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A Note From the Director

Greetings, I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome all participants to the 2005-2006 Grant Year. Thissö on the campus of Wichita State University and we consider it to have been quite successful. Over the past ten years we have served nearly

140 students

completed 105 baccalaureate degrees, achieved 25 graduate degrees and obtained six doctoral level degrees. We are very proud of our McNair Alums and look forward to making new memories and exceeding all of our expectations with the incoming McNair Scholars.

McNair Welcomes the 2005 - 2006 Participants

The McNair Scholars Program is off to a new year with the 2005-2006 participants. The students will be familiarized with the graduate school process and conducting scholarly research. * indicates returning students

- * Sadie Bell
- * Norma Campos Phillip Donaldson Meladee Garst Sierra Jackson
- * Stephanie Kirsch Cecile McAlpine
- Janet Milow
- * Teketa Paschal
- * Peter Phan

- * Christina Bower
- * VyTara Cross Shelagh Franklin Emily Heersche Nereida Lopez
- * Crishel Kline Jan Mead-Moehring Kayla Nash
- * Seth Perkins Sarah Rogers



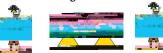






National Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15 - Oct. 15

National Native American History Month - November









The Road to Academic Success

Vocabulary Builder Building on Root Words

As students began preparing to take the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), they must become familiarized with vocabulary words root/prefixes, antonyms and synonyms. Below are some examples of prefixes with their meanings and an example:

Root/Prefix	Meaning	Example	
a, ab	not, without	apathy, anemia	
ab	away from	absent, abstain, aberrant	
dud, dus, daus	to close	include, reclusive, claustrophobia	
dyn, dyna	power	dynamic, dynamite, dynasty	
mis	bad, badly	misinform, misinterpret, misnomer, mistake	
mit, miss	to send	transmit, permit, missile, missionary, remit, admit	
phon	sound	telephone, phonics, homophone, microphone	
retro	backwards	retrorocket, retrospect, retrogression, retroactive	
sect	cut	intersect, transect, dissect, section	
vert, vers	to turn	convert, revert, versatile, vertigo	

To get a full list of root/prefexes, visit http://www.virtualsalt.com or http://webster.commnet.edu.

Source: http://www.virtualsalt.com/roots.html

Events to Come

- 2 Student Group Meeting
 2 3 p.m., Room 206, HC
 Jan Mead, Career Services
 "Vitae Writing"
 Research Assembly Meeting
 3 4 p.m., Room 206, HC
 Emily Christinat, Writing Tutor
 "Writing the Proposal"
- 6 Labor Day No Classes
- 10 Faculty-led Seminar 10 - Noon, Room 106, DV "TimeManagement"
- 16 Research Proposals Due
- 23-25 Heartland Research Conference
- 30 Proposal Acceptance
- 7 Student Group Meeting
 2 3 p.m., Room 206, HC
 Sue Webb, Graduate Assistant
 "Personal Statement Writing"
 Research Assembly Meeting
 3 4 p.m., Room 206, HC
 Emily Christinat, Writing Tutor
 "The Literature Review"
- 16-18 Fall Break No Classes
- 22 Faculty-led Seminar
 10 Noon, Room 106, DV
 Dr. Anna Chandler, Ethnic
 Studies
 "Lifestyles of People with
 Doctorates"
- 26 Research Mentor Orientation
- 11 Student Group Meeting
 2 3 p.m., Room 206, HC
 Shukura Bakari-Cozart, McNair
 "Transitioning Into Graduate
 School"
 Research Assembly Meeting
 3 4 p.m., Room 206 DV
 Emily Christinat, Writing Tutor
 "The Literature Review cont."
- 19 Faculty-led Seminar
 9:00 a.m. Noon, Room 106, DV
 Deb Byers, Director, Fin. Aid
 Dr. David Wright, Sociology
 "Howto Finance Graduate
 School" and "Graduate School
 Application/Adie

The Interdisciplinary Program: A Creative Option for Pursuing your Research Passions

As students consider options on what type of doctoral studies they want to pursue, many find themselves struggling between two or three areas of concentration or disciplines. Many graduate programs are now offering Interdisciplinary Programs as an option for getting the doctorate. The Interdisciplinary PhD provides the students opportunities for creative academic programming and research that cross the boundaries of traditional disciplines. Instead of being supported by an individual department, school or college, each student's program is administered by a faculty committee, which represent the chosen disciplines. For example, the MD/PhD and the JD/PhD are examples of popular dual degrees. However, more universities are realizing that there are "complimentary" disciplines in which students can combine to achieve unique research experiences. The following is a small list of universities that offer Interdisciplinary Programs (source: Marquette University, College of Communication 2004. http://www.mu.wdu/comm/grad/interdisciplinary.html)

The City University of New York, CUNY, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
Specializations include: criminology and deviance, forensic psychology, law
and philosophy, public policy and organizational behavior (can be tailored
made)
www.jjay.cuny.edu

University of Missouri, Kansas City (UMKC), School of Graduate Studies Interdisciplineary PhD Programs Too many possibilities to list! www.umkc.edu/sgs

Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, PhD in Government and Social Policy and PhD in Sociology and Social Policy

These programs are designed for students whose research interests embrace questions of economic inequality, neighborhoods a oina eoina g quality, or histeriO al a ° oê aa vb stuQ ies of sa i olicy, tiO uÚ Qigne U www.ksQ u'Q hor 5d ° d eDu/ined industrial cnuýy triPhiD eDu/ined industrial cnuýy triPhiD