

M P A NEWSLETTER
UNC-Greensboro
Department of Political Science

Fall Semester

September 2009

ALUMNI REUNION – October 23rd

All MPA students are invited to attend the 32nd MPA Alumni Reunion on **Friday, October 23rd from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.** This year the reunion will be held in the Virginia Dare Room of the Alumni House. There will be a panel of speakers at the reunion. The event is sponsored by the UNCG Alumni Association and the Department of Political Science. *Don't forget to mark the date on your calendar!*

ALUMNI CAREERS PIZZA NIGHT

Good food and conversation are guaranteed on MPA Student Alliance Alumni Careers Pizza Night on **Tuesday, November 10th** beginning at **6:00 pm** at the **Faculty Center**. Pizza will be served and alumni speakers will talk about their career choices and challenges facing them after graduate school.

COMPREHENSIVE EXAM DATES

Part I of the Comprehensive Exam will be given on **Saturday, November 14th** from 9:00-12:00 in Computer Lab, Room 202 Graham Building. Terms will be mailed out to affected students.

The first draft of Part II of the Comprehensive Paper will be due on **Wednesday, November 4th**. On **Monday, November 16th**, the final draft will be due. Oral presentations will be given on Reading Day, **Tuesday, December 8th**.

SPRING REGISTRATION

Spring Registration will be held Wednesday, October 22 through Friday, November 21. The advising and registration process remains the same. Please contact Cheryl Hylton by phone at 334-5093 or by email at cmhylton@uncg.edu to set up your advising appointment with Dr. Klase during **October 26 – November 6** when advising appointments will be scheduled 9-12 and 1:30-4:30. At that time, you will get your advising code that will allow you to register.

Greetings from the
2009-2010
MPA STUDENT ALLIANCE

President – Ben Ballou
Vice President– Gema Gonzalez
Secretary – Shana DiCamillo
Treasurer – Seth Steele
Faculty Advisor – Dr. Ken Klase

The **MPA Student Alliance** provides opportunities for students to build professional networks, learn about current career options and interact with other MPA students outside the classroom. Events sponsored throughout the fall and spring semesters include guest speakers, workshops, and panel discussions. Annual membership dues are \$15/year and sales of MPA logo merchandise support these events. New and returning students are encouraged to join! Meetings of the Alliance will be held at least once a month during the year. For the Fall 2009 semester, meetings will be held on Tuesdays in the 2nd floor Student Lounge in the Graham building from 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. If you still want to be active with the Alliance, but cannot attend the meetings, please watch your e-mail, as the Alliance will send out a summary of what happened each meeting.

The Alliance is here to help you with studying for the Comps I exam (November 14th) and the PSC 600 midterm exam (October 27th). Study session information for these exams will be forthcoming via e-mails on the MPA listserv as the semester progresses.

The Alliance encourages all MPA students to participate in our activities and attend our meetings. If you have any ideas for activities, please bring them with you to our meetings, or e-mail them to any of our officers.

The MPA Student Alliance wishes you the best of luck this semester. Please do not hesitate to let the Alliance know if we can assist you in your journey throughout the UNCG MPA Program.

RÉSUMÉS DUE BY JANUARY 19

Anyone who will be graduating in the next 3 semesters and anyone seeking an internship ...

Please mark your calendars to remember to begin preparing to submit your résumé during late January 2009 to Dr. Klase. Although we are at the beginning of the academic year, it is advisable to plan to develop your résumé content soon. All students looking for summer internships or planning to graduate in May or August 2009 must submit a final version of their résumés **by Monday, January 19** for inclusion in the résumé booklet for circulation at the NCCCA meeting as well as distribution to key alumni, internship prospects, and area personnel managers. Please use a **1-page, Times New Roman 12-point** résumé format posted on the bulletin board and also available through the MPA office by e-mailing your request for a sample résumé to cmhylton@uncg.edu in the MPA office.

GREENSBORO FOUNDATIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

MPA students or graduate students enrolled in the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Nonprofit Management who work (Full-time or Part-time) for a government or nonprofit (501(c)3) agency in Guilford County are eligible to apply to this scholarship program. Students must be enrolled for at least 3 credit hours. Preference will be given to students who are not reimbursed by their agencies. Scholarship awards are competitive and will be based on considerations of merit and need.

To apply, applicants should complete the **Greensboro Foundations Scholarship Form** and a single-page statement of purpose (include name and date) in pursuing MPA or Certificate course work. Attach a current resume and include job title, agency, and address. Submit to the graduate director, Kenneth A. Klase, Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, P.O. Box 26170, Greensboro, NC 27402-6170.

ADDRESS CHANGES??

If you have moved recently, changed your e-mail address, or even changed your name, please let Cheryl Hylton know. Her phone number is 334-5093 and e-mail is cmhylton@uncg.edu.

MPA LISTSERV

The Political Science Department has a "listserv" for MPA students and alumni. A listserv is a closed e-mail discussion group. If you haven't subscribed yet, or you need to update your current e-mail address, send an e-mail message with your name to cmhylton@uncg.edu stating that you'd like to subscribe. There are separate listservs for current students and alumni. You will get more information once you are on the list.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS

We welcome the following new MPA students who recently began the program:

Lalanea Barnes	Tom Litchard
Jennifer Bowman	Susanna McGrath
Cameron Carpenter	Jeri Miller
Rachel Dunn	Sierra Napier
Robert Eldredge	Octavian Reeves
Katie Garrett	Anna Simon
Marykarinna Hall	Kari Tetrault
Jennifer Hance	Brian Tuma
Deborah Hooper	Barbara West
Leslie Huskins	Meghan West
Jennifer Landes	

Welcome to all new Nonprofit Management Certificate students who recently began the program:

Andito Ajanaku	Denetra Rook
Heather Birch	La'Gentry Ross
Brooksie Broome	Whitney Royal
Kristin Buchner	Jonathan Russell
Shana Carignan	Sonya Shaw
Keara Connor	Dominique Tillman
Tahja Gaymon	Christina Walsh
Mary Margaret Hart	Kenneth Weldon
Meaghan McClenny	Michael Young

STUDENT ASPA MEMBERSHIPS

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) memberships are available at the discounted price of \$40 to MPA students. This includes a one-year subscription to *Public Administration Review* and *PA Times*, as well as a membership in your local ASPA chapter. Contact Dr. Klase for an application.

>> 2009 FALL CALENDAR <<

Tuesday, September 23

Internship Meeting

Friday, October 9

Instruction Ends for Fall Break

Last Day To Drop Courses Without Acad. Penalty

Wednesday, October 14

Classes resume

Thursday, October 22 to Friday, November 20

Registration for Spring Semester

Friday, October 23

Alumni Reunion

Wednesday, November 4

Comps II First Draft Due

Tuesday, November 10

Alumni Careers Pizza Night at Faculty Center

Saturday, November 14

Comps I Exam – 9 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Monday, November 16

Comps II Final Draft Due

Tuesday, November 24

Instruction Ends at 10 p.m. for Thanksgiving

Monday, November 30

Classes Resume after Thanksgiving Holiday

Monday, December 7

Last day of classes

Tuesday, December 8

Oral Defense, Comps II - Reading Day

Monday, November 26

Classes Resume after Thanksgiving holidays

**December 9-11, 14-16, Wednesday to
Wednesday**

Final Examinations

Thursday, December 17

December Commencement

>> SPRING 2010 <<
COURSE SCHEDULE
(Tentative)

- 511A*** **Problems in Public Management:
Oral Communication Skills**
Slaughter – Tuesday – On Campus
(2nd Half)
- 511F*** **Problems in Public Management:
Nonprofit Financial Management**
Billings – Wednesday - On Campus
(1st half)
- 511R*** **Problems in Public Management:
Nonprofit Budgeting**
Billings – Wednesday - On Campus
(2nd half)
- 540** **Nonprofit Management &
Leadership**
Rodriguez – Saturday – On Campus
- 550** **Philanthropy & Resource Dev.**
Rodriguez - Thursday – On
Campus
- 601** **Politics of Public Policy**
Buck – Wednesday – On Campus
- 603** **Budgeting & Fiscal Administration**
Klase – Monday – On Campus
- 603L*** **Budget Analysis Laboratory**
Klase – Monday – On Campus
- 611** **Program and Policy Evaluation**
McAvoy – Tuesday – On Campus
- 612** **Organizational Behavior**
DeHoog – Monday - On Campus
- 613** **Local Government Administration**
Pate – Thursday – On Campus

* 1 credit hour course