

# MUGS NEWS

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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”.

### 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.

### **Spring, 2008 Financial Aid**

**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>.

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## **2. GSO News: October 8 Social, October 9 Meeting**

### **Come to the Social October 8**

The Graduate Student Organization will hold its first social event of the year at Caffrey's Pub, 717 N. 16th St. near Parking Structure One, on **Wednesday October 8th from 4:30-6:00 p.m.** ALL graduate students are welcome! Come and go when you can, bring friends, meet new ones, and enjoy free food! All graduate students who attend can enter a **drawing** for a quality Graduate School polo shirt.

### **Come to the Next GSO Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday October 9, 2009 at 12:15 p.m. Location: TBD.** If you are unable to come to the meeting but have ideas/comments/questions, please e-mail them to us: [gso@marquette.edu](mailto:gso@marquette.edu). We look forward to seeing YOU at the meeting!

### **Meeting Minutes are Online**

The GSO held its first meeting for the 2008-09 Academic Year Thursday, September 11, 2008. To see the minutes from the meeting, click on the [Meeting Minutes](#) link.

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## **3. Reading Exam Schedule**

The Graduate Reading Knowledge Exam is offered twice during the fall 2008 semester. The first exam was September 30. The next exam will be Tuesday, November 25, 2008, from 3-5 p.m. Location to be determined.

Any students interested in taking the reading exam must sign up and submit the sign-up form and Source Book in the specific language to the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

**Deadline** for Source Book(s) and Sign-Up Form for the November 25 exam is Tuesday, **November 11, 2008.**

Any questions should be directed to Katie Tarara at (414) 288-1797 or [katie.tarara@mu.edu](mailto:katie.tarara@mu.edu).

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## **4. Raynor Memorial Libraries News**

### **Information Desk Available Via Text and IM**

Do you have questions? The [Information Desk](#) has the answers! Did you know that you can **send an instant message** to the desk? Or use your cell phone to send us a **text message**? Both services are new and increasingly popular with students. Our screen name is **askraynor** for most services. Text or IM between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday; weekend hours and all the service addresses and details are available where you see the [AskUs!](#) logo.

### **Annual Tolkien Lecture**

"Beyond Romanticism: J. R. R. Tolkien's Practical Agrarian Romance." [The Annual Tolkien Lecture](#), Thursday, October 23 at 4 p.m., will feature Middlebury College professor and Tolkien

scholar **Matthew Dickerson**. All students and faculty are invited to attend. The event will be held in the Prucha Reading Room, Raynor 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

### **Fall Colloquium**

The [Libraries' Fall Colloquium](#) will be held Tuesday, October 28 at 2 p.m. in the Raynor Conference Center (lower level). Department of Psychology professor **Dr. Anees Sheikh** will talk about "Healing Images: Connecting with Inner Wisdom."

### **Be an Informed Voter!**

View the Libraries' guide to [resources for the 2008 elections](#). It features articles, party and political news sites, as well as current readings about politics.

### **New e-Resources**

An annotated list of new and enhanced [e-resources](#) is online. Among the many new acquisitions are two important databases of historical newspapers:

- [17th & 18th Century Burney Newspaper Collection](#) represents the largest and most comprehensive collection of early English news media--almost one million pages, fully searchable, and approximately 1,270 titles.
- [America's Historical Newspapers](#) allows users to search primarily 18th and 19th century newspapers from across the country. Raynor Memorial Libraries acquired Series 1 (1690-1876) and 3 (1829-1922, including the Civil War, Reconstruction, the Progressive Era, and beyond). The collection is text-searchable and allows users to view articles as PDFs.

### **Rare Books and Manuscripts from the Haggerty Collection**

The Haggerty Museum's current display of rare books and manuscripts, "[Turn the Pages Slowly](#)," includes two rare books from the Libraries: [a 1562 antiphonal](#) (medieval choir book) and manuscript pages from a 13<sup>th</sup> c. Peter Lombard work bound into a [1526 work by Aquinas](#). The treasures, primarily devotional texts from the 14<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, will be on display in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor gallery through December 7.

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## **5. Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowships Available**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2009 Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowships Program for Achieving Excellence in College and University Teaching. Full eligibility information and online applications are available on the National Academies Web site at: <http://nationalacademies.org/fellowships>.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- U.S. citizen or national;
- Planning a career in teaching and research at the college or university level in a research-based field of science, social sciences, or humanities.

### **Stipends and Allowances:**

Pre-doctoral: \$20,000 to the fellow, institutional allowance of \$2,000 for three years

Dissertation: \$21,000 for one year

Postdoctoral: \$40,000 for one year, \$1,500 employing institution allowance, to be matched by employing institution.

Awardees have expenses paid to attend one Conference of Ford Fellows.

Approximately 60 pre-doctoral, 35 dissertation, and 20 postdoctoral fellowships sponsored by the Ford Foundation and administered by the National Research Council of the National Academies.

Application Deadline Dates:

Pre-doctoral: November 14, 2008

Dissertation: November 28, 2008

Postdoctoral: November 28, 2008

For further information, contact:

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## 6. Writing Conference

This year's [First-Year Composition Graduate Student Conference](#) will be hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. In this program, the MU and UWM graduate students give poster presentations about the initiatives they take with their students in the first-year writing course. These topics will be of interest to anyone who teaches.

The conference will be held in Greene Hall, 3347 N. Downer Ave., Monday, December 1 from 4-6 p.m. This year's conference is being sponsored by Allyn & Bacon/Longman publisher.

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## 7. Aquinas and the Arabs Research Seminar Conference October 11-12

The Departments of Philosophy and Theology are pleased to announce-

### **Aquinas and the Arabs: A Research Seminar Conference on the Role of Arabic Philosophy in the Thought of Thomas Aquinas in his *Commentary on the Sentences* (1252-1256)**

Date: October 11-12, 2008

Location: Beaumier Conference Center, Raynor Memorial Library, Marquette University

Speakers, Commentators & Session Chairs:

**Adriano Oliva, O.P.**, President of the *Commissio Leonina*, Paris;

**R. E. Houser**, Center for Thomistic Studies, University of St Thomas, Houston;

**Luis Xavier**, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, & Universidad Panamericana, Mexico City;

**Jörg Tellkamp**, Universidad Antónoma Metropolitana, Mexico City;

**Kevin White**, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC;

**E. M. Macierowski**, Benedictine College, Atchison, Kansas;

**John Boyle**, University of St. Thomas, Minn.;

**Mark Johnson**, Marquette University;

**David Twetten**, Marquette University; and

**Richard C. Taylor**, Marquette University

The event is free and open to the public. Sessions are Saturday October 11, 2-7 p.m. and Sunday October 12, 12-4 p.m.

The complete program is available at

[http://web.mac.com/mistertea/Aquinas %26 the Arabs/Research Seminar Conferences 2008-9.html](http://web.mac.com/mistertea/Aquinas_%26_the_Arabs/Research_Seminar_Conferences_2008-9.html).

Off campus visitors should e-mail [Richard.Taylor@Marquette.edu](mailto:Richard.Taylor@Marquette.edu) to reserve a place or for information.

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## 8. Save the Date for Job Search Boot Camp

A Job Search Boot Camp for Graduate Students is scheduled for Saturday, November 15, 2008 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in Holthusen Hall. Stay tuned for more details on this upcoming event.

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## 9. Recent Graduate Student and Alumni Accomplishments

### Department of English

**Martin Brick**, a doctoral student, received a scholarship to attend the James Joyce Research Colloquium held at University College Dublin. About twenty graduate students and post-docs were given the opportunity to share ideas with ten established and respected James Joyce scholars.

His article, "Reading the Book of Someone's Reading: Spatial Allegories of the Reading Experience in Danielewski's *House of Leaves* and Gascoigne's *Master F.J.*" is forthcoming in the *McNeese Review* (McNeese State University, Louisiana).

He wrote an entry for Mark Danielewski's novel "House of Leaves", to be published in the "Encyclopedia of Contemporary Fiction" by Facts on File.

### Department of Theology

**Duane Loynes, Sr.**, a doctoral student in the Religious Studies program, received a 2008 FTE Doctoral Fellowship from the Fund for Theological Education in Atlanta, GA.

**Joseph Flipper**, a doctoral student in the Religious Studies program, received a 2008 FTE Doctoral Renewal Fellowship from the Fund for Theological Education in Atlanta, GA.

*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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### October, 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 December Graduation application deadline	2	3	4

5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Mid Term Break- <u>Undergrads</u> only	17 Mid Term Break- <u>Undergrads</u> only	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	

### 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 Financial Aid application deadline for spring, 2009	18 Dec. Grads: Last day for public defense of dissertation	19	20	21	22
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	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	29	30	31

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

*MUGS News* is the Graduate School's newsletter. *MUGS News* will bring you information about Graduate School policies, deadline reminders, job postings, and other meaningful news you can use. [Past issues](#) of *MUGS News* are available online.

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