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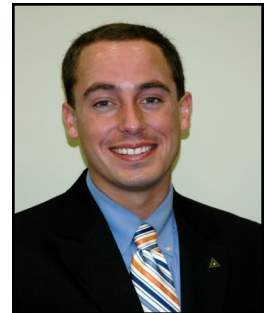


Welcome

Graduate Students on the campus of Delta State University are now forming a new outlet for their voices to be heard. The **Graduate Student Advisory Council** is underway to keep the DSU Administration informed of the challenges that are faced day in and day out. Dr. Nylander, Dean of Graduate Studies, will be the first stop for these students to voice their opinion on issues that are on the minds of students. While having a graduate student organization in this past, this council will look to build on those ideas and solidify new visions of how graduate students are being represented on the campus.

Jeffrey Farris

After completing his undergraduate and graduate degree from Delta State, the Alumni Office has turned to Jeffrey Farris to lead over 29,000 DSU alumni. This career started when the Brandon native was eating at the DSU Cafeteria one summer. A graduate assistantship was offered at Maudlin Cafeteria from the tennis coach at the time. From that moment on, home has been Cleveland, MS while serving the DSU alumni. "DSU alums are the number one recruiter for our university," Farris says. "Keeping the one on one touch from students to the professor is a major strength that Delta State has to offer."



Quick Fact:

Delta State Alumni

- 22,500 (MS Residents)
- 6,000 (Out of State)
- 500 (Abroad)

29,000 living DSU alumni

Special points of interest:

- Graduate Student Advisory Council
- Jeffrey Farris, DSU Alumni Director
- Katrina Sanders takes new position
- I-MBA Program
- Aerial View from a DSU Aviator

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Graduate Office Staff

A former Mississippi Delta Community College Student Government President who now holds a master degree from Delta State has left the graduate office. Katrina Sanders, M.E.D. 2008, will now join a Health Corps Organization based out of New York. After serving in the

graduate office as a graduate assistant and most recently as a full time staff in admissions, she will leave to further her career in promoting a healthy lifestyle program for Mississippi. Katrina has been a valuable asset to the Delta State family in recruiting students to further their academic background.



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Program Spotlight

A Master Degree in Business Administration can be obtained from Delta State over the Web. While the program is not fully online, a bulk of the coursework will be completed on the computer. More commonly known as the **I-MBA (Integrated Master of Business Administration)**, this program is led by the College of Business Faculty. This degree is built for professionals and managers seeking to expand their interpersonal, managerial, and leadership skills. 30 hours of classes are broken into

3 modules for students to complete this program. Admission for this program will take into account not only the GMAT score but also work experience. A financial strategy module, strategic planning module, and operational strategy module are all in place to help further this degree. Ten credit hours will be received from each module. Online, distance, and team learning activities are all in place as the core for this program. For more information please contact:

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Student Spotlight

"I have been looking into joining the United States Marshall Service."
-Clint Johnson
Master Student in
Commercial Aviation
Pistol Ridge, MS

Clint Johnson enjoys looking down on the Delta State campus. However, he does this all from the pilot seat of a DSU aircraft. Pistol Ridge in the southern part of the state is where Clint calls home. After obtaining his private license and completing the Bachelor of Commercial Aviation in May 2008, he decided to pursue the Master of Commercial Aviation at DSU. This was an easy fit

with the program being **100% online**. Challenges of having to juggle school and work became a lot easier with the course work being on the computer. Law enforcement has always been an interest and now the future may be pointing in that direction. Clint informs, "I have been looking into joining the Unites State Marshall Service." Post graduation plans are still pending, but the area of avia-



tion and law enforcement are on his mind. For more information please call: 662-846-4216.

Coming Up



August 14 will start registration and classes begin on August 17 for the Fall Semester. Graduate degrees that Delta State offers are in Education (Master, Specialist, Doctorate), Business, Nursing, Biological Science,

Physical Science, Teaching, Accountancy, Social Justice & Criminology, Community Development, and Commercial Aviation. For admission to a graduate program please feel free to contact our office.

Next Newsletter:

Dr. Ann Lotven who serves as the top Academic Officer at Delta State will share her thoughts on a graduate degree from Delta State University .

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