

December Bulletin

Colleagues,

Greetings! As we approach the end of this fall semester, I have no doubt that your campus offices are all busy as students prepare for finals and for the new year. With this flurry of activity, I hope each of you finds ways to celebrate your own professional accomplishments this semester and to reflect on the progress you have made.

CSPA too continues to make good progress towards our goals for this academic year. Based upon the number of e-mails received after the November bulletin, it is clear we have initiated something important here. Keeping informed on association activities and on opportunities to better serve our students is clearly something CSPA members want. The Advisory Board is thrilled you have enjoyed this bulletin and we remain committed to providing you with quality, informative updates each month.

As always, your comments, ideas and suggestions are most welcome. Please feel free to contact me at 607-274-3365 or by e-mail at tcrossbaker@ithaca.edu. May this holiday season, whatever you celebrate, bring you much joy, peace and happiness now and throughout the new year.

Sincerely,
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DECEMBER 2004 CSPA NYS MEMBERSHIP BULLETIN

In this issue, you will find:

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- * ACPA Assessment for Student Development grant competition
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EMPIRE SERIES: RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES 2005 - - Save the Date!

- Are you anticipating position openings in your department or division?
- Are you looking for new and creative ways to recruit candidates?
- Are you prepared to conduct a national recruitment process?
- Do you have questions about what a reasonable timeline should look like for your search?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, then mark your calendars and join us for the first CSPA Empire Series event of the new year.

Recruitment Strategies 2005 * Friday, February 18, 2005 * Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY

Registration materials to follow. If you have questions, please contact Ann Marie Przywara (aprzywara@skidmore.edu) and Heather Maldonado (maldonhd@buffalostate.edu), Vice Presidents for Professional Development

GREETINGS CRYSTAL CIRCLE MEMBERS

[From Eric Duchscherer, Historian] As a Crystal Circle member and the current Historian, I wanted to send you all a quick e-mail. CSPA continues to be a strong and vibrant professional development organization both within the state and ACPA. As an Association, we have not done a very good job over the past few years keeping in contact with our past leaders, leaders who were very influential in shaping the association in the way it is now. We are looking to change this. Please e-mail [Eric Duchscherer](mailto:Eric.Duchscherer) back with any changes, updates, corrections, e-mail addresses for both yourself and others on the list.

We would also ask for you all to mark your calendars for September 25-27, 2005 for our annual conference, to be held at the Clarion Riverside Hotel in Rochester. We would like to have a large gathering and reunion of the crystal circle. It would mean a lot to the association and the membership to have us all there as a large group - I hope to have it be the largest gathering of Crystal Circle members ever. Please help get the word out to the others.

You have been a tremendous influence on the past of CSPA. We now look forward to having you help us shape the future of CSPA!

ACPA ASSESSMENT FOR STUDENT DEVELOPMENT GRANT COMPETITION INFORMATION

The Commission on Assessment for Student Development will award up to \$800 in an effort to promote research, assessment, and evaluation projects within the field of Student Affairs.

Complete information about the grant competition can be found at:

<http://www.myacpa.org/comm/assessment/comm94.html>

Research Grant Guidelines

Research on existing theories of student development or environmental influences on development

Generation of new theories of student development or environmental influences on development

Generation or refinement of instruments that assess student development or environmental influences on development

Evaluations of theoretically-based interventions of student development or environmental influences on development

Eligibility Guidelines: All ACPA members, especially graduate students, are eligible and encouraged to apply for this research grant.

Deadline to Apply

11:59pm EST, January 7, 2005. All proposals must be submitted electronically as an e-mail attachment. All documents must be in Microsoft Word or Rich Text Format. For questions about e-mailing about any part of the process contact:

Award recipient(s) will be notified on or about February 4, 2005 and will be invited to receive their award at the Commission Directorate Meeting held during the 2005 ACPA National Conference in Philadelphia.

Previous Research Grant Awards

The 2004 Grant was awarded to Tricia A.D. Seifert and Jerri Drummond. University of Iowa "African-American Students' Experiences of Good Practices: A Comparison of Institutional Type"

The 2003 Grant was awarded to Sharon M Cannon, North Carolina State University for her study "Promoting the Retention of First-Year College Women in Math, Science, and Technology: A Proposed Career Development Intervention"

The 2002 Grant was awarded to Patrick Dilley, Southern Illinois University Carbondale for his study "A Historical Study of Gay and Lesbian Students and Organizations"

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CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

To help facilitate student affairs news and opportunities across the state, we are also happy to include this section of the bulletin. Please feel free to send me any spring events you would like to see included in future bulletins. Note: at this time, we are NOT accepting postings for job openings.

(1) Student Affairs Doctoral Research Survey: Please Participate

Dear Colleague,

We are currently conducting nationwide dissertation studies designed to learn more about the beliefs, attitudes, training, and experiences of student affairs professionals. Would you please complete this survey if you are an orientation or residence life professional on your campus; and then forward this email to other residence life and/or orientation professionals on your campus or campuses where you have contacts? This survey will take approximately 20-25 minutes. There are no known risks to participating in this research because all information will be kept confidential and used only for group analysis purposes. Please go to the survey web site and complete the instrument.

Student Affairs Professionals Study Survey Link: <http://www.gse.buffalo.edu/fas/pope/survey>

Thank you.

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