake
Jessica Boyette
Jarrod Broadus
Nick Brownlee
Raymond Cayula
Shauna Charlton
Krysten Chenoweth
Troy Clark
Ashley Clark
Kandace Cross
Stephen Davidson
Michael Devery
Edward Doyle
Krista Edwards
Thomas Finch
Aaron Fiveash
Douglas Fox
Michelle French
Lauren Fussell
Monica Ganoe
Taylor Hamm
Preston Hanne
Jessica Head
John Patrick Hicks
Katherine Hicks
Kayla Hodges
Emily Isacson

Benjamin Ivey
Len Jenkins
Philip Jones
Maria Killebrew
Sidney King
Nguyen Le
Christopher McCrany
Jeremy Megginson
Jessica Mourey
Genevieve Murphy
Daniel Murphy
Marcus Nobles
Stephen Norris
Soren Odom
Kathryn Patterson
Thomas S. Penny
Jonathan Pruitt
Joylyn Reese
James Rushing
Cody Salter
Saila Sanderson
Kathleen Scott
Daniel Singleterry
Basia Smith
Stephen Smith
Joseph Sullivan
Haley Torries
Victoria Turner
Arie J. Vandewaa
Carlos Vizoso
Zachary Warner
Zachary Webb
Charles West
Morgen Wilkins
Sylvester Williams
Christina Wright

**Physics**

**USA Foundation Physics Scholarship**
Ozarfar Gafarov
Student Scholarships
student scholarships continued

Outstanding Physics Student Award
R. Ian Leatherbury

Freshman Scholarship in Physics
Lin Zhong
Robert Holmes
Joshua Plummer

Faculty Honors Fellowship
Eynon Shannon
Rafi Qumseih

Political Science & Criminal Justice

David L. Horton Memorial Award For Excellence in Political Science
Vedran Dedic

Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science
Honor Society inductees:
Baxter Bishop
Colin Campbell
Patricia Carter
Vedran Dedic
Tiffany Nunnery

Excellence in Political Science:
Bret A. Beavers
Baxter A. Bishop
Colin E. Campbell
Patricia A. Carter
Vedran Dedic
Aubrey M. Dozier
Jessica L. Furby
Tiffany J. Nunnery
Helly J. Patel
Shamil J. Patel
Chelsea M. Sanders
Evan M. Thomas

Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice
Honor Society inductees:
Jennifer L. Charchar
Rachelle N. Young
Julie Ann Stallworth
Laura A. Dicks

Excellence in Criminal Justice:
Zachary J. Blackburn
Tara D. Carter
Jennifer L. Charchar
Laura A. Dicks
Andrew S. Erdman
Jason R. Greene
Kelsie N. Langford
Katarzyna Rybarczyk
Julie Ann Stallworth
Rachelle N. Young

Criminal Justice Outstanding Student Award:
Kelsie N. Langford

James H. Boyd Memorial Award for Excellence in Public Administration
Tessie L. Keevan

Psychology

USA Psychology Scholarship
David Chavers
Cassandra Fambro
Caitlin Jennings
Julius Spicciani
Yeah SeWong

Outstanding Undergraduate Students 2008
Kathleen Laskowski
Candace Selwyn

Outstanding Graduate Students 2008
Stephanie Jett
Melissa Womble
Student Scholarships

Sociology & Anthropology, & Social Work

USA Foundation Scholarships: Anthropology
William Waltman
Chelsey R. Wilson

USA Foundation Scholarships: Sociology
Emmalee Sutton
Judith Sorge

USA Foundation Scholarships: Social Work
Jessica Hinds
Monica Lucas

USA Foundation Graduate Scholarship:
Sara McAfee

USA Foundation Graduate Scholarship, Sociology
Stanley A. Veitch

Visual Arts

The Robert Snell Scholarship
Jarad Marler
Jacquelyn Copper

Visual Art Memorial Scholarship
Tori Callahan
The Center for Archaeological Studies (CAS) continues to conduct archaeological research, teaching, and public service in the north-central Gulf coast region (Dr. Greg Waselkov, Director, and Dr. Phil Carr, Associate Director). In 2009-2010 our attention has turned increasingly to coastal sites, both prehistoric and early historic in age, that have been threatened by rapid coastal development and, most recently, by the BP oil catastrophe. Teaching is closely integrated with CAS research, most prominently by the involvement of students in field and laboratory projects, in several instances this year culminating in posters presented at regional professional conferences. Public educational outreach remains a priority, as well, with numerous visits by school groups to CAS and further progress toward completion of permanent exhibits in the USA Archaeology Museum.

Some highlights of 2009-2010 include forty-six new research and service projects, with a total budget of $782,202, and the completion of several multi-year project reports. One of our new projects involves large-scale archaeological testing of 15 sites in the Dothan area that lay in the path of a proposed interstate highway connector (Dr. Carr, Principal Investigator; Sarah Price, Project Director). A grant to Dr. Waselkov from the National Park Service’s American Battlefield Protection Program has enabled us to locate several important battlefields of the Creek War of 1813-1814, one of the seminal events of Alabama’s early history. Another grant from the Alabama Department of Transportation will support a field survey of the entire 175 mile route of the Federal Road dating to 1809, the first wagon and postal route to cross lands that would become Alabama. And a third grant, from the Mississippi Department of Archives & History, is funding exploration of the land around the LaPointe-Krebs House, the oldest residence in Mississippi, which dates to around 1780 and still stands in Pascagoula (Bonnie Gums, PD). George Shorter continues to investigate building ruins at the site of Old St. Stephens, the territorial capital of Alabama during the early 19th-century.

Tara Potts completed analysis of two Creek Indian house remnants at Hickory Ground, late 18th-century capital of the Muskogee Nation, and Bonnie Gums finished her report on excavations in The Village, a colonial-era community of ethnic French settlers located in present-day Daphne, Alabama, on the bluff overlooking Mobile Bay. CAS staff completed many service projects, including FEMA-related surveys of Hurricane Katrina-damaged houses in Bayou La Batre and elsewhere in southwest Alabama, analyses of stone toolmaking debris for Jacksonville State University and the New Orleans-based environmental firm Goodwin & Associates (Dr. Carr, PI). In their totality, these projects supported ten undergraduate student assistants, some of whom also participated in directed research at the Center. Senior Jacqlyn Kirkland completed a UCUR grant involving public outreach to 4th-grade students at John Will Elementary School. Lindsay LaGrange finished her senior thesis on the significance of bear bones at archaeological sites in the Southeast and presented her findings at the Southeastern Archaeological Conference.

A reorganization of CAS administrative structure has streamlined project intake and tracking (Tara Potts), budgeting (Sabrina Chestang), artifact processing and student assistant supervision (Ginny Newberry), and artifact accession, library cataloging, and data entry (Raven Christopher).

In-house design and fabrication of a museum exhibit in the Delchamps Archaeology Building is continuing, with major input from Dr. Waselkov, George Shorter, and Sarah Mattics. Jason Guynes, chair of Visual Arts, taught mural classes in 2009 that began painting a large view of the prehistoric mound site of Bottle Creek in the exhibit space, a very ambitious project that was completed by USA graduate Sheila Nguyen.

Center staff organized numerous public outreach events, such as hosting the Southeastern Archaeological Conference, a regional professional meeting of 700 archaeologists, organized by Dr. Carr, Sarah Price, and Tara Potts. Other events included hosting monthly meetings of the Southwest Chapter of the Alabama Archaeological Society, offering opportunities for volunteers in the laboratory and in the field at local archaeological sites, and leading a tour of the Bottle Creek mound site in the Mobile-Tensaw delta.

At the close of the 2010 Spring Semester, we have just begun to survey and test coastal archaeological sites in danger of impact by the massive Gulf oil spill and anticipate continued activity in this regard. We have several ongoing projects stretching from the Mississippi Gulf Coast to the Alabama-Georgia state line.
USA Programs in Gerontology

Senator Richard Shelby was recently inducted as an honorary member into the Sigma Phi Omega National Academic Honor and Professional Society in Gerontology/Alpha Zeta Chapter at the University of South Alabama. Senator Shelby serves on the Senate Special Committee on Aging and has represented the citizens of Alabama since 1986. Senator Shelby has received numerous awards for his support of seniors, including “Guardian of Seniors’ Rights,” from the 60 Plus Association. Pamela Brown presented Senator Shelby with the honorary membership at his DC office. Ms. Brown was 2007-2008 president of the Alpha Zeta Chapter and during fall semester 2007 served as intern in the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE) and the National office of Sigma Phi Omega. Ms. Brown, who received her M.A. in Sociology in May 2008, represents the growing pool of highly qualified non-traditional students in the USA Programs in Gerontology graduate certificate program. Her internship with AGHE/SPO is the latest exciting opportunity presented by the long professional association of AGHE and Sigma Phi Omega and the USA Programs in Gerontology. The Alpha Zeta Chapter is the oldest Sigma Phi Omega chapter in the state of Alabama.

Two former students from the USA Leadership Institute for Older Adults, sponsored annually by the SARPC-Area Agency on Aging, have entered academic programs at USA. Gerald Friedlander, Mobile attorney and business leader, is pursuing his Graduate Certificate in Gerontology, and Marilyn O’Brien is pursuing her M.A. in Sociology. Both returned to formal education after learning of opportunities at USA through their Leadership Institute experiences. Mr. Friedlander is former Board Chair of United Way of Southwest Alabama, former Board member of Mobile Theater Guild and the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, and patron of the Mobile Museum of Art, the Mobile arts Council, and the Mobile Symphony Orchestra. He is the 2008 recipient of the USA Programs in Gerontology Outstanding Graduate Student award, and he is a member of the Dean’s Leadership Council.

Ray Weinshenker, graduate of the Undergraduate Certificate Program in Gerontology, was guest speaker at the Assisted Living Association of Alabama’s Spring Conference in Birmingham. Ray presented “Laughter in the Work Place and in Senior Care” to over 500 attendees of the conference. Ray has been a favorite presenter at the USA Programs in Gerontology and SARPC-AAA’s Leadership Institute for the last three years. Congratulations to Ray for his success!

Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks, Director, USA Programs in Gerontology, received a Top Prof award from the Azalea Chapter of the Mortar Board Honor Society at the 2008 Mortar Board/SGA banquet in February.

Thanks to enthusiastic support from Dr. Ron Franks, Vice President for Health Sciences, and Dr. Julio Turrens, Associate Dean, College of Allied Health Professions, faculty interested in the study of aging have formed a Gerontology Research Interest Group. A series of organizational meetings were chaired by Dr. Turrens, and a luncheon discussion was hosted by the Office of the Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, and chaired by Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks. Attendees represented the Colleges of Allied Health, Arts & Sciences, Education, Medicine, and Nursing. The website of the USA Programs in Gerontology has been modified to allow faculty to submit research collaboration opportunities and to view links to research funding sites. Initiatives suggested by the group include increased collaborative research and making students more aware of the flexibility of the Graduate Certificate in Gerontology to meet needs of traditional and non-traditional students in health-care fields, psychology, education, and business, as well as sociology and social work. The group plans to meet monthly.
The major focus for the 2009-2010 academic year was in the area of educational support. In November 2009, the Coastal Weather Research Center (CWRC) helped fund student travel to the annual meeting of the National Weather Association in Norfolk, Virginia. Students were able to attend special student-oriented functions and participate in poster sessions. In January 2010, the CWRC funded student travel to the annual meeting of the American Meteorological Society in Atlanta, Georgia, where students participated in the student conference and attended several paper sessions.

As in the past few years, the major on-campus event was the Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium (SeCaps). The event was held in the Student Center Ballroom and drew more than 200 participants and guests. The CWRC funded all travel expenses for several prominent meteorologists that included Dr. Steve Lyons of the Weather Channel, Dr. Jon Martin, Chair of the Meteorology Department at the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Erik Rasmussen of Rasmussen Systems and Dr. John Christy of the University of Alabama/Huntsville. In addition, the CWRC supported a student luncheon for Dr. Lyons and Dr. Rasmussen and helped fund an evening reception for all SeCaps participants.

Despite fewer hurricanes than normal, CWRC staff members were busy this past year. Dr. Keith Blackwell, the Weather Center’s chief hurricane forecaster, visited CSX headquarters in Jacksonville and made several presentations to company executives. Dr. Blackwell’s visit was in response to an invitation to discuss the hurricane threat to CSX facilities in that Atlantic coast city. Mr. Andrew Murray, who joined the faculty in January after receiving his M.S. degree in meteorology from Florida State University, was hired by the CWRC to assist in issuing severe weather warnings, hurricane forecasts and graphics. Andrew will begin working the tropics this year in what will likely be a very active hurricane season.

In December 2009, the CWRC issued the 20th edition of the *Mobile Weather and Marine Almanac*. 10,000 copies were printed and distributed by the advertisers across the greater Mobile area. The 2010 edition is hosted by WKRG-TV 5.

As in previous years, Coastal Weather purchased an advertisement in *Weatherwise* to promote meteorology at the University of South Alabama. The magazine is popular among young people who are searching for colleges to begin their meteorology career. The Weather Center has purchased ad space in *Weatherwise* for more than ten years.

During the annual Earth Sciences awards ceremony in April 2010, The CWRC presented awards to senior meteorology majors who finished with a GPA of 3.5 or greater. Dennis Wallace and Jaclyn Tisdale received a plaque honoring their achievement along with a Kestral anemometer.

In May of 2010, Cooper Marine of Mobile, Alabama, joined the Weather Center and became the 112th client. The CWRC now serves businesses in nine states, providing weather forecasts, warnings and hurricane information.
Description of Program

Since its inception in 2001, USA's Youth Violence Prevention Program (YVPP) has been focused on developing and supporting collaborative, culturally relevant, community-based research on youth violence prevention and broadly disseminating these research findings. This program has been both multidisciplinary, in that it supports research from a number of different fields, and interdisciplinary, in that it supports projects that cross disciplinary boundaries. Annually, it is funded through a Congressional appropriation to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). While the faculty and staff of the program maintain active engagement with efforts and organizations around the Mobile region that address all aspects of youth violence, the focuses of the funding for fiscal year 2009-2010 have been preventing interpersonal violence in at-risk adolescents and assessment of the impact of mentoring experiences on adjudicated youth. Dr. Jennifer Langhinrichsen-Rohling is the Principal Investigator for the two projects currently funded.

The faculty members engaged with the YVPP during 2009-2010:

- Jennifer Langhinrichsen-Rohling, Ph.D., Department of Psychology (Co-PI, YVPP) (PI, BSR & MDV)
- Tres Stefurak, Ph.D., Department of Professional Studies (Co-PI, BSR & MDV)
- Nicole Carr, Ph.D., Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work (Co-PI, BSR)
- Valerie Bryan, Ph.D., Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work (Co-PI, MDV)

The staff members of the YVPP:

- Shannon Shelley-Tremblay, J.D., Program Manager
- Megan Powell, M.B.A., Research Specialist

Currently Funded Projects:

Project 1: Preventing Domestic Violence in High Risk Youth

Brief Summary

The purpose of this project is to investigate the effectiveness of a brief, four-session curriculum designed to prevent and/or reduce the prevalence of intimate partner violence in high-risk adolescent relationships. A multidisciplinary team has been assembled to complete this project by implementing and evaluating a prevention program while studying risk factors that may alter youth’s responses to the intervention. The Project is being conducted with male youth, aged 13 to 17, who have been adjudicated to Camp Robert J. Martin Youth Leadership Academy (Camp Martin). Camp Martin is an alternative sentencing residential program in Mobile, AL.
Goals of the Project

I. Goal One: The first goal of this project is the adaptation of a prevention and intervention program originally designed for treatment of adolescent girls for use with adolescent boys residing in an alternative sentencing program.

II. Goal Two: The second goal of this project is to investigate the effectiveness of the Building a Strong Relationship (BSR) intervention with at-risk adolescent males.

III. Goal Three: The third goal of this project is to communicate with the administration of the residential facility and the professional community with regard to the efficacy of the treatment.

IV. Goal Four: The fourth goal of this project is to consider the feasibility of conducting the intervention with female adolescents who have been adjudicated to a different alternative sentencing program, G.R.O.W.T.H.

V. Goal Five: The fifth goal of this project is to enhance the cohesiveness of the University-community collaborations surrounding domestic violence prevention and intervention. To this end, members of the research team will actively participate with a number of long-standing community groups and agencies who are already focused on the problem of intimate partner violence in South Alabama.

Progress toward Goals:

In the 2008-09 year, the team advanced the project by completing and piloting the adapted intervention. Over the course of the 2009-10 year, the research team has made significant progress toward completion of the project goals. From June 2009 through June 2010 the BSR curriculum has been conducted by the YVPP team at Camp Martin. Five treatment and five control groups have been completed resulting in 46 at-risk adolescent males receiving the intensive treatment focused on reducing their risk for intimate partner violence. Over 70 youths have participated in the BSR assessment process. Additionally, there has been significant progress made toward adapting the BSR curriculum for use with adjudicated adolescent females residing in G.R.O.W.T.H. An internal pilot has been conducted, and a complete revamp of the female curriculum is nearing completion.

Ongoing Efforts:

The team has submitted a grant application to the Children’s Trust Fund of Alabama in collaboration with the staff of the Dumas Wesley Center in Mobile. If funded, the grant would support the further implementation and dissemination of the BSR curriculum by sponsoring male and female treatment groups and the assessment of the effects of the treatment on non-adjudicated but potentially at-risk youths who are living in the Crichton neighborhood.

The team will disseminate the findings of this study to the Camp Martin staff and the staff of the Strickland Youth Center in order to increase the knowledge of community partners regarding the impact of this brief curriculum on at-risk youth.

Project 2: Mentoring Experiences and Domestic Violence Prevention in Adjudicated Youth

Funding for this project began in the fall of 2009. The funding supports two related studies

Study 1: Mentoring programs are thought to be an effective way to prevent at-risk youth from becoming involved in delinquency and to help already delinquent youth change their lives for the better. Community leaders in Mobile have increasingly highlighted the need for high-quality mentoring programs to occur throughout the juvenile justice system. As a result, mentoring programs of all kinds have proliferated. The juvenile court regularly requires youth probationers to participate in one or more mentoring experiences as a
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condition of probation. Evidence from previous studies indicated tremendous variability in how youth respond to participation in mentoring programs. In Mobile County, it is unclear whether engaging in mentoring programs has a positive effect on adjudicated youth. The first study utilizes an archival file review of adjudicated youths, evaluating their involvement in mentoring programs.

Goals of the Study (Study 1):

I. Goal One: Answer the following questions: a) what is the extent of exposure to domestic violence in all of its various forms in youth who have been adjudicated in Mobile, Alabama; b) are there significant associations between various types of exposure to domestic violence and later juvenile offending in terms of the age of first offense, type of offending, or extent of offending; c) what is the extent of exposure to mentoring services in youth who have been adjudicated in Mobile, Alabama; and d) is exposure to mentoring services associated with reductions in the extent of offending?

II. Goal Two: Disseminate the results of the retrospective study to the stakeholders within and surrounding the juvenile court system. Assist court stakeholders to apply results of retrospective study to planning and modification of existing programs and, specifically, to planning and developing referral practices in regards to juvenile mentoring services.

Study 2: The second study is a continuation of the “Preventing Domestic Violence in High Risk Youth” -- Study funded in 2008-2009. (See above.)

Goals of the Study (Study 2):

I. Goal One: Continue to implement, evaluate, and analyze the Building Strong Relationships (BSR) prevention and intervention program at Camp Martin. Specific to the current year, develop a data abstraction instrument to code existing case file information on youths who are participants in the BSR study as these variables may be shown to mediate or moderate program effectiveness. Develop additional non-self report measures of propensity for aggressive responding and gender-role stereotypes that can be added to the existing assessment package.

II. Goal Two: Develop and implement a qualitative interview on youth mentoring experiences.

III. Goal Three: Continue ongoing collaboration with community stakeholders regarding implementation, findings from the intervention, and dissemination of findings related to the innovations proposed in the current study.

Progress toward Goals:

Study 1: Over the course of the year the research team has developed the data abstraction instrument, received IRB approval of the study and implemented the file review. Fifty files have been coded. The team continues to code files, and there is ongoing communication with collaboration partners regarding the progress.

Study 2: The research team has implemented and evaluated the BSR prevention program at Camp Martin for 12 months. The team is working to develop additional abstraction instruments and is designing the qualitative interview on youth mentoring. Collaboration with community stakeholders is ongoing.

Ongoing Efforts:
The research team has received a no-cost extension to continue the work of both studies through July of 2011. The juvenile court judge of Mobile County requested, as an extension of the archival review study (Study 1), that the research team assist the probation staff in improving a juvenile gun intervention for juveniles who
received a gun offense. Over the course of the year, the team has helped the probation staff develop a written curriculum and structure for the gun offender’s program. Dr. Jennifer Langhinrichsen-Rohling, Ms. Shannon Shelley-Tremblay, and one of the Probation Officers, Mr. Jon Humphrey, presented on this effort at the National Summit to End Interpersonal Violence held in Dallas, Texas in February of 2010.

Dr. Langhinrichsen-Rohling has applied for a grant through the Center for Healthy Communities to implement motivational interviewing with the youth attending the gun program. If awarded, the team will implement a motivational interviewing session at the beginning of the gun intervention and assess the impact of those sessions on the participants’ willingness to change their risky behavior as compared to youth who do not receive the motivational interviewing session.

**YVPP Overall Community Involvement**

The staff and faculty of the YVPP collaborate with community organizations throughout the region to both support current research projects and to work toward the development of future projects. This interaction builds the capacity of the program—allowing it to better address youth violence related issues affecting the service area. Additionally, it supports the YVPP mission by increasing opportunities for formal and informal dissemination of the findings and implications derived from the various projects. Throughout the reporting period, Dr. Langhinrichsen-Rohling has maintained active relationships with The Robert J. Martin Leadership Academy, the Mobile County District Attorney’s Office, and the Mobile County Teen Center. Additionally, Ms. Shelley-Tremblay has been an active participant in the regional Council Against Family Violence and the Children’s Policy Council and has been a steering committee member for the recently formed Mobile County Youth Violence Prevention Coalition. Both Dr. Langhinrichsen-Rohling and Ms. Shelley-Tremblay have maintained active involvement in the USA Health Disparities Research Group, the Mobile County Domestic Violence Task Force, the Strickland Youth Center, Lifelines Mobile, and the USA Violence Prevention Alliance. Currently, Dr. Langhinrichsen-Rohling is an evaluator for a grant received by the Mobile County District Attorney’s Office from the Office on Violence Against Women and the U.S. Department of Justice. She will help evaluate their implementation of The Project ID Abuse Domestic Violence Offender Database. The goal of the project is to provide law enforcement officers and prosecutors with cross-jurisdictional court information on domestic violence cases in order to identify and hold the offenders accountable at the misdemeanor level, and prevent further offenses.

Along with actively participating in numerous community and campus collaborations and organizations and attending conferences and trainings, the faculty members and staff have made numerous presentations and published multiple papers on a variety of topics related to preventing violence. Below is the list of presentations and publications.

**Presentations**


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Publications Relating to Youth Violence and Intimate Partner Violence during 2009-10:


Biology: Department Chair: Dr. John A. Freeman
Professors: Dr. Brian Axsmith, Dr. John A. Freeman, Dr. Timothy Sherman
Associate Professors: Dr. Anne Boettcher, Dr. John McCreadie, Dr. Kelly Major
Assistant Professors: Dr. Juan L. Mata, Dr. Ashley Morris, Dr. Sínéad M. Ní Chadhaín, Dr. John J. O’Brien
Instructors: Ms. Anna Cinkovich, Mr. Tray Hamil, Mr. Clinton S. Major, Ms. Cynthia Delaney-Tucker
Secretary: Ms. Judy Sadler

Biology: Department Highlights

The faculty and students in the Biology department had a successful and active year. Fourteen faculty members taught over 3,400 students in 76 classes. Continuing our emphasis on undergraduate participation in research, 46 students conducted directed studies projects under faculty supervision and 1 of the 20 presentations at national and regional meetings were made by undergraduate students. Sixty-eight BS degrees were awarded. Some of our graduates will enter medical, dental, veterinary, pharmacy, and optometry schools next fall while several students will enter graduate schools in various areas of biology. Throughout the year, we advised 269 Biology majors and 14 graduate students. One student completed the Biology Honors program while several students continue to conduct research and prepare to present their study to the faculty.

As part of our learning outcomes program, 16 graduating seniors in two senior level classes participated in the assessment of the student’s skills as biologists. The students developed their own research questions, protocols, hypotheses, and presented the results in oral and poster sessions. The success of this activity is encouraging and it will be expanded to include more courses next year.

Supported by 11 funded projects totaling over $900,000, the faculty and students published 12 articles in peer reviewed journals and books, have 6 papers in press or in review, and presented 20 papers at regional and national meetings. In addition, several faculty members were officers or local arrangements committee members in national scientific societies. Through funding from a variety of sources, we were able to invite three guest speakers this year.

Service activities including visiting K-12 classrooms and answering numerous inquiries about various organisms demonstrate the faculty’s strong interest in the role of the university in the community. In the spring many faculty helped with the Regional Science Fair, Expanding Your Horizons, GEMS (Girls in Science, Engineering, and Math), Women in Science, and participated in the Science Olympiad. Several faculty members participated in teacher workshops.

Biology: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Brian J. Axsmith


Anne Boettcher


Kelly Major


Ashley Morris


John McCreadie


Sinéad Ní Chadhain


John O’Brien


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Sinéad Ní Chadhain


Biology: Editorship of Books or Journals

Brian J. Axsmith

Axsmith, B. Editorial board member of the paleontology journal *Zitteliana*, published by the Mitteilungen der Bayerischen Staatssammlung für Paläontologie und historische Geologie, Munich, Germany

John McCreadie

McCreddie, J. W. Subject Editor (Ecology, Statistics, IPM) - *Journal of Agricultural and Urban Entomology*

McCreddie, J. W. Subject Editor (Symbiosis) – *Environmental Entomology*

Kelly Major

Major, K.M. Editorial Board, Online Journal: *Saline Systems*, February 2006-present

Biology: Abstracts

Clinton S. Major


Kelly M. Major


Juan Luis Mata


Ashley B. Morris

Bulla N., Boettcher A., & Morris A. B. (2010). Analysis of genetic structure in a Gulf Coast population of the seagrass (Ruppia maritima). Poster to be given at the annual meeting of the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, April 15-17, Missoula, MT.


Howell J. S., & Morris A. B. (2010). Species distribution and hybridization of (Sarracenia) at Splinter Hill Bog Preserve. Talk to be given at the annual meeting of the Association of Southeastern Biologists, April 7-10, Asheville, NC.


**Biology**


**Sinéad M. Ní Chadhain**


**John O'Brien**


**Tim Sherman**


**Sherman, T. D., & Yadav, S.** (2009, November 1-5). Use of microscopy-based techniques to monitor early events of the infection of seagrasses by the pathogen (*Labyrinthula*). Coastal and Estuarine Foundation (CERF) 2009 Conference in Portland, OR


**Biology: Grants**

**Brian J. Axsmith**

**Axsmith, B. J.** (2007, June 1 - 2010, May 31). Paleoflora of the Citronelle Formation, National Science Foundation, (year 3 of 3 year grant), $176,000.

**Anne Boettcher**

**Boettcher, A.** (2009, June). 11th Annual Undergraduate Research Program at the University of South Alabama, National Aeronautics and Space Administration-Alabama Space Grant Consortium Outreach Program, $20,000.


**Boettcher, A.** (2009, June) 11th Annual Undergraduate Research Program at the University of South Alabama, National Aeronautics and Space Administration-Alabama Space Grant Consortium Outreach Program, $20,000.
John McCreadie


Clinton S. Major


Kelly M. Major


Ashley B. Morris


Sinéad M. Ni Chadhain


Tim Sherman


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Brian J. Axsmith


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Anne Boettcher


Clinton S. Major


Kelly M. Major


John McCreadie


Kelly M. Major


Juan Luis Mata


Mata, J. L. Mitosporic fungi isolated from seagrasses in the northern Gulf Coast of the United States. Annual Meeting of the Mycological Society of America. Snowbird UT.

Ashley B. Morris


Sinéad M. Ni Chadhain


John O’Brien

Biology


Tim Sherman


CHEMISTRY

Department Chair: Dr. David Forbes
Professors: Dr. James Davis, Dr. David Forbes, Dr. Andrzej Wierzbicki
Associate Professors: Dr. Norris Hoffman
Assistant Professors: Dr. Robert Barletta, Dr. David Battiste, Dr. Jason Coym, Dr. Scott Miller, Dr. Donald Perine, Dr. Alexandra Stenson, Dr. Richard Sykora
Senior Instructor: Ms. Patricia Davis
Instructors: Ms. Jennifer Coym, Ms. Barbara Merritt, Ms. Diane Roe
Secretary: Ms. Brenda Poole
Financial Clerk: Ms. Eugenie Edwards
Stockroom Manager: Ms. Ruth Cochran

Chemistry: Highlights

Last year the Department of Chemistry graduated six chemistry majors. Of this group four were accepted to Ph.D. graduate programs (Virginia Tech (Kyle Gaines), Vanderbilt (Andrew Harris), and Florida State (Adam Lewis and Phillip Ogden) with the remaining two (Robert ‘Wes’ Edmunds and Jeremy ‘Kane’ Thomley) having plans to continue their education in chemistry related disciplines. All our chemistry majors were involved in the Directed Studies Program and participated in local and national professional meetings. Of the 33 papers delivered at local/national/international professional meetings, over half had undergraduate students list as co-authors. Of those attending and presenting at the American Chemical Society National Meetings the costs of conference participation for chemistry majors was, in substantial part, covered by the Department of Chemistry.

During the 2009-2010 academic year five faculty members (Patricia Davis, James Davis, Ward Knockemus, Richard Sykora, and Andrzej Wierzbicki) were named Top Profs by the USA Chapter of the Mortar Board Society for 2010. During the same period through the College of Arts & Sciences 2010 Merit Awards Program Dr. Richard ‘Dick’ Rogers was the recipient of the Outstanding Teaching Award and Dr. Richard Sykora was the recipient of the Junior Teaching Award. From the highly competitive Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship Program, one of our juniors, Kaila Mattson, was named a 2010 Goldwater Scholar.

The Chemistry Department has an active American Chemical Society Students Affiliates (ACSSA) student organization with 16 members registered last year (9 National ACSSA members registered). The Department continued funding scholarships for chemistry majors which provided $1,500 of paid tuition per student per year and awarded Chemistry Scholarships to 4 new chemistry majors during the last academic year. During the 2009-2010 academic year there were ten chemistry majors supported by the Chemistry Scholarship program (Jason Clements, Wes Edmonds, CJ Gaston, Cynthia Hongxi Liu, Andrew Harris, Andrew Weber, Shauna Charlton, Hijrah El-Sabae, Kaila Mattson, and Deric Hester). Also during the academic year 2009-2010, two additional awards to our chemistry majors were made. The recipient of the Wierzbicki-Salter Endowed Scholarship was Kaila Mattson and the recipient of the TG Jackson Endowed Scholarship was Tabatha Ely.

During the last year, our faculty members had 18 research papers published/accepted in peer-reviewed professional journals and one textbook published. Fourteen of these papers had undergraduate students from our Department as co-authors. The faculty members from the Department of Chemistry participated in many international and national professional meetings, delivering and contributing to 33 papers. The Chemistry faculty also participated in 16 professional workshops. During the last academic year, the Department of Chemistry faculty members were PIs on six new awards from external agencies totaling $1.44M. In addition to these awards, the Department of Chemistry faculty members were PIs on seven active awards through external agencies totaling $1.1M. External funding was provided by the federal government (NIH and NSF), by private organizations (Research Corporation, Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation, and John Wiley & Sons), and by chemical industries (Chevron). During the last academic year, 40 students (22 through our Directed Studies program) were involved in undergraduate research in our Department and were supervised by our faculty.

The Chemistry Department participated in the Science in Motion program by providing office and laboratory...
space as well as stockroom support. Our Department organized and participated in the 2009 US Chemistry Olympiad: 64 students from five (5) local high schools (ASMS, Davidson, MGM, Murphy, and UMS-Wright) participated in the Local Exam of the 2010 US Chemistry Olympiad, and later ten students selected from the same five local high schools competed in a National 2010 US Chemistry Olympiad competition, organized and supported by the Chemistry Department. The Department hosted Open Doors Day during the Chemistry Olympiad and participated in USA Days. Our active Chemistry Seminar Program provided a platform for scientific exchange that involved visiting and local speakers, faculty members from other departments, and industrial scientists. Through these and many other activities, the Chemistry Department maintains its close and frequent interactions with the local schools and local chemical industry.

It is with sadness that we have as part of this narrative the loss of Professor Thomas Gerald "T.G." Jackson on August 12, 2009 after a battle with cancer. Professor Jackson joined USA’s faculty in 1965 and taught chemistry for 43 years. Professor Jackson was a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, and received his Ph.D. from the University of Tennessee in 1965. As a member of South’s family for nearly four and a half decades, Professor Jackson touched the lives of tens of thousands as both advisor and instructor. On December 10, 2009 the Board of Trustees of the University South Alabama approved the title of Posthumous Professor Emeritus of Chemistry to Professor Jackson.

Chemistry: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Robert E. Barletta


David R. Battiste


James H. Davis, Jr.


David C. Forbes


Richard E. Sykora


David C. Forbes


Norris W. Hoffman


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Andrzej Wierzbicki


Chemistry: Grants

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CHEMISTRY


Andrzej Wierzbicki


Chemistry: Presentations

Robert E. Barletta


Jason W. Coym


James H. Davis, Jr.


David C. Forbes


Norris W. Hoffman


Alexandra C. Stenson


Richard E. Sykora


Andrzej Wierzbicki


Wierzbicki, A., Battle, K., & Madura, J. D. (2009). Potential of mean force calculations of the free energy of binding of Type I antifreeze proteins at water/ice interface. The 238th ACS National Meeting, August 16-20, Washington, DC.


COMMUNICATION

Department Chair: Dr. James L. Aucoin

Professors: Dr. James L. Aucoin, Dr. Gerald L. Wilson

Associate Professors: Dr. Vanessa Murphree, Dr. Steven C. Rockwell, Dr. Richard Ward

Assistant Professors: Dr. Joseph Glover, Dr. Michele Kimball, Dr. Brett Lunceford, Dr. Patricia Mark, Dr. Reginald Moody, Dr. Kathryn Toelken

Senior Instructors: Ms. Genevieve Dardeau, Ms. April DuPree Taylor

Instructors: Ms. Nadia K. Bush, Ms. Nekita Huling, Ms. Katherine Rigsby, Ms. Megan Sparks

Secretaries: Ms. Margaret Haig, Ms. Mavis Seal

Communication: Highlights

The Communication Department has had another outstanding year. Our programs continue to have a strong showing. Enrollments held steady at about 425 undergraduates and more than 40 graduates. The strong number of enrollments indicates recognition of the quality of our programs and the attraction of communication careers. Our faculty has done much this year to expand our outreach and assess our quality as we work toward creating a program worthy of accreditation by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. We hope to become an accredited program within the next four years.

For the first time this year, our department offered a high school public speaking contest, which was attended by 45 area high school students. Faculty members Megan Sparks and Nekita Huling organized the event and several other faculty members contributed to making the event a memorable occasion. Our high school newspaper contest and journalism day was held for the ninth year this year, attracting 60 high school students from six area high schools. Faculty member Michele Kimball organized the event this year and faculty members Richard Ward, Joe Glover and John Sellers conducted workshops. We also were able to offer for the first time our Michael S. Hanna Scholarship, which will become an annual event. Our department also began a bi-weekly research colloquium, organized by faculty member Brett Lunceford. We had a most successful annual Communication Day, which was organized by faculty member Katherine Rigsby. And faculty member Genevieve Dardeau organized our first-ever appreciation luncheon for those who provide our students with internships.

The department also successfully proposed a reorganization of the multi-section public speaking course to achieve greater efficiency. Faculty member April DuPree Taylor did much of the work to put this proposal together. And we have instituted annual exit exams to help us assess our teaching quality. For the first time this year, we will publish an annual report that will be given to graduating students and sent to alumni in addition to the alumni newsletters we have sent this year. Faculty member Reginald Moody edited the year-end report, and faculty member Nadia Bush spearheads the newsletters with help from members of the Events and Alumni Committee. In addition, the Events and Alumni Committee has developed and distributed an alumni survey.

The Communication Department became the home of Jag-TV this year and faculty member Richard Ward became the advisor. This move should be good for Jag-TV and will make Jag-TV more accessible to our broadcast and digital TV/Cinema students.

Our faculty members continue to receive excellent ratings from their students in our semester opinions of instruction, with an average rating of 92. In addition, faculty members have been active in publishing, presenting their scholarship at conferences, and serving the community. This activity is documented below.

Our facilities continue to be among the best in the region, though we urgently need additional space. Our department is excited about the possibility of moving to larger quarters in the near future. At present, our three computer laboratories provide support for our research course, computer applications of communication technology, and industry-standard writing and publishing courses. We have upgraded our radio laboratories and provided new digital cameras for our photojournalism area. We replaced aging cameras with three digital cameras in our TV studio and replaced aging equipment in our labs to handle video editing for TV and film studies.

Our faculty serves as officers and committee members for a number of national professional organizations: James Aucoin – Editor, Intelligencer, quarterly newsletter of the American Journalism Historians Association. Vanessa Murphree – Public Relations Council of Alabama, board of directors, 2008-2009, Chair, Community Service Committee, 2008-2009; American Journalism Historians Association, board of
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directors, & Chair, Public Relations Committee.
Reginald Moody – Publicity Committee, American Journalism Historians’ Association.

Other Activities of Communication Faculty:
Communication faculty published a total of 12 articles in peer reviewed journals and 14 paper/panel presentations at national scholarly conventions; and two faculty members continued to enter films in national and international competition.

Our department’s $1,500 grant from the Mobile Register for the University of South Alabama/Mobile Register High School Journalism Contest was renewed this year, allowing us to continue our excellent outreach and service program to area high school students. This popular program offers recognition to individual high school students and monetary awards to high school newspapers.

Our faculty served the university and community in a wide variety of activities. James Aucoin serves as a board member of the John Will Memorial Scholarship Trust. Patricia Mark continues to serve on the PR Advisory Board for America’s Junior Miss. Steven C. Rockwell serves as a board member for the Playhouse in the Park and on the Child Policy Council for the James T. Strickland Youth Center. Kathryn Toelken serves on the boards of the Hope Center and the Home of Grace. Gerald L. Wilson serves on the state board for United Methodist Marriage Encounter.

Student groups under the direction of Reginald Moody provided public relations campaigns for Volunteers of America (Mobile branch), The Mobile Opera, and Battleship Memorial Park and Museum. Patricia Mark’s Advertising Campaigns Class participated in the regional competition of the American Federation of Advertisers, our students’ first time to compete in this national event, and she advises a student chapter of the federation.

A number of faculty members provided significant service as advisors to student groups. Genevieve Dardeau served as advisor to the Lambda Pi Eta Communication Honor Society; April DuPree Taylor advised Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the Abeneefoo Kuo Honor Society; Patricia Mark advised the student chapter of the American Federation of Advertisers; Katherine Rigby and Nekita Huling advised the Communication Student Association. Serving on the Board of Student Communications are James Aucoin, Michele Kimball, and Richard Ward.

Communication: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Brett Lunceford


Patricia Mark


Reginald F. Moody


Vanessa Murphree


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Kathryn Toelken

Toelken, K., & Mark P. (2009). BisLogic: Building an employer brand through corporate image, personality, identity and reputation. i-manager’s Journal on Management.

Richard Ward


Communication: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Nekita Huling


Communication: Non Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Brett Lunceford


Communication: Non Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Brett Lunceford


Communication: Reviews

James Aucoin


Reginald Moody


Vanessa Murphree


Communication: Abstracts

Michele Kimball

Communication: Juried Performances, Productions and Recitals

Steven Rockwell


Communication: Other Performances, Productions and Recitals

Richard Ward


Communication: Juried Exhibitions

Richard Ward


Communication: Grants

James Aucoin

Aucoin, J. L. USA Mobile Register Bay Area High School Journalism Contest, Mobile Register, $1,500. Annually funded since October 2001.

Communication: Presentations

James Aucoin


Genevieve Dardeau


Nekita Huling


Michele Kimball

Kimball, M.B. (2009) Offering the cloak of confidentiality to news sources: Journalists’ ethical decision-making behaviors, presented to the Ethics division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication National Convention, Boston, MA.

Brett Lunceford


Lunceford, B. (2010). This sex which is not ones or zeroes: Embodiment and cyborg identity. Paper presented at the meeting of the Southern States Communication Association, Memphis, TN.

Lunceford, B. (2009). Lactivism online, or much ado about breastfeeding photos on Facebook. Paper presented at the meeting of the National Communication Association, Chicago, IL.

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Reginald Moody


Moody, R. F. (2010). *Newspaper editors are not created equal: making sense of today’s fickle editors.* Paper to be presented at the meeting of the National AEJMC meeting, August 4, 2010, Denver Colorado.

Vanessa Murphree

Murphree, V., & Goolsby, J. (2010). *Culturally distinct, locally authentic and universally relevant: A model and case study for meeting the challenges of modern community radio.* Peer-reviewed presentation at the 35th Southeast Colloquium of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Chapel Hill, NC.

Murphree, V. (2010). *Assignment editors, video producers, bloggers, and crime news.* Panel moderated at the 35th Southeast Colloquium of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Chapel Hill, NC.


Richard Ward

DRAMATIC ARTS

Department Chair: Dr. Leon J. Van Dyke
Professors: Mr. Lyle Miller
Associate Professors: Ms. Rebecca Britton
Assistant Professors: Mr. T. Fulton Burns
Secretaries: Mrs. Janet Lambard

Dramatic Arts: Highlights

The Dramatic Arts Department had a particularly successful production year, with one of the four main-stage shows receiving special commendations from the Kennedy Center/ American College Theatre Festival’s Region IV. (Our KC/ACTF region includes 10 states). That particular commendation went to the production of *The Women of Lockerbie*, with special mention going to Keone Fuqua for direction, Keenan Burchett for costumes, Lyle B. Miller for lighting, and Constance R. Smith for scenery. Keenan was the student designer for that production. The combined children and “adult” production of *Seussical the Musical* was seen by hundreds of school children in twelve fully-packed matinee performances along with unusually well attended regular evening audiences. Our production of *Twelfth Night* also played to two extra matinee performances. Professor Michael Howley of Alabama State University writing for the KC/ACTF said, “In *Lockerbie* the company (Theatre USA) combines the artistic efforts of faculty and students to good avail, and appears to be training the students in all facets of theatrical performance as well as theory. The success of this production stems from these collaborative talents.” His note about collaboration is particularly rewarding as it is one of the fundamental goals of any theatre department. Not limited to “main stage” productions, our students produced and mounted two studio theatre pieces One, in our “black box”: an intense exploration of rape and rage *Extremeties*; as well as its total opposite, an entertainment for the Mobile Public Library based upon Dickens’ *A Christmas Carol*; at the downtown Ben May branch of the public library.

In addition to this production work, Professor Burns wrote two reviews for *Theatre Topics*, Professor Van Dyke consulted in pre-publication reviews of texts for McGraw Hill, and both Burns and Van Dyke reviewed productions for the American College Theatre Festival at regional universities which included: Alabama, Southern Miss., West Florida, Troy, and Auburn. Professor Burns has been particularly active in the stage fighting arena, conducting workshops in Chicago for the Society of American Fight Directors (S.A.F.D.) and for Alabama’s own Trumbauer festival (for high school students), as well as having penned 6 articles for *The Cutting Edge*. Professor Burns also did fight choreography for all productions on campus as well as seven other productions in this region. Summer direction for Professor Burns included work with the McLeod Summer Playhouse a production organization affiliated with Southern Illinois University.

Professor Van Dyke continued his participation as a consultant in the Arts In Education grant which supports leading workshops for elementary school teachers in Mobile and Baldwin Counties.

Professionally related community service saw department members Burns & Britton involved through serving on the board of Mobile’s Theatre Guild. Professor Burns also adjudicated for the high school festival at Trumbauer. We should note that we have been particularly pleased to have professionally supported our U.S.A. music department’s colleagues in productions of Stavinsky’s *L’histoire du Soldat*, and Gilbert & Sullivan’s *The Mikado*.

During the year, one of our objectives was to increase our attention to the recruitment of new students. Consequently we attended events in Troy, Thomasville, and Florence, AL; Gulf Port, MS.; and Lexington, KY. We have been pleased to note that the year also saw a marked increase in the number of students who auditioned for our departmental talent-based scholarships. Cash or scholarship awards were won by:

Angela Davis, Gerrells/Jackson
Ravyn Ottis, Danny Conway

Continuing Laidlaw Performing Scholarship

Recognition was awarded to:

Miranda Culpepper
Lauren Ashley Fussell
Ravyn Otis
Caitlin Jennings
Evan Wilson
Jonathan Pruitt

Freshmen and transfer students receiving $2,000 scholarship offers for the next academic year include:

Matthew Brewer
Kayleigh Smith
Psacoya Guinn
Ellen Johnson
Marissa Jones
Benjamin Haas has received an incoming student offer. Juliana Osburn has been awarded the National Theatre Owners of Alabama Scholarship.

Dramatic Arts: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles
Leon J. Van Dyke


Dramatic Arts: Non Peer Reviewed Journal Articles
T. Fulton Burns


Dramatic Arts: Reviews
T. Fulton Burns


Burns, T. F. (2009, December). University of West Florida Duties: Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Respondent for *A Christmas Carol*

Burns, T. F. (2009, November). University of Alabama Duties: Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Respondent for *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*

Burns, T. F. (2009, October). Auburn University Duties: Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Respondent for *A Beautiful End*

Burns, T. F. (2009, October). Troy University Duties: Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Respondent for *Catfish Moon*

Burns, T. F. (2009, October). University of Southern Mississippi Duties: Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Respondent for *Hitchcock Blonde*

Leon J. Van Dyke
Van Dyke, L. J. (2010). [Review of the Production *The Learned Ladies*, by Moliere], The University of South Florida, Pensacola, FL. Personal response to immediate campus department as well as written criticism, February 19, 2010. (Part of the invitational Kennedy Center/ American College Theatre Festival.).

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**Dramatic Arts: Editorship of Books or Journals**

Rebecca Britton

Mobile: University of South Alabama Theatre

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**Dramatic Arts: Juried Performances, Productions and Recitals**

Rebecca Britton


Britton, R. F. (Director). (2009). *Seussical the Musical* [University Production]. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama Theatre USA


T. Fulton Burns


Dr. Timothy F. Burns

**Shadows on Oak Island**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Theatre 98
- **Year:** 2010

**The Women of Lockerbie**
- **Department:** Department of Dramatic Arts
- **Venue:** Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama
- **Year:** 2010

**The Jungle Book**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Lynn Meadows Discovery Center – Wings Program
- **Year:** 2009

**The Beaux Stratagem**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Theatre 98
- **Year:** 2009

**Seussical the Musical**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama
- **Year:** 2009

**Romeo and Juliet**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Mobile Carnival Theatre Company
- **Year:** 2009

**Picasso at the Lapin Agile**
- **Director:** Tim Burns
- **Venue:** Carbondale, IL: McLeod Summer Playhouse
- **Year:** 2009

Dr. Lisa J. Van Dyke

**Extremeties**
- **Producer/Advisor:** Lisa Van Dyke
- **Director:** Laura Beth Calcote
- **Venue:** University of South Alabama
- **Year:** 2010

**L'Histoire du Soldat**
- **Actor:** Albert Walker
- **Venue:** Mobile Film Festival: Theatrical Film Released by Bases Loaded Films, LLC
- **Year:** 2009

**The Saints of Mt. Christopher**
- **Actor:** Albert Walker
- **Premiere:** Mobile Film Festival: Theatrical Film Released by Bases Loaded Films, LLC
- **Year:** 2009

**Dramatic Arts: Recordings**

**Dramatic Arts: Grants**

**Burns, T. F.**
- **Award:** Arts and Sciences’ Summer Professional Development Award
- **Year:** 2010
- **Amount:** $5000

**Burns, T. F.**
- **Award:** Arts and Sciences’ Support and Development Award
- **Year:** 2010
- **Amount:** $1500
EARTH SCIENCES

Department Chair: Dr. Mimi Fearn

Professors: Dr. Lary Dilsaver, Dr. Roy Ryder

Associate Professors: Dr. David Allison, Dr. Keith Blackwell, Dr. Murlene Clark, Dr. Mimi Fearn, Dr. Douglas Haywick, Dr. Sytske Kimball, Dr. Victoria Rivizzigno

Assistant Professors: Dr. James Connors, Dr. Carol Sawyer, Dr. Wesley Terwey, Dr. Rajiv Thakur

Instructors: Mrs. Mary Anne Connors, Ms. Karen Jordan, Mr. Andrew Murray, Mr. Sam Stutsman

Emeritus: Dr. Wayne Isphording, Dr. Glenn Sebastian, Dr. Bill Williams, Dr. Gene Wilson

Secretaries: Mrs. Sherall Cornwell, Ms. Cory Rhodes

Earth Sciences: Highlights (Geography, Geology, Meteorology)

Earth Sciences

The Earth Sciences Department is proud to recognize Dr. David Allison and Mr. Ryan Wade who both received a College of Arts and Sciences Teaching Excellence Award at the Dean’s Lecture in October. Dr. Allison also won the Andy and Carol Denny University of South Alabama National Alumni Award for Teaching. Dr. Sytske Kimball’s Center for Hurricane Intensity and Landfall Investigation now has 26 data collecting stations in the CHILI mesonet and continues to provide quality meteorological data through the CHILI website. This year’s Mobile Regional Science and Engineering Fair, directed by Dr. Jim Connors, attracted a record-breaking 570 students to this successful, USA sponsored event. Dr. Connors will serve as Chair of the Faculty Senate for the 2010-2011 academic year. This year, we said goodbye to instructors Ryan and Gina Wade, who moved to Huntsville so Ryan could pursue his Ph.D. in Atmospheric Science at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. We welcomed Mr. Andrew Murray (M.S., Florida State University) as a new instructor in Meteorology.

Geography

Enrollment in Geography increased steadily this year. The Geographic Information Science classes continue to draw students from other disciplines with enrollments increasing by 23%; eleven students completed the GIS Certificate in 2009-2010. This year, both Dr. Carol Sawyer and Dr. Rajiv Thakur presented their research at the Association of American Geographers meeting in Washington, D.C. Dr. Lary Dilsaver published an article on failed national parks in Montana: The Magazine of Western History. Dr. Sawyer has an article in the Journal of Geography on using webcams to show change in physical environments, and Dr. Thakur has an article on local economic development in the Journal of Applied Research in Economic Development. Between them, these three Geographers also have four book chapters and two published reviews. For service, Drs. Mimi Fearn and Glenn Sebastian continue their Odyssey tradition with Dr. Fearn doing a summer class on Alabama Geography, and Dr. Sebastian doing a spring class on tourism. Dr. Victoria Rivizzigno continues her service as a member of the Mobile Planning Commission, and Dr. Dilsaver works on the history of Joshua Tree National Park.

The Geography Club and the Geography Honor Society (GTU), both advised by Dr. Sawyer, were especially active with fundraisers, a trip to Tennessee, four separate trips to visit nearby Geography graduate programs, and a trip to Baton Rouge for the Applied Geography Conference where Ernest Perkins won third place in the student poster competition. GTU sponsored an Association of American Geographers visiting speaker, Dr. Jay Gatrell, Dean of the College of Graduate Studies and Professional Studies at Indiana State University. In conjunction with this visit, Dr. Thakur arranged two additional speakers, Dr. Neil Reid (The University of Toledo) and Dr. Bruce Smith (Bowling Green State University).

At the spring awards ceremony, Geography recognized 13 students for their academic and service achievements. The Eugene Wilson Award for the most outstanding Geography graduating senior went to Samantha Warren, and the Victoria Rivizzigno Award went to Hugh Dowling, Jr.

Geology

This year, the Geology component of Earth Sciences, thanks largely to recruiting activities of Drs. Murlene Clark and Jim Connors, surpassed 100 majors, making it the largest undergraduate program of its kind in Alabama. Geology faculty worked with 15 undergraduate students on directed research projects. Nine of those students went on to present their research at the 2010 NE/SE Section Meeting of the Geological Society of America meeting in Baltimore, MD.
Drs. David Allison and Douglas Haywick were awarded one-semester sabbaticals in 2009-2010, which they used to expand current research projects and to produce three journal manuscripts for publication. Dr. Allison received funding from the EdMap Program of the USGS for his research and, along with Dr. Haywick, also obtained additional student research grants. Geology faculty logged over 180 hours of community service. Of particular significance, Ms. Mary Anne Connors served as a volunteer teacher with the Master Environmental Educators in Baldwin County.

The Geology Club had a very active year. They went canoeing and camping in northern Alabama and on a mineral field trip to Arkansas. The Geology Club continued their fund raising activities in support of the Department's endowed accounts by holding an excess minerals sale. They also ran their first ever geocaching event with students competing for a cash prizes by using GPS units and compasses in and around the USA Campus.

Geology recognized eleven majors for academic excellence in late April at the Department’s annual awards ceremony. Ms. Ashley Turton, a double major in Geology and Geography, won three awards in Geology including the George Lamb Award for best overall graduating major.

Meteorology

Mr. Andrew Murray, a USA Meteorology alumnus, joined the Meteorology faculty in January. Dr. Keith Blackwell provided hours of hurricane related professional service to the community. Dr. Aaron Williams continued his leadership of the Coastal Weather Research Center. Dr. Wes Terwey served as advisor to the Meteorology Club, and Dr. Kimball managed to expand the CHILI mesonet as well as serve as faculty mentor for 13 undergraduate students in research.

Meteorology once again sponsored the highly successful Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium (SeCAPS) which brought in prestigious guest speakers including Dr. Steve Lyons (The Weather Channel), Dr. Jonathan E. Martin (Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, University of Wisconsin-Madison), Dr. Erik Rasmussen (The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies, University of Oklahoma), and Dr. John Christy (Director, Earth System Science Center, University of Alabama in Huntsville). Students in the Meteorology Club largely ran this outstanding conference.

Meteorology honored nine students at the Spring Awards Ceremony with the Exxon Mobile Outstanding Senior Award going to Meghan Mee, and the Coastal Weather Research Center Outstanding Senior Awards going to Jacelyn Tisdale and Dennis Wallace.

CHILI

The Center for Hurricane Intensification and Landfall Investigation (CHILI) had a very productive year. CHILI staff, David Brown, Sean Huber, Ivory Reinert, Saphique Tomas, and Russell White, did a tremendous job keeping the center operational and making quality data available to users. The University of South Alabama Mesonet website (http://chiliweb.usouthal.edu/) was substantially upgraded to include archived data going back to September 2008, comprehensive station information, and a sophisticated real-time page that displays current conditions and daily extremes. The archived data was, and continues to be, extremely popular with students working on class projects and extra-curricular research through CHILI or NASA DEVELOP. The National Weather Service and other local forecasters have complimented us on our real-time data display. The website gains in popularity every month with 350 visits in June 2009 to almost 2000 in March 2010.

Several presentations about the USA Mesonet and its data have been given at professional meetings including the American Meteorological Society’s (AMS) 26th Conference in Interactive Information and Processing Systems for Meteorology, Oceanography, and Hydrology and 15th Symposium on Meteorological Observations and Instrumentation and at the Joint Statistical Meetings. Dr. Kimball has a peer-reviewed journal article describing the University of South Alabama Mesonet in the AMS’s Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanographic Technology.

The Mesonet is becoming a key resource throughout the University thanks to seminars given at the University of South Alabama Department of Physics and the Dauphin Island Sealab, as well as an article in the Mid Week Memo and other promotional activities. Many faculty members from different departments and colleges have approached director Dr. Kimball for collaborations on proposals to NSF and other funding agencies. CHILI’s main challenge remains securing stable, long-term funding to keep this valuable resource available to our researchers, students, and the Gulf Coast community.
Earth Sciences: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

David Allison


Lary Dilsaver


Doug Haywick


Sytske Kimball


Carol Sawyer


Rajiv Thakur


Earth Sciences: Non Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Keith Blackwell


Earth Sciences: Reviews

Rajiv Thakur


Earth Sciences: Abstracts

James Connors


Mimi Fearn


Doug Haywick


D. Andrew Murray


Carol Sawyer


**Earth Sciences: Grants**

David Allison


Keith Blackwell


James Connors

Connors, J., & Fish, E. (2010, March). Hydrological characterization of an evolving constructed offshore salt marsh, University of South Alabama Center for Undergraduate Research Program (UCUR), $2,500.


Mimi Fearn


Doug Haywick


Karen Jordan


Sytse Kimball


Carol Sawyer


ACTIVE:

Keith Blackwell


Sytse Kimball


Earth Sciences: Presentations

David Allison


Keith Blackwell


Blackwell, K. G., Williams, A., & Holmes, J. (2010). Extreme Winds Associated with a Collapsing Core on the Mobile Waterfront During the Landfall of Hurricane Katrina, 7th Annual Southeastern Coastal and Atmospheric Processes Symposium (SeCAPS), University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

James Connors


Mimi Fearn


Doug Haywick


Sytske Kimball


Kimball, S. K. (2010). The University of South Alabama Mesonet: Challenges and opportunities for the future. Poster presentation. 17th USA Faculty Development Council Forum, Mobile, AL.


D. Andrew Murray


Carol Sawyer


Rajiv Thakur


**ENGLISH**

**Interim Department Chair:** Dr. J. Patrick Cesarini  
**Professors:** Dr. Sue Walker  
**Associate Professors:** Dr. Nicole Amare, Dr. Larry Beason, Dr. J. Patrick Cesarini, Dr. Robert Coleman, Dr. Annmarie Guzy, Dr. Ellen Harrington, Dr. Cristopher Hollingsworth, Dr. Becky McLaughlin, Dr. Linda R. Payne  
**Assistant Professors:** Mr. Bruce Alford, Ms. Carolyn Haines, Dr. John Halbrooks, Dr. Richard Hillyer, Dr. Kern Jackson, Dr. Barry R. Nowlin, Dr. Chris Raczkowski, Dr. Justin St. Clair  
**Instructors:** Mrs. Vickey Daley, Dr. Alice Kracke, Ms. Pamels Meyers, Mrs. Karen Peterson, Ms. Debra Roy, Ms. Mary Schaffer, Dr. Linda Spain, Mr. Geoffrey Trumbo  
**Secretaries:** Mrs. Karen Burns, Ms. Sonia Seals  
**Teaching Assistants:** Ms. Kimberly Daniels, Ms. Amanda Gibson, Ms. Shannon Howard, Mr. Mike Odom, Mr. Joseph Rider  
**Interns:** Ms. Stephanie Evers, Mrs. Deborah Ferguson, Mrs. Christy Hutcheson, Mr. Matthew Lambert, Mrs. Jennifer P. Thomas  

**English: Highlights**

In 2009-2010, the Department of English taught 339 sections at all levels, with an overall enrollment of approximately 7,500 students. Currently there are 240 students pursuing the major in English; there are 56 English minors. This enormous interest in the forms of English study (literary criticism, creative writing, rhetoric, composition, technical and professional writing) continues to be met by a talented and hard-working staff of tenured and tenure-track Professors, full-time Instructors, part-time Instructors, Teaching Interns, and Teaching Assistants. In addition, the department’s work is not only assisted, but enabled, by Ms. Carolyn Haines, Dr. Richard Hillyer, Dr. Cris Hollingsworth, and Dr. Sue Walker.

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The faculty of the English Department have had an especially productive year, despite difficult economic circumstances at the University and beyond. Ms. Carolyn Haines, Dr. Richard Hillyer, Dr. Cris Hollingsworth, and Dr. Sue Walker all published new books this year, and Dr's Nicole Amare and Barry Nowlin co-authored a new textbook. Peer-reviewed articles, book chapters, reviews, encyclopedia entries, and works of poetry and fiction were published by Mr. Bruce Alford, and by Dr's Annmarie Guzy, Becky McLaughlin, Patrick Cesarini, John Halbrooks, Christopher Raczkowski, and Justin St. Clair. Two Instructors, Linda Spain and Alice Kracke, defended their dissertations this year, and so became Dr. Spain and Dr. Kracke. In addition, several colleagues have received special honors: Dr. Hollingsworth was chosen to deliver the department’s annual Eugenie Hamner Lecture; Dr. Walker served her second term as Poet Laureate of Alabama; and Ms. Haines was named the winner of the prestigious Harper Lee Award. Finally Dr's Hollingsworth and Harrington were awarded one-semester sabbaticals for the coming academic year.

A number of English Department colleagues were instrumental in arranging events for the University and for the community beyond. The Creative Writing faculty conducted two workshops, one of them featuring the accomplished screenwriter, David Sheffield. Dr. Kern Jackson oversaw the University’s observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday, which featured two talks by National Book Award-winning novelist Charles Johnson. Dr. Amare’s Writing Outreach Program continued to offer assistance and instruction in reading and writing to all comers. And Dr's Walker and Harrington helped organize this year's Phi Kappa Phi lecture, which was delivered by the world-renowned biologist and public intellectual, E.O. Wilson.

It would be inappropriate to end this summary of our important events without mentioning one, very sad event: the death of our former colleague Dr. Adam
Cohen, a remarkable teacher and scholar of Shakespeare and of Renaissance literature at USA between 2003 and 2005. As we move into a new year, and look forward to new accomplishments and challenges, we also look back to Dr. Cohen’s brief time with us, continuing to take heart from his energy, integrity, and passion in the service of culture and of the liberal arts.

English: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles
Creative Writing, and Other Publications

Bruce Alford


Nicole Amare


J. Patrick Cesarini


Annmarie Guzy


John Halbrooks


Richard Hillyer


Justin St. Clair


Geoffrey Trumbo


English: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Cristopher Hollingsworth


English: Peer Reviewed Books

Nicole Amare

Richard Hillyer


Sue Walker


Carolyn Haines


Becky McLaughlin


Carolyn Haines


Cristopher Hollingsworth


Bruce Alford


Carolyn Haines


Haines, C. (Speaker). (April 17, 2010). Alabama Book Festival, Montgomery, AL: Old Towne Alabama

Haines, C. (Keynote speaker) (2010, March 6). Mississippi Writers Roundtable, Cleveland, MS: Delta State University

Sue Walker


English: Recordings

Kern Jackson


English: Grants

Kern Jackson

Jackson, K. (2010, March) Humanities Scholar for: Museum of Mobile, EUDORA: In her Own Words, Alabama Humanities Foundation, $10,000.

English: Presentations

Nicole Amare


Larry Beason


Annmarie Guzy


John Halbrooks


Ellen Harrington


Cristopher Hollingsworth

Hollingsworth, C. (2010). *From Fairy Tale to Populuxe Style: Carroll’s Alice Books and Disney’s Alice, Nabokov’s Lolita, and Burroughs’s Naked Lunch*. Popular Culture Association and American Culture Association, St. Louis, MO.

Alice Kracke


Becky McLaughlin


Karen Peterson

Peterson, K., & Sims, D. (2009). *Learning and Growing Partners*, National P- 16 Service Learning Summit: Simultaneous Renewal for Sustainable P- 16 Service, Learning, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Omaha, NE.

Justin St. Clair


Sue Walker,

FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURES

Department Chair: Dr. Isabel Z. Brown

Professors: Dr. Susan McCready, Dr. Joseph Mozur

Associate Professors: Dr. Isabel Z. Brown, Dr. Federico Perez-Pineda

Assistant Professors: Dr. Christian Fantoni, Dr. Harry Roddy, Dr. Zoya Khan, Dr. Mihaela Marin, Dr. Christine Rinne

Senior Instructors: Ms. Kristy Britt, Ms. Terri Rice

Instructor: Ms. Jenny Faile

Secretary: Ms. Katrina Kennedy

Foreign Languages & Literatures: Highlights

A Year of Transitions 2009 – 2010

The academic year of 2009-2010 was a year of transitions in the areas of teaching and of departmental administration as we welcomed the presence of the International Studies programs which moved from the department of Political Science and Criminal Justice to our department. Despite a university-wide limitation on travel, several members of the faculty in FL traveled to important national and international conferences using the resources that were permitted and sometimes paying their own way in order to maintain their relevance in scholarship among peers at other institutions. Research is an area that the department takes great pride in and in which it has always had major contributions. This year was no exception. Given the variety of interests and the complex make-up of its faculty, the year saw research on authors from Russia, Bolivia, the French Middle-Ages and 19th century France, contemporary studies in German prose and poetry, and Dominican narrative. Students studied abroad as well as received significant scholarships in recognition of their respective successes.

Teaching

We added an online component to our first and intermediate semesters in Spanish and in first year French this year. Although many other departments in the college have long since been using online components, this is a breakthrough in a language course where the emphasis for learning lies in the day-to-day meetings with the students. Thanks to the online component, we were able to shift the focus of class meetings which became sessions for practicing, repetition, and for communicative practices. Anecdotal evidence is pointing to improved grades and better retention since the online component was added.

International Studies

Upon the departure of former Director of International Studies Steve Morris, a political scientist whose office was housed in the Department of Political Sciences and Criminal Justice, Susan McCready, a French scholar, was named Interim Director of International Studies. The move to our department was marked immediately by the increased presence of advisees whose interest in International Studies overlap marvelously with those of Foreign Language majors. In fact, most are double majors. It has been great fun to hear about the exotic trips the IS majors plan, not only to remote areas in Asia but also to Africa, South America and Europe. Whenever possible, FL credit is given to these students as well. FL welcomes the heightened internationalized atmosphere brought about by having International Studies in our midst.

Faculty Travel Abroad

Federico Pérez-Pineda, Mihaela Marin, Harry Roddy, and Isabel Z. Brown traveled abroad during the academic year in service to the university. Dr. Pérez-Pineda traveled with eight students to Spain. He found out that students from our neighboring university, University of Southern Mississippi were going to Spain and established a contact with that group. Even though the group was small, Dr. Pérez-Pineda was kept busy teaching, organizing tours, and monitoring students’ activities. Dr. Marin spent the summer in Ottawa, Canada, London, England, and in Paris, France. She presented papers in Ottawa and in London at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences and the Institute for Germanic and Romance Studies, respectively. Dr. Roddy presented a paper in Canada. Dr. Brown presented a paper at the 57th international gathering of the Southeastern Conference of Latin American Studies in Mexico City, Mexico.

Foreign Languages & Literatures: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Christian Fantoni

FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURES

Zoya Khan


Foreign Languages & Literatures: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Mihaela Marin


Joseph Mozur


Foreign Languages & Literatures: Peer Reviewed Books

Joseph Mozur


Foreign Languages & Literatures: Reviews

Christian Fantoni


Zoya Khan


Susan McCready


Joseph Mozur


Christine Rinne


Foreign Languages & Literatures: Other Performances, Productions and Recitals

Joseph Mozur

Mozur, J. (2010, March). Introductory Remarks and dramatic readings of Chekhov’s short stories at Russian Community’s Chekhov Evening, USA’s Laidlaw Center, I also read several roles from the stories.

Foreign Languages & Literatures: Grants

Kristy Britt


Mihaela Marin

FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURES

Christine Rinne


Foreign Languages & Literatures: Presentations

Isabel Z. Brown


Kristy Britt


Britt, K. (2009). *Implementing Language Learning Technologies to Navigate your K-12 World*. Workshop at the National Association for Language Learning Technology, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

Susan McCready


Mihaela Marin


Christine Rinne


Harry Roddy

Department Chair: Dr. Clarence L. Mohr

Professors: Dr. Clarence Mohr, Dr. Daniel Rogers

Associate Professors: Dr. Martha Jane Brazy, Dr. Donald DeVore, Dr. Marsha Hamilton, Dr. Leonard Macaluso, Dr. Henry M. McKiven, Dr. Harrison Miller, Dr. Michael Monheit

Assistant Professors: Dr. Mara Kozelsky, Dr. Mollie Nouwen, Dr. Michele Strong, Dr. John Turner, Dr. Rebecca Williams

Instructors: Dr. Robert Faust

Secretaries: Ms. Michelle I. Cagle, Ms. Deborah M. Thomaston

History: Highlights

SCHOLARSHIPS

This year the History Department awarded three major scholarships.

The Macy Wims Reid Endowed Scholarship for an outstanding junior or senior history major, was awarded this year to Katie Vadakin.

Katie is a junior history major and has an interest in German history and language.

The Montgomery Carlton Stallworth Scholarship for an outstanding junior history major was awarded to Cecilia Newsome.

Cecilia is a double major in History and English, with a minor in German. She hopes to attend graduate school and teach at the college level.

The Minnie Lee Wilkins Stallworth Scholarship for an outstanding junior history major was awarded to Carol Sherrod.

This summer, Carol, who teaches in private school in Jackson, AL, has been selected to participate in the Gilder Lehman Institute's summer seminar for teachers. Her particular seminar, held at Amherst College, will focus on John and Abigail Adams and will be conducted by Professor John Ellis of Mt. Holyoke College.

PUBLIC SERVICE AND OUTREACH ACTIVITY

N. JACK STALLWORTH LECTURE

On September 17, 2009 the department of History hosted the second N. Jack Stallworth Lecture in Southern History. The lecture was endowed through a generous bequest to the USA Foundation from the late N. Jack Stallworth. The son of Minnie Lee Wilkins Stallworth and Montgomery Carlton Stallworth, Mr. Stallworth was a lifelong Mobilian, well known in Mobile business circles having owned and operated several business ventures and restaurants over the years. He was a graduate of Castle Heights Military School in Tennessee and of Louisiana State University with a degree in forestry. Jack Stallworth was instrumental in founding the America's Junior Miss, the Mobile Chapter of the English Speaking Union, and the Camellia Ball. With his grand leadership of the Mobile Carnival Association, he became known as “Mr. Mardi Gras.” His love of Mobile, Southern life, and history, led him to provide, through the USA Foundation, funding to establish and support the N. Jack Stallworth Lecture in Southern history.

The 2009 Stallworth Lecture was delivered to a near capacity audience in the Recital Hall of the Laidlaw Performing Arts Center by Professor Anthony J. Badger, the Paul Mellon Professor of American History and Master of Clare College at the University of Cambridge. Badger has written extensively on American political history during the 1930s and beyond. Much of his scholarship has focused on the U. S. South. His major works include *Prosperity Road: The New Deal, Tobacco, and North Carolina* (1980); *North Carolina and the New Deal* (1981); and *The New Deal: The Depression Years, 1933-40* (1989).

A 2007 volume of collected essays entitled *New Deal / New South: An Anthony J. Badger Reader* provides a searching examination of the role of southern liberals from the 1930s through the 1950s.

For the past several decades Badger has played a key role in stimulating the study of United States history in Great Britain through the training of British doctoral students and an ongoing program of symposia and visits by U. S historians to Cambridge. The current flourishing state of British research on the United States owes much to his administrative energy and intellectual vision, to say nothing of the example furnished by his transatlantic outreach. In March, 2009 Professor Badger was appointed Chair of the Kennedy Memorial Trust, a fund set up in 1964 to...
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commemorate the late President John F. Kennedy. The Trust awards scholarships to British postgraduate students for study at Harvard and M. I. T.

Badger's most recent book, *FDR: The First Hundred Days* (Hill and Wang, 2008) has been widely acclaimed on both sides of the Atlantic. British Prime Minister Gordon Brown praised the book as "A classic example of how a work of history can illuminate the issues we're dealing with today. . .The imagination and humanity at the heart of some of the great New Deal innovations changed American politics for ever and shaped the future of progressive politics across the world." Professor Badger is currently at work on a biography of Albert Gore Sr.

The title of Badger's Stallworth Lecture was “The New Deal and the Creation of the Modern South” Persons wishing to hear the lecture in its entirety may do so by accessing the following web link: http://www.southalabama.edu/history/multimedia.html

HOWARD MAHAN LECTURE

On February 23, 2010 Professor Susan Reverby of Wellesley College delivered the 10th annual Howard F. Mahan Lecture to an overflow audience in the Recital Hall of the Laidlaw Performing Arts Center. Reverby earned her bachelor’s degree from Cornell University in labor history, her master’s degree from New York University in American civilization, and her doctorate in American studies from Boston University. Reverby’s areas of expertise include race and women’s health and medicine. She is the editor, co-editor and author of numerous essays and books. Her recent book, *Examining Tuskegee: The Infamous Syphilis Study and Its Legacy*, details the study’s racist history, explains how people experienced it and why the doctors thought it was the right thing to do. Taking advantage of recently opened medical records, hundreds of documents and scores of interviews, she provides an in-depth look at medical testing that targeted hundreds of poor African-American men in rural areas near Tuskegee, Alabama. The federally-sponsored monitoring of untreated syphilis in black men, which ran for about 40 years, raised ethical questions about the use of clinical testing in humans.

“The study should teach us about why the government needs to provide affordable health care. If these men had decent health care, they would never have agreed to be in what they thought was a ‘treatment program,’” Reverby said. “It’s a reminder of the need for informed consent and vigilance, not rejection, of medical science and the necessity for government help.”

Persons wishing to see and hear the entire lecture may do so by visiting the following web link: http://www.southalabama.edu/history/multimedia.html

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

Fall Semester Meet and Greet

On August 20, 2009 the History Department held a highly successful “meet and greet” social hour in the USA Alumni House. The event was attended by history faculty from USA and Spring Hill College, as well as by a number of History majors and graduate students. This very enjoyable gathering inaugurated the academic year on a highly positive note.

Visiting Scholars


On April 1, 2010, the History Department sponsored a public lecture by Gene Dattel, a financial historian and former managing director at Salomon Brothers and Morgan Stanley. A native of the Mississippi Delta who studied history at Yale and law at Vanderbilt, Dattel is the author of a recent book entitled *Cotton and Race in America: The Human Costs of Economic Power*. He spoke to the Arts and Sciences faculty colloquium on the topic “Race and Cotton.”

WRITER IN RESIDENCE—AWARDS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Five years ago Mobile native Frye Gaillard joined the History and English faculties as a Writer in Residence. Gaillard is the author of twenty-two books including *Cradle of Freedom: Alabama and the Movement That Changed America*. In October, 2005 this book received the Lillian Smith Book Award, Presented by Southern Regional Council and University of Georgia Libraries and in April 2007 *Cradle of Freedom* also received the Alabama Library Association’s award for adult nonfiction.
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Mr. Gaillard has maintained an active writing and publishing schedule and has made a number of public appearances in which he has served as an ambassador for history across the state and the region.

Frye Gaillard, WRITER IN RESIDENCE

ACTIVITIES – 2009-2010

Publications

Books

Alabama’s Civil Rights Trail: An Illustrated Guide to the Cradle of Freedom, with Jennifer Lindsay and Jane DeNeefe, foreword by Juan Williams; University of Alabama Press, winter 2010.

‘We’re Still Here:’ Native Americans in the South and East, photographs by Carolyn DeMeritt; published in association with the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts and Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts, Auburn University, winter 2010.

Articles


Other writing projects


Wrote foreword for Fear No Weasles, a collection of commentary by award-winning journalist John Grooms of Charlotte, NC, published fall 2010 by Main Street Rag Publishing.

Public Appearances:

November 6, 2009 Troy Public Radio, Montgomery, Troy, AL
November 13, 2009 Chambers County Public Library, Valley, AL
January 24, 2010 Mobile Public Library, Mobile, AL
February 7, 2010 Rosa Parks Museum, Montgomery, AL
February 8, 2010 Lowndes County Interpretive Center, National Park Service site, Lowndes County, AL
February 9, 2010 National Voting Rights Museum, Selma, AL
February 10, 2010 Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, AL
February 11, 2010 Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, Birmingham, AL
February 22, 2010 WHIL Radio, Mobile, AL
February 23, 2010 Americana concert (emcee), Laidlaw Auditorium, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL
March 3, 2010 Daphne Auditorium, Daphne, AL
March 21, 2010 Flying Monkey Theater (civil rights lecture), Huntsville, AL
March 22, 2010 The Reading Room, Greenville, SC
March 28, 2010 Black Warrior Storytelling Festival, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
April 10, 2010 Shiloh Community Restoration Project annual banquet, Tuskegee, AL
April 17, 2010 Alabama Book Festival, Montgomery, AL
April 27, 2010 Page & Palette Book Store, Fairhope, AL

(All speaking appearances have centered either on the history of the civil rights movement in Alabama and the South, or on the history and literature of southern music.)

PHI ALPHA THETA (History Honorary Society)

Summary of Phi Alpha Theta Activity – 2009--2010

This was a transition year for Phi Alpha Theta, as the Faculty Advisor as well as the officers, retired from their posts. Thus, members of Phi Alpha Theta convened on four different occasions during the year to elect new officers, to strategize recruitment, and to plan for future events in the Fall Semester 2010.
Phi Alpha Theta's 'History vs. Hollywood' series began with a Depression-era double feature: 'Kingfish: A Story of Huey P. Long,' and 'The Grapes of Wrath,' based on the John Steinbeck novel. 'Kingfish' was screened first, at 6 PM, on Friday, September 18, in room 150 of the Humanities building. Dr. Clarence Mohr, the history department chair, introduced the films and led a post screening discussion.

On October 16 Dr John Turner led a lively discussion of “The Manchurian Candidate,” a film depicting fictional North Korean mind control experiments. The film was released during a time when the American CIA was, in fact, secretly engaging in research aimed at controlling individual behavior with psychoactive drugs and electrical stimulation of the human brain.

With the assistance of Professor Mara Kozelsky and Rachel Logan, a History major and recent USA graduate, Phi Alpha Theta arranged for the public screening and subsequent discussion of “The Armenian Genocide,” a documentary film that was shown in the USA Library Auditorium on the evening of April 17, 2010. A spirited discussion followed the film.

Phi Alpha Theta conducted the 'Outstanding Professor' election and catered the History Department Award Night on April 22, 2010.

AWARD TO MICHELLE CAGLE

Michelle Cagle, the History Department senior secretary, received the 2009 USA National Alumni Association Christie Miree Outstanding Employee Service Award in the clerical category. The competition included clerical staff from all divisions of the University. Ms. Cagle, whose exemplary service to the History Department is widely acknowledged and deeply appreciated, is also a University wide “A-Team” member for the Academic Affairs Division.

INSTRUCTIONAL IMPROVEMENTS AND INNOVATIONS

Website Development

During the past year the departmental website committee under the leadership of John Turner and Dan Rogers added several new features to the departmental web page. The most notable change was the addition of a multimedia link providing access to sound and video recordings of the Stallworth and Mahan lectures.

On-line Courses Continued on an Expanded Basis

During the summer session of 2010 the History Department expanded its on-line offerings to include two fully on-line sections of introductory Western Civilization, two fully on-line sections of introductory United States History, one section of introductory Latin American history, and two 400 level classes: The U. S. Since 1945 and HY 457, “Eastern Christianity.” All six classes are fully enrolled

Supplemental Instruction and Learning Skills Seminars

After several years of very successful operation under the direction of Dr. Leonard Macaluso, the SI program was suspended last year and subsequently revived on a diminished scale as a result of University wide fiscal constraints. The department continues its highly successful program of Learning Skills Seminars open to all students history classes at any level, as well as to other non-history students on a space available basis. Our aim in both the peer tutoring and learning skills programs is to maximize the likelihood that students will work up to their individual academic potential.

DEPARTMENT STUDENT/ALUMNI NEWS

SCOTTY KIRKLAND (MA 2009) will give invited lectures in July, 2010 at the Gilder Lehrman Summer Institute on the Modern Civil Rights Movement at Clare College, University of Cambridge. He will speak about civil rights in Mobile after 1965 and the 1981 murder of Michael Donald, an event that led to successful legal action against the Ku Klux Klan

KIMBERLY PROCTOR. A senior from Scottsboro, Alabama and a double major in History and English was elected SGA President for 2010-2011.

SEAN SCARCLIFF (BA 2006, MA in progress) is serving as a First Lieutenant and cavalry officer in Iraq.

JOHN SAVELL (BA, MA 2002) is officer in charge of the National Museum of the Infantry at Fort Benning.

ALEX VESA (BA 1996) is going back to school to be a radiologic technician.
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JEFFREY HARRIS (BA 2009) entered Ohio State University last fall working on his Masters degree in French. As a Graduate Teaching Associate, he is teaching his own class, French 101. This summer, he will study Quebequois Culture and Literature at L’Université Laval in Quebec City.

DELENE CASE (B.A. 2001, M.A. 2004) has passed her comprehensive exams this academic year and is now ABD in the German Studies Program at the University of Massachusetts. She is now working on her dissertation which will be a hybrid of cultural history, biography, and literary and film criticism on the works of the Jewish Holocaust survivor and East German intellectual and activist, Jurek Becker. She is delighted to be able to work her history training into her German Studies dissertation and says, “Thanks South Alabama History Department” for the mentoring and training she got in our department. In addition, she has built a working relationship with Becker’s widow who continues to edit and publish his works in English translation. This year, Delene and Becker’s widow presented one of the latest releases of an audio book of Becker’s work at NYU. Delene also delivered a conference paper at Duke which is now under review for publication by Duke. This summer she will participate in a seminar on Jewish Studies at the University of Michigan and she will also present a paper at the German Studies Association next year. In between, she teaches German language courses at UMASS which helps keep the bank account in the positive.

KHAREN ANDREWS (BA 2008) is finishing her first year in the Master's Program in Conflict Management at Kennesaw State University. She recently received recognition for outstanding performance in the Model African Union Competition in Washington, D.C. where her team won six of eleven awards. This year she has also qualified to become a registered mediator in the State of Georgia. Finally, she is working with the Director of Kennesaw's Conflict Management Program on a project in Senegal that will attempt to address gender issues in Senegal.

LA TOYA ROGERS (BA 2007) is currently residing in Indianapolis and about to complete a Master’s in Nursing program. After working for a few more years to earn some more cash, she hopes to attend graduate school in History. She sends her “best wishes to the department” and notes, "I felt like it was my home for three years."

KATRINA ANDERSON (BA 2004) received her Master’s in History from the University of Vermont last year and is finishing her first year in the History Ph.D. program at the University of Delaware. In March, she delivered a paper at the University of Delaware's Geis Conference on Women's Studies and in May, she will be presenting at the Colonial Society Graduate Forum in Boston. She has three encyclopedia articles forthcoming and her intended dissertation topic is African American Women's Activism and the Construction of Identity in the Atlantic World, 1787-1860.

History: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Donald DeVore


Clarence Mohr


Michele Strong


History: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

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John Turner


**HISTORY**


**History: Grants**

Mollie Nouwen


John Turner


Rebecca Williams

**Williams, R. R.** (2010, January). College of Arts and Sciences Summer Professional Development Award, University of South Alabama, $5,000.

**History: Presentations**

Martha Brazy


Mara Kozelsky


**Kozelsky, M.** (2010). *Archbishop Innokentii (Borisov) and Russian Moral Theology*. Paper presented at the Association for the Study of Eastern Christianity Conference, Columbus, OH.

Michele Strong


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Marine Sciences: Highlights

Current research funding in excess of $3,000,000 annually.

Peer reviewed publications of USA funded faculty (Kiene, Park, Powers and Shipp) averaging 4 per faculty. Faculty/student publications are averaging about 2.5 refereed publications annually for all MESC/USA faculty.

7 MS and 6 PhD students complete their degrees between Spring of 2009 and Spring of 2010. Currently there are 24 masters students and 20 doctoral students enrolled.

Between the USA Foundation and the University Foundation, the Department currently has nearly $700,000 in endowments committed.

Nelson award donation from the Mobile Jaycees was $22,000.

The new Shelby Fishery Building at Dauphin Island Sea Lab was completed early 2010.

Marine Sciences: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Ronald Kiene


Kyeong Park


Sean Powers


MARINE SCIENCES


Alice Ortmann


Robert Shipp


Marine Sciences: Editorship of Books or Journals

Ronald Kiene


Kiene, R. Reviewer of 15 manuscripts for journals including Limnology and Oceanography, Marine Ecology-Progress Series, Applied and Environmental Microbiology, Environmental Science and Technology, Science and others.

Kiene, R. Reviewer of 5 proposals; 2 for NSF, 2 for NERC (UK) and 1 for Research Corporation for Science Advancement.

Kiene, R. Web log of research activities at Palmer Station Antarctica during January 2006 continues to draw on-line visitors, with about 350-400 unique visitors per month. http://biogeochemistrylab.disl.org/artic/artic.htm

Marine Sciences: Abstracts

Ronald Kiene


Kyeong Park


Marine Sciences: Grants

Ronald Kiene


Kyeong Park


Powers, S. P. (PI),


Sean Powers


Powers, S. P. (PI) (2008-2010). Apex Predator Dynamics. NMFS Shelby Center for Ecosystem Fisheries Management. $144,000. DISL. Active


MACINE SCIENCES

Alice Ortmann

MacIntyre, H. L., Ortmann, A. C., & Park, K. (2009, August). Residence time as a factor controlling the effects of HABs and fecal contamination on ecosystem health in Little Lagoon, AL, Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium, NOAA $289,254 (PI of Subaward to USA $166,621). Awarded


Ortmann, A. C. (2009, March). Coupling the microbial loop to fisheries: Assessing impacts on available food resources, Shelby Center for Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management, NOAA, $113,565. Active

Robert Shipp


Marine Sciences: Presentations

Ronald Kiene


Kiene, R. P. (2010, February). Seminar, Chemistry Department, University of South AL.

Kiene, R. P. (2010, April). Seminar, University of Southern Mississippi, Stennis Space Center, MS.

Sean Powers


Alice Ortmann

Mathematics & Statistics

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Professorial Lecturer: Dr. Frank Jellett

Instructors: Mrs. Cynthia A. Crumb, Ms. Sonna Farmer, Mr. Kent Murdick, Ms. Ameina Summerlin

Secretaries: Ms. Sandy House, M.Ed., Cynthia Schneider, PhD.

Mathematics & Statistics: Highlights

Despite the austerity forced upon us by proration, the Department of Mathematics and Statistics had an excellent academic year in 2009-2010.

As a result of initiatives from the office of the Vice-President for Academic Affairs, we are beginning a series of course redesigns with experimental sections of Ma 112 beginning in the fall. Other redesigns for Ma 113 and Ma 210 are currently in the planning stages. We anticipate that all efforts to make these courses more effective (and more efficient with regards to cost) will use our graduate students in a significant way. In this way, we can integrate our educational and research agendas across the continuum from our most elementary courses, through advanced undergraduate, and finally dovetail graduate instruction with the cutting-edge of our internationally recognized research.

We are very proud of our majors and minors. Lin Zhong won the Christopher Nash Award with Edward Anderson coming in second, and David Mullens coming third. Monica Watley won the Sushila Mishra Memorial Award. Megumi Inaba earned the Victorino Blanco Award. Lin Zhong and Kevin Nguyen were awarded departmental scholarships funded through the USA Foundation. Graduate student Kevin Grace completed his Master’s degrees.

Highlights of research achievements include a paper by Boris Kalinin that has recently been accepted by the Annals of Mathematics, and a paper of Bin Wang that has been accepted by Biometria. Madhuri Mulekar is co-Principal Investigator on several active multi-disciplinary grants totaling over 1.3 million dollars. David Benko’s article “A New Approach to Hilbert’s Third Problem,” which originally appeared in The American Mathematical Monthly, has reappeared in the volume: “Proofs from THE BOOK.” Let me explain: THE BOOK is a mythical entity in which the most simple and elegant solutions to mathematical problems are compiled. The editors of the current volume consider David’s proof to be both simple and elegant. Hilbert’s problem list at the opening of the twentieth century continues to influence the direction of mathematics even now.

Central aspects of our community outreach include the Mobile Mathematics Circle, The Mobile Mathematical Olympiad, and the Mobile Math Society. The Math Circle is funded through a grant from the Alabama Space Grant Consortium and is co-organized by Professors Cornelius Pillen, Vassily Prokhorov, and Elena Galaktionova. The Mobile Mathematical Olympiad is co-sponsored with the Alabama School of Mathematics and Science (ASMS). Professors Cornelius Pillen, Vassily Prokhorov, Elena Galaktionova, and Natalya Prokhorova of ASMS also organized an extremely successful summer workshop for teachers on forming and directing Mathematics Circles. The Mobile Math Society, also cosponsored with ASMS, meets monthly and hosts a variety of talks on mathematical and quasi-mathematical topics. Local leaders are Dan Silver, Susan Williams, and Sarah Brewer of ASMS.

We are saddened by the pending retirement of Satya Mishra who has represented and served the University since 1982. He is planning on retiring in October 2009. He continues to have big plans for the future. Please wish him success in his future endeavors.

Faculty gave presentations in North and South America, Europe, and Asia. We spoke across the four corners of the United States, studied in the Czech Republic, and traveled to Japan.

Our faculty routinely review papers for Mathematical Reviews and Zentralblatt der Mathematik. These centralized, internationally-renowned indices help researchers in the field by giving summaries of other researchers’ published results. Several top-ranked journals have called upon our faculty to referee.
important articles. The department houses many of the world’s experts on a variety of mathematical and statistical areas.

Details of our many accomplishments are listed below. The department is proud of our students and our faculty.

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Susan Williams


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David Benko


Nutan Mishra


Madhuri Mulekar


Bin Wang


Mathematics & Statistics: Non Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

J. Scott Carter


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Madhuri Mulekar

Samant, R. S., Shevde, L., Mulekar, M. S., & Tucker, A. (2010, March). Role of Nmi in retarding breast tumor growth, NIH-R01, $930,000.
MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS


Cornelius Pillen


Victoria Sadovskaya


Susan Williams

Sommerhäuser, Y. (2009, September). On the central charge of a actorizable Hopf algebra, Special Faculty Development Fund of the University of South Alabama, $600.

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J. Scott Carter


MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

Carter, J. S. (Feb. 19, 2009) *Categorical Quandles and Knots*, Invited talk at the Darmouth University Department of Mathematics Seminar, Dartmouth, MA.

Cynthia Crumb


Jörg Feldvoss

Feldvoss, J. (2009). *Complexity, Varieties, and Representation Type*, Invited talk presented in the Algebra and Combinatorics Seminar at Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.


Elena Galaktionova


Boris Kalinin


Kalinin, B. (2010). *Rigidity properties of higher rank abelian actions*. Invited talk Mathematical Physics/Dynamical Systems Seminar. University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

Iain Moffatt


Madhuri Mulekar


Cornelius Pillen

Pillen, C. (2009). *Playing with Numbers, Teaching Problem Solving in Mathematics*, Workshop for middle and high school teachers, University of South Alabama, Mobile AL.


Vassiliy Prokhorov

Prokhorov, V. (2009). *The invariance principle: If there is repetition, look for what does not change! Teaching Problem Solving in Mathematics*, Workshop for middle and high school teachers, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Prokhorov, V. (2010). *A Decade of Running a Math Circle in a Small City*, Mathematical Science Research Institute, Circle on the Road, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.
MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

Victoria Sadovskaya

Sadovskaya, V. (2009). Linear cocycles and criteria of conformality. Center for Dynamics and Geometry Seminar, Penn State University, University Park, PA.

Sadovskaya, V. (2010). Local rigidity and conformality in hyperbolic systems. Mathematical Physics/Dynamical Systems Seminar. University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

Sadovskaya, V. (2010). Linear cocycles with conformal periodic data. Mathematical Physics/Dynamical Systems Seminar. University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX.

Daniel Silver


Yorck Sommerhaeuser


Sommerhäuser, Y. (2010). Equivariant Frobenius-Schur indicators. Talk presented in the Algebra and Combinatorics Seminar of Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.


Sommerhäuser, Y. (2010). Matrices over finite fields XIX-XXVII. Talks presented in the Algebra Seminar of the University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL.

Bin Wang


Susan Williams


**MUSIC**

**Department Chair:** Dr. Greg Gruner

**Professors:** Dr. Andra Bohnet, Dr. Jerry Alan Bush, Dr. Greg Gruner, Dr. Tracy Heavner, Dr. Robert Holm

**Associate Professors:** Dr. David Durant, Dr. Peter Wood

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**Instructors:** Mr. Robert Ward Miller, Mr. J. Michael Sammons

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**Music: Highlights**

The Department of Music had a successful year with regard to concerts, presentations, research/creative activity, guest performances and recruiting. Some of the academic year’s highlights include: the development, recruitment, and inaugural performances of the Jaguar Marching Band, the initial development of a string orchestra, greatly increased music major/minor enrollment, greater student retention and participation in music ensembles for the 2009-10 academic year, the development of a variety of new music ensembles, and increased concert opportunities for students through faculty as well as nationally and internationally recognized guest artist performances. Both instrumental and vocal music students enjoyed regional and national recognition in performance competitions and composition. Department of Music graduates continue to be accepted into top-flight graduate music programs or have been successful in their performance, music education, or music industry careers. Performance, composition, and research/creative activity by the music faculty continued in a number of international, national, and regional venues as well as a variety of community arts and innovative education and technology programs. The Department of Music continues to enjoy partnerships with the Mobile Symphony, Mobile Opera, Mobile Pops Band, Mobile Arts Council, the Mobile and Baldwin County Public Schools, and Integrity Media, Inc. The Department of Music has made a lasting impression throughout the states of Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida.

Andra Bohnet, Professor of Music, maintains an active performance schedule in both the classical and more eclectic musical realms. Immediately after giving her last final in May 2009, she flew to Vancouver, BC to collaborate in recording the CD *Duck This!* by Dangerous Dick and the Duckbusters. This collection of caving songs and instrumentals influenced by the spaces underground also includes some of her arrangements. July saw her in Asheville, NC and Lunenburg, Nova Scotia for two weeks of intense study of Irish flute, Scottish smallpipes, Celtic harp and the Irish bodhran. In August she attended the National Flute Association Convention in New York, NY, presenting her research on John Clinton (1809-1864), playing a concert of Irish music, and leading the first-ever Irish Session at the NFA. In September the Silverwood Quartet was honored to present the inaugural concert on the University of Southern Mississippi’s Connoisseurs Chamber Music Series in September 2009. Her Celtic band Mithril performed two Celtic Halloween concerts with the Enid Symphony (OK) in October. In March Mithril traveled to Cortland, NY to present a concert on the SUNY-Cortland Campus Artist and Lecture Series in addition to giving several other concerts in celebration of St. Patrick’s Day. Mithril collaborated with the Johnson City Symphony (TN) on a Celtic Celebration concert in April. And, of course, Dr. Bohnet continues to perform frequently on and around the USA campus and as the principal flutist with the Mobile Symphony Orchestra.

Jerry Alan Bush, Professor of Music, presented a solo piano recital on campus on October 25, 2009 and fulfilled a number of professional engagements during the academic year. Among these was a tour of the northeast, during which Dr. Bush presented “The Golden Era of the Piano” lecture-recital at Princeton University, The Academy of Music in Philadelphia and The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York. In addition to regional presentations of this program, it was also performed in Mobile under the auspices of The Schumann Club.

During the 2009-2010 academic year Dr. Bush maintained his schedule of master class presentations and adjudication. Included were numerous master class engagements for The New Orleans Performance Institute as well as similar appearances for The Atlanta Piano Forum. The season also proved successful for Dr. Bush’s studio, with one of his students winning first prize in both the Birmingham Music Club Competitive Auditions and the Alabama Federation of Music Clubs State Auditions. Together with scholarships and other honors, this brings the total of his students’ awards to more than 740 during Dr. Bush’s career at USA.
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Jeannette Fresne, Assistant Professor of Music, published two entries in the Grove’s Dictionary of American Music, 2nd ed., a peer-reviewed encyclopedia, with entries written by experts and signed. Grove’s Dictionary has become a fundamental inclusion in music libraries, including our Department of Music and the USA Library. The 48-hour arts integration, in-service program for elementary teachers, Arts in Education, completed its sixth year having secured almost $200,000 in grants from Alabama Commission on Higher Education [ACHE] and Alabama State Council on the Arts. Celebrating a five-year anniversary with Alabama Institute for Education through the Arts [AIEA], this USA-AIEA partnership has offered and continues to offer Comprehensive Arts Education: Alabama for K-12 teachers throughout the state of Alabama. As P.I., instructor, mentor, and Program Director, it is exciting that ACHE awarded $185,000 for 2010-11, funding an additional (new) arts integration program created to serve middle school teachers in English and Social Studies. Running this program with the assistance of Dr. Paige Baggett in visual arts from the College of Arts and Sciences, Robert Holm, Professor of Music, presented 35 full-length programs within the 2009-2010 academic year, including three solo recitals, two appearances as soloist with orchestra, three collaborative performances in Oklahoma and Louisiana, 11 regional collaborative performances, nine faculty and five student recitals on campus and one student recital at the University of Mobile. Service at the state level as staff accompanist included performances at the Alabama National Association of Singing Competition in Mobile and the All-State Solo and Ensemble Festival at Auburn. Accompanying service on campus included rehearsals and performances with the USA Opera Theater, the USA Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble and the USA Piano Ensemble.

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Tracy Heavner, Professor of Music, had an active year presenting research, serving as a peer-reviewer for conference paper submissions and being published at the first Egyptian international music education conference, Music Education: A Vision for the Future held in Cairo, Egypt. He is also serving on the editorial board for a new Egyptian music education journal, The First International Journal of Music Studies in Egypt, whose first publication is scheduled for May 2010. His research will also be published in the journal. In the area of performance, Dr. Heavner was honored by being invited to serve as the 2010 Alabama Allstate Jazz Band Director/Clinician for a concert held at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa in February. In addition, he conducted and performed with the USA Jazz Ensemble and Combo at both fall and spring concerts. He also worked as a studio musician for LiveHorns.Com, recording horn lines and saxophone solos for various artists’ CDs. Most recently, he received an invitation to be a plenary speaker, present research and perform at the International Journal of Arts and Science Conference in Gottenheim, Germany.

Robert Holm, Professor of Music, presented 35 full-length programs within the 2009-2010 academic year, including three solo recitals, two appearances as soloist with orchestra, three collaborative performances in Oklahoma and Louisiana, 11 regional collaborative performances, nine faculty and five student recitals on campus and one student recital at the University of Mobile. Service at the state level as staff accompanist included performances at the Alabama National Association of Singing Competition in Mobile and the All-State Solo and Ensemble Festival at Auburn. Accompanying service on campus included rehearsals and performances with the USA Opera Theater, the USA Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble and the USA Piano Ensemble.
Master classes were given at Northeastern State University (OK) and at the University of Mobile, and adjudication services were rendered twice for the Mississippi Music Teachers Association piano competitions. Locally, two presentations were offered for the Mobile Music Teachers Association.

Continued appointments as principal pianist of the Mobile Symphony Orchestra and at Dauphin Way Baptist Church led to regular collaborative music-making in the Mobile area. Recently, an invitation to become a Steinway Artist was accepted, a distinction enjoyed by fewer than 1500 pianists worldwide.

Ward Miller, Instructor of Music, spent the majority of his time recruiting, administrating, directing, and writing for the inaugural University of South Alabama Jaguar Marching Band. With an ensemble of 150 members, the Department of Music can boast one of the most successful new collegiate marching band programs. He was invited to serve as guest conductor and clinician of the Escambia County All-County Band in Pensacola, FL. Other duties included the Basketball Pep Bands, a body of students that grew to 60 members (two bands of thirty apiece) and the USA Symphony Band, an auditioned ensemble and now the second concert band in our program. Mr. Miller served as the Associate Conductor for the USA Wind Ensemble and coached the USA Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble, the Trombone Quartet, Trombone Choir, and one of our many brass quintets.

Laura Moore, Assistant Professor of Music, has been active as a conductor, pianist, and choral clinician during her second year as the Director of Choral Activities at USA. In addition to four public performances on the Musical Arts Series, including a performance of the Fauré Requiem with chamber orchestra, the USA choirs under her direction have performed for several campus events and with the Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra.

As a staff member for the Alabama Ambassadors of Music, Dr. Moore conducted a choir of high school and college honor students on a European tour in June 2009, including performances in London, Paris, Switzerland, Austria, and Rothenburg, Germany. She was also invited to conduct the Mobile County Honor Choir in March 2010. Dr. Moore served as the Chorus Master for the Mobile Opera Chorus season, in works as diverse as Sweeney Todd and Wagner’s Der Fliegende Holländer. She has served as collaborative pianist with faculty and students on multiple vocal and instrumental recitals on the campus. In addition, she conducted the faculty chamber performance of Stravinsky’s L’Histoire du Soldat.

Thomas L. Rowell, Assistant Professor of Music, led an active teaching and performance schedule during the 2009-2010 academic year. He was featured as National Anthem soloist at Hank Aaron Stadium for Mobile Opera Night and again at the inaugural football game of the University of South Alabama Jaguars. Dr. Rowell also appeared with Mobile Symphony for its Halloween Pops Concert, with the Northwest Florida Symphony as tenor soloist for Mozart’s Requiem, with Mobile Opera as tenor soloist for Handel’s Messiah, and with Mobile Pops as guest soloist for their Holiday Pops Concert. As recitalist, he appeared with soprano Kristine Stroupe in recital at David Lipscomb University in Nashville, TN and performed a recital entitled “Songs My Students Taught Me” at USA. Dr. Rowell also directed the music for Seussical: The Musical for the USA Department of Dramatic Arts, a program of operatic and musical theatre scenes with USA Opera Theatre and conducted Gilbert and Sullivan’s The Mikado with USA Opera Theatre. He prepared eight students for junior and senior voice recitals, and had three first place winners, two second place winners and three third place winners at Alabama’s NATS annual student voice competition. Dr. Rowell performed the roles of “Pirelli” in Sondheim’s Sweeney Todd and “Steuermann” in Wagner’s Der Fliegende Holländer with Mobile Opera. In addition to his work at USA, Dr. Rowell assumed the directorship of Bella Voce, Mobile’s premiere women’s chorus, and directorship of the music programs at Cottage Hill Presbyterian Church.

Mike Sammons, Instructor of Music, taught applied percussion, percussion ensemble, world music ensemble (new course, Spring semester 2010), percussion methods and the marching band percussion section. Further duties with the marching band included all arranging responsibilities, organizing and directing the audition camps and accompanying clinics.

The USA Percussion Ensemble and World Music Ensemble performed on several tours and a number of guest artists including Mike Vercelli, Laura Noah and Adam Blackstock were hosted by Mr. Sammons. Several corporate sponsors including Vic Firth, Remo and Sabian assisted in these efforts. Two USA percussionists received notable honors: Zach Webb was awarded a position through competitive audition with the Pensacola Symphony in May 2009 and in January 2010, Ben Ivey was the winner of the Symphony of the Mountains Concerto Competition. Ben will be performing as part of their 2010-2011
concert series. The USA Percussion Ensemble appeared as the featured performing group at the inaugural Southeast Percussion Festival 2010. Mr. Sammons performed and lectured at Clemson University and West Virginia University as well as maintaining an active role with the Mobile Symphony.

Peter Wood, Associate Professor of Music, was very active in 2009-2010. In addition to playing trumpet in the Mobile Symphony Orchestra and performing two faculty recitals on the USA campus, he also did a recital tour, performing solo recitals and teaching masterclasses at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma and at the University of Louisiana-Lafayette. He performed as featured trumpet soloist with the Mobile Pops Band and was the featured trumpet soloist for concerts of electroacoustic music at Tulane University and Loyola University in New Orleans. Helping to bolster the USA brass program, Dr. Wood co-founded, implemented, and conducted the first annual South Alabama Brass Chamber Music Festival, featuring the American Brass Quintet with the help of a grant that he wrote from the Alabama State Council on the Arts. Under his direction, the USA Brass Choir grew in size to over 30 members, and five student brass quintets are now in existence. The USA Trumpet Ensemble submitted an audition recording and were invited to perform at the International Trumpet Guild conference in Sydney, Australia in July 2010. Wood performed in the Festival of Trumpets concert at the 2009 ITG conference in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and will be performing the premiere of a new piece for solo trumpet and piano at the 2010 conference in Sydney. He organized and coordinated the Alabama Ambassadors of Music, a 16-day, 7-country musical tour of Europe with top high school and college band and choir students from all over the state. He remained active in community affairs, coaching the brass section for the Mobile Symphony Youth Orchestra; and he continued his work utilizing technology in educational settings. Wood continues to serve the International Trumpet Guild as editor of the “Recording Reviews” column for the ITG Journal.

Linda Zoghby, Assistant Professor of Music, has appeared as a guest soloist at the American-Israeli Public Affairs Committee Reception, honoring Israeli Ambassador Marc Ginsberg. She also appeared as guest soloist at many local and regional church occasions, including Saint Catherine of Sienna’s “ 50 Years of Homecoming”, concelebrated by Archbishops’ Lipscomb and Rodi, Diocese of Mobile. She adjudicated at the Alabama Conference of the National Association of the Teachers of Singing, and her students competed, and placed as winners. Two of her students presented their Senior Voice Recitals, and several are interns with Mobile’s cultural organizations, including Mobile Arts Council, Mobile Symphony, Mobile Carnival Theater Company, and as chorus members at Mobile Opera. Ms. Zoghby’s private studio includes students from McGill Toolen Catholic High, Saint Paul’s High and Middle Schools, Daphne Middle School, as well as two students from Ocean Springs, Ms., one of whom she presented in a full scale Senior Recital at the Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Center for the Performing Arts, in Ocean Springs. Another student was named Baldwin County’s America’s Junior Miss, while yet another student was selected for the 2010 American High School Honors Performance Series, as a first soprano in a Carnegie Hall performance.

Music: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Jeannette Fresne


Tracy Heavner


Music: Non Peer Reviewed Journal
Articles/Compositions/Arrangements

Greg Gruner


Thomas Rowell


Music: Reviews

Andra C. Bohnet


Peter J. Wood


Music: Editorship of Books or Journals

Tracy Heavner


Peter J. Wood


Music: Juried Performances, Productions, Recitals, Commissioned Compositions/Arrangements

Andra C. Bohnet

Formal Recitals/Concerts & Solo Performances: National/International


MUSIC


Formal Recitals/Concerts & Solo Performances: Regional


Chamber Music Performances: Regional


Chamber Music Performances: Community


MUSIC

**Orchestral Performances: Regional**


**Orchestral Performances: Community**


**Jerry Alan Bush**


David Z. Durant


Greg Gruner


Tracy Heavner


Heavner, T. L. (2009) Director/Performer: University of South Alabama Jazz Band Fall Concert, University of South Alabama, Mobile, November 10.


Robert Edward Holm

National: Solo


National: Collaborative


Regional: Solo


Regional: Collaborative


Music: Other Performances, Productions & Recitals

Andra C. Bohnet

These concerts were also public, but took place on campus. The formal concerts are of high artistic merit and require significant preparation. The others are in service to the institution.

Formal Concerts


Jerry Alan Bush


**MUSIC**


*conducted as Master Clinician for both organizations cited

**David Z. Durant**

**Durant, D. Z.** (Composer) (2010). *Five Sketches for Piano*. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama. (Two Performances)

**Durant, D. Z.** (Composer) (2010). *Five Miniatures for Piano*. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama. (Two Performances)


Greg Gruner

*Conducting Performances*


Guest Conducting Performances


Robert Edward Holm

Regional: Solo


Regional: Collaborative


Campus: Solo

Holm, R. (Pianist). (2010, April 1). The 4 B’s: Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, and Bartok [Solo Faculty Recital]. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama.


Campus: Collaborative


Holm, R., Bohnet, A. C., et al. (Pianist). (2010, March 8). *Clinton on Clinton [Faculty Recital]*. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama.


Robert Ward Miller


Laura Moore


Moore, L. (Conductor). (2009, October 6). *University Chorale and Concert Choir, Fall Choral Concert*. University of South Alabama. Mobile, AL.


Moore, L. (Conductor). (2010, April 29). *University Chorale and Concert Choir, Spring Choral Concert*. University of South Alabama. Mobile, AL.


Moore, L. (Off-stage conductor) (2010, March 27). Mobile Opera, Flying Dutchman. Mobile, AL.

Professional Performances – Other


Adjudication


Choral Clinician


Invited Performance


Thomas L. Rowell


Rowell, T. L. (Soloist). (2009, September 5). National Anthem at University of South Alabama’s Inaugural football game. [Student Production]. Mobile, AL: Ladd Peebles Stadium.

Rowell, T. L. (Soloist). (2009, September 16). Guest performer for the University of South Alabama Board of Trustees Dinner with Laura Moore, piano. [Professional Production]. Mobile, AL: University of South Alabama.


Chamber Performances: Regional


Orchestral Performances: Regional


Other Performances / Clinics


Peter J. Wood


Music: Recordings

Andra C. Bohnet


Robert Holm


Robert Ward Miller


Laura Moore


Peter Wood


Music: Grants

Jeannette Fresne


Greg Gruner


Tracy Heavner


Heavner, T. L. (2010, January) University of South Alabama Arts and Sciences Development Award for Research Presentation at the Journal of Arts and Sciences Conference International Conference, Gottemheim, Germany. $1200.

J. Michael Sammons

Sammons, M. (2009, June), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Sabian, $4,800.

Sammons, M. (2009, June), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Remo, $1,735.55.

Sammons, M. (2009, June), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Vic Firth, Inc., $4,633.75.


Sammons, M. (2009, August), Sponsorship for Percussion Methods Course (MUE 345) membership (1 year), Percussive Arts Society, $825.00.

Sammons, M. (2009, September), Sponsorship for USA Percussion Studio members - membership (1 year), Percussion Music Online, $650.00.
MUSIC


Sammons, M. (2010, February), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Sabian, $4,273.

Sammons, M. (2010, February), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Remo, $3,000.

Sammons, M. (2010, February), Sponsorship for the University of South Alabama Marching Band and Drumline, Vic Firth, Inc., $5,536.40

Sammons, M. (2010, April), Michael Vercelli Residency Sponsorship, Vic Firth Inc., $150.

Peter Wood


Music: Presentations


Robert Holm


Holm, R. (2009, October 12). Solo. Piano Master Class with University Students [Guest Faculty Master Class]. Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK.


PHILOSOPHY

Department Chair: Dr. John C. Coker

Associate Professors: Dr. Eric Loomis, Dr. Kevin M. Meeker

Assistant Professors: Dr. T. Allan Hillman, Dr. Ted Poston, Dr. Susan Youngblood

Secretary: Ms. Patsy Jordan

Philosophy: Highlights

Peer-Reviewed Books Published:


Peer Reviewed Articles Published:


Presentations at Professional Conferences:


Poston, T. “Is there an “I” in epistemology?” Northwestern University, February 17, 2010.


Philosophy: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

T. Allan Hillman

**PHILOSOPHY**

Philosophy: Presentations

John Coker

**Coker, J. C.** (September 2009), *Critical Legal Studies versus Dworkin*. Paper presented at the Alabama Philosophical Society, Gulf Shores, AL.

T. Allan Hillman


Eric Loomis


Ted Poston


PHYSICS

Department Chair: Dr. S. L. Varghese

Professors: Dr. R. Kent Clark, Dr. Paul A. Helminger, Dr. C. Merrill Jenkins, Dr. S. L. Varghese

Associate Professor: Dr. Justin M. Sanders

Assistant Professors: Dr. Albert A. Gapud, Dr. Romulus Godang

Senior Instructor: Mr. Michael Boleman

Instructors: Ms. Marija Novovic

Secretary: Ms. Betty Eubanks

Physics: Highlights

In spite of the financial concerns of the country, the academic year, 2009-10, proved to be an outstanding year for USA’s Physics Department as it continued its path of excellence in Teaching, Research, Service and Outreach. Using the plasma display which continuously updates various exciting Teaching, Research, Service and Outreach activities, the department continues to provide a ‘welcoming venue’ for all visitors. The department continues to maintain superior quality of its teaching labs along with other facilities. Due to a hiring freeze, the vacated Lab Instructor position, remains unfilled. However, with concerted efforts, overload teaching assignments and additional part-time help, the department managed to handle an increase in enrollment.

Dr. Paul Helminger attended the Annual Meeting of the Alabama Section of American Association of Physics Teachers held at Auburn University. At the invitation of the department, Dr. John Dempsey gave a presentation on the Course Redesign Initiative. The department conducted the Annual Teaching Workshop with Drs. R. Kent Clark, Helminger and Albert Gapud as presenters. They reported on ‘Features of Wiley Plus’, ‘Report from the Alabama AAPT meeting’ and ‘Results of Similar Course Redesign in Other Peer Universities’ respectively.

The department continued its highly focused scheduling and, with the support of the dedicated faculty, healthy enrollments were maintained. Due in part to the faculty’s extra efforts, both inside and outside the classrooms, such as problem-solving sessions, demonstrations, astronomical viewings, use of the internet, the department’s free tutoring program, and the participation in the University’s Supplemental Instruction Program, the retention rate in physics remained at a high level. Ms. Marija Novovic and Dr. Justin Sanders participated in the Natural Science Assessment of the General Education Requirements in Algebra/Trigonometry Based Physics I Lab and Introduction to Astronomy Lectures, respectively. Assessment activities continued vigorously with Mr. Michael Boleman, Assessment Committee Chair, providing leadership. Mr. Boleman, Drs. Sanders and S. L. Varghese met with Ms. Cecelia Martin, Director of University Assessment, and discussed expansion of assessment to additional General Education courses.

Mr. Josue R. Morales Cifuentes is to graduate in May 2010, and has been accepted in the graduate program of the University of Maryland, while Mr. Peter Favreau is expected to graduate in Summer, 2010. Mr. Robert Holmes and Mr. Joshua Plummer have been awarded a four-year Freshman Physics Scholarships for 2010-11. Mr. Rafi S. Qumseih continues with the Physics Faculty Honors Fellowship for 2010-11 and Mr. Ozarfar Gafarov continues the USA Foundation Physics Scholarship for 2010-11. Ms. Shannon Eynon was a unanimous choice for a new Faculty Honors Fellowship. Faculty also selected Mr. Ian Leatherbury for a Promising Student Award. Students were recognized for their superior performance in the introductory physics sequences. In the Algebra/Trigonometry Based Physics Sequence, Mr. Nicholas R. Childers, Ms. E. Eynon, Ms. Kristina A. Nichols, Mr. Landon J. Sykora and Ms. Priyanka P. Vichare were selected for the outstanding physics student awards; while, Mr. Benjamin D. Theobald, Mr. Timothy L. Kennedy, Mr. Samuel J. Lindquist, Mr. Justin T. Hebert, Mr. Omar I. Hashmi, Ms. Leah J. Wilson and Ms. Neha Hingorani were presented honorable-mention certificates. For the Calculus Based Physics Sequence, Mr. Daniel R. Armstrong, Mr. Quan T. Tran and Mr. Trent D. Thomas were unanimously selected for the outstanding physics student awards; an honorable-mention certificate went to Mr. Chad M. Mossak.

Mr. Morales Cifuentes, Mr. Favreau and Ms. Sunhee Moraes received Graduating Senior Gifts. Mr. Morales Cifuentes was presented the Outstanding Physics Major Award for 2009-10.

Several physics majors and a Ph D student from University of Mississippi worked with various faculty members on several research projects. Ms. Sunhee Moraes presented a paper at the American Physical
Society March Meeting. Mr. Christopher Buchanan, Mr. Favreau, Ms. Moraes and Mr. Eric Urban presented papers at the 19th Annual Mini-Conference on Undergraduate Research in Sciences and Mathematics. Mr. Morales-Cifuentes, Mr. Favreau and Ms. Moraes participated in poster presentations in the 11th Annual Undergraduate Symposium. Mr. Favreau and Ms. Moraes presented papers at the 76th Annual meeting of the Southeastern Section of the American Physical Society. Additionally Drs. Clark, Sanders and Helminger took several physics majors to the Deep South Regional Star Gaze.

In addition to the research and related activities on campus, faculty traveled to Fermi National Laboratory, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, Ohio State University and the BABAR Research at SLAC in pursuit of collaborative research. Dr. Godang continues his collaborative research in the CMS experiments at CERN and BABAR at SLAC, while Dr. Jenkins continues his collaborative research in the CMS experiments at CERN. Dr. Gapud took Mr. Favreau and Ms. Moraes to the National High Magnetic Field Lab to do research.

Physics faculty continued to be engaged in productive research as evidenced by publications, which are peer-reviewed, by procurement of research grants both intra-mural and external, by presentations, participation in professional gatherings and refereeing for journal publications. Refereed publications appeared in such prestigious journals as Physical Review B, Physical Review D and Physical Review Letters. Brief reporting of some of the research work has appeared in abstract form in publications such as the Bulletin of American Physical Society. Faculty members involved in these activities were: Drs. Gapud, Godang, Helminger, Jenkins and Sanders.

Drs. Clark and Helminger served as judges for the Alabama Academy of Science Gorgas Scholarship Competition.

Dr. Clark along with Dr. Sanders and Mr. Rodney Mollise continue to edit and publish the “Journal of Double Star Observations.”

Dr. Godang serves on the Berkeley Particle Data Group and Stanford Heavy Flavor Averaging Group, the BABAR Paper review Committee and Scientific Database for ASIA.

Physics Faculty continue to serve on thesis committees outside the department in spite of the absence of a graduate program in physics- Drs. Clark, Godang and Sanders serve in this capacity.

Physics faculty members successfully pursued both internal and external funding for research activities. Dr. Gapud received an NSF-RUI grant and continues with a grant from the Research Corporation. USDOE Grant in support of Dr. Jenkins’ and Dr. Godang’s for USA High Energy Physics Group is renewed. Additionally, they have procured a Recovery Act Supplemental research Fund. Both Dr. Gapud and Dr. Godang received internal grants from the University.

Research results were presented either by the USA physics faculty or their collaborators in local, regional and national meetings, and faculty members attended several conferences. Dr. Gapud presented a paper the March APS Meeting in Portland. Dr. Godang presented two papers at the APS Meeting at Denver. He also presented papers at SLAC National Laboratory, BABAR collaboration in Palo Alto, at the University of Mississippi and at the Hengstberger Symposium in Heidelberg. Dr. Helminger attended the 64th Ohio State University’s International Symposium on Molecular Spectroscopy and served on the Rao Prize Committee. Dr. Clark co-organized the 19th Annual Mini-Conference on Undergraduate Research in Sciences and Mathematics with faculty and students attending and participating. Several faculty members attended the 17th Annual USA Research Forum- Drs. Godang, Helminger and Jenkins presenting posters. Dr. Varghese attended the Tri-State Dean’s Conference. Dr. Varghese attended the Alabama Research Consortium Meeting.

Physics faculty continue to serve as reviewers for prestigious journals such as: Physical Review letters, Physical Review D and Superconductor Science and Technology- Drs Gapud and Godang acting as reviewers. Dr. Sanders continues to serve as the Topic Editor for the International Conference on the Application of Accelerators in Research & Industry.

The Physics Department had four successful colloquia and a public lecture, Drs. Godang, Helminger and Ms. Novovic leading the efforts. Drs. Godang and Jenkins organized the LIGO Traveling Exhibit as well as a Public Lecture by Dr. Marco Cavaglia.

As in the past, USA physics faculty members were very active in outreach programs in significant ways. Serving the university community in particular and the public in general, the department’s plasma display was
kept operational and the information current by Mr. Boleman, Dr. Helminger, the Project Director of the Alabama Science in Motion (ASIM) at USA, continued his service in this capacity. The ASIM grant for USA was renewed. Ms. Robin Chestnutt, ASIM Physics Project Specialist, organized several teacher workshops and took the SIM projects to classrooms in Mobile and surrounding counties. The program continues to make a very positive impact on the community. Dr. Sanders serves as a Co-PI on a grant from the National Science Foundation in support of the Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program. The 16th Annual Physics Teacher/Student workshop, organized by Dr. Varghese and the recruiting committee (Dr. Helminger, chair) with great support from the department secretary, Ms. Betty Eubanks. Participants expressed a great deal of satisfaction, as indicated by survey results and conversations with various teachers/students. Drs. Clark, Helminger, Jenkins and Sanders made presentations to the teachers, while in parallel sessions Mr. Boleman, Ms. Chestnutt, Dr. Godang, Ms. Novovic, Dr. Sanders and Dr. Varghese engaged the students with hands-on experiments, presentations about physics careers and research laboratory tours. Dr. Andrzej Wierzbicki, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences welcomed the participants. Overall 40 students and 20 teachers attended the workshop.

Physics: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

R. Kent Clark

Kamaev, O., & Clark, K. (2010, April). Study of the Rare Hyperon Decay, to be submitted to Physics Letters B.

Albert A. Gapud


Romulus Godang


PHYSICS

Paul Helminger


Merrill Jenkins


Physics: Editorship of Books or Journals

R. Kent Clark

I have been acting as the chief editor of the *Journal of Double Star Observations* (JDSO), (2009-2010) which has received an increased number of submissions. In the past year the JDSO published 32 articles, 265 pages, and measurements of over 2800 double stars. Authors come from around the world including Italy, Spain, Germany, France, Hungary, Austria, New Zealand, Australia, Japan, Puerto Rico as well as the United States. Noteworthy papers include 6 papers announcing the discovery of new double stars using the occultation method and 3 papers finding new common proper motion double stars using old and new cataloged data (2 of these papers were reviewed by professional astronomers). The JDSO has also published papers by students (undergraduate and high school) mentored by a professional astronomer and a paper of measurements by high school teachers also mentored by an astronomer. I include a copy of the latest issue of the JDSO in this package. Other issues can be seen at www.jdso.org.

Physics: Abstracts

Godang, Romulus


C. Merrill Jenkins

Jenkins, C. M. (PI), & Godang, R. (Co-PI) (2010). Renewal for the High Energy Physics Group at the University of South Alabama” – Progress report. (Year 2 of a three year grant) Starting date for this grant year: April 15. $70,000.

Justin M. Sanders


Physics: Presentations

Romulus Godang


Paul Helminger


Justin M. Sanders

Morales-Cifuentes, J. R., & Sanders, J. M., Advancement in the Construction of the Linear Accelerator Employed for the Measurement of Electron Loss or Capture Cross Sections of C Atoms with He in the 100 keV Range, poster presented at the 11th Annual USA Undergraduate Symposium, Mobile, AL.
Department Chair: Dr. Nader Entessar

Professors: Dr. Nader Entessar, Dr. Ethan M. Fishman

Associate Professors: Dr. David A. Bowers, Dr. Samuel H. Fisher, Dr. Mir Zohair Husain, Dr. Ronald Nelson, Dr. Keith Nicholls, Dr. Timothy O’Shea, Dr. Lois A. Wims

Assistant Professors: Dr. Jeffrey Blankenship, Dr. Corina Schulze, Dr. Thomas C. Shaw

Secretary: Ms. Dell Connell, Ms. Betty Flint

Political Science & Criminal Justice: Highlights

The Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice had a productive year of teaching, research and service. The department inaugurated a new track in health care management in its MPA program. Faculty attended workshops and participated in a number of local, regional and national conferences. They produced a significant number of publications and research papers as evidenced by what follows under the publications list of this report.

Several members of the Department were successful in securing over $110,000 in externally funded grants. They include Dr. Keith Nicholls, Dr. David Bowers, and Dr. Timothy O’Shea.

Dr. Ronald Nelson serves as the pre-law advisor for the University and represented the Department during the USA Day activities and served as an applicant reviewer and interviewer for the 2009-2010 Honors Program admissions process. He also organized the University’s 2009 Constitution Day program. Dr. Nelson also served as the co-chair of this year’s Humanities and Social Science Colloquium and serves on several committees.

Dr. Thomas Shaw has continued to serve with the Health Disparities Research Group (HDRG) to examine and address problems of health disparities in the local and regional community. In particular, his work has focused on working with the Bay Area Women’s Coalition (BAWC) to develop and implement a health needs assessment survey. Dr. Timothy O’Shea has received funding from the Mobile County Sheriff’s Office to evaluate the Sheriff Office’s methamphetamine initiative.

Dr. David Bowers has continued to do research on youth violence and has produced a number of technical reports for the Alabama Department of Youth Services. He has also been active in presenting papers at national conferences.

Dr. Keith Nicholls has been working on a number of research projects and conducting survey research for different clients. He is working to upgrade the University’s Polling Group facilities to better serve the needs of the community.

Dr. Mir Zohair Husain was on sabbatical leave during the academic year 2009-2010. He was the recipient of a Fulbright fellowship and is serving as a Fulbright Scholar at Cairo University in Egypt. Dr Husain’s year-long experience in Egypt will allow him to gain valuable insight as he prepares to resume his teaching duties at the University of South Alabama.

Dr. Jeffrey Blankenship presented a paper and served as a discussant on a panel at the 2010 annual meeting of the Alabama Political Science Association. He is currently serving as the secretary of the Alabama Political Science Association for the period of 2008-2012. Dr. Blankenship also served as an advisor/sponsor of the University of South Alabama’s Mock Trial Team in the Spring Semester, 2010.

Dr. Samuel Fisher presented a paper at the 2009 meeting of the American Political Science Association. He also serves as the treasurer and webmaster for the American Council for Quebec Studies and participates as a table leader, AP readings in U.S. government and an AP syllabi auditor. Dr. Fisher is also the lead faculty in our department in the University’s Course Efficiency program.

Dr. Ethan Fishman presented a paper at the 2009 meeting of the American Political Science Association. He serves as the Department’s advisor to Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society, and as University advisor to the USA Jewish Students Association. Dr. Fishman is the co-editor of a book on American conservatism, which is being published by the University of Kentucky Press.

Dr. Corina Schulze presented papers at the 2009 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association and the Alabama Political Science Association. She has published several journal articles and book chapters, and she is currently working on a new project on the U.S. congressional members’ earmark requests and earmark successes. This year, Dr. Schulze developed a new and much-needed course on Women and Politics.
Dr. Nader Entessar presented four papers at national conferences and an invited paper at the Middle East Security meeting in Athens, Greece. Dr. Entessar serves as a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Third World Studies, Journal of Central Asian Studies, American Foreign Policy—Annual Editions, Encyclopedia of the Developing World, and Nationalism and Ethnicity Terminologies. He had more than twenty interviews with the Voice of America, BBC, Radio Zamaneh, Public Radio International, and SBS-Radio in Melbourne, Australia, as well as published interviews in, Etemaad Melli, and Correio Braziliense. Dr. Entessar’s book on Kurdish politics was published in 2010 by Lexington Books, and he is working on a Persian edition of the book. The Kurdish and Arabic translations of the book are also being prepared for publication early next year.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

This year, the following students were recognized for academic achievements:

Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society inductees: Baxter Bishop, Colin Campbell, Patricia Carter, Vedran Dedic, Tiffany Nunnery.


Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice Honor Society inductees: Jennifer L. Charchar, Rachelle N. Young, Julie Ann Stallworth, Laura A. Dicks.


Criminal Justice Outstanding Student Award: Kelsie N. Langford

James H. Boyd Memorial Award for Excellence in Public Administration: Tessie L. Keevan

Political Science & Criminal Justice: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Nader Entessar


Ethan Fishman


Corina Schulze


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Nader Entessar


Corina Schulze


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Peer Reviewed Books

Nader Entessar


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Non Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Nader Entessar


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Non Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Corina Schulze


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Reviews

Nader Entessar


Political Science & Criminal Justice: Grants

David A. Bowers, Jr.


Keith Nicholls


Timothy O’Shea

O’Shea, T. (independent consulting in furtherance of my research interests in crime analysis and evaluation. (2007, October 1 - 2009, September 31). Evaluation of Mobile County Sheriff’s Office Methamphetamine Initiative. Submitted final process evaluation report 12-09. Initiative awarded by Dept of Justice to Mobile County Sheriff’s Office. $ 3800. This grant was awarded; it is not administered by the University

Political Science & Criminal Justice: Presentations

Jeffrey M. Blankenship


David A. Bowers, Jr.


Nader Entessar

Entessar, N. (2009). *Iran, the Neighborhood and Nuclear Hegemony*. Invited paper presented at the meeting of the Middle East Regional Security and Cooperation, Athens, Greece.


Samuel H. Fisher III


Ethan Fishman


Corina Schulze


PSYCHOLOGY

Department Chair: Dr. Larry Christensen

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Secretary: Ms. Bonnie Hall (Department), Ms. Arleen Vickers (Clinic)

Psychology: Highlights

The most significant achievement by the Psychology Department was initiation of the doctoral program in clinical and counseling psychology which is a joint effort between the Psychology Department in the College of Arts & Science and the Department of Professional Studies in the College of Education. The program admitted its first cohort of 6 students and they are now approaching completion of their first year of doctoral studies. In addition to initiating the doctoral program, the Psychology Department continues its Master of Science program in Psychology, the certification program in Applied Behavior Analysis and its large undergraduate program in psychology. Attempting to add the instructional duties of educating the first cohort of doctoral students did add significant stress due to the failure to replace the retirement of one clinical faculty member and another clinical faculty member leaving the university to take a position elsewhere. While this reduction of two key members of the core faculty associated with the doctoral program did create additional work and stress, replacements were successfully recruited during the academic year. Drs. Benjamin Hill and Kimberly Zlomke will join the Psychology Department in the fall of 2010. Dr. Hill received his Ph.D. from LSU in Clinical Psychology with a specialization in the Medical Psychology/Neuropsychology track and is currently completing a post-doctoral fellowship at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. Dr. Zlomke also received her Ph.D. from LSU in Clinical Psychology and is currently completing a post-doctoral fellowship at the Texas Children’s Hospital/Baylor College of Medicine.

The Psychology Department continues to experience turnover. Dr. Michael Gordon has just accepted a position at another university. This is a loss for the department and university which is exemplified by the fact that Dr. Gordon was recently notified he that he had received a teaching award from the College of Arts & Science. Losing Dr. Gordon will create a challenge for the department in terms of seeking coverage for the courses he would have taught next academic year. The current financial climate is also creating a challenge in terms of seeking a replacement.

The psychology department has had another very productive year in terms of scholarly output. During the academic year the Psychology Faculty published 20 research articles in peer reviewed journals. Additionally, one book revision and 20 book chapters were written by the faculty and they made one presentation at an international conference, 12 at national conferences, 9 at regional conferences and three at local conferences. This research activity was supported by approximately $725,000 in research grants.

Psychology: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Joshua Foster


Michael Gordon


Elise Labbé-Coldsmith


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Psychology: Reviews

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Psychology: Abstracts

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Gallivan, E., Boutwell, J., Twenge, J. M., & Foster, J. D. (2010, January). Narcissism is on the rise both nationally and locally. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Las Vegas, NV.

Martin Rohling


John Shelley-Tremblay


Mark Yates


Psychology: Other Exhibitions

Michael Gordon

Gordon, M. S. (2009). An Ecological Approach to Audiovisual Speech. Invited talk at the Department of Psychology, Coastal Carolina University, Myrtle Beach, VA, April 30.


Psychology: Grants

Joshua Foster


Jennifer Langhinrichsen-Rohling


Langhinrichsen-Rohling, J. Consultant on grant awarded to Maria Greenwald on evaluating the use of a cross-jurisdiction Domestic Violence Offender database - $5,000.00 for my role. Began work in March of 2010.


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John Shelley-Tremblay


Lisa Turner


Mark Yates

Yates, M. (2009, November). Testing the least supported phoneme account of phonological neighborhood effects on visual word naming. Poster presented at the 50th annual meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Boston, MA.
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Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Highlights

Teaching

The faculty taught 94 courses, 315 credit hours, 7,429 credit hour production. Student enrollment total for fall and spring semesters in courses offered by the department was 2,387. Faculty attention to individual students is evident in the number of advisees (458 students) and supervised internships/field placements (44). This year two (2) students completed the portfolio review process required to move into candidacy for completion of their master’s thesis or research project.

Dr. Nicole Carr and Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks attended “Getting Started on Course Redesign”, workshop conducted by the National Center for Academic Transformation, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. Dr. Philip Carr (AN 210) and Dr. Nicole Carr (SY 109) received approval to participate in the Arts & Sciences course redesign initiative. Faculty added two (2) web-based courses and added web-enhancement to all courses. Two additional web-based courses have been approved for 2010-2011.

Research and Grant Activity

Faculty members published ten (10) book chapters and fourteen (14) peer reviewed articles this year. Limitations continued on funding for faculty travel; still, the department was able to accomplish forty-one (41) presentations at international, national, regional meetings, and statewide meetings.

External funding for research activity in the department continues at high levels. This year, faculty secured over $2.2 million in new research funding. These grants represent the faculty’s success in highly competitive funding arenas, such as the National Science Foundation (Picou, Moberg), National Institutes of Health (Hanks, Hudson), Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (Bryan), and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (Picou). Researchers in the department have formed successful collaborative relationships with research centers at USA – examples include work with the Mitchell Cancer Institute (Hanks), the Center for Healthy Communities – Center of Excellence (Hudson, Bryan, and Hanks), as well as the Colleges of Nursing, Medicine, Engineering, Education, and the School of Computer Information Sciences.

Of course, not all research in the department is grant funded. Dr David Gartman’s work on the sociology of culture, focusing on architecture and the automobile, has brought national recognition and continues to result in publications in top journals in sociology and history. Dr. Christopher Freed’s work on addictions and Dr. Doug Marshall’s research on the sociology of religion have forged relationships across disciplines and colleges, resulting in promising pathways to future funding. Other faculty members have conducted national level research this year as a service to their professions – examples are Dr. Valerie Bryan’s national study of CAPTA citizen review panels and Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks’ national study of intergenerational research and programming for the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

Honors and Awards

Several faculty members have received recognition at the regional/national level from professional organizations: Dr. J. Steven Picou is President of the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology; Dr. Michael Daley is President of the Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors; Dr. Roma Stovall Hanks is President-Elect of the Mid-South Sociological Association. Dr. Mark Moberg is the new Editor of Human Organization. Faculty collaboration resulted in an honor for several faculty members. The Best Paper Award from Feminist Criminology was presented to Dr. Nicole Carr, Dr. Kenneth Hudson, Dr. Roma Hanks, and Andrea Hunt (M.A. 2005) for their article, “Gender effects along the juvenile justice system: Evidence of a gendered organization.”
Guest Speakers and Events

The department had an active year of guest presentations. The major annual lecture event is the department’s Mardi Gras Lecture. Our thanks to the USA Student Government Association, the Anthropology Club, the Center for Archaeological Studies, Alpha Kappa Delta (sociology honor society), and the USA Foundation for sponsorship of visits by one or more of these guest lecturers: FBI Special Agent Mark Scully; Dr. Alyson G. Young, University of Florida, Department of Anthropology; John H, Summers, historian and critic, co-sponsored by USA Department of History; Dr. Shepard Krech III, ecological ethnohistorian and professor of anthropology at Brown University.

USA Programs in Gerontology

The department is academic home to the interdisciplinary USA Programs in Gerontology. The Student Government Association and Sigma Phi Omega (gerontology honor society) co-sponsored a number of student service events, including a Mardi Gras Parade at Via Grandfriends Adult Day Care Program and a pet food drive for seniors who cannot afford food for their canine and feline companions. The Gerontology Research Network (GRN), a group of researchers from various disciplines who are interested in aging studies, continues to support collaboration among researchers throughout the University community. Academic and community partners from the network submitted a $1 million grant proposal to NIH to establish the Generations Institute to support interdisciplinary research on aging and intergenerational relationships.

Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Valerie Bryan


Philip J. Carr


Kenneth C. Hudson


Douglas A. Marshall


Mark A. Moberg

Moberg, M. (2009). Determinism, agency and justice.” *Culture and Agriculture*, 31 (1), 8-12. (this is a peer-reviewed journal published by the Culture and Agriculture Section of the American Anthropological Association).

J. Steven Picou


**Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Peer Reviewed Book Chapters**

Michael R. Daley


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Michael R. Daley


J. Steven Picou


**Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Recordings**

Roma Stovall Hanks


J. Steven Picou

Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Grants

Valerie Bryan

Bryan, V. (2009, May). University of South Alabama College of Arts and Sciences Professional Development Award, $3,680.00

Nicole T. Carr

Philip J. Carr
Carr, P. (2009). Dothan Phase IIs, Alabama Department of Transportation, $366,605


Michael R. Daley


Roma Stovall Hanks
Hanks, R. S. (2010, Year VIII, No-cost extension). Leadership Institute for older Adults. South Alabama Regional Planning Commission-Area Agency on Aging, $10,000.

Hanks, R. S. (2010, no-cost extension). CFSA-MCI Health Initiative, Community Foundation of South Alabama, $150,000.


Kenneth C. Hudson

Hudson, K. (2010, February). Community Based Participatory Research Project, Bay Area Women Coalition and the University of South Alabama Center for Healthy Communities, $ 5,717.


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Mark A. Moberg


J. Steven Picou

Gregory A. Waselkov


Sociology, Anthropology & Social Work: Presentations

Valerie Bryan


Nicole T. Carr


Philip J. Carr


Michael R. Daley

Daley, M. R. (2010, March). There is nothing just about a BSW program. President’s address at the 27th Annual Association of Baccalaureate Social Work Program Directors Conference, Atlanta, GA.


Christopher R. Freed


W. David Gartman


Roma Stovall Hanks


Hanks, R. S. (2009, October). Youth and adult community health advocates take a stand against health disparities: Intergenerational constructions and solutions. Paper presented to the meeting of the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology, San Antonio, TX.

Douglas A. Marshall


J. Steven Picou


Gregory A. Waselkov


Department Chair: Mr. Jason Guynes
Professor: Mr. Jason Guynes, Mr. Larry B. Simpson
Associate Professors: Dr. Philippe Oszuscik, Mr. Benjamin Shamback, Mr. Tony Wright
Assistant Professors: Ms. C. Diane Gibb, Mr. Matthew Johnson, Dr. Elizabeth Richards, Ms. Margarita Skiadas, Mr. Daniel Wildberger
Instructors: Ms. Kara Burns, Ms. Nicole Schneider
Secretary: Ms. Lisa Kittrell

Visual Arts: Highlights

The Department of Visual Arts enjoyed a particularly exciting year constructing a new glass arts facility and completing the search process for a new faculty member to oversee that program. Finishing touches will be added to the facility over the summer and classes will begin in the fall semester. The Department continued to enjoy growth in all areas and even greater increases in enrollment are expected as the new program commences. In addition to the glass arts facility, the Department was able to renovate a space in the original complex to create a “smart” classroom through the generous support of Judge Gordon and Martha Kahn of Mobile. This facility is named the Gordon and Martha Kahn Studio and has already had an impressive impact on the graphic design and art history programs.

Among many accomplishments, the Department of Visual Arts was pleased to host the annual meeting of the Southeastern College Art Conference. The conference was held in downtown Mobile at the Riverview Renaissance Hotel October 21-24, 2009 and had over 400 art professionals in attendance. It was especially gratifying to have internationally renowned photographer, Joel Peter Witkin, present the keynote address and to visit campus for a presentation to faculty and students.

Faculty sponsors and student organizations continued to play important roles in the Mobile arts community. Object, the ceramic students’ organization, assisted with the annual Soup-A-Thon fundraiser and demonstrations at Arts Alive, and the Department of Visual Arts, in conjunction with the English Department, published the Oracle Fine Arts Review. Further, the Graphic Design Student Association brought to campus Kyle Webster, a professional illustrator and graphic designer who has created work for the New Yorker, Nike, and ESPN, among other prestigious clients.

Faculty in the Department continued to maintain impressive levels of professional activities and to achieve recognition for their work. In art history, Dr. Elizabeth Richards presented a paper at the Southeastern College Art Conference titled, American Assemblage and L’Informel. Dr. Philippe Oszuscik had an active year publishing an article titled, Louis Sullivan’s Ocean Springs Cottages: A Vernacular Perspective in The Journal of the Pioneer America Society. In addition, he presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians and another paper at the Southeastern College Art Conference.

Studio faculty were again active on the national and international levels. In the graphic design area, Daniel Wildberger, Diane Gibbs, and Matthew Johnson all compiled impressive lists of commissions. Of particular note among these was Daniel Wildberger’s design of the title, logo, poster, and branding for Quincas Berro D’Água, a major motion picture released in Brazil. Margarita Skiadas traveled to Oaxaca, Mexico as a visiting artist to discuss her work that was part of an exhibition titled, Past and Present: Polaroid Transfer. Tony Wright exhibited his ceramics work in four national juried exhibitions and several invitational shows. Nicole Schneider had work in three national juried exhibitions as well as work in several other venues. Especially impressive was her work which was exhibited in SOFA Chicago and in the exhibition, All in the Family which was hosted by the Suffolk Center for the Cultural Arts in Suffolk, VA. Benjamin Shamback had works in numerous juried and invitational exhibitions and mounted two major exhibitions. Of note was his exhibition at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts in Valdosta, Georgia. Jason Guynes curated an exhibition titled No, Seriously: Humor and Happiness in Contemporary Art at Space 301 in Mobile, AL. He also completed a mural commission, A History of Sumter County, for the University of West Alabama.

Of course, these are only a few of the highlights. All faculty members in the Department of Visual Arts were extremely productive, and a comprehensive list of activities follows.
**Visual Arts: Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

**Philippe Oszuscik**


**Visual Arts: Non Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

**Philippe Oszuscik**


**Visual Arts: Abstracts**

**Philippe Oszuscik**


**Visual Arts: Other performances, Productions and Recitals**


**Visual Arts: Juried Exhibitions**

**Matthew Johnson**


**Nicole Schneider**


**Benjamin J. Shamback**

**Shamback, B. J.** (2010, January 11-February 24). Paintings: Benjamin J. Shamback, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, Josette Gallery, Valdosta, Georgia, Curators: Jamie Harmon and Bill Shenton, 45 paintings, National Solo Exhibition


**Shamback, B. J.** (2010, November 6-December 4). Pause: Contemporary Still Life, Manifest Gallery Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, Ohio, Jurors: Manifest Gallery Juried Exhibition Committee, Director Jason Franz, Glasses on Red 9 and Lilies on White with Shell, International Juried Exhibition

**Shamback, B. J.** (2010, April 8-June 17). 6th Annual Drawing, Painting and Printmaking Competition, Jan and Gary Dario Gallery, Palm Beach State University, Lake Worth Florida, Juror: Marisa Pascucci, Curator, Norton Museum of Art, Glasses on Red 10, National Juried Exhibition

**Shamback, B. J.** (2010, April 2-May 8). Southworks 2010 Exhibition, Oconee Cultural Art Foundation, Watkinsville, Georgia, Juror: Catharine Fox, Pears, National Juried Exhibition

**Shamback, B. J.** (2010, February 1-March 5). Departures, Ben Shahn Galleries at William Paterson University, Studio Montclair, Montclair, New Jersey, Juror: Phong Bui, Glasses on Red 10, National Juried Exhibition
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Shamback, B. J. (2010, April 11 – May 7). University of Mobile Art Exhibition, University of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama, Juror: Dr. Graham Boettcher, Curator, Birmingham Museum of Art, Venus of the Luna Moth, Regional Juried Exhibition

Shamback, B. J. (2010, June 2009 – May). Mayor of Mobile Exhibition, organized by the Mobile Museum of Art, Mobile, Alabama, Sheep 3, Regional Invitational Exhibition


Larry Simpson

Simpson, L. B. (2010, April 18). Just don’t do it again. Media pencil, University of Mobile, Juried, Regional, 3rd Annual Exhibition, Mobile, AL

Tony Wright


Visual Arts: Other Exhibitions

Diane Gibbs


Guynes, J. G. (2010, April). A History of Sumter County, Public Mural Commission for the University of West Alabama Bell Conference Center, Livingston, AL


Johnson, M. (2010, February) T-shirt design [Client, Spring Hill Baptist Church]. Mobile, AL.


Johnson, M. (2009, September) Logo design [Client, Goods for a Cause, Jennifer Manzanilla]. Atlanta, GA.

Johnson, M. (2009, August) Hurricane Run 2009 t-shirt design [Client, Port City Pacers]. Mobile, AL.
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Johnson, M. (2009, August) Design of Hurricane Run race event signage [Client, Port City Pacers]. Mobile, AL.

Nicole Schneider

Vahle-Schneider, N. (2009, November) Crazy 8’s, St. Tammany Art Association, Covington LA

Vahle-Schneider, N. (2009, July) No, Seriously: Humor and Happiness in Contemporary Art, Space 301, Mobile AL

Vahle-Schneider, N. (2010, February) Figure Show, Wellborn Ideas, Mobile AL

Vahle-Schneider, N., & Schneider R. (2009, November) SOFA Chicago, Navy Pier, Chicago, IL

Vahle-Schneider, N., & Schneider R. (2009, May) All in the Family, Suffolk Center for the Cultural Arts, Suffolk, VA


Margarita Skiadas


Daniel Wildberger


Wildberger, D. (2009, October). Padre Cícero Project Book. [Client, RT Features]. São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Wildberger, D. (2010, January). Quincas Berro D’Água Logo/Identity. [Client, Videofilmes]. São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Wildberger, D. (2010, January). Quincas Berro D’Água Poster. [Client, Videofilmes]. São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Wildberger, D. (2010, March). Quincas Berro D’Água Movie Titles. [Client, Videofilmes]. São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Tony Wright


VISUAL ARTS


Visual Arts: Grants

Tony Wright

Wright, T. (2010, March), Special Project Grant to attend NCECA 2010, Alabama Craft Council, $895.00.

Visual Arts: Presentations

Jason Guynes


Philippe Oszuscik


Elizabeth Richards


Daniel Wildberger

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