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GRADUATE COLLEGE JANUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

Graduate College News and Events

FAU Announces New Interim Dean of the Graduate College



Deborah L. Floyd

Interim Dean of the Graduate College and Professor

Dr. Deborah L. Floyd, Professor of Higher Education in the Department of Educational Leadership & Research Methodology in the College of Education assumed the role of Interim Dean of the Graduate College in January of 2014. During her tenure at Florida Atlantic

University, Dr. Floyd has chaired 21 doctoral dissertations to completion and served as a member or external examiner of an additional 11 dissertations. She has been very active in faculty governance having served as a member of the University Graduate Council since 2006. She has chaired the Council since 2012 to present. She also chaired the University Graduate Programs Committee and serves as the College of Education's Graduate Programs Committee chair. Dr. Floyd has been elected to two terms as a member of the University Faculty Senate Steering Committee and has served as a University Faculty Senator since 2006. In 2011, she was named the University's Distinguished Professor of the Year. She was named the College of Education's Distinguished Professor of the Year in 2005 and 2011.

Dr. Floyd is a higher education practitioner-scholar whose career spans over 35 years of service in Texas, Iowa, Virginia, Kentucky and Florida. Among her community college experiences include 17 years of service as a community college president, vice president for student affairs and dean of students. Her university experiences include 13 years as a faculty member, 2 years as a special assistant to a university chancellor and 4 years as a graduate assistant. She earned her doctoral degree from Virginia Tech in 1979 and her masters

and bachelors from Texas A&M University-Commerce in 1975 and 1973. She also completed Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management in 1999.

Her publications include over 60 articles, books, monographs and chapters on higher education leadership topics including roles and challenges of community college presidents, student affairs and student development programs, continuing and workforce education, distance learning, leadership, higher education policy, graduate education and the community college baccalaureate. In addition to serving as a university professor of higher education, Dr. Floyd is also the Editor-in-Chief of the 37 year old Community College Journal of Research and Practice which is published 12 times per year by Taylor and Francis, a Division of Routledge.

Spring 2014 RCR Workshops

The Graduate College offers a series of workshops each fall and spring semester on the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) for all currently enrolled graduate students at FAU. All graduate students are invited to participate. Completion of the RCR series is a requirement for all students participating in research funded by either the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or National Science Foundation (NSF).

All four components are mandatory in order to receive certification of completion. You may choose classes from either Tuesday Sessions or Friday Sessions to work with your schedule as long as you complete all four mandatory components. Lunch will be provided at 11:45 at no cost. All classes to be held in the Student Services Building, Room 132. Workshop starts promptly at noon and ends at 1:50 p.m.

Tuesday Sessions:

- February 4 - Conflict of Interest
- February 11 - Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals
- February 25 - Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities
- March 11 - Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research

Friday Sessions:

- February 7 - Conflict of Interest
- February 21 - Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals
- February 28 - Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities
- March 14 - Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research

Go here for more information: <http://fau.edu/graduate/currentstudents/rcr/workshopsatfau.php>

The Professional Development Workshop Series

The Graduate College in conjunction with Counseling and Psychological Services presents:

“Finding Balance in Graduate School, Work and Life”

Topics for this workshop include:

- Learn to Focus Time and Energy
- Communicate and Set Healthy Boundaries
- Set Realistic Goals
- Learn How Other People Create Balance

Monday January 27, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. in CU 127, Boca Raton Campus

Thursday, January 30, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in CU 127, Boca Raton Campus

[Click here](#) to register for this workshop.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming workshops:

“Stress Management”

Monday, February 24, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Room TBA

Thursday, February 27, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Room TBA

“Healthy Communication”

Monday, March 17th, 5:00 – 6:00 pm. Room TBA

Thursday, March 20th, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Room TBA

Thesis and Dissertation Information

The [Thesis & Dissertation Guidelines](#): This document contains pertinent information to assist in a successful submission of your Thesis or Dissertation, including submission procedures and formatting requirements.

Thesis & Dissertation Formatting Workshops

Getting ready to finalize your manuscript? Whether compiling your chapters or preparing for final committee review, these workshops offer valuable training in Microsoft Word features that are essential to creating a professionally formatted manuscript. Workshop topics include (but are not limited to): pagination, working with section breaks, margins, heading styles, lists of tables/figures, and creating the table of contents.

For more information and to register for spring 2014, [click here](#).

Thesis & Dissertation Format Reviews

The Graduate College provides up to two courtesy format reviews. Submitting early for a formatting check can greatly reduce the amount of corrections required for your final manuscript. Email the manuscript as a Word document or PDF to Graduatewriting@fau.edu.

Important Dates

Saturday, January 11 - May 3

[SITA Spring Program Schedule](#)

Monday, January 20

M.L. King Jr. Holiday (offices closed, no classes!)

Friday, January 24

[Last day to submit Application for Degree](#)

Monday, February 3

[Last day to do a complete withdrawal and receive a 25% tuition adjustment](#)

Friday, February 28

[Last day to drop a course or withdraw without receiving an "F" in each course](#)

March 3-9

Spring Break, no classes! (offices remain open)

Monday, March 31

[Last Day to Submit Doctoral Dissertation](#)

Monday, April 7

[Last Day to Submit Master's Thesis](#)

Friday, April 18

[Last day to submit final manuscript package to the Graduate College](#)

Friday, April 18

[Last day to upload electronic thesis or dissertation to the FAU library](#)

Graduate College Facebook Page

"Like" the [FAU Graduate College on Facebook](#) for frequent updates, reminders, scholarship information, job opportunities, upcoming events, and happenings on campus.

Graduate And Professional Student Association (GPSA) News And Events

Grant Writing Workshop

The GPSA is having a grant-writing workshop on January 23 & 24 for graduate and professional students. This workshop will be divided into four sessions over two days. The first session is a general information session, and the following sessions will be area specific. [Click here](#) to register for the workshop. Please contact gpsaboca@fau.edu with any questions.

GPSA Cooking Demonstration/Tasting

Aprons Cooking School at Publix will host a cooking demonstration (and tasting) February 6 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. There is a limit on the number of students who can attend, so please RSVP. For more information and to RSVP, please email the GPSA at GPSABoca@fau.edu.

Upcoming FAU Events

January 16-18, 21-25, 28-31 and February 1, 4-8, 11-15, 18-22, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
southXeast: Contemporary Southeastern Art – Schmidt Center Gallery Public Space, Boca Raton campus

January 16-18, 23-25, 28-31 and February 1, 4-8, 11-15, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race – Schmidt Center Gallery, Boca Raton campus

January 16, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Rainbow Café: Open Mic Night Student Activities Center Majestic Palm Room, Boca Raton Campus

January 16, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Off the Page Literary Series Presents Timothy Donnelly – Schmidt Center Gallery, Boca Raton campus

January 16, 21-23, 28-30 and February 4-6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 (various times)
Gentle Yoga for Everyone, College of Nursing 115 – Nursing Yoga Studio, Boca Raton Campus

January 16, 22, 23, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Noontime Artist Talks – Visual Arts Building, room 105, Boca Raton Campus

January 16, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Off the Page Literary Series Presents, Timothy Donnelly – Schmidt Center Gallery, Boca Raton Campus

January 20-24, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Revival Open Air Mission- Free Speech – Outdoor Locations Free Speech Lawn, Boca Raton Campus

January 23, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Off the Page Literary Series Presents Brian Turner – Student Union, Boca Raton Campus

January 24, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: “Obesity and the Melanocortin Pathway: Treatment by Drugs or Exercise?” – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

January 27, 29 and February 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.
Yoga- Davie – Student Union 105, Heritage Hall, Davie Campus

February 7, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: “Health Effects of Light Pollution”, Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

February 19, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Employer Mock Interviews – Liberal Arts 201 – Conference Room, Davie Campus

February 20 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Off the Page Literary Series Presents William Boggess – Student Union, Boca Raton Campus

February 20, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Rainbow Café: Open Mic Night – Live Oak Pavilion Live Oak – Room C, Boca Raton Campus

February 21, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: “Anti-infective Drugs from Nature” – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

February 28, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Frontiers in Science Public Lecture Series: “Probing Visual Perception Outside of Conscious Awareness” – Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine 126 - Class Laboratory, Boca Raton Campus

For more information and a complete listing of upcoming FAU events, visit:

<http://events.fau.edu/mastercalendar/mastercalendar.aspx>