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Welcome

Graduate Studies is proud to recognize our student workers who have recently received honors and awards. April Mondy was awarded the O. Darrington Hardy Computer Information System student award on the April 20, 2010 in the Union State Room. There she also earned the Merchants and Farmers Bank CIS award. Mondy plans to graduate with a B.A. in CIS in May 2011. Daphne White, was honored with the Fashion Design award in Dallas, TX for her designs. The Cotton design award was given to the student with the most attractive fashion design. White plans to graduate this December with a B.A. in Fashion Design. Both of these students, along with Teresa Campbell who plans to attend medical school in the future, provide daily assistance to our office. By communicating with prospective students, assisting with interest meetings, and updating applications, these young ladies contribute significantly to Graduate Studies. Congratulations to your accomplishments in the classroom!



Daphne White (left) and April Mondy (right) recently were awarded top student awards in their respected majors – both work in Graduate Studies.

Special points of interest:

- Students are Honored
- Graduates and Alumni
- Masters of Art in Teaching
- M.Ed. in Social Science
- Teach for America

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A Greenville Higher Education Center Interest Meeting held on April 27, 2010 brought two main programs to light: Doctoral degree and Secondary Education degrees in Social Sciences and English .

Commencement

On May 8, 2010 the Spring 2010 commencement exercise will take place on the campus of Delta State University. The graduate programs will see about 120 students walk with their degrees. These students will represent the College of Education, College of Arts/Sciences, College of Business and School of Nursing.



The keynote address will be delivered by Dr. Betty Neely, Vice-President of the Institutions of Higher Learning. All graduates of Delta State University are encouraged to become an active part of the DSU alumni association. This can be done by calling Liza Vaughn at 662-846-4712. At this time, there are about 20,000 alums of DSU. Please update your information as you change to a new address.



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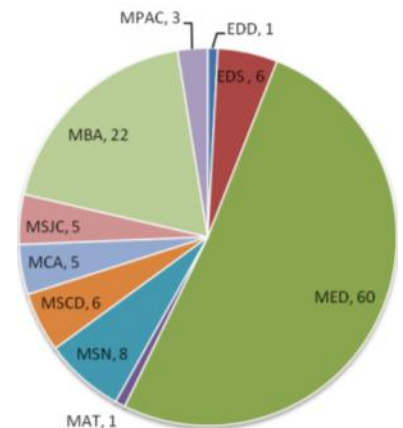
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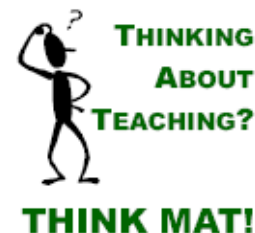


" A new cohort will start June 1st and I expect to have twice as many students this summer compared to last summer. I am excited about the program growing! " -Dr. Angela Bridges

Program Spotlight

The Masters of Arts in Teaching Program at Delta State offers an alternate route program designed for promising individuals with non-education degrees who want to become teachers. It leads to a master 's degree in teaching and a AA licensure. The Mississippi Department of Education grants MAT licensure in eighteen areas including Art, Biology, English, Music, Speech Communications, Marketing, Spanish, Technology, Chemistry and many more. The MAT offers two tracks, Secondary and Elementary, consisting of 30 and 33 hours respectively. Recruiting trips were made with Graduate studies this semester to Webb and Greenville, MS for this program. The minimum requirements for admissions into the MAT program are a bachelor 's degree from an accredited university, a portfolio, a passing score on both Praxis I and II. For more information about the MAT program and application process please contact Dr. Angela Bridges at abridges@deltastate.edu.

- Students who have completed their comprehensive exams and will be completing the MAT Program in June**
- Brantley Clark-Grenada Middle School
 - William Sanders-Yazoo City High School
 - James Johnson- Greenville-Weston
 - Shamethria Beaman-Carver Elementary
 - Gwen Milton-Gentry High School
 - Mary Phillips-New Summit Elementary
 - Beverly Sanford-Cleveland High School
 - Gloria Partee-Friars Point Elementary



Student Spotlight



Aimee Henderson
2010 Graduate Student
Master of Education
In Social Science

Aimee Henderson, a current graduate student at Delta State, has chosen to continue her education through the MED in Social Sciences program. Currently, she is teaching Spanish to high school students throughout the state from the Mississippi Interactive Video Network. After completing her graduate degree, Henderson hopes to continue teaching high school and also serve as an adjunct teacher at a community college. While maintaining a busy schedule, Henderson finds that her organizational skills help her to be a successful graduate student. Henderson recommends other students to pursue graduate school in order to gain knowledge that will be beneficial to their careers. One of the pieces of advice

that she gives to her students is that organization will help you be successful. "I have found that organizing my work into smaller tasks then completing them helps me from becoming overwhelmed," stated Henderson. One of the thoughts she had to a future graduate student was to train yourself to become an "Independent learner".

Coming Up

Teach for America corp members will be arriving at Delta State University during the month of June. Graduate Studies is in preparation to assist these corp members in their training institute. Also, we will help market our graduate programs to the over 600 members expected to be on campus. This diverse group will be coming from all areas over the United States. During the 2010 Spring semester, there were about 30 TFA corps members who took graduate courses at DSU. Graduate assistants from our

office will be in contact with these corps members during their time on campus. We look forward to assisting this group and helping them become aware of what DSU has to offer. These students are already inquiring about the Master degrees with DSU.

