

CRATIS D. WILLIAMS GRADUATE SCHOOL

ANNUAL REPORT 2008-2009

Dear Colleagues,

This annual report summarizes activities related to graduate studies, including recruiting, admissions, enrollment, and program development. We hope you find this report both useful and informative. Details can be found in the full annual report on our website: <http://www.graduate.appstate.edu>.

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GRADUATE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Major Revisions in Curricula

- EdS in Educational Administration
- MA in College Student Development
- MA in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- MA and EdS in Higher Education
- MS in Technology

Major Revisions in Policy

- Thesis Credit Registration and Grading
- Independent Study Eligibility
- Graduate Faculty Membership

PSM Development

- Engineering Physics graduated its first students;
- Science faculty met to discuss possible PSM programs;
- The advisory committee for the PSM in nanoscience met to discuss curricula.

Review of New and Low Enrollment Programs

- Mathematics Education – continue with increased attention to recruiting;
- Music Education – continue since courses are shared with other music majors;
- Psychology, General Experimental – continue since courses are shared with other psychology majors;
- Public History – continue since courses are shared with other history majors;
- Technology Education – continue since courses are shared with other technology majors;
- Family and Consumer Sciences (Nutrition concentration) – continue;
- Family and Consumer Sciences (Child and Family Studies) & Child Development: Birth through Kindergarten – merge;
- Family and Consumer Sciences Education – demonstrate need;
- Romance Languages, French & Romance Languages, Spanish – discontinue;
- Romance Languages, French (Teaching) & Romance Languages, Spanish (Teaching) – merge;
- Criminal Justice and Criminology – new program found to be proceeding as planned;
- Social Work – new program asked to report to Graduate Council on use of part-time faculty;
- Music Therapy – new program was advised to increase its recruiting.

GRADUATE STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS

Floyd & Judith Domer Research Award	Ashley S. Williams (Biology)
Joyce Lawrence Professional Development Award	Meredith Doster (Appalachian Studies)
Ronald & Kathie Zigli Research Award	Kendra Maxwell (Biology)
Outstanding GTA Award	Anna Petroff (Psychology)
Alpha Epsilon Lambda Honor Society Inductees	Hildreth Davis (LES) Bobby Fish (Music) Ashley S. Williams (Biology)
Outstanding Thesis: Arts & Humanities	Christina Romanelli (English)
Outstanding Thesis: Science & Technology	Lauren Hunter (Geography)
Outstanding Thesis: Social Sciences, Business & Education	Marissa Swaim (Psychology)

Applications for 2008-09

Type	Submitted	Complete	Admitted	Enrolled	Provis'l Enrolled	%Admit	%Yield	%Provis'l
Degree	2851	1679	1228	898	50	73%	73%	6%
Licensure	130	110	107	94	0	97%	88%	0%
Certificate	161	106	99	79	1	93%	80%	1%
Non degree	364	262	259	171	0	99%	66%	0%
TOTAL	3506	2157	1693	1242	51	78%	73%	4%

ADMISSIONS AND RECRUITING

Recruiting

- Sandra Krause was hired to direct admissions and recruiting;
- Appalachian representatives attended 13 graduate recruiting fairs in North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina, meeting 240 prospects, 25 of whom applied;
- Contacts were made with the State Department and other vendors who place international graduate students;
- A Muskie Fellow from Azerbaijan and a Fulbright Fellow from Pakistan were admitted;
- Appalachian Graduate and Professional School Fair was held on campus in October.

Admissions

- Summer and Fall applications increased: submitted by 82%, complete by 19%, and enrolled by 9%;
- Spring applications were down 20%;
- The admissions process was changed to implement the UNC-mandated safety screening;
- The application process was customized for summer workshop and licensure-only applicants.

ENROLLED STUDENT SERVICES

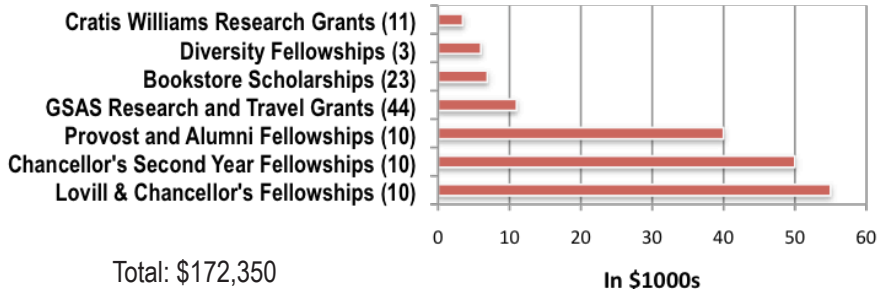
Enrollment and Graduation Data

- Fall enrollment increased to 2073 (8% over 2007);
- Degree-seeking enrollment increased by 5%, and licensure enrollment increased by 83%;
- Spring enrollment increased to 1952 (8% over 2008);
- Minority, international, ACM, and out-of-state enrollment all increased;

	Fall 07	Fall 08	08-09 % enrolled
minority	125	147	7.3%
international	19	28	1.4%
male	595	621	30.9%
non NC	148	162	8.1%
ACM	22	25	1.2%

- 838 applied for graduation and 698 graduated;
- Over 440 students participated in commencement ceremonies held on December 21 and May 9;
- 44 graduate certificates were awarded.

Scholarships, Fellowships and Grants for Graduate Students



Student Service Activities

- 103 GAs were funded totaling \$103,680.00 in Summer 2008;
- 577 GAs were funded totaling \$3,069,091 in AY 2008-09;
- 58 AY and 34 semester North Carolina Tuition Scholarships were awarded totalling \$738,218;
- The GRAM assistantship program was created;
- 75 student theses and dissertations were reviewed;
- 218 graduate faculty memberships were awarded;
- Assistantship training materials were created in ASULearn;
- Thesis and dissertation manuals were updated;
- The procedure for adding a second major or a certificate for enrolled students was streamlined.

Student Groups

- GSAS held 16 meetings, and discussed health insurance; printing concentrations on diplomas; general education; use of library space; budget; procedures for allocating the GSAS grant funds;
- GSAS performed 3 community service projects at Hospitality House;
- SOGS held 7 social events, including a visit to Grandfather Mountain and hikes and picnics on the Parkway.

Assistantship Funding

\$1,796,102 funded by the Graduate School
\$241,843 funded through grants
\$745,140 funded by Colleges and Schools
\$390,686 from other sources

NC Tuition Scholarships: \$738,218
TOTAL: \$3.9Million

Enrollment

TERM	OFF CAMPUS			ON CAMPUS			GRAND TOTAL
	Full	Part	Total	Full	Part	Total	
Fall Degree/Certificate/Licensure	26	967	993	755	259	1014	2007
Fall Non-degree	1	1	2	3	61	64	66
FALL TOTAL	27	968	995	758	320	1078	2073
Spring Degree/Certificate/Licensure	18	904	922	696	257	953	1875
Spring Non-degree				1	76	77	77
Spring TOTAL	18	904	922	697	333	1030	1952