

# MUGS NEWS

## Marquette University Graduate School



**November, 2008**

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### **1. Upcoming Deadlines**

**If you read nothing else in *MUGS News*, please read the “Upcoming Deadlines” section each month!** *MUGS News* will keep you informed of all important Graduate School deadlines. It is our principal way of keeping you on track so you can officially complete your program. Missing certain deadlines can have serious academic or financial consequences.

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#### **Registration**

**Friday, November 14, 2008**

Final day to change from credit to audit or drop fall courses with a grade of “W”.

#### **Spring, 2008 Financial Aid Merit-Based Financial Aid Competition**

**Monday, November 17, 2008**

Deadline to apply for merit-based aid for spring, 2008. Apply at <http://www.grad.mu.edu/forms/sfa-current-students.shtml> for tuition scholarships, assistantships, and Milwaukee Area Teachers Scholarships. Catholic Schools Personnel Scholarship applicants, fill out this form: <http://www.grad.mu.edu/forms/facss.shtml>.

#### **December 2008 Graduation**

**Note: Deadline to apply for December, 2008 graduation has past!**

**Tuesday, November 18, 2008**

Last day for public defense of dissertation (announcement of public defense is required 30 days prior to defense. See [www.grad.mu.edu/forms](http://www.grad.mu.edu/forms) for details).

**Monday, November 24, 2008**

Final day to submit thesis, professional project or essay to the Graduate School or GSM with results and signatures. Results of comprehensive exams are due in the Graduate School or GSM. Registration for and the taking of the comp exams – and the turning in of the results – are all arranged between the student and his/her program department.

**Wednesday, December 3, 2008**

Final day to submit dissertation to the Graduate School with results and signatures.

**May 2009 Graduation**

**Wednesday, January 28, 2009**

Deadline to apply for May, 2009 graduation. Complete the graduate form online at <http://www.grad.mu.edu/forms/applygraduation.shtml>.

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**2. UPASS For Grad Students Survey Update and FAQs**

Recently, the Graduate School and the Graduate Student Organization conducted a survey of students to determine their interest in the Milwaukee County Transit System's UPASS. There were 635 students who responded.

The registration status of respondents was:

Full-time: 63.2%  
Less than full-time: 36.5%  
On leave of absence: .3%

The overall results of the survey were:

Favored mandatory adoption of UPASS for \$41 per term: 52%  
Against mandatory adoption of UPASS: 48%

For full-time graduate students, 63.3% favored the UPASS and 36.7% did not.

Beyond these statistics, it was obvious that there are many misunderstandings and questions about the UPASS. Based on the results of the surveys and the comments that were submitted, it is obvious that graduate students feel very strongly both for and against the UPASS. The strength of the feelings makes it virtually impossible for the Graduate School to design a policy that will satisfy everyone.

The information below is presented to correct misconceptions about the UPASS:

**Can the UPASS be optional?**

No. While we understand the advantage that such a system would have, and we would support such a system, we are bound by the policies of the Milwaukee County Transit System. MCTS requires that everyone within a defined group must be included in payment of the UPASS fee. For example, all graduate students or all full-time registered graduate students could comprise a group, all of whom would have to participate in the UPASS.

**Is it possible to raise the cost and make it optional?**

No. This has been investigated with MCTS and they will not approve it. Other groups in the Milwaukee area abide by this same policy and MCTS would not be willing to make any

exceptions.

**Could the graduate student population be combined with the undergraduates?**

No. Again this has been proposed to MCTS and is not a viable option.

**Does the Marquette University undergraduate class receive the UPASS free?**

No. All Marquette undergraduates are required to pay \$41 per term for the UPASS. It is a required fee and it is not optional.

**Do UW-Milwaukee graduate students receive the UPASS for free?**

No. The cost of the UPASS is included in their tuition as part of their student fees. It is not optional.

The Graduate School is continuing to look for ways to meet the needs of our graduate students while still satisfying the MCTS policy. We will keep you posted.

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### **3. Raynor Memorial Libraries News**

**Center for Research Libraries (CRL) Information Session Friday, November 21**

All grad students are invited to attend and learn more about the Libraries' collections Friday, November 21, 2008, 11:15 a.m., Raynor Conference Center (lower level).

**Bernard Reilly**, president of CRL, will talk about how Marquette's research and teaching projects can be advanced by CRL's global resources. Since 1963, Marquette's membership in the Center for Research Libraries has provided our faculty and graduate students with thousands of unique or rare items. The heaviest disciplinary users in the past have included theology, history, political science and international affairs, education, English, and foreign languages. This visit will help Marquette researchers take full advantage of CRL resources, all of which are available for electronic delivery or extended loan through interlibrary loan.

CRL contains over four million volumes of diverse holdings that include:

- More than 7,000 rare journals, particularly foreign language science and technology;
- Major microform sets in literature, art, theater, music, early printed books;
- Government publications, such as 100,000-plus-page archive of Cambodia's Khmer Rouge security force;
- Foreign doctoral dissertations (more than 800,000 from 100 European universities);
- Extensive newspaper runs (more than 6,000 foreign newspapers titles and 500 U.S. ethnic newspapers titles, including early African-American newspapers).

The emphasis of CRL is on materials that are produced outside the United States, and the Center has special strength in publications and archives from many developing nations. You can learn more via [CRL's site](#), [catalog](#), [topic guides](#), and description of [major collection components](#).

**Collections in Educational School Choice Available**

Are you looking for a research topic in the area of school choice? The Libraries' Department of Special Collections and Archives has recently processed five collections related to the parental choice movement in education. The collections include:

- The [Virgil C. Blum, S.J. Papers](#) document the activities of Rev. Blum (1913-1990), an MU political scientist and educational reformer who helped establish the Citizens for Educational Freedom (CEF), an interest group that lobbied for equal distribution of public funds to students in non-public schools. The records of the [Wisconsin Federation of CEF](#) (1961-1978) form a separate collection within the department.
- Additional material on the school choice movement in Wisconsin can be found in the [Tommy G. Thompson Collection](#), donated by the former Wisconsin governor, who

championed school choice during his four terms in office (1987-2001).

- The papers of economist [Peter L. Danner](#) also provide valuable information on school choice in Wisconsin, particularly from the Catholic perspective. Danner was active in Partners Advancing Values In Education (PAVE), a Milwaukee-based organization, with Catholic roots, that played a significant role in the struggle over the city's Parental Choice Program in the 1990s.
- The records of the [Virgil C. Blum, S.J. Center for Parental Freedom in Education](#). The Blum Center served as a clearinghouse of information and advice for devising and implementing choice programs from 1992 to 1999. Its records provide valuable information on parental choice efforts throughout the nation.

For questions about using these archival collections, call (414) 288-5906 or e-mail archivist [Bill Fliss](#).

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#### **4. Grad School Open House November 13**

The Graduate School's fall Open House is scheduled for Thursday, November 13. It will be held in the AMU Ballrooms from 5-7:00 p.m.

People interested in learning about our graduate programs can meet with the directors of our programs and learn about the application process. You are asked to RSVP online no later than November 11 if you would like to attend.

For more information on the event, and to RSVP, visit <http://www.grad.mu.edu/open/oh060304.shtml>.

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#### **5. Grad School to Launch New Web Site**

The Graduate School will launch its new Web site soon. It will provide a new look and more user-friendly navigation. While some of the information has been updated, the vast majority of the content will be the same as it was on the old site. The addresses will remain the same: [www.grad.mu.edu](http://www.grad.mu.edu) or [www.marquette.edu/grad](http://www.marquette.edu/grad). Stay tuned for more information.

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#### **6. Graduate Student Organization News**

November is a busy month for the Graduate Student Organization. Here are the upcoming events and announcements:

##### **Elections**

The GSO will be electing a new Chair soon. A description of the position is available at [www.grad.mu.edu/gso/GSOConstitution.shtml](http://www.grad.mu.edu/gso/GSOConstitution.shtml). You may nominate yourself or another graduate student for the position. A form is available online at [www.grad.mu.edu/gso](http://www.grad.mu.edu/gso). The application must be completed and e-mailed to [gso@marquette.edu](mailto:gso@marquette.edu) by **November 11**. All candidates' information will be posted on the Web site after November 11 and all graduate students will be able to submit a vote via e-mail.

##### **Meetings**

In an effort to accommodate varying schedules, **TWO** meetings will be held this month. Both meetings will have the same agenda which includes:

- UPASS - a final discussion;
- GA/RA/TA rights and responsibilities;
- Department representatives;

- Other topics.

The meetings are:

- **Wednesday, November 12 at 4:30 p.m. in AMU 163,** and
- **Thursday, November 13 at 12:15 p.m. in AMU 305.**

Watch the Web site and your e-mail for further updates.

### **Social**

A November social is currently being planned - watch your e-mail and the Web site for more information.

### **Department Representatives**

Each department has been contacted and asked to provide a representative to the GSO. We want to stay connected with each department and all graduate students. The position isn't time-consuming and it is an important link between the organization and each department. If you are interested, let your department know you would like to volunteer for the position before November 7.

For more information about the GSO and our upcoming events, refer to the Web site: [www.grad.mu.edu/gso](http://www.grad.mu.edu/gso). Any questions, comments, and/or ideas can be e-mailed to [gso@marquette.edu](mailto:gso@marquette.edu).

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## **7. Spotlight on Spring Course Selections: EDPL, PHIL, THEO**

### **Educational Policy and Leadership**

Graduate students who are considering a faculty career might be interested in taking **EDPL 271, Designing and Teaching Effective Courses in Higher Education** for 3 credits. The class will meet on Tuesday afternoons, 4:30-7:10 p.m.

This course covers a majority of the requirements for the Preparing Future Faculty certificate of teaching. The certificate is noted on the student's transcript and can be helpful when looking for a faculty position.

Students who have questions or who would like to see a syllabus for the last time the course was offered should contact the instructor, **Dr. David Buckholdt**, Professor and Director, Center for Teaching and Learning at (414) 288-0268 or [david.buckholdt@marquette.edu](mailto:david.buckholdt@marquette.edu).

### **Philosophy and Theology**

Two new graduate electives are being offered this spring in conjunction with the College of Nursing's Ph.D. program grant. One of the grant's goals is to promote an interdisciplinary learning experience. As such, the courses are open to students in all disciplines; however, graduate students in health sciences, philosophy and theology, in particular may find these courses of special interest:

**PHIL 301: Health Care Ethics for a Multicultural Society** - 3 credits, Tuesdays from 5-7:45 p.m., taught by **Dr. Nancy Snow**

**THEO 385: Social Justice and Health Care** - 3 credits, Mondays from 3:30-6:15 p.m., taught by **Dr. Therese Lysaught**

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## **8. Arthur J. Schmitt Foundation Directors Visit Campus**

Four of the directors of the Arthur J. Schmitt Foundation visited Marquette on October 27 to meet with university administrators and recent Arthur J. Schmitt Fellows. The Schmitt Foundation is dedicated to promoting leadership and offers fellowships to doctoral students who express an interest in teaching after they graduate. At an afternoon reception, the student award recipients shared stories of their own leadership as well as inspirational stories about the leadership of others.



The Schmitt Foundation supports leadership efforts at a number of universities in the Midwest. Since 1963, the foundation has funded 350 fellowships to 304 doctoral students at Marquette.

Additional pictures from the event will be available soon at <http://www.grad.mu.edu/finaid/schmitt.shtml>.

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## **9. Business Plan Competition Deadline Extended to November 14**

The Marquette University Kohler Center for Entrepreneurship has extended the deadline for accepting submissions for its 2009 Business Plan Competition. The deadline for submissions, which require completing an entry form and answering three questions, is now **Friday, November 14, 2008**. At least one member of a team must be a Marquette student, faculty member, staff or alumnus/a. Forms are available online at [www.mukohlercenter.org/bplan](http://www.mukohlercenter.org/bplan).

The competition provides a learning environment in which budding entrepreneurs develop their business ideas and receive feedback from faculty and experienced entrepreneurs. Following the deadline for entries, the submissions will be reviewed by a team of judges. The entrants accepted into the competition will be paired with an entrepreneurial mentor from the Golden Angels Network, a Marquette alumnus or another community entrepreneur to develop a more in-depth plan. Entrants will also participate in a series of workshops covering business model development, plan refinement and presentation skills.

The fully developed plans will be reviewed by a panel of judges who will select semi-finalists to

participate in oral presentations. The winners, who will be announced at Marquette on April 15, 2009, will receive services such as legal, accounting and public relations assistance.

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## **10. Recent Graduate Student and Alumni Accomplishments**

### **School of Dentistry**

**Daniel M. Domagala**, along with **Michael P. Waliszewski**, DDS, MS, a full-time faculty member, is co-author of a manuscript accepted for publication in the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. It will likely appear in the December issue. The title of the article is *A Laser-Welded Component Removable Partial Denture: A Clinical Report*.

### **Department of Education, Policy and Leadership**

**Rebecca Lorentz**, a doctoral candidate in Educational Policy and Leadership, is co-author on a research article that is now in press: Whipp, J. & Lorentz, R.A. (in press). *Cognitive and social help giving in online teaching: An exploratory study. Educational Technology Research and Development*.

### **Department of English**

**Eric Dunnum**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at VISAWUS, Seattle, WA; MMLA, Minneapolis, MN, and the International Congress on Medieval Studies; Kalamazoo, MI.

**Michele Felix**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars in Grenada, West Indies.

**Colleen Fenno**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the International Writing Centers Association National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing Conference in Las Vegas, NV.

**Karen Zyck Galbraith**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the Massachusetts Center for Renaissance Studies Graduate Conference in Amherst, MA.

**Jarrod Hulbird**, a doctoral student was a presenter at the ASECS meeting Richmond, VA.

**Denna Iammarino**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the Northern California Renaissance Conference University of California at Berkeley, MMLA, Minneapolis, MN.

**Thomas Massnick**, a master's student was a presenter at the Midwest ACIS conference, St. Paul MN.

**John Molloy**, a doctoral student was a presenter at the Midwest ACIS conference, St. Paul MN; and was a panel organizer and presenter at the Midwest Modern Language Association conference in Minneapolis, MN. His review of *Strong Farmer: The Memoirs of Joe Ward* was published in *New Hibernia Review* 12:3 (Autumn 2008).

**Amy Schoofs-Rahne**, a master's student, presented at the Mythopoeic Society Conference in Hartford, CT; and at the International Romanticism Conf. in Rochester, MI.

**Kelsey Squire**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the Culture of Print in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Medicine (STEM) conference, at the Center for the History of Print Culture in Modern America, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Joshua S. Steffey**, a doctoral student, was presenter at the North American Levinas Society conference at Seattle University.

**William Storm**, a doctoral student, was a presenter at the 40th ASECS meeting in Richmond,

VA; and at the 44th International Congress of Medieval Studies at Kalamazoo, MI.

**Department of History**

**Peter S. Cajka**, a doctoral student in the history department, was presented with the Society of Automotive Historians 2008 Richard Scharchburg Student Paper Award in Automotive. His paper, *Consumers, Cadillacs, and Civil Rights: The Social and Cultural Impact of the Automobile in Ebony, 1945-1965*, won the national competition for best student essay.

**Department of Political Science**

**Jason Ardanowski**, a master’s student in International Affairs, presented the paper *The Role of International Election Observers in Ukraine's 2004 Presidential Run-Offs* at the 33rd European Studies Conference, University of Nebraska-Omaha, October 2-4, 2008.

**Department of Psychology**

In August, **Brian W. Schneider**, a doctoral student in Clinical Psychology, presented the following poster at the annual American Psychological Conference in Boston, MA:  
 Schneider, B.W., Heinze, S., & Gerdes, A.C. (2008). *Child factors that predict treatment dropout in parent training interventions for families of children with ADHD.*

**Department of Theology**

The following Ph.D. students in Religious Studies were offered Travel Grants to present papers by the College of Arts & Sciences: **Wesley, Biddy, Anthony Briggman, Mark Chapman, Mark Jennings, Willian Oliverio.**

*What have you been up to lately? Please e-mail your professional and scholastic accomplishments for inclusion in a future newsletter to Dr. [John Karkheck](#), Assistant Vice Provost for Graduate Programs, or to Mr. [Thomas Marek](#), Assistant Director for Financial Aid. **Your digital photos for reprint are welcome.***

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**11. Calendar**

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**November, 2008**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 All Saints Day
2 Daylight Savings Time ends	3	4 Election Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12	13	14 Final day to withdraw or change fall registration with grade of "W"	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22

	Financial Aid application deadline for spring, 2009	Dec. Grads: Last day for public defense of dissertation				
23	24 Dec. Grads: Thesis, project, essays, comp exams results due	25	26 Thanksgiving Holiday-no classes Nov. 26-30	27 Thanksgiving-University offices closed Nov. 27-28	28 Thanksgiving-University offices closed	29
30 Advent Begins						

### December, 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Dec. Grads: Dissertations due in Grad School	4	5	6 Last day of fall classes
7	8 Final Exams- Dec. 8-13; Feast of the Immaculate Conception	9	10	11	12	13
14 Graduation; Winter Holiday-Dec. 14-Jan. 11	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve; University Offices closed Dec. 24-26	25 Christmas Day	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve			

### January, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 New Year's Day; Offices closed Jan. 1-2	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

11	12 Spring semester classes begin	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 MLK, Jr. Day- No classes; offices closed	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 May 2009 graduation applications due in Grad School	29	30	31

### February, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 May grads: outlines (thesis, prof project, dissertation) due in Grad School	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Deadline to apply for merit based aid for fall 2009	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

### March, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Spring Holiday March 8-15	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Spring classes resume	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

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**April, 2008**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Easter Holiday: Apr 9-12 (check with your instructors)	10 Good Friday, all offices closed	11
12 Easter	13	14	15 May grads: last day for public defense of dissertation. Merit-based Fin Aid application deadline for summer	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 May grads: comp exam results due; Last day to submit thesis, prof project, essay to Grad School	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

**May, 2009**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 May Grads: Last date to submit dissertation to Grad School	2 Final day of spring 09 classes
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Summer Session classes begin	12	13 Aug Grads: Outlines (thesis, prof project, dissertation) due in Grad School	14	15	16
17 May Commencement	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day, offices closed	26	27	28	29	30

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**June, 2009**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Fall 2009 deadline for Catholic Schools Personnel Scholarship applications	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Marquette University's [Calendar of Events](#) is available online.

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