

Psychology doctorate program outlined

The NDSU Department of Psychology is accepting students for its new doctoral program. Approved by the State Board of Higher Education on June 16, the program expects to eventually accept up to four students each year.

The program has two tracks of study—cognitive neuroscience and social/health psychology. Students must complete at least 90 hours of graduate credit, including those completed for the master's degree. At least 30 hours of graduate credit must be in approved didactic courses. Other requirements include attendance in the graduate seminar and colloquium series, teaching one undergraduate course under the supervision of a faculty member, a major area paper and completion of an empirically-based doctoral dissertation.

"There are a number of students in the area who are very excited about the approval of the program and several have applied," said James Council, professor and chair of psychology. "We have a high quality pool of applicants locally, some of whom have already received master's degrees through our existing graduate program. They are very interested in going on for their doctorate. Our plan is to have two to three doctoral students enrolled in our department for this academic year. We will be recruiting nationally for the 2001-02 year."

The program is based on a mentorship model of training in which a student is expected to work closely with a specific faculty member in a specialty area. Council said the department plans to hire new faculty specifically for the program during the next year.

"Our department has been working on plans for a doctoral program almost as long as I've been here," said Council, who joined the NDSU faculty in 1985. "When we got the word from President Chapman and Vice President Craig Schnell that the time was right for a psychology doctorate, we were ready to move quickly. We have had wonderful support from the college and university, and we're delighted to get final approval from the State Board of Higher Education."

For more information on the program, visit www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/psychology.

Electronic payroll forms update

Due to some technical problems, the only versions of the electronic payroll forms 100 and 101 that are currently available are the PDF versions. Because this version features drop-down boxes, the form cannot be printed and completed manually. It must be completed online and then printed.

Please note that users will need to have Acrobat Reader version 4 in order to read and complete the forms online. The current version of Acrobat Reader can be downloaded without cost from the ITS site: www.ndsu.nodak.edu/csg/software/win32/.

When the downloadable version (Word) of these payroll forms is added in the next few weeks, notice will be given in It's Happening at State. Users' patience during this transition is appreciated.

State of the University set for Sept. 7
NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman is scheduled to present the State of the University Address at 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, in Festival Concert Hall.

All faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends are welcome to attend. A reception will follow the address at the president's residence.

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New requirements established for studies involving human subjects

The Office of Research Administration would like the assistance of all faculty in responding to new federal requirements regarding training of faculty and staff on the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR). A draft of the policy on training that will be required is available from the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) at <http://ori.dhhs.gov/TheRCRPolicy.htm>. Comments on the draft are invited by Sept. 21. That draft would require NDSU to establish a broad training program encompassing 10 "Core Instructional Areas" by June 30, 2001. While this policy applies to research supported by the NIH Public Health Service, it is probable that such training soon will be required for other federally supported research.

An immediate requirement that NDSU must address is an NIH directive that all personnel involved in research involving human subjects must receive basic education in the requirements of performing such research. This will be required for NIH research awards that will be funded in FY 2001 or after, and also includes applications that were made before Oct. 1 for funding after that date. The NIH requires that an institution official must sign documentation attesting to the training of personnel. The training program must be in operation by Oct. 1 to retain eligibility for NIH grants.

To assist the faculty to whom this directive applies, the Office of Research Administration and the NDSU Institutional Review Board (IRB) invite your input regarding how this training might be accomplished most efficiently and effectively. Each college has a representative on the NDSU IRB listed below. Your suggestions can be directed to your college representative, to Mary Hadley, IRB chair, or to Sheri Anderson in the Research Administration Office.

Members of the Institutional Review Board include Mary Hadley, chair, Kenneth Anderson, engineering and architecture; James Council, science and mathematics; James Deal, human development and education; John Helgeland, member at large; Joseph Michael Jones, business administration; Khalil Khan, agriculture; Marepalli B. Rao, science and mathematics; Tim Sellnow, arts, humanities and social sciences; Robert Sylvester, pharmacy; Edna T. Holm, ex-officio; and Sheri Anderson, ex-officio.

Area children affected by June flood

Some local children are still dealing with emotional issues in the wake of the June 19 flood, according to Kit O'Neill, assistant professor of psychology. O'Neill made that observation after serving as a mental health supervisor at the "Camp Noah" program Aug. 7-11 at Olivet Lutheran Church, Fargo.

O'Neill, along with Jean Soderquist, assistant professor of child development and family science, and several graduate students, participated in the Lutheran Disaster Response's program for area children recovering from the flood.

"The suddenness and the dramatic impact of this disaster caused quite a bit more immediate distress, relative to the 1997 flood," O'Neill said. "In this disaster, people were feeling comfortable about escaping spring flooding, so children and their parents were surprised to end up having so much water."

Children who lost toys, clothing and furnishings to the flood were especially vulnerable. "The losses were sudden and frightening for many children. In some cases, the losses were quite devastating," O'Neill said.

"Many of the children at Camp Noah had weather-related fears and fears about being vulnerable again to disaster," she said. "We also noticed that in many cases children who were re-located needed to start all over again in building peer relationships. They had to start in a new school, and that is always disruptive for children."

Her suggestions for parents are to talk honestly with their children about the flooding situation, try to get the children to express themselves about their experience, reassure them and include the children in some of the planning for future security for the family.

"They need to understand that every time storm clouds gather, it doesn't mean that another flood is imminent. Reassuring children about the likelihood of this not happening in the future is important," O'Neill said. "Having a plan for protecting possessions and the safety of the children gives them a sense of control and ability to help themselves in the event of a reoccurrence of a disaster."

Graduate students who assisted in Camp Noah included Elizabeth Buck, Candace Philbrick, Michelle Cuddy, Kelly Strobel, Michelle Koch and Kim Standberg.

NDSU Libraries announce schedule

The NDSU Libraries begin their regular academic year schedule Tuesday, Aug. 29.

Main Library hours are:

Monday–Thursday	7:30 a.m.-midnight
Friday	7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday	11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m.-midnight

Branch Libraries hours (architecture, chemistry and pharmacy) are:

Monday-Thursday	8 a.m.-10 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday	closed
Sunday	5 p.m.-10 p.m.

Hours vary somewhat during holidays and interim sessions. For a current listing of hours consult the Libraries' Web page at www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu, use the HRS command on the online catalog or call the information tape at 1-9456.

People

Rice re-enlists in Navy Reserve on steps of Morrill Hall

Dave Rice, computer application specialist in ag communication, re-enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve Aug. 10 on the steps of Morrill Hall. The Navy offers its sailors the opportunity, when within reason, to choose where and when they want to re-enlist. Rice has served the Navy and Naval Reserve more than 30 years, and has been on the staff at NDSU for more than 20 years. He believes this was the first time a Navy re-enlistment took place on campus.

Other NDSU Navy veterans were on hand for the ceremony, including Otto Helweg, dean of engineering and architecture; Jim Venette, associate dean for academic programs in the College of Agriculture; Harry Wadnizak, telecommunications technician; and Bob Peterson, locksmith.

Rice re-enlisted for two years and will continue drill at the Naval Reserve Center in Fargo.

Richardson edits book

Jimmie L. Richardson, professor of soil science, and Michael J. Vepraskas, from North Carolina State University, are editors of a recently released book titled "Wetland Soils-Genesis, Hydrology, Landscapes and Classification."

The book focuses on the soil morphology of wet soils that cover most wetlands from the subtropics northward. It is the first book devoted solely to the subject of hydric soils and their landscapes. Richardson also is co-author of four chapters in the book.

Garden Robinson recognized by FDA for outreach programs



NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman recently received a letter of appreciation for regional outreach programs administered by Julie Garden Robinson, extension specialist in food and nutrition.

Garden Robinson

The letter, sent on behalf of the Food and Drug Administration by James A. Rahto, director of the Minneapolis district of the Department of Health and Human Services, praised Garden Robinson for assisting the FDA in fulfilling its public health protection mission.

Rahto wrote "Garden Robinson has taken steps to help FDA use its limited resources to reach consumers, industry and the American Indian community in North Dakota."

The letter cited her use of FDA grants for food safety education programs. One program involved teaching children of migrant workers in the Red River Valley about food preparation. After learning basic food safety, the children took related information, in both English and Spanish, home to their parents. Garden Robinson held a similar program for American Indian children with learning disabilities. These children went home with food safety information and thermometers—two per family, one for refrigerators, one for meat—to their families on the Fort Berthold Reservation.

In addition to her work with children, Garden Robinson, along with Edna Holm, professor of food and nutrition, administered a series of workshops for small business owners in North Dakota on FDA food safety requirements that would allow the businesses to sell their products nationwide.

Chapman said Garden Robinson's work was worthy of recognition. "Julie's outreach programs in the region are exactly what the people of North Dakota should expect from their land-grant university. She is helping to fulfill our mission to the state through her creative programs in food safety, and it is especially satisfying to have such a warm letter of appreciation from the Food and Drug Administration, which helped fund the programs."

E&A names new department directors

The College of Engineering and Architecture recently named faculty to leadership positions within the college.

Don Faulkner, associate professor of architecture, was named program director for the department of architecture. Faulkner has been on the faculty at NDSU for 12 years.

Don Smith, associate dean and professor of electrical and computer engineering, recently was named interim chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. He joined the NDSU faculty in 1974.

Gary Smith, professor of construction management and engineering, is the new director of construction management and engineering. He recently joined the department and was previously on the faculty at Iowa State and Penn State.

Neas to be featured in Chronicle

Bonnie Neas, director of Information Technology Services, has been notified that she will be interviewed by a reporter for The Chronicle of Higher Education. Florence Olsen, senior writer of The Chronicle's information technology section has informed Neas of plans for a September visit to campus, with the story to run in October.

Olsen is interested in a profile story on Neas, focusing on her work with the Great Plains Network and her role at NDSU. The network is comprised of institutions in North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Missouri. The University of Minnesota is an ad hoc member.

"I'm honored and totally taken aback," Neas said. "I'm thrilled that I can bring some attention to some of the great work that is being done at NDSU."

"The Great Plains Network has brought NDSU some great collaborative opportunities and it's been a wonderful relationship," Neas said. "The organization is gaining national attention and that also helps advance our programs. I think it's great."

Considered the academic world's No. 1 source of news and information, The Chronicle is published weekly and read by more than 400,000 administrators and faculty members. Among other things, it includes updates on developments in scholarly research; articles about tenure, salaries, tuition, endowments and retirement; news about information technology and distance education; and reports on government actions that affect colleges and their students.

Ambrosio publishes ethnic conflicts book

"Irredentism: Ethnic Conflict and International Politics," a book written by Thomas Ambrosio, assistant professor of political science, recently was placed under contract for publication.

In the book, Ambrosio examines the relationship between the international community and irredentism, defined as attempts by existing states to annex territories of another state that their co-nationals inhabit. His primary concern is whether states such as the United States, Russia and members of the European Union can influence the prevention and resolution of international ethnic conflicts. "Although this issue is important for the field of international relations theory, very little research has been done on the topic and it has tended to focus on the domestic politics of irredentist states," Ambrosio said.

Ambrosio's research design utilizes several case studies to establish a connection between international pressure and a change of policy by the irredentist state. Post-Cold War Serbia, Croatia, Hungary and Armenia are examined in depth, while three historical examples, India, Indonesia and Somalia, also are investigated.

Ambrosio said the findings of his project yielded meaningful policy implications. "The importance of the international community's policies on the initiation and outcome of irredentist campaigns suggests that international actors must take a more active stance to prevent such conflicts. Rather than considering international ethnic conflicts intractable problems which must be avoided, outside powers can and do make a difference," he said.

Events

Graduate student orientation planned

Orientation for new graduate students is scheduled for 3-5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, in the Memorial Union Rose Room.

The Graduate School's policies and procedures will be explained, forms provided and goodies served. It also will be an opportunity for students to meet Velmer Burton, the new graduate dean.

Little Country Theatre announces season schedule

The Little Country Theatre recently announced its production schedule for the 2000-01 academic year. All NDSU staff are invited to attend each LCT production's preview night free of charge. Call the Division of Fine Arts Box Office at 1-9442 to reserve tickets.

"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Wedding"
(Casina) by Plautus
8 p.m. Oct. 18-21; 2 p.m. Oct. 22
Askanase Auditorium
(Free preview: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 17)

A comic farce filled with slapstick, lechery and playful dialogue, the play is filled with ribald characters, bawdy satire and gender-bending surprises.

"How I Learned to Drive"
by Paula Vogel
8 p.m. Nov. 15-18; 2 p.m. Nov. 19
Askanase Auditorium
(Free preview: 7:30 p.m. Nov. 14)

The 1998 Pulitzer Prize winning drama is both a funny and disturbing journey through a young woman's memories as she navigates the roads of romantic and family relationships. Contains adult language and situations.

"The Music Man"
by Meredith Willson
8 p.m. Feb. 22-24; 2 p.m. Feb. 25
Festival Concert Hall
(Free preview: 7:30 p.m. Feb. 21)

The well-known musical follows fast-talking Harold Hill as he cons the citizens of River City, Iowa, into buying musical instruments by promising to create a boys' band. Not knowing a clarinet from a saxophone, Harold expects to skip town with cash in hand, only to be caught by the arms of the beautiful librarian.

"Mass Appeal"
by Bill C. Davis
8 p.m. April 25-28
Walsh Studio Theatre, 8 p.m.
(Free preview: 7:30 p.m. April 24)

This funny yet compassionate play explores the conflict between an established older priest and the impassioned young seminarian who challenges the validity of the elder's well-routined regimen.

Shorts and Reminders

Positions Available

Positions open and closing dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Associate Director/#715
Physical Plant
Salary dependent on qualifications
Sept. 7

Library Clerk/#541
Library – Interlibrary Loan
\$15,000+/year
Sept. 7

Serials Acquisitions Associate/#514
Library – Technical Services
\$18,072+/year
Sept. 7

P.M. Shift Supervisor/#3475
Dining Services – West Dining Center
\$7.65/hour minimum
Sept. 1 (internal) Sept. 8 (external)

Food Service Worker/#1040
(11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Sunday; 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday)
Dining Services - Residence Dining Center
\$6.10/hour
Aug. 23 (internal) Sept. 7 (external)

Secretary/#854/#1467
Plant Sciences
\$18,500 minimum/year
Aug. 23

Baker's Helper/#1124
(5 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; Monday-Friday; 10 months)
Dining Services - Bakery Department
\$6.75 minimum/hour
Aug. 25 (internal); Sept. 1 (external)

Nutrition Education Assistant – FNP
(12 months; 20 hours per week)
NDSU Extension Service - Burke/Divide Counties
\$7.21 minimum/hour
Aug. 29

Health Information Technician/#4892
(40 hours/week - 9 months; 20 hours/week - 3 months)
Student Health Service
\$11.24 minimum/hour
Aug. 29

Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at www.ndsu.edu/hr/.

Research Opportunities

The Office of Research Administration in Old Main 201K announces the following funding opportunities and deadlines. For more information, call 1-8114; or refer to the given Web site or contact person. For information about other grants, check the Research Administration Web site at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/sizer/resadmin.html and click on "Funding Opportunities."

National Science Foundation (NSF)
Nanoscale Research
www.nsf.gov/pubs/2000/nsf00119/nsf0019.txt
Deadline: Nov. 2

The National Science Foundation is inviting applications for nanoscale science and engineering research and collaborations in emerging areas such as biosystems at nanoscale; nanoscale processes in the environment; and nanosystems specific software. U.S. academic institutions with significant research and degree-granting education programs in disciplines normally supported by NSF are eligible to apply for this program. NSF is interested in a range of topics including device and system architecture; nanoscale structures; novel phenomena; quantum control; and societal implications of nanoscale science and engineering.

National Institutes of Health (NIH)
NINR/NCI/NCCAM/NIAID/NIDCR/NIMH/NIA
Life Quality at Life's End
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-00-127.htm>
Deadline: Oct. 1, Feb. 1, June 1

Seven National Institutes of Health funders are seeking applications to generate scientific knowledge to improve the quality of life for individuals facing end-of-life issues and for their families. Broad topics for research span the physical, emotional, social, cultural and spiritual experiences of people who are dying and the environmental context that influences the quality of the life remaining. Topics may cover areas such as clinical management to promote quality of life of individuals at any age who are at the end of life; communication issues; ethics and clinical decision-making; and caregiver support and care delivery.

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Continuing Education/Distance Learning
www.hrsa.gov
Deadline: Dec. 1 (letters of intent); Jan. 12 (applications)

The Health Resources and Services Administration is inviting applications to develop, implement and evaluate distance education opportunities for maternal and child health professionals. Projects should help professionals to hone their skills in areas such as assessing need; using data; developing programs and policies; addressing and resolving problems; monitoring progress and evaluating performance. The applicant must demonstrate the capability to secure matching funds for the second through the fifth years of the project. HRSA will give preference to projects in states without a currently funded project in this category.

Calendar

August

- 26 Soccer vs. University of Mary, 2 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 27 Soccer vs. Jamestown College, 2 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 29-Sept. 24 Studio/scholarship recipient exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 30 Volleyball vs. Northern State, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 31 Football vs. Texas A&M—Kingsville, 7 p.m., Fargodome

September

- Through Sept. 13 NDSU Faculty and Staff exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery
- Through Sept. 24 Studio/scholarship recipient exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 4 Labor Day, university closed
- 9 Football vs. Minnesota State-Moorhead, 7 p.m., Fargodome
- 9 Soccer vs. University of Minnesota-Duluth, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 15-16 NDSU Volleyball tournament
- 16 Studio/scholarship recipient exhibition reception, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 17 Soccer vs. Winona State, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 22 Fubuki Daiko: Japanese Taiko Drums performance, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall; call 1-7969 for ticket information
- 23 Soccer vs. University of North Dakota, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 23 Football vs. University of South Dakota, 7 p.m., Fargodome
- 24 Soccer vs. Truman State, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 26-Oct. 21 James Falck exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 30 Football vs. UND, 1:30 p.m., Fargodome

30 Soccer vs. Minnesota State-Mankato, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex

October

Through Oct. 21 James Falck Exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

1 Soccer vs. St. Cloud State, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex

6 Volleyball vs. South Dakota State, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

7 Volleyball vs. Augustana College, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

13 Reception for James Falck exhibition, 7-8 p.m., Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

14 Homecoming football game vs. South Dakota State, 1:30 p.m., Fargodome

14 Soccer vs. Augustana College, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex

15 Soccer vs. South Dakota State, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex

24 Volleyball vs. UND, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

27 Volleyball vs. University of South Dakota, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

28 Volleyball vs. Morningside College, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

November

Harvest Bowl football game vs. University of Northern Colorado, 1:30 p.m., Fargodome

10 Veterans Day holiday, university closed

10 Volleyball vs. Northern Colorado, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

11 Volleyball vs. University of Nebraska, 4 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

11 Football vs. Morningside College, 7 p.m., Fargodome

23 Thanksgiving Day, university closed

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