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THE GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



I hope everyone survived winter and is looking forward to the long, warm days of summer.

We have been very busy in General Studies. Durleen Braasch received the 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award from the IU School of Continuing Studies Alumni Association at a reception in her honor on May 2nd. This makes five recipients who have from Indiana University South Bend: Eugenia Chandonia, Michael J. Wargo, Phyllis Wezeman and Michael Lawrence. This is quite an accomplishment!

Commencement was held at the University of Notre Dame's Joyce Center on May 8th. A hearty congratulations to all of our graduates – especially those from General Studies.

I also want to remind you about the 30th Anniversary General Studies Gala on Thursday, June 21st on campus in The Grille. Come celebrate with us and see all that has transpired in this program.

As we continue in our walk through life, I wish you all the best. Work hard and your dreams will come true. Also, remember to always keep IU in the front of your mind.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Casey

NEW DIRECTOR OF GENERAL STUDIES NAMED



David Vollrath, Professor of Management, accepted the invitation to become the Director of General Studies upon Paul Joray's retirement. Vollrath brings a long-standing association with General Studies as chair and member of the faculty advisory committee and as a former President of the Academic Senate. He understands and appreciates the centrality

of the General Studies' mission to the overall educational objectives of IU South Bend.

"I am committed to the purpose and values of General Studies. I believe deeply in the access to higher education that the program provides for nontraditional, adult learners. I value the multi-disciplinary nature of the degree program because my own academic career has

spanned the disciplines of psychology, communications, and business. There are many exciting things happening both in the program and with IU South Bend," states Vollrath.

He is excited about developing an on-line version of the Capstone and Threshold courses within the next two years. Vollrath will be working closely with Daniel Callison, Dean of the School of Continuing Studies in Bloomington, in establishing a consortium for on-line courses. This will enable a student in South Bend to take a class at another IU campus with IU South Bend receiving the tuition money.

Vollrath will work with Karen Christopher on the content for F203, possibly adding material built around personal styles that would complement individual study. He also looks forward to working closely with the General Studies Alumni Board.

Vollrath follows Ted Hengesbach, Linda Fritschner and Paul Joray as Director of the General Studies program.

Distinguished Alumni Award



Distinguished Alumni Award Winners Eugenia Chandonia, Phyllis Wezeman and Michael J. Wargo celebrate with Durleen Braasch, the 2007 winner, at her reception on May 2nd. This award is sponsored by Indiana University School of Continuing Studies, Indiana University South Bend and General Studies Alumni Associations.



Durleen Braasch,
2007 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient

DANTES EXAMS GO ON-LINE!

We are pleased to announce that DANTES Exams are now available in an online format (with the exception of Principles of Public Speaking). You can complete the test online in the General Studies Office for the same fee as the paper & pencil version (\$70 exam fee + \$15 administrative fee). The exam fee must be paid online using MasterCard, Visa or American Express.

Dantes Exams are designed to be completed in 90 minutes. The online method provides you with a two hour window in which to complete the exam.

The biggest advantage to online testing is the immediate availability of your score following completion of the exam. However, we must receive your official score report before credit can be posted to your IU South Bend transcript. Knowing your score in such a timely manner will allow you to make any necessary adjustments to your schedule of classes or application for graduation much more quickly and efficiently. In addition, online testing does not require that you order your exams ahead of time and you only need enter your demographic information once.

The paper & pencil option will remain available. Please let us know when you call to schedule your exam which format you prefer. Exams can be scheduled by contacting the General Studies Office at 520-4260.



General Studies Alumni Board members meet with Daniel Callison, Dean of the School of Continuing Studies, Bloomington. Tonia Tombaugh, Brenda Bickel, Maureen Muldoon, Dean Callison, Helenann Klukowski and Tamara Ashley

EMIL "LUCKY" REZNIK

is the second winner of the
Mike Wargo Distinguished
Student Government Association
Alumni Award.

This award was established by the Student
Government Association in 2006 to recognize
alumni who continue to support the university
after graduation. Rose Marie Hengesbach was
the first winner of the award.

CALL FOR BUSINESS CARDS

Help us update the Business Card Board and display the variety of careers available with a General Studies degree.

Mail your business card to:

*General Studies Alumni Office
Indiana University South Bend
Post Office Box 7111
South Bend, IN 46634-7111*

Congratulations!

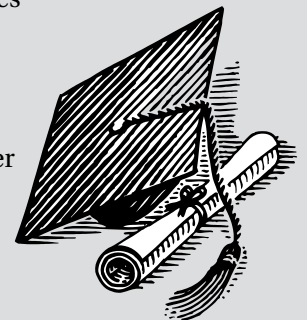
DECEMBER 2006 GRADUATES

The Bachelor of General Studies Degree:

Jody Lynn Batton	Elizabeth N. Maina
Stephen Jeffrey Bolinger	Carol A. McElfresh
Michelle Lee Darrenkamp	Brian James Nolan
Adam M. Devereux	John O'Donnell III
Erica Lynn Forte	Arlene M. Phillips
Celena Marie Frederick	Rhonda K. Render-Robison
Ana Maria Gardini	Brook Marie Rohlman
Daniel W. Garnett, II	Hiroshi Sato
Alesa D. Green	Patrick J. Sawyer
Tina M. Hissong	Alexandra Caul Sobieski
April JoAnn English	Trena C. Tilford
Jessica Elizabeth Kaiser	Nikall Lee Weber
Dustin Robert Klotz	Lorenzo Arturio Wigfall
Tuan C. Lai	Linda M. Williams-Stephens
Thomas Steven Lambdin	Karen Rae Wright
Sara Marie Longenecker	Erin Danielle Yoder
Shaye Ali MacDonald	

The Associate of Arts in General Studies:

Sandra Margaret Brigham
Erica Nicole Denton
Brianna Rose Glon
Rachel Ann Jackson
Julaine Antoinette James
Kimberly A. Krivanek
LaKrisha Sheree Perry
Jan Kellie Pickett
Kimberly Lynn Stasik
Renee Nicole Noffsinger
O'Brian Elijah Yarde



Thirtieth Anniversary

General Studies Degree

Thursday June 21, 2007

at the Grille
Indiana University South Bend Campus

Complimentary campus parking available

6 pm Social Hour
7 pm Buffet Dinner

RSVP by Monday June 7, 2007

Tickets are \$20.00 per person
R.S.V.P. by Monday, June 7th
Please make checks payable to
IU South Bend

Mail to:
Indiana University South Bend
General Studies 30th Anniversary
PO Box 7111
South Bend, IN 46634-7111

DECEMBER GRADS:

If you are planning to complete your requirements during the Fall 2007 semester, you should meet with an advisor to review your degree plan before the fall semester begins. You need to file an application for Graduation by October 1.

CONTACT THE GENERAL STUDIES OFFICE AT (574) 520-4260 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.



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