

News from Graduate Studies:

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Welcome

A pair of our newest international students have made their way from France in Vertou to Cleveland, MS. August 2009 is the month that Alexandre and Guillaume Waeters had their first impression on the campus and now they are leaving many marks. Both are currently pursuing a Masters degree in the Social Justice and Criminology program. The

dream of playing tennis at the highest level and studying in an American environment was very much on their mind as they came by the Graduate Studies office to say, "Bienvenue en Master" (Welcome to Graduate Studies). Alexandre and Guillaume commented, "The campus is very different than ours in Nantes. It is larger and friendlier. Moreover, there are some facilities to practice tennis."



Jonathan Street and Teresa Campbell visit with Guillaume and Alexandre in the Graduate Studies Office.

Outreach

Rosedale, Benoit, Ruleville, Drew and Leland all received a visit from the Dean of Graduate and Continuing Studies this month. Dr. Albert Nylander travelled to West Bolivar Schools, Ray Brooks, Ruleville Central, Drew High and Leland High to inform teachers about the graduate programs at DSU. Each of these visits was welcomed by the principal at the respective schools. A total of about

100 teachers had the opportunity to hear about the Master, Specialist and Doctorate programs that are offered through DSU. Indianola Gentry and Hollandale Simmons will also be visited by the Graduate Studies office to ensure that the Mississippi Delta has access to the quality graduate programs in the classroom. This month concluded our fall recruiting fairs at other universities. Sarah DeAngelo, our Graduate Assistant, attended the final career fair at

the University of Arkansas Pine-Bluff. She says, "The students are UAPB were enthusiastic about opportunities at Delta State, particularly the online courses." There are currently six graduate programs that are online at DSU.

- Sarah DeAngelo
- Graduate Assistant
- Master of Secondary Education in English



You Ready?
Basketball
Walter Sillers Coliseum
November 23



Special points of interest:

- Brothers at DSU
- Teachers, teachers, teachers
- Biologist thinking critically
- Alternative degrees are found
- RAFT Event in the works

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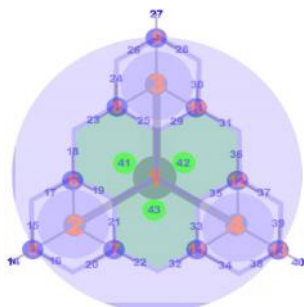
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Program Spotlight



The Master of Science in Natural Science with a concentration in Biology at Delta State is coordinated by Dr. Malcolm McEwen. A graduate student in this program must have completed classes in **botany, zoology and biology** prior to admission. Also, a prospective student must meet admission requirements listed at the link below.

A desire for gaining additional study in chemistry will be found in this degree program. Research and teaching options are built into the framework of the graduate degree commonly known as MSNS in Biological Science. After completing a total of 33 hours of coursework, a DSU graduate student in this program will need to pass a

final oral comprehension and prepare a teaching portfolio to complete the degree. Educational psychology, educational thought, and educational methods are considered core classes in this program. This is one of the two degrees offered in the MSNS program at DSU.

<http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/3891.asp>



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Student Spotlight



Gwen Milton is a student in the Master of Arts in Teaching at DSU. Currently, Gwen is at Indianola Gentry High School teaching 12th grade personal finance and entrepreneurship. She was well aware that the program would be rigorous but

the reward would be splendid. The difficulty of balancing classes and work is tough as she commented, "I stay up late at night and give up my weekends." However, she walks in the classroom each day and looks into the faces

of her students and knowing she has made the right decision. Milton is also the senior sponsor, National Honor Society sponsor, and member of the Gentry High School Courtesy Club. "You can do anything that you want," added Milton.

"A higher degree is something thatcan open the doors to many opportunities."

Gwen Milton
Master of Arts in Teaching
Indianola, MS

Important Dates **November 2-5 Early Registration**
to Remember : **November 23-29 Thanksgiving Holidays**

Coming Up

A new event for professors and students to interact in a very different way is being planned. This will be known as the RAFT event and will be a humorous time to find out if only one discipline

could survive which one would it be? This event will be free and open to the campus and community. Four professors from the respected colleges on campus will debate how their academic disciplines would best handle the hot

issues that face our country and abroad. Also, questions will be asked from the audience to the professors, who will be on stage during this event. Stay tuned for more information.



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