IDT STUDENTS COMPETE AND WIN

Two teams from Emporia State University’s Instructional Design and Technology (IDT) master of science program were chosen as winning teams in the 2012 PacifiCorp International Design and Development Competition, sponsored by Pacific Power and the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT). Two out of the three finalist teams at this year’s competition were from Emporia State University’s IDT program. The IDT finalist team of Qing Zhang and Daniel Baldwin and the IDT finalist team of Seung Gutsch and Daphne Tseng were invited to present their winning instructional design and development solutions at the AECT 2012 International Convention in Louisville, KY on October 31, 2012.

The PacifiCorp design and development competition involves having teams of two students design and develop a detailed written solution and oral report in response to a very complex instructional design case study. During the year-long competition, over one dozen international doctoral and master’s degree teams competed in the first round of the competition and 6 teams moved forward to the second round, with three teams being selected as winning finalists. ESU IDT teams have achieved winning finalist status in 5 out of the last 6 years of the competition.

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Scholarship applications can be found by clicking on the SCHOLARSHIPS link.

NEW LOGO

Emporia State University is preparing to celebrate 150 years of changing lives! Hope you like the new logo!

FROM THE DEAN

The spring semester is about to start and with the new semester comes new challenges, struggles and opportunities. Often, graduate students find that the spring semester is particularly trying and difficult. Some of you will be completing your degree requirements, writing your thesis or final project at the same time you are working full-time and raising a family; not a particularly relaxing time. However, the meaning of your graduate education will result from the struggles and challenges you have faced and overcome. To quote Frederick Douglass, “If there is no struggle, there is no progress. Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet depreciate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up the ground. They want rain without thunder and lightning. They want the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters.” I hope you all have a great struggle this semester!

GRADUATE SCHOOL EVALUATION

The Graduate School/Distance Education will be evaluated on February 14 and 15 by two consultants from the Council of Graduate Schools. The consultants will be meeting with the Provost, Provost’s Council, Graduate Council, graduate students, Graduate School/Distance Education staff, and graduate department chairs.

The consultants will be evaluating policies, procedures, and guidelines; governance and accountability; budget, scholarships, graduate assistants, and student assistance; staffing, structure, infrastructure and reporting lines; and quality of services provided.
New Graduate Student Scholarships

Ten new incoming graduate students were awarded scholarships for the spring 2013 semester. Each student will receive a $500 scholarship.

- Charlotte Aingell — School of Library and Information Management
- John Benvenuti — Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- Craig Corpstein — School of Library and Information Management
- Joanna Marsh — School of Library and Information Management
- Tiffany Orth — Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- Nicholas Pitcher — Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- Brianna VanSchoelandt — English, Modern Languages, and Journalism
- Ruth Walters — School of Library and Information Management
- Grant Wiegers — Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- Stacy Windsor — School of Library and Information Management

Scholarship Opportunities

Two Laurence C. Boylan Scholarships will be awarded in the spring 2013 semester. The application deadline is March 15, 2013. Applications are available online at http://www.emporia.edu/grad/scholarships-awards/. Each award recipient will receive $2125.

Two Robert J. Grover Graduate Scholarships will be awarded in the spring 2013 semester. The application deadline is January 4, 2013. Applications are available online at http://www.emporia.edu/grad/scholarships-awards/. Each award recipient will receive $350.

Graduate Commencement Spring 2013

Graduate students will have their own commencement on May 18. Previously, one ceremony was held for both undergraduate and graduate. The ceremony will be held in Albert Taylor Hall on Saturday, May 18, at 2:00. A commencement reception will follow the ceremony in the rotunda of Plumb Hall.

The Graduate School will be responsible for the planning and staffing of the ceremony.
Graduate Student Travel Funding

The following graduate students were awarded $150-$300 by the Graduate School to supplement their travel expenses to present at various conferences/meetings.

- Daniel Baldwin, Je Eun Cho, Seung Gutsch, Niwar Hamzani, Yun Liu, and Ching-Yu Tseng presented at the Association for Educational Communication and Technology Conference, Louisville, KY, in November.
- Andrew Coleman presented at the Kansas Herpetological Society Annual Meeting, Fort Hays, KS, in November.
- Shiree Combs presented at the 100 Years of Death and Judgment Conference in Long Beach, CA, in September.
- Delmott Asher presented at the Association for Applied Sport Psychology Conference in Atlanta, GA, in October.
- Nathan Holoubek will present at the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference, Wichita, KS, in December.
- Jayme Johnson presented at the Mid-Continental Chapter of the Medical Library Association in Kansas City, MO, in October.
- Kellie Meehlhauser presented at the Kansas Library Association College and University Libraries Fall Conference in Dodge City, KS, in October.
- Tiffany Newton presented at the Kansas Library Association College and University Libraries Fall Conference in Dodge City, KS, in October.
- Yiting Ni will present at the American Society for Cell Biology Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, in December.
- Ching-Yu Tseng presented at the Association for Educational Communication and Technology Conference in Louisville, KY, in November.
- Chen Yang will present at the American Society for Cell Biology Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, in December.

Emporia State University is moving forward with searches for two leadership positions — the provost and vice-president of academic affairs and the dean of the School of Business. Two search committees have been named, and a consultant team will be on campus to gather input from faculty, staff, students and the Emporia community.

“The provost/vice-president and business dean are two key leaders who will raise the bar for Emporia State University,” said Dr. Michael D. Shonrock, Emporia State president. “As we launch these two national searches, it is imperative that we gather feedback from all constituencies of the university and community.”

Two separate search committees have been formed that include representatives of all faculty, staff and student leadership groups on campus; the faculty and Roe R. Cross professors; all three administrative units as well as the Emporia State Alumni Association and Foundation. Dr. John Rich, interim dean of the School of Business, will chair the provost search. Dr. Raffaele DeVito, professor of business education and administration, will chair the dean search.
CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!

Andrew Coleman, student in Biology, was awarded the Howard Kay Gloyd-Edward Harrison Taylor Scholarship.

Greg Sievert, Biology instructor, and Andrew Coleman, student in Biology, were recently published in the Herpetological Review with their report on the collection of the Southern Leopard Frog extends the known/documented distribution into Lyon County KS.

Erica Jackson, M.A. Biology, 2008, was accepted into the Interdisciplinary Ph.D. program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Gwen Wilson, Jayme Johnson, and Kalyani Ankem, students in SLIM, won the Mid-continental Chapter of the Medical Library Association “Best Research Paper Award” at the October conference in Kansas City.

Nathan Holoubek, student in Biology, received the Outstanding Student Paper Award at the Kansas Ornithological Society Conference.

Tyler Goad, student in HPER, won the Graduate Teaching Award from Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.

DURST RESEARCH AWARD

Kelley Tuel, a student in the Biological Sciences department, was selected to receive the Harold Durst Research Award. Kelley receives a monetary award of $898 to use for her research and she will be recognized at the 2013 Research and Creativity Day which will be held May 2.

LAURENCE C. BOYLAN THESIS AWARD

Zachary Wimmer, graduate student in the Social Sciences department, was awarded the Laurence C. Boylan Award for the Outstanding Master’s Thesis for 2011-2012. The title of Mr. Wimmer’s thesis was “Out of the Dust: The Civilian Conservation Corps in Kansas.” Mr. Wimmer received his Master of Arts in History in May 2012. He will receive a cash award of $250 and his name will be added to the Laurence C. Boylan Award plaque on display in the Graduate School.

APA FORMAT/WRITING WORKSHOP

Dr. Cathy Grover, Associate Professor in Psychology, will be conducting an APA format/writing workshop on Thursday, February 7, from 1:00-3:00 in the Blue Key Room of the Memorial Union. All graduate students are welcome to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to improve your writing skills. Refreshments will be served!

SAVE THE DATE

Feb. 7, 2013 from 1-3 pm